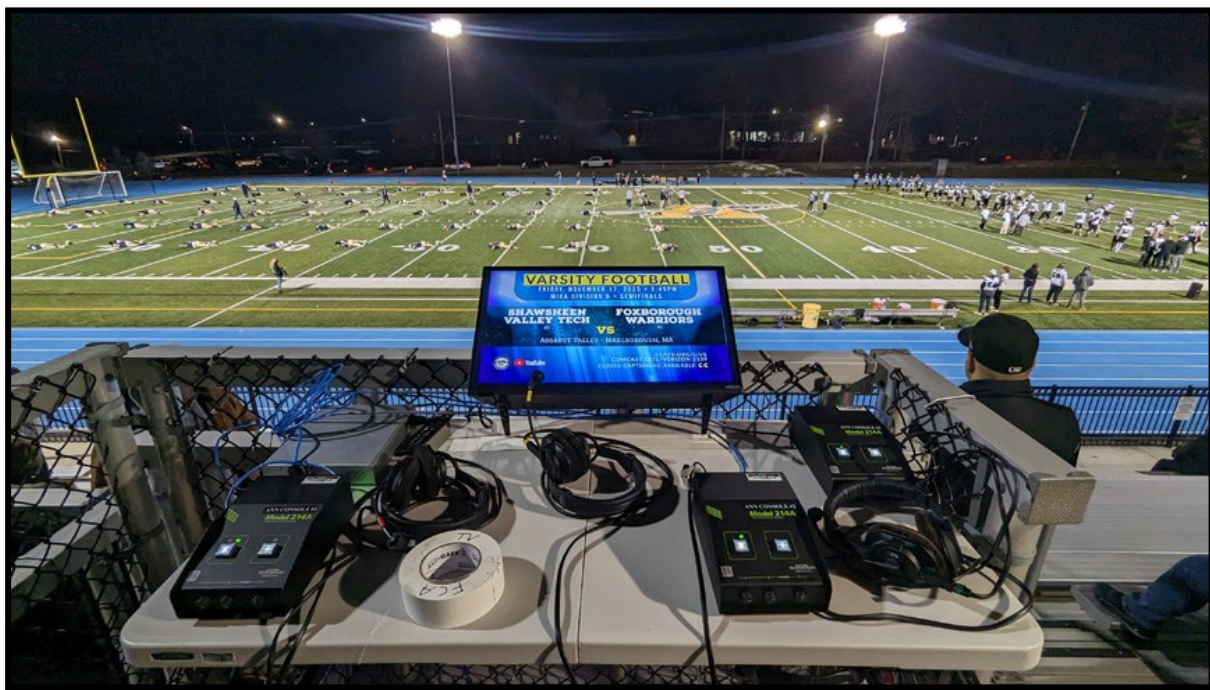


Foxboro Cable Access, Inc.



2023 ANNUAL REPORT

*Celebrating Over 40 Years
of Service to the Foxborough Community*

THE COMMUNITY AT YOUR FINGERTIPS



It has been another banner year for all the volunteers at Foxboro Cable Access. So many local sporting, scholastic, musical and arts-entertainment events have been covered for the community this past year from multi-speaker Zoom meetings to high school championships!

2023 makes the 2nd year of our triple 40th Anniversary ... the arrival of our original equipment package and the debut of first training class. It was a hot summer evening, and a handful of enthusiastic community residents met in the Meeting Room of Town Hall. The back door open for ventilation, and trainees unpacked two Sony 1820 cameras and VTR's (each weighing a ton!). They learned to hook everything together, adjust focus and range, set up the tripod, and push that magic button to record.

Foxborough is such a great place in which to live and work. FCA and its many dedicated volunteers greatly magnify that experience.

Paul "Cecil B. de" Beck
FCA President & Chairman of the Board

Foxboro Cable Access, Inc. (FCA) is a non-profit organization established in 1982 as part of the License Agreement between the Town of Foxborough and Cablevision Industries, the franchise operator at the time. The License Agreement gave FCA the authority to establish rules for the use of the facilities, equipment, and channels provided by the cable franchise companies, now Comcast Corporation and Verizon. All cable subscribers in Foxboro are included as voting members of the Foxboro Cable Access corporation.

The corporation is managed by a nine member volunteer Board of Directors. Seven members are elected by the membership, while two are appointed by the Select Board.

The FCA Board of Directors operates under the FCA Corporate By-laws, revised in January 2018. A copy of the by-laws is kept on file at the FCA Office at 28 Central Street in Foxborough. The Board elects officers and the President appoints volunteer operating positions from time to time as required to help manage the operation. The equipment and facilities provided for public access television are used by numerous trained individuals from the Foxborough community. Acting independently as volunteers, they produce programs of their choice which are cablecast to the community on the local public access channels, 8, 6, 22 & 1072 HD for Comcast subscribers, and on channels 39, 37, 38 & 2139 HD for Verizon.

2023 FCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

	Term Expires
PAUL BECK	2024
MATT SHEA	2024
DAN WILLIAMS	2024
KEVIN PENDERS	2024
RUTH MACKIE	2023
ANN-MARIE ENGLISH	2023
RICK PLASMATI	2023
MARGARET CHAISSON *	2022
LYNDA WALSH *	2022

*Appointed by Selectmen

CORPORATE OFFICERS

<i>Chairman</i>	Paul Beck
<i>Vice President</i>	Lynda Walsh
<i>Treasurer</i>	Matt Shea
<i>Clerk</i>	Margaret Chaisson

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<i>President</i>	Paul Beck
<i>Vice President</i>	Lynda Walsh
<i>Technical Advisor</i>	Paul Beck
<i>Senior Archivist</i>	Deb Wendell

STAFF:

<i>Executive Director</i>	Michael Webber
<i>Administrative Assistant</i>	Margaret Nash
<i>Master Control Technician</i>	Lauren Bitar
<i>Engineers-in-Charge</i>	Mike Everson Scott Daniels
<i>Receptionist</i>	Janet Gavin
<i>Gov't Mtg. Crew</i>	Paul Beck Jennifer Krentzman
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OUR MISSION

FCA MISSION STATEMENT

To empower Foxborough citizens,
government and educational institutions to communicate through media
To manage an electronic forum for the free exchange
of ideas and information, and
To promote its use by providing access to media-making tools and educations.

*FCA Board of Directors
September 8, 2016*

To this end, Foxboro Cable Access has established and maintains satellite cablecast facilities in thirteen community locations in addition to the main studio and mobile production unit.



Main Studio & Control Room

Equipped with multi-camera capability, several audio sources, graphics, Special Effects Generator, lighting grid and gobos, and options for remote Zoom guest via live fiber transmission or recording of talk shows, demonstrations or other events.

Mobile Studio

Brand new 2022 Ford F450 chassis and engine with customized features, previously upgraded “box” with HD rack-mounted equipment and add'l hard wired cameras, video replay, SEG, graphics, audio sources, generator, and options for live fiber transmission or recording of sporting or other community events.

Communication Arts Classroom Suite at FHS Media Center

Located on the 2nd floor of the FHS Media Center in two adjacent, interconnected rooms, this facility is equipped with 4 cameras, green screen, SEG, graphics, audio console & microphones, computers for editing and options for live fiber transmission.

St. Mary's Church, Bethany Church, and Union Church

Each facility is equipped with multi-camera console with audio options and recording capability for worship services. Post Production editing is done by Video Ministry volunteers at FCA's Central Street Studio.

Ahern Broadcasting Center

First established in 2010 and upgraded to HD in 2018, it is equipped with camera, audio and graphic equipment with studio desk for broadcasting “The Daily 2” a student-run daily news to each classroom. This well-attended co-curricular afterschool activity is supervised by a faculty advisor.

Government Meeting Room at Town Hall

Equipped with 5 robotic cameras, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for remote participation and/or live fiber transmission, and digital recording of meetings of the Select Board, School Committee, Planning Board and others.



TV Center at FHS Gym

Equipped with 4-5 camera capability, video replay, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for live fiber transmission or recording of sporting events, graduation, class night or other events.



Marilyn Rodman PAC

After years of making do with temporary production control equipment at the Orpheum Theater, in 2018 we finally set up a VERY compact, permanent recording console using a corner of the projection booth and a few seats in the back row. The versatile multi-camera arrangement makes it much easier to capture the variety of theatrical performances or large musical events that are held there.



TV Center at FHS Auditorium

Equipped with 11 - 13 camera capability, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for live fiber transmission or recording of school concerts, meetings or other events.

Cablecast Console at Boyden Library Community Meeting Room

Equipped with 4 robotic camera capability, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for live fiber transmission or recording of meetings, programs or presentations by Foxborough Historical Society.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ...

Dear Community Members,

I am pleased to present the FCA Annual Report for our PEG (Public, Educational, and Government) access TV station. This past year has been an exciting and productive one for our station, and I am proud of all that we have accomplished together.

The year began with the signing of a 5-year license agreement with Verizon securing vital financial support for FCA, but also paving the way for the launch of our second HD (High Definition) channel, **Verizon HD Ch 2139. Comcast HD Ch 1072** was activated in 2023.

The Foxborough Warrior sports teams had an impressive year in 2023, keeping FCA volunteers busy covering all the action. TWO teams achieved the title of State Champions this year. FCA volunteers were there every step of the way, capturing the teams' triumphant journey on camera. Their dedication and persistence, even when working out of cobbled-together road kits, were remarkable, ensuring that these unforgettable moments were preserved for the entire community to share.

March saw history in the making as the Foxboro Varsity Girls Basketball team clinched the state championship at the Tsongas Center in Lowell. This was our first time covering sports at this venue, but prior experience at the Boston Garden, Fenway Park, Gillette Stadium, and many other college venues provided the experience to handle almost any situation. The production was a success, and the coverage is now a valued asset of the Warrior archives!

In November, the Varsity Football team had its own run in the post-season and won the MIAA Division 5 Super Bowl game at Gillette Stadium.

Many other teams had great seasons, and thanks to our ongoing partnerships with the various sports booster clubs, we were able to provide coverage of Boys' Soccer, Girls' Soccer, Field Hockey, Football, Boys' Lacrosse, Girls' Lacrosse, and Volleyball.

May marked another milestone as Verizon installed HD encoders and officially activated our HD channel. This long-awaited dream became a reality, opening up a new era of high-quality programming for Foxborough. Now viewers can enjoy local events, educational content, and original shows with stunning clarity, further enriching the viewing experience.



“Just got done watching your coverage of the Foxboro/Norwood basketball game. I felt compelled to drop you a note saying how very impressed I was with both the coverage itself as well as the work of your play-by-play and color commentators!

I do a lot of work with Norwood Community Media (calling games and working with tech crew) and have to say your coverage was simply first rate ... Extremely well done !!!

Loved the work of the cameras behind both baskets as well as your replay work. Fair and balanced game call of the game was also simply first class. Well done. Well done indeed! Thanks very much!

**- Mark Hoover
Foxborough Parent**

Also in May, our President, Paul Beck, was recognized with the prestigious **Marilyn Rodman Legacy Award**, a fitting testament to his decades of dedication to FCA, the wider Foxborough community and beyond.

Building on the pilot launched in 2022, we expanded our closed-captioning services to make programs more accessible to everyone in the community. The advancements in technology, including AI technology, are quickly improving the quality and reliability of the automated captioning, a service that was previously beyond our financial means.

Taking this effort one step further, government meetings are manually indexed with clickable timestamps on our YouTube channel, improving accessibility and viewer engagement. This is a time consuming process considering we cover

approximately 75 official meetings each year, and requires someone with a strong attention to detail. FCA volunteer Deb Wendell does a great job every week. It's a great resource for anyone searching a specific topic, and adds to the value of the meeting archives.



We remain vigilant in monitoring legislative activities and raising awareness about the positive impact of PEG Access on communities nationwide, and in our own local community.

During 2023, we followed a number of proposed bills at the state and federal levels. Some offered positive impacts, such as Massachusetts H.74/S.34, "**An Act to Modernize Funding for Community Media Programming**," which looks to "modernize" PEG funding to include support not only from cable companies but also streaming providers.

In Washington, HR 3557 "**American Broadband Deployment Act of 2023**" is a bill that still remains under active consideration. The legislation contains language that would harm local control of public rights of way and have serious negative impacts on the local Cable TV franchising process, hurting or even possibly eliminating community television support in the process.

On a positive note, the "**Protecting Community Television Act**" (HR 907/S 340) was introduced in Congress by Senators Ed Markey (MA) and Tammy Baldwin (WI). This bill aims to fix an issue caused by a 2019 FCC Franchise Fee Order. The FCC created a situation where PEG funding could be reduced significantly, and this bill is looking to address the issue and protect PEG.



ABOVE: The Ice Cream Truck says it all "FCA Volunteers Are Great!" and they all enjoyed the treats at this year's cookout. .

As cord-cutting continues, technology advances and consumers partially shift away from traditional cable TV subscriptions, the funding model for PEG is under stress. Foxboro Cable Access remains vibrant and well-supported within the community, but our short and long-term funding is an area of concern. The organization remains hopeful that state legislation, such as MA H.74/S.34, will create new modern sources of revenue, and we're also discussing alternative sources of revenue as well. We thank the community and our local officials for their continued support and advocacy.

I especially want to thank the FCA Board of Directors for the support they offer all year long, and I'm thankful for a wonderful staff that supports our mission every day.

The FCA Annual Report offers a snapshot in time, an opportunity to document achievements and share our vision for growth in the coming year. We strive to provide professional level media making tools and programming for the Town of Foxborough. Our goal as an organization is to provide an atmosphere that brings folks together to work as a team towards a common goal: the development and creation of high quality programs of interest to the community.

It has been a busy year! Thanks to the leadership of the Board of Directors, we entered 2024 with a fresh focus on our mission and a strong sense of community. We are grateful for the support of our town and its residents. FCA has a long history of serving the Foxborough community, providing a platform for diverse and independent voices as well as engagement. From the early days of analog broadcasting to its current state-of-the-art High Definition digital platform, FCA has continually adapted to meet community needs, and plans to continue that standard well into the future.

Michael Webber
FCA Executive Director

PRODUCTION

PRODUCTION & FACILITIES

FCA volunteers were busy in 2023, producing an average of 10 programs per week, totaling 521 locally-produced shows! This is a remarkable number when you consider the amount of time it takes to plan, execute, and publish one program. Each expressing thoughts, ideas, events, and spotlighting different aspects of our community.

Here are just a few of the milestones and production achievements from this past year.

“My Immigration Story”

Foxborough High School student and longtime FCA volunteer, Adam Taj launched a new show "My Immigration Story" in August. The 30-minute studio interview program features stories of local immigrants. This is Adam's first endeavor into producing, although he has years of experience working on other programs such as *“What's Up”*, *“Around Foxborough”*, and High School music concerts.

Adam was featured in the **The Foxboro Reporter** where he shared, “I loved hearing the immigration stories because it gave me that feeling when I used to hear my parents’ stories, and it was just amazing. It was super inspirational and powerful...”

The crew consists of community members including Juri Love who has been mentoring Adam and helping with the show. Sujata Ramteke is the program host and brings a relaxed but engaging energy to the program, creating a comfortable atmosphere for guests to share their personal stories. Nine episodes were produced in 2023 with many more planned for 2024.

“The Ordinary Extraordinary”

Over the summer Foxborough resident and FCA volunteer Jennifer Krentzman developed a new studio show concept with a thought provoking title. The goal of the program is to interview Foxborough residents on their extraordinary stories, skills, and talents.

FCA embraces the philosophy of its slogan **Local Programming, For and About People YOU Know!** It highlights the fact that our programs are focused on our local community, unlike regional and nation commercial networks. *“The Ordinary Extraordinary”* is just that, a show that shines a light on the incredible people that makeup the Foxborough community. By December, Jen successfully produced episode one and has several more already lined up for early 2024.

When I look back on 2023, I'm impressed by the variety of programs, fresh ideas, and new youth getting involved with media making.

With these ingredients, FCA's future is bright.

Michael Webber
FCA Executive Director

SMALL CREW, BIG IMPACT

We often don't highlight or talk about some of the smaller productions and events covered at the Boyden Library and Marilyn Rodman Performing Arts Center (MRPAC). Both locations have multi-camera robotic cameras and control consoles that permit a single operator to execute professional level production for air on the local channels.

Although the entire production can be handled by a single volunteer, it does require a high level of video production experience, quick creative thinking, and the ability to maintain your wits.

We're lucky to have several volunteers willing and able to step into these solo missions. Over the years folks like Paul Godin, Lauren Bitar, and Paul Beck have honed their skills in this area, producing hundreds of programs. This year Vin Riccio step forward and has become our primary volunteer for event coverage at the Boyden Library Community Room, producing programs like "Boyden Sunday Concerts Series" and other special events.



PRODUCTION

OTHER NOTEWORTHY PRODUCTIONS:

- *“My Immigration Story”*
- *“Around Foxboro”*
- *“Artistic Flair”*
- *“Art with Allison”*
- Boyden Library Concert & Speaker Series
- Senior Center / Recreation Dept. Events
- FHS Football, Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Wrestling, Swim, Cheerleading
- *“FHS Class Night”*
- *“FHS Graduation”*
- *“FHS Scholarship Night”*
- FPS Music — Concerts for Band, Orchestra & Chorus
- *“Hale School Concert”*
- *“Eccumenical Christmas Concert”*
- Warrior Hall of Fame
- FPS Mascot Public Forum
- *“Fox Tales”*
- *“Legalese”*
- *“Mental Matters”*
- Youth Stage Productions at the MRPAC
- LRC Drama High School Musical



***“What’s Up?”* HITS 100 EPISODES**

Juri Love is a talented writer, reporter, musician, actress, fashion model and independent film producer. She is an inspiration to many! Over the years, one of her passion projects has been a series of youth-led video productions under the producing entity "FCA Youth Productions".

This is where the local news program *“What's Up?”* was born. Juri is always looking to empower youth with opportunities to learn and grow. News stories are shot and edited entirely by Foxborough youth. This year *“What's Up?”* hit the 100th episode milestone. A remarkable achievement by all involved. Some of the original crew members are now in college! Congratulations to all the youth ... their hard work on the series is an inspiration to others.

LEFT : Jen Krentzman interviews Taylor Johnson in her first episode of ***“The Ordinary Extraordinary”*** **TOP:** Youth Crew Rajeev Jatling and Ilyas Taj shoot a feature segment at Memorial Hall with Historical Commission member Taylor Ford.

RIGHT: Doug Suess interviews long time Sports announcer Frank Giffune on the occasion of his retirement after 18 years of color commentary from the press box.



FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT

The maintenance of our ten local production facilities is an ongoing challenge. Nearly all facilities in recent years have been upgraded to High Definition; the production facility located within the High School Auditorium is the last remaining Standard Definition system and is scheduled for upgrade this year.

SUMMER PROJECTS

During the summer of 2023 FCA engaged in a number of upgrade projects, each targeting incremental improvements to add capabilities and improve reliability,

- Partial rewiring of the FCA Truck & Replacement of our exterior connector panel
- Installation of long cable bundles in the FHS Gymnasium to improve connectivity
- Installation of two additional robotic cameras at our MRPAC facility

MOBILE UNIT

In July a new exterior connector panel was installed into the recently refurbished FCA Mobile Unit Truck. The new panel was designed with an all-new layout that better fits our current production workflows and accommodates new connections (i.e., ethernet) that were not previously available. The original truck design from 2000 had zero ethernet cables; now, nearly all devices in the truck interact with an IP network for command and control. Of course, a project like this is never as simple as swapping out one panel for another; it requires the rewiring of large portions of the truck and some minor layout changes. All incremental improvements will benefit productions moving forward.



ABOVE: Ahern School Auditorium is equipped to handle multi-camera coverage using the portable fly-pack at times when the Mobile Studio is not available.

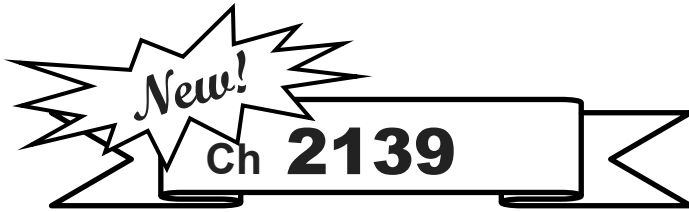
MARILYN RODMAN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

This is the thirteenth satellite production center that has been built in town to facilitate coverage of community events.

In August, we engaged in a week-long, labor-intensive project to upgrade the capabilities of the multi-camera console at the Marilyn Rodman Performing Arts Center (MRPAC). New audio, video, and data cables were installed to support two additional Pan-Tilt-Zoom (PTZ) cameras located to the far left and right of the stage apron. Each location provides new camera angles for covering community events in the theater, including audience shots that were previously impossible. Audio enhancements were also made, placing overhead mics near the two new camera positions, offering better ambient sound and coverage of the stage area. FCA and MRPAC continue to partner on projects throughout the year, generating hours of community programming and archival recordings that will undoubtedly become treasured keepsakes for years.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Announcements from local government agencies, educational institutions and regional non-profit organizations are cablecast daily, in addition to Activated Emergency Cancellations and Election Information.



PROGRAMMING

We provide multiple viewing options for the community: Programming runs 24 hours daily on three SD channels, 2 HD channels; LIVE! streaming meetings and events on our FCA website (fcavt.org) and YouTube.com; Community Bulletin Board notices and announcements with customized FCA Radio news and local commentary as background; and over 2500 FCA programs on Archive.org via the internet.

VERIZON HD CHANNEL

High-Definition Debuts on Verizon FiOS! On May 10, 2023, Verizon technicians installed a new fiber circuit at the FCA Studios, paving the way for the transport of a new HD channel. The following day, technicians installed a high-definition (HD) encoder, marking a historic moment for FCA – the launch of our first-ever local HD channel on the FiOS network. We're thrilled to see our local programming available in full broadcast quality across the FiOS network, with improved signal clarity and a richer viewing experience for Foxborough residents. FCA-HD is now available on Verizon FiOS 2139 and Comcast 1072.

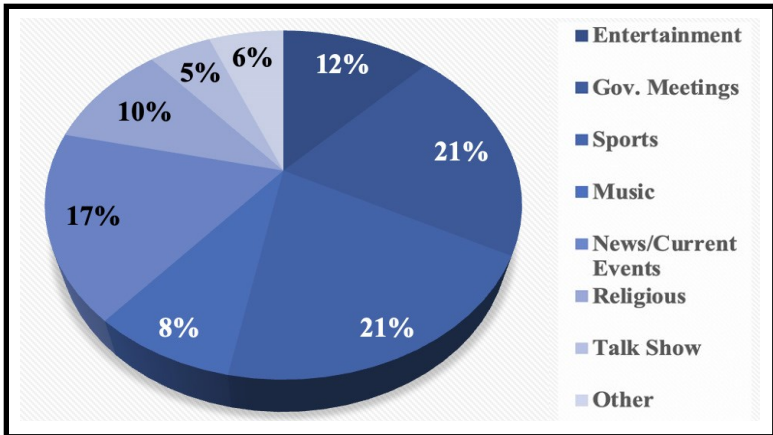
We cannot underscore the importance of this upgrade- a notable milestone in our 40-year history. It's something we've advocated for over five years, maybe ten! While our other PEG channels remain standard definition, this is a great step in the right direction. FCA is thankful for the community support, along with Comcast and Verizon, for making these HD channels available to Foxborough residents.

Evidence of viewership and community interest is clear as shown by the increasing number of viewers tracked on our YouTube, Twitter and Facebook accounts. Despite ongoing cord-cutting trends, our PEG channels and online platforms continued to enjoy strong viewership and community engagement.

FCA RADIO

Dave Udden continues to prepare weekly local news updates which are also cablecast on the audio track of the Government Channel. The new automated audio equipment allows him to expand the news format to include music, bumpers, channel IDs and really personalize the information with special holiday greetings from local personalities.

HD CHANNELS 1072 & 2139	1904 Hrs
Features high interest assortment of first run programming.	
PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNELS 8 & 39	4000 Hrs
Features programs produced by local volunteers along with outside programming that is sponsored by local residents.	
EDUCATION CHANNELS 6 & 37	1781 Hrs
Features LIVE coverage of regular and special meetings of the Foxborough School Committee continued since 2014. Programming from the US Department of Education and NASA is also cablecast, along with repeat playback of school sports and music programs. Classic Arts Showcase plays overnight daily. Public service announcements regarding Foxborough Public Schools and other area schools, The Boyden Library, and Foxborough YMCA are played around the clock.	
GOVERNMENT CHANNELS 22 & 38	1471 Hrs
Features LIVE coverage of Select Board and other official town meetings are cablecast here, along with first run and repeat programming from the Senior Center/Council on Aging, and Foxborough's Historical Commission and Historical Society. This is the main location to find information regarding town meetings, town departments, community events and local non-profit organizations.	



TOP: Breakdown of program categories
RIGHT: The FCA YouTube Channel reached over 7,900 subscribers and 319,600 views during the year. In total, community volunteers produced 516 locally produced programs in 2023. That includes 367 LIVE programs!

7,938 Subscribers You Tube
 1,412 Followers on Twitter
 2,000 Followers on Facebook



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

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Foxboro Cable Access provides various opportunities for hands-on training in the use of all production equipment as well as expanded Educational Support.

FCA's longest running collaboration is with the Foxborough Public Schools, sponsoring a course at the high school since 1984. This class continues to provide state-of-the-art education in studio, control room, and digital production, message making, script development and media literacy. The Ahern Broadcasting Club (ABC) produces "Take 2", the morning news shown to the student body LIVE over the school's closed circuit TV network.

Throughout the year, FCA tries to foster interaction among the volunteers with special events at the studio: Annual Volunteer Appreciation Night, Fall Cookout and Holiday Social, as well as other events planned to invite the public. We support and participate in events planned by town departments and civic organizations, such as Founders' Day, the Recreation Halloween Parade, or the Cultural Council programs and offer our studio as board meeting space for other organizations such as the Historical Society and the Jaycees. In April the Foxboro Jaycees presented FCA with a Community Partner Award, "With gratitude for generous support to The Foxborough Jaycees, helping to advance their good work for the Foxborough Community.

LICENSE RENEWAL

We appreciate the volunteer efforts of the Foxboro Cable Television Advisory Committee (CTAC) under the direction of Mark Stopa for their skillful negotiations on behalf of town residents.

As always, we are thankful to our two municipally-contracted Cable Service providers, Comcast and Verizon, for their support and service in this past year. Their commitment to the community was exemplified by the exciting addition of High Definition PEG channels to their networks. This advancement allows us to showcase the incredible local content produced at FCA in all its high-quality glory; ensuring residents can experience it exactly as intended. We are truly grateful for their collaboration in empowering local voices and enriching our community through accessible media.

"FCA has always been there to support all of our community projects, especially the ones we sponsor here in the center of town.

*Amy LaBrache
Foxboro Jaycees CD Vice-President*

FCA OUTREACH

Foxboro Cable Access is an integral, proactive part of the entire community and we take advantage of every opportunity to participate in activities sponsored by other organizations, and assisting them in using our resources to further their own objectives. Our prominent location on Central St. gives us great visibility and we welcome the numerous visitors who drop in frequently to inquire about what we do or how they can become involved. The FCA staff strives to maintain a professional and friendly atmosphere supporting the volunteers' efforts. We can never thank our volunteers enough for their never-ending support and contributions. They are the core of our organization, and we are very fortunate to have them.

One particular high point was FCA's participation in the holiday event in November. Situated as we are in the middle of the Central Street block with Santa & the Snow Machine, we opened our studio doors and invited revelers to record a personal greeting with a variety of green screen backgrounds.

FCA SOCIAL MEDIA

We continue to promote FCA through our website, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube channel. Town residents and officials alike have ap-

plauded our ability to live-stream multiple meetings and events to the internet, often simultaneously across various media platforms. The FCA website - www.fcatv.org - continues to be a major community outreach effort, providing ready access to general information, program schedule, production calendar. Our Social Media sites are critical, especially during periods of activity, such as emergency conditions, high interest sporting events or public meetings.

ABOVE: FCA staffers Jen Krentzman and Fanny Mizhirumbay coordinated our participation in this year's **Light Uptown** event. **RIGHT: It was great to see** Paul Godin at the Annual Cookout. He had a great time ... especially when he had a chance to hop on Matt's new motorcycle! .



COMMUNITY RESOURCES



JAMES R. ELLSWORTH MEMORIAL MVP TROPHY

Early in the 2000s, the Board of Directors created this award in recognition of our well loved past president, a football fan who directed our local game coverage for many years. The striking custom-

designed trophy stands 18" tall with the names of 19 recipients engraved on brass plates. When additional space was needed, we added a 6" riser base.

FCA SCHOLARSHIP

Since 1985, FCA has presented a total of 40 scholarships to local town residents who are pursuing higher education in the field of Communications. We were pleased to award this year's scholarship to Alexa Corriea, one of our youth volunteers who has come on staff this year as a government meeting operator. A 2023 FHS graduate, she will be attending Ithaca College.

FALL COOKOUT & HOLIDAY SOCIAL

Volunteers welcomed the opportunity to get together in a casual atmosphere at these favorite annual events. We had a visit from the Ice Cream Truck at the cookout this year, ... a big hit with young and old.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

FCA continues to maintain memberships in various regional and national media organizations such as the **Alliance for Community Media**, **MassAccess**, and **SMPTE** (Society of Motion Picture Engineers) as well as local and regional business associations, **Tri-Town Chamber of Commerce** and the **Foxborough Common Business Collaborative**.



FCA AWARENESS

In today's challenging media climate, it is even more important to promote Foxboro Cable Access and its vital role in the local community. Our prominent location on Central Street gives us great visibility and numerous visitors drop in frequently to inquire about what we do here, how they can become involved or to see our wonderful train layout. We continued our increased presence in local print media through additional press releases on pertinent topics and paid advertisements in **The Foxboro Reporter**, in the **Mail-A-Map** program, and sponsored page in the **Foxborough Business Almanac**.

Foxboro Cable Access is a proactive, integral part of the entire community taking advantage of every opportunity to participate in activities sponsored by other organizations, assisting them in using our resources to further their own objectives.

Here is a list of other ongoing outreach efforts:

Educational Support

- Annual Scholarships
- FHS Video Class, Ahern Broadcasting Club

Free Training for Foxboro Residents

- Online Training, *Linked-In Learning*
- Volunteer Work Area, Computer Lab
- Special Interest Meetings and Presentations

James R. Ellsworth Memorial MVP Award

- 2023 Recipients: Lincoln Moore & Brandon Mazenkas-O'Grady

Community Business Partnerships

- Foxboro Jaycees
- KBR Marble & Granite
- Foxboro Almanac / Mail-A-Map

Technical Support for Town Depts

- Select Board, School Committee, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Zoning Board, Personnel Board, CIP
- Foxborough Cultural Council
- Recreation Dept. Theatrical Productions
- Drone Footage for Town Website & Brochures

Conference Room Meeting Space

- Foxborough Historical Society
- Foxborough Youth Baseball
- Foxborough Jaycees

Boyden Library Museum Pass Program

- JFK Museum, Boston

FCA Crew ID Gear

Ongoing Opportunity for Train Enthusiasts

ORGANIZATIONAL ASSETS

Vol-un-teer *n. adj. vb.*
to offer or give of one's own free will

- Webster's New World Dictionary

" I learn so much about town events thru
the work I do at FCA !"

Deb Wendell
FCA Volunteer



PRODUCERS

Paul Beck
Bethany Church
Lauren Bitar
Boyden Library
Burrell, Igo, Ahern School Drama
Rachel Calabrese

pro-du-cer *n.*
1. one who is generally responsible for a film or play
2. one who brings something into existence
- Oxford English Dictionary

CREW

VOLUNTEERS



Charlotte Altman
Julia Atkinson
Sue Avery
Wendy Bass
Jowell Batista
Jennifer Beaulé
Gabriel Beaulé
Paul Beck
Andrew Bernstein
Lauren Bitar
Mike Blanchard
Faith/Lauren Bober
Luci Boccuzzi
Judi Briggs
Peyton Buckley
Kevin Boyle
Ellen Burke
Camilla Burton
Rachel/Lucy Calabrese
Jack/Deidre Campbell
Laura Canfield
Carolyn Carlson
Margaret Chaisson
Joey Chermesino
Jennifer Collado
Lex Correia
Jordyn Collins
Jonathan Cote
Donny Cotter
Jared Craig
Marc Craig
Karen Curran
Barbara D'Entremont
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Scott Daniels

Lizzie Davis
Rob/Kevin Decker
Elaina Dekkers
Mai Delapa
Tom Devlin
Sue/Rob Dorney

Margaret Hassman
Mike /Reese Hassman
Kate /Andrew Hill
Ashley Howe
Shiza Hussain
Shreyas Jastling

Gary Nash
Kristin Nicholson
Michelle Noone
Caroline O'Toole
Jayden/Jayla Onwaukor
Nyla/Nick Penders
Neda-Joury Penders
Kevin Penders
Anna Ptits
Rick Plasmati
Sujata Ramteke
Carol/Dave Resnick
Vin Riccio
Brian Riley
Marc Rivard
Niloufer Rodrigues
Juan Rosero
Joe Sanders
Heidi Seshadri
Addie Sham
Karin Share
Matt Shea
Bob Siteman
Andrea/Tricia Slattery
Heather Sougaris
Lucius Spink
John Stamatov
Donald Stapleton
Chris Staruski
Michelle Steiner
Deb Storrs
Doug Suess
Ed Sulham
Lisa/Elana Sullivan
Tim/Marc Sullivan
Brian Sullivan

crew *n.* a group of people working together.

- Webster's New World Dictionary

Lisa Downs
Willy Drinkwater
Paige Duncan
Ann-Marie English
Mike Everson
Mark Farinella
Yara Fawaz
Earle Ferguson
Ryan Field
Seamus Fitzgerald
Mary Flaherty
Jenn/Meg Foley
Marc Francois
Kevin Franks
Monica Gallagher
Shrevas Gatling
Janet Gavin
Moses Gaye
Paul Godin
Jay Gordon
Matt Griffin
Jake Griffith
Jacquie Groves
Srini Gubbala

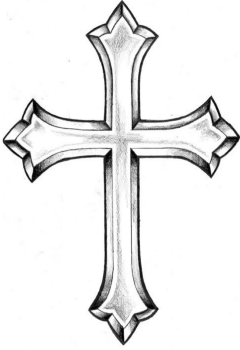
Srikanth/Rajveer Jatling
Teddy Joret
Max/Harry Keen
Thomas Kelley
Chris/Sean Kelly
Lilly Kelly
Mandy Kerzner
Olivia Kim
Ned Lavalee
Trina Leach
Rich Letson
Beverley Lord
Juri Love
Rob Lucente
Jen Luck
Frank MacDow
Greg McGrath
Ruth Mackie
Heather/Keagan Maguire
Michael McCabe
Pat McGuire
Patrick McKinney
Alec Melvin
Prenay Mogalla

Laura Canfield
Karen Curran
Foxborough Select Board
Foxborough Planning Board
Foxborough Recreation Dept.
Foxborough School Committee
Foxborough Senior Center
Foxborough Advisory Committee
Foxborough Conservation
CommFoxborough Zoning Board
Mike Everson
Foxboro Jaycee
Paul Godin
Neil Kaiser
Kris Long
Juri Love
Jen Morrison
Kevin / Neda Joury-Penders
Vin Riccio
Marilyn Rodman PAC
Alley Rodrigues
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Matt Shea
Dave Udden
Michael Webber
Deb Wendell
Union Church of South Foxboro

Adam /NaimaTaj
Ilyas/Rayan Taj
Steve Tierney
Kristen Todd
Betty Travers
Dave Udden
Phanitha/Amarutha Veduri
Lindsay Walford
Cindy Wallent
Geoff Waller
Lynda Walsh
Lucas/Nathan Webber
Nathan Webber
Deb Wendell
Lucius Wilder
Richard Wilson
Tim Zerrip



MILESTONES



In Memorium



John P. Authelet
1932 - 2023

Jack was a frequent guest and enthusiastic supporter of FCA from its inception. We join the entire community in mourning his loss, but happy to have his words recorded for posterity.



Diane M. Monahan
1942 - 2023

Diane joined the FCA Board of Directors in 1990 as nephite media activist and brought her high standards of organization and integrity with her. She pioneered the role of Programming Director and served in it for over ten years, then went on to serve as Clerk, Treasurer and President of the FCA Board of Directors, and an at-large member until her retirement as an at-large member in 2015.

Pictures are unavailable, but we will also miss enthusiastic sports announcer, **Al Sozio**, and **Brad Pitts**, one of our studio volunteers.

NOTEWORTHY NEIGHBORS

Adam Taj, Doug Suess, and Patrick McGuire were recognized this year by **Partners in Patriotism**, the community newsletter of the Kraft Organization. It's not a coincidence that these very active community volunteers are also very active FCA Volunteers, and we appreciate FCA being mentioned in their resumes.



Congratulations, Paul !

“Paul’s energy, spirit and sense of humor are contagious ... it is with great pride and excitement that we presented Paul Beck with the “2023 Marilyn Rodman Legacy Award.”

Marilyn Rodman PAC



Jaycees Community Partnership
Marc Rivard presents the award. To Mike and Paul.



FY 2024 BUDGET

“As technology advances, we must be cognizant of the myriad of implications associated with the changes it brings.

From the financial standpoint, FCA is well positioned in this regard.”

Matt Shea
FCA Treasurer

OPERATING EXPENSES

Corporate

Operating Expense

Corporate Total 302, 325.

Operating Expense

Production Total 75, 675.

Operating Expense

Programming Total 6,000.

Total Expenses 384, 000.

ESTIMATED REVENUE

Franchise Receipts (Comcast & Verizon)

380, 000.

Investment Income

4, 000.

Total Estimated Revenue 384, 000..

The FCA revenues are based on the funds received from the town’s contracts with Comcast Corporation and Verizon, and the interest earned on those funds.

Financial statements for Foxboro Cable Access, Inc. are prepared by

BETRO AND COMPANY

Copies are available for review in the FCA office at 28 Central Street.



FCA SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Paul Beck

Active since 1988
 Board of Directors 1988 -
 Vice-President 1988 - 1991
 FCA Volunteer / Year 1988
 FCA Volunteer / Year 2005
 Cable Advisory Board 1990 -
 Production Director 1991 - 1991
 CVI Program Award 1991
 CVI Edit Award 1991
 Technical Advisor 1991 -
 Treasurer 2004 - 2007
 President 2000 - 2003
 2008 -

Lauren Bitar

Active since 2000
 Master Control Tech 2000 -
 ACM-NE Award 2008

Margaret Chaisson

Active since 1987
 Gov't Mtg Crew 1987 - 1988
 Board of Directors 2008 -
 Clerk 2008 -

Ann-Marie English

Active since 2018
 Board of Directors 2019 -

Mike Everson

Active since 2003
 Gov't Mtg Crew 2003 -
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2003
 Engineer-in-charge 2008 -
 ACM-NE Award 2008
 ACM-NE Award 2010

Janet Gavin

Active since 2003
 Receptionist 2011 -

Paul Godin

Active since 1992
 Cable Advisory Board 1998 -
 Board of Directors 2002 -
 Clerk 2002 - 2007
 Gov't Mtg Crew 2004 - 2007
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2004, 2016
 Vice President 2013 -
 Senior Ctr Coordinator 2012 -

Jennifer Krentzman

Active since 2022
 Student Intern 2022
 Gov't Mtg Crew 2023 -

Ruth Mackie

Active since 2006
 Board of Directors 2018 -

Fanny Mizhirumbay

Active since 2021
 Student Intern 2021
 Lab Assistant 2022 -

Kevin Penders

Active since 2020
 Co-Volunteer/Year 2022
 Board of Directors 2023 -

Rick Plasmati

Active since 2002
 Board of Directors 2008 - 2012
 Board of Directors 2020 -

Margaret Nash

Active since 1983
 Newsletter Editor 1985 - 1987
 Production Secretary 1986 - 1991
 FCA Volunteer/Year 1986
 Video Club Advisor 1988 - 1995
 Awareness Coord'r 1989 - 1992
 Production Director 1991 - 1998
 Board of Directors 1994 - 2002
 Gov't Mtg Crew 1996 - 2001
 Vice-President 2000
 Clerk 2001 - 2002
 Administrative Ass't 2002 -
 ACM Regional Award 2002
 ACM National Finalist 2003
 Nat'l Telly Award 2004

Matt Shea

Active since 1995
 Cable Advisory Board 2008 -
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2012
 Board of Directors 2013 -
 Treasurer 2018 -

Lynda Walsh

Active since 1992
 Board of Directors 2011 -
 Vice President 2019 -

Michael Webber

Active since 1989
 Video Club 1990 - 1995
 VC Exec Board 1991 - 1993
 CVI Program Award 1991
 Inventory Clerk 1993 - 1997
 CVI Volunteer/Year 1995
 Master Control Tech 1995 - 1996
 Program Coordinator 1998
 Operations Manager 1999 - 2005
 ACM-NE Officer 2001 - 2007
 Executive Director 2005 -

Deb Wendell

Active since 2004
 Project Assistant 2015 -
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2014
 Senior Archivist 2016 -

Dan Williams

Active since 2009
 Ahern Broadcasting
 Club Advisor 2009 -
 Board of Directors 2020 -

On behalf of the community and our volunteers, the FCA Board of Directors would like to thank the members of the Town's Cable Television Advisory Committee (CTAC) for their long-standing assistance with contract negotiations and their on-going support in many cable-related issues which affect the Town of Foxborough and its residents. We have secured a new ten year contract with Comcast, and have recently finalized a new ten year contract with Verizon.

CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mark Stopa, Chairman
 John Regan
 Dave Udden

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Michael Webber, FCA
 Paul R. Beck, FCA
 Manny Leite, Boyden Library
 George Samia, Town of Foxborough
 Aaron Hyre, Town of Foxborough IT