

## Fairfax Public Access

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## Fairfax Public Access Announces New Executive Director Eric E. Richardson

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*Fairfax, Va.* — Fairfax Public Access (FPA), announces **Eric E. Richardson** as its new Executive Director. FPA is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides residents with the training, facilities and tools to create non-commercial television and radio programming. Richardson will help guide the organization through an exciting period of change as demand grows for community members to learn camera operation, video and radio production, and digital media creation. He begins his role on **Dec. 1, 2025**.

“I am honored to join FPA and excited to build on its legacy of serving the community through accessible, inclusive media,” Richardson said. “Community media remains a vital platform for storytelling, civic dialogue, and creative expression. I look forward to working with FPA’s staff, volunteers, and partners to strengthen and expand these opportunities for residents across Fairfax County and the region.”

Richardson recently served on the leadership team at **Washington Performing Arts** as Supervising Producer, where he led community engagement initiatives, media strategy, content development, and the curation and execution of programs that connect artists with audiences across the DC area. In that role, he has been at the forefront of developing innovative media and engagement strategies that expand access to arts and culture.

He previously held leadership positions at the **DC Office of Cable Television**, the **Public Access Corporation of the District of Columbia**, and **Howard University Television, WHUT**, bringing more than two decades of experience in broadcast production, public media, community outreach and team leadership.

“Eric’s leadership in media and community engagement aligns perfectly with FPA’s vision,” said **Peggy Fox**, president of the FPA Board of Directors. “His track record of innovation, collaboration and mission driven service will help lead FPA into a new era of growth and relevance as we expand our training programs and meet the community’s increasing need for media literacy and production skills. FPA is evolving, and Eric brings the experience and energy needed at this pivotal time.”

Founded to ensure that every resident has the opportunity to share their voice, FPA offers hands-on training, media education, studio facilities and equipment that enable community members to produce programming that reflects the diversity and perspectives of Fairfax County.

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FPA volunteers produce more than **2,000 hours of original programming annually**, including shows in more than **14 different languages**, each reflecting the rich cultural diversity of Fairfax County. Programs created at FPA's Merrifield studios are cablecast on its channels through Cox Communications of Northern Virginia, Verizon Virginia, Inc., and on Comcast in Reston.

As media rapidly evolves, FPA is expanding its classes and resources to help residents develop the essential skills needed to communicate through video and audio. Richardson will play a central role in shaping this next chapter, strengthening community partnerships, and ensuring FPA remains a vital hub for creative expression and public participation.

### **About Fairfax Public Access**

Fairfax Public Access is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides residents of Fairfax County and the Washington metropolitan area with the training, facilities and equipment to produce non-commercial community television and radio programs. FPA airs programming created by and for the community, including content in more than 14 languages.

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