“The support and guidance of the Community Idea Stations is a gamechanger for our small arts education organization. Their support helps SPARC share the message of our LIVE ART inclusion program (for youth with and without disabilities) with audiences nationwide. Without Community Idea Stations, our students' work and our program's reach would be limited to one-night-only, but through our partnership, we are able to share it with the world.”

Ryan Ripperton
Executive Director & Chief Inspiration Officer
SPARC Richmond, VA

The Community Idea Stations uses the power of media to educate, entertain and inspire.
“The success of our documentary “Blackbird: Legacy of Innovation” would not have been possible without the early input and support from WCVE. By partnering early on with The Community Idea Stations, and their commitment to broadcast the finished product we were granted access to people and resources that would not have been possible. We were only the 2nd crew to shoot inside Lockheed Martin’s Top Secret Skunk Works and in particular the CIA noted that the support of Public Television and its reputation for integrity played a great role in our access to their resources and interviewees. WCVE also had great feedback on early cuts of the program and helped ensure we had the time and support we needed to finish it up for broadcast. The Community Idea Station’s support after the initial airing was exceptional in helping us to reach a larger audience than we could have ever hoped for, by covering the fees and helping guide us through the submission to APT. In short, WCVE was fundamental to the success and expanding audience that was able to view the program, not a week goes by without an email of support from a viewer from somewhere different across the country.”

Todd Hervey  
Owner Fuel Creative Media  
Richmond, VA

“I just love the short segments of Virginia Home Grown that are shown between the end of one show and the beginning of another. Just watched a segment at Tricycle Gardens and learned about setting up a vermicomposting bin, which I now want to set up in my classroom. Fantastic!”

Stephanie Barber  
Richmond, VA

“Our partnership with the Community Idea Stations made possible The Hail-Storm: John Dabney in Virginia, and it distributed far and wide a chapter of the state’s history that had been nearly forgotten. Through broadcast as a kickoff to Black History Month programming in 2018, Virginia viewers discovered the remarkable life of a Virginian whose life reveals slavery and freedom in unexpected ways. And the fact of the film’s WCVE/Community Idea Stations connection has helped to convince libraries, community centers, and universities to share it with their communities.”

Hannah Ayers & Lance Warren  
Owners, Field Studio Media  
Richmond, VA
Revolutionizing Dementia Care

Reach in the Community | Revolutionizing Dementia Care
revealed how people living with dementia can still live a full and meaningful life based on their abilities, not their disabilities. Innovative approaches in memory care communities have shown improvements in the well-being of residents as they're included, engaged and supported in social gatherings, clubs and everyday activities. A revolution is here where people living with dementia get the individual heart-felt care they need. We were honored to have screened Revolutionizing Dementia Care and participated in a panel discussion at the Virginia Film Festival.

Partnerships | Revolutionizing Dementia Care

Impact and Community Feedback | I just wanted to thank The Community Idea Stations for coming and sharing your film, vision and story with the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Commission last Tuesday.

The film provided much food for thought and will inform our discussions surrounding person-centered practices as we revise the Dementia State Plan for 2020-2024. We will be having a public hearing following the Commission meeting on June 11, which will be held at the Alzheimer's Association office in Glen Allen. I will give you the details once the draft plan is available in March.

George Worthington, MS
Dementia Services Coordinator
Virginia Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

“We are pleased that WHTJ PBS was able to record and broadcast a signal event for University of Virginia Law School, the first televised interview of Justice Anthony Kennedy following his retirement from the Supreme Court of the United States. Together with David Rubenstein, who engaged Justice Kennedy for over an hour, the event inaugurated the Karsh Center for Law and Democracy, whose goals are to promote the rule of law, civic engagement, and fidelity to truth, integrity, and ethics in our public life. There is no question that WHTJ PBS also embodies these goals. They are a terrific local media partner and provide superb content and service to our community.”

Luis Alvarez, Jr.
President & CEO, University of Virginia Law School Foundation
Thank you again for a tremendous week at Tom Tom Festival supporting Arts, Innovation and Education in Central Virginia. Your footage has looked fantastic, and the live streams were seamless. Thank you again! I hope we can do this again in the future.

Paul Beyer
Executive Director and Founder
Tom Tom Festival Charlottesville

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**Assembly ’18 Coverage**

Our goal for digital was to enhance the visibility of the General Assembly (GA) legislative session coverage provided by our FM news team. We did this by creating a dedicated landing page at ideastations.org/assembly18 and aggregating all GA related content in one place. The content included archives of all news reporting and features related to the GA, video highlights of notable bills, links to government and educational resources to help users track legislation identify their representatives, and category links to help users easily find stories about topics of interest. The web presence was augmented by social media sharing on Facebook and Twitter, making the news team’s robust coverage of the GA available on demand on multiple platforms.