# FCC 2022 Q1 WPYA-FM

# LIST OF SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMMING

# WPYA FOR THE 1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2022

All programming discussed in this report aired during WPYA's talk shows <u>featuring</u>

*"The Valerie Hicks Powe Show"* series with the host Attorney Valerie Hicks Hale, Esq. **WPYA/SUMMIT Media, LLC has determined that the following issues** 

are important to the Birmingham, AL community:

Community Focus Family Issues Finances Health Care Legal Issues Political Crime Prevention Local Community Events Education History

This report contains Stations: WPYA/Summit Media, LLC's most significant treatment of these community issues during the 1st quarter of 2022.

#### **Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show** Date: January 2, 2021

Time: 6a

**Issue: Health Care/ Political** 

Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes – No Guest. The host discussed the latest COVID variant and the need to continue to practice COVID safety protocols. Additionally, the host informed the audience of the federal government's free COVID test giveaways. The host provided registration instructions which were through the United States Postal Service. Each household could receive up to four COVID At-home tests without charge.

## **Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show**

Date: January 9, 2021

Time: 6a

## **Issue: Crime Prevention / Law Enforcement**

Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes - No Guest: The informed the audience of Law Enforcement Appreciation Day and encouraged wearing blue to show support of local law enforcement. The host reminded the audience of the sacrifices that law enforcement officers make and encouraged them to thank a police office for his/her service.

**Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show** 

**Date: January 16, 2021** 

Time: 6a

**Issue: Legal Issues/ Crime Prevention** 

Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes - Guest: Bob Copus, Executive Director of Crime Stoppers of Metro Birmingham. The guest explained that crime stoppers is a non-law enforcement organization that is dedicated to collecting tips and information regarding outstanding unsolved crimes. The guest assured the audience that their tips are anonymous and could possibly result in a reward. Bob Copus highlighted several cases including the 2year old cold case of Major Turner, killed by a stray bullet.

# **Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show**

**Date: January 23, 2021** 

Time: 6a

### **Issue: Local Community Events**

Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes - No Guest. Host informed the audience that the city of Hoover has launched a celebratory marketing campaign, "Love to Live in Hoover," after being named "The Best Place to Live in Alabama". The campaign called on residents of Hoover to take photos at the various banners and post to social media by scanning the QR code found on the hearts.

Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show Date: February 6, 2021 Time: 6a

**Issue: History/ Education / Politics** 

Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes - No Guest: "The Free State of Winston

**County—Part I"** In recognition of Black History Month, the host discussed the historical significance of the "free state of Winston County". The explained that prior to and during the civil war, Winston County successfully declared the county to be a free county within a confederate state. Further, the county considered succeeding from the state of Alabama immediately preceding the civil war.

**Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show** 

Date: February 13, 2021

Time: 6a

**Issue: History/ Education / Politics** 

**Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes - No Guest: "The Free State of Winston County—Part II".** In recognition of Black History Month, the host discussed the historical significance of the "free state of Winston County". The host explained that prior to and during the civil war, Winston County successfully declared the county to be a free county within a confederate state. Further, the county considered succeeding from the state of Alabama immediately preceding the civil war.

#### **Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show**

Date: February 20, 2021

Time: 6a

### **Issue: Family Issues/ Education**

**Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes** – **No Guest.** The host gave an overview of a Bill that would offer AL parents School Choice. She further explained that the more than \$600, per child is awarded to the school that each child assigned to attend. Parents who choose to send their students to private schools are required to pay the tuition from their personal income with no assistance from the state. The AL legislature is considering a bill to allow the allotted funds per student to follow the student to the school he/she chooses.

Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show Date: February 27, 2021 Time: 6a Issue: Legal Issues/ Crime Prevention Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes - Guest: Bob Copus, Crime Stoppers of Metro Alabama, Executive Director. Guest and host discussed the mission of crime stoppers. Listeners were ensured that all tips provided are confidential and the tipster can remain anonymous. Additionally, the guest explained that many violent crimes have been solved through tips from the public in exchange for rewards. Additionally, the guest discussed specific cases for which Crime Stoppers is requesting information from the public. Bob Copus also informed the audience that Crime Stoppers received a tip on the case of 4year-old Major Turner's murder. The suspect has been charged.

#### **Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show**

Date: March 5, 2021

Time: 6a

**Issue: Financial Issues/Health Care** 

**Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes – Guest, Loretta Herring, CEO Cancer Awareness Network:** Guest explained that the organization serves Shelby and Jefferson County's cancer patients over the age of 55 years. The program is funded by United Way's Community Foundation. Ms. Herring explained that each patient is provided with iPad's etc., to assist in virtual doctor appointments. To the extent patients require it, the Network will assist in providing training and technical assistance.

**Program: The Valerie Hicks Powe Show** 

Date: March 20, 2021

Time: 6a

#### **Issue: Community Focus/Legal Issues / Politics**

**Duration of Discussion: 12 Minutes** – **No Guest.** Host discussed the Lottery Bill, introduced by Republican Representative Chip Brown of Mobile, AL. The bill, which is unlikely to pass, has gained bipartisan support. The bill would provide scholarship funds for Alabama high school seniors who plan to attend a trade school, or a two year or four-year college. It would also fund dual enrollment to high school students who choose to enroll in two-year colleges while still in high school. That portion of the bill will significantly decrease the overall college expenses for students who participate in the dual enrollment program.