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### **NHPR EXPANDS BROADCASTS TO PORTSMOUTH New Station Serves 35,000 residents**

CONCORD— Today, residents of Portsmouth can now hear their favorite New Hampshire Public Radio programs on 103.9 FM. With the recent addition of an antenna atop Portsmouth City Hall, NHPR is now able to provide its news and information service to more than 35,000 residents of Portsmouth and surrounding communities.

New Hampshire Public Radio President and General Manager Betsy Gardella says NHPR is continually working to fulfill its mission of offering comprehensive programming to all of New Hampshire. “People in the Portsmouth area have told us that they want a stronger signal because they rely on our programming” Gardella says. “We have made this investment to serve them, and we look forward to providing listeners in Portsmouth with news about New Hampshire, and to engaging them in a discussion about events taking place in the state.”

The station received permission from the Federal Communications Commission to operate a new, 170-watt translator. It will rebroadcast the signal of WEVO, NHPR’s flagship station in Concord. Until recently, listeners could hear NHPR on a less powerful signal at 89.1 FM. The new station has been in a testing phase for the last two weeks.

Construction of the new station cost about \$40,000. It was supported in part by grants from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, Ocean National Bank, and the Piscataqua Savings Bank.

At the same time, NHPR is launching a new station, at 88.3 FM to serve more than 170,000 residents of the greater Nashua area.

New Hampshire Public Radio, a nonprofit, serves more than 150,000 listeners each week through a network of seven stations and transmitters. NHPR is the only statewide source of news, information, and entertainment for the Granite State, striving to earn the respect of its listeners by offering in-depth and unbiased reporting of the issues facing New Hampshire residents. NHPR views the importance of providing a comprehensive information source for New Hampshire as one of the station’s highest priorities. Contributions from listeners and businesses in New Hampshire make up more than 90 percent of the revenue necessary to operate NHPR.



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New Hampshire Public Radio broadcasts in Concord and Manchester at 89.1 FM; in Nashua at 88.3 and 90.3 FM; in Dover at 104.3 FM; in Hanover and Littleton at 91.3 FM; in Keene at 90.7 FM; in Berlin at 107.1 FM; in Jackson at 99.5 FM in Jackson; in Portsmouth at 103.9 FM and on the Internet at [nhpr.org](http://nhpr.org).

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