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Commitment to Our Listeners
Virginia Voice strives to enhance the quality of life for individuals with disabilities who require audio access to visual experiences. Volunteer readers and live theater audio describers share the gift of their voices so that our listeners will have access to current print materials, performing arts events, and community resources.

Audio Information Service
Virginia Voice provides audio reading and information services to individuals who are visually impaired or otherwise unable to access newspaper and magazine content. Our programs consist of readings from over 140 publications, including the Richmond Times-Dispatch, Southern Living, National Geographic, and more.

Our audio reading programs are broadcast over subcarrier channels of public radio stations WCVE-FM in Richmond and WHRO-FM in Norfolk. Our radios will generally pick up our signal within 35 miles of Richmond.

HOW IT WORKS:
- Prospective patrons fill out an application at VirginiaVoice.org or call (804) 266-2477.
- We loan our listeners a pre-tuned radio that receives our daily broadcast – free of charge.
- Listeners can also tune in online and listen to our live stream or any program ’on demand’ no matter where they are.

Live Audio Description for Theatre
This program offers an alternative way for theater patrons who are blind or have low vision to experience a performance. Using wireless technology, audience members needing audio access listen in real time to vivid and succinct descriptions of the action, characters, costumes and more.

HOW IT WORKS:
- Participating patrons are given a single-ear headphone and a receiver as they are seated with the general audience.
- Trained audio describers speak into wireless transmitters, bringing the visual elements of theater to life, while being careful not to talk over the dialogue.
- Before some shows, tactile tours allow patrons to touch costumes, set pieces, and hear actor’s voices in advance to help with recognition during shows.
- For show availability, visit VirginiaVoice.org or call (804) 266-2477