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**FALL RIVER COMMUNITY MEDIA RECEIVES 2016 ALLIANCE FOR
COMMUNITY MEDIA NORTHEAST AWARD FOR OVERALL EXCELLENCE**

Fall River Community Media (FRCMedia), the community media center serving the city of Fall River, has won the Overall Excellence Award in its budgetary category from the Alliance for Community Media, Northeast Region. FRCMedia competed for the award with dozens of other community media centers from New England and the State of New York. The award recognizes FRCMedia for its excellence in providing local programming and its dedication to the community.

“This award reflects the great efforts of our local producers and our staff,” said FRCMedia Director Keith Thibault. “We have worked hard to connect with the community, and we continue to look for opportunities to expand our services and offer quality local programming.”

Founded as a partnership between the City of Fall River and Bristol Community College, FRCMedia has served the greater Fall River community as a source of locally produced independent news, information, and entertainment for 16 years. In that time, it has broadcast hundreds of programs produced by individuals and area nonprofit organizations on FRCTV, Comcast Channel 95, and online at frmedia.org.

In addition to FRCTV, FRCMedia manages FRCMedia News, an online multimedia news resource and weekly TV program focused on topics that impact city residents.

The Alliance for Community Media represents over 3,000 public, educational, and governmental access organizations and community media centers throughout the country. The Northeast Region includes community media organizations in the states of Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine. FRCMedia will receive its award at a ceremony to be held on October 22 in Portland, ME.

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About Bristol Community College

Bristol Community College is a leading resource for education and workforce development in Southeastern Massachusetts. BCC has locations in Fall River, Attleboro, New Bedford, and Taunton, along with flexible online offerings that lead to an associate degree, a career-ready certificate, or the ability to seamlessly transfer to baccalaureate colleges throughout the state and country.

The College's Center for Workforce and Community Education provides customized training for businesses and the community including healthcare, workforce and sustainable initiatives, corporate services, and Kids College.

The BCC Foundation, a non-profit organization utilizing community donations and partnerships, supports the College's mission to meet the lifelong educational needs of the community. For more information, visit <http://www.bristolcc.edu/aboutbcc/>

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