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**New Episode of *City Profile* on Government 11  
*City Profile, Human Rights Commission***

**PADUCAH, KY**— “We all bring something to the table, and we all are very compassionate people who have a genuine concern about the lives and the needs of the people in our community,” says Dr. Bernice Belt, Paducah Human Rights Commissioner. On this episode of *City Profile*, Tom Butler interviews three members of the Paducah Human Rights Commission, Andrew Coiner, Dr. Bernice Belt, and Martha Argotte, about the mission of the Human Rights Commission and two upcoming events. *City Profile* can be seen on Government 11, the governmental access channel of the City of Paducah, and online at [www.paducahky.gov](http://www.paducahky.gov).

Since 1964, the Paducah Human Rights Commission has been working to safeguard individuals from discrimination in housing, employment, and public services. The Commission is composed of an all-volunteer group of community members that meets quarterly. The Commission has a full-time office on the first floor of City Hall. Chairman Andrew Coiner says, “We look at cases or hear cases or complaints about discrimination in housing, employment, and public facilities. However, not every case we handle ends up being a discrimination case.” Regarding age discrimination, Coiner says, “We will probably see it more often as our generation gets older, and we live longer.” The Commission handles 12 to 20 complaints each year.

The public will have a chance to learn more about the Human Rights Commission at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Fair Housing Luncheon. The luncheon will be Thursday, April 14 at 11:30 a.m. at the W.C. Young Community Center located at 505 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street. The event is free; however, the catered lunch is \$10 per person. Guest speakers this year include representatives from the Paducah Board of Realtors, Habitat for Humanity, and a local banking institution.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Evening of Performance will be Friday, May 20, at 7:00 p.m. at the Carson Center. The free event showcases the diversity and talent in the region and allows the Commission to educate the public about its role in the community. Coiner says, “It’s a great opportunity for people to learn about us, but it’s also a great opportunity for the



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public to learn about the massive amount of talent in Paducah.” The deadline to register as a performer for An Evening of Performance is March 15. There are approximately 16 openings on a first-come, first-served basis. The registration form and details are located on [www.paducahky.gov](http://www.paducahky.gov) under the Human Rights department. Registration forms also are available at the Human Right Commission office located at City Hall.

*City Profile, Human Rights Commission* can be viewed on Government 11. It airs on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.; Friday at 9:30 p.m.; and Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

Government 11 program information, videos, news releases, and schedules are available at [www.paducahky.gov](http://www.paducahky.gov). For more information about *City Profile* and other Government 11 programming, call Tom Butler, WKCTC Television Production Coordinator, at 534-3208 or Pam Spencer, City of Paducah Public Information Officer, at 444-8669.

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