

**NEWS
RELEASE**

April 11, 2014

CITY OF PADUCAH, KY



Contact: Pam Spencer

Public Information Officer

Phone: 270-444-8669

Fax: 270-443-5058

**50th Anniversary of Paducah Human Rights Commission
Featured on Latest Episode of *PHRC, Raising the Standard***

PADUCAH, KY— “We are here to make a difference, to make an impact, in every way we are allowed to in our community,” says Paducah Human Rights Commission (PHRC) Chair Dr. Bernice Belt. On the latest episode of *PHRC, Raising the Standard*, Dr. Belt and Commissioner Shulorn Jeter focus on the Commission’s 50th Anniversary and related events. The new episode of *PHRC, Raising the Standard* can be seen on Government 11 starting this week.

The PHRC was formed in May 1964. Belt and Jeter talk about the Commission’s history and how it has grown and changed over the past 50 years including the effort to increase understanding regarding discrimination issues. Belt says, “We decided that it’s very important to not only be concerned with investigating complaints but also to educate the community and have community outreach, to collaborate or partner with other non-profits and hopefully businesses, and to represent the taxpayers.” Jeter says, “We educate people, and that’s the beginning of building a great community.”

At the end of the episode, Belt and Jeter invite the community to take part in two upcoming events: the Fair Housing Luncheon on April 17 and the Evening of Performance on May 9. More information about both of these events can be found at www.paducahky.gov.

PHRC members are Dr. Bernice Belt, Rafiel Banks, Robert Cross, Lincoln Hardy, Shulorn Jeter, Craig Newbern, Jr., Gary Reese, Matthew Schultz, and Steven Smith. If you are interested in serving on the board or if you need assistance, visit www.paducahky.gov or call the office at 444-8643.

View daily program information by watching the informational slides airing on the Channel 11 bulletin board. The episode also is on the City’s website and the various social media outlets for the City of Paducah including Youtube and Facebook. Check the website for program information, videos, news releases, and broadcast schedules. *PHRC, Raising the Standard* is produced through the television production facilities at West Kentucky Community and Technical College.

###



City of Paducah • P.O. Box 2267 • Paducah, Kentucky 42002
270/444-8669 • Desk 270/443-5058 • Fax

Website: <http://www.paducahky.gov> Email: pspencer@paducahky.gov
www.awardwinningpaducah.com