

I am a member of Council No. 5001 of the League of United Latin American Citizens here in South Bend, Indiana. Our Hispanic community has grown considerably in the last few years. Although our organization makes every effort to inform our community of deadlines for taxes, FAF's, information about insurance needs, government agencies that may protect them from abusive employers or landlords, children vaccinations, etc. The lack of a 24 hour radio station in Spanish makes it very difficult to accomplish our objectives.

For a little over 25 years a local AM radio station allowed a one hour a week program in Spanish that had become a good vehicle for these purposes. Unfortunately about two years ago they asked us to cancel the program or pay a fee.

Since the program did not generate any income the producers decided to cancel it.

When our Council found out about the Low Power FM stations, in our meeting of February held on the 7th, a motion was made to pursue the obtention of a License to operate a 1000 watt station to broadcast in Spanish 24 hours a day.

With this letter I formally request advise and guidance to obtain such license.

Questions that comes to mind are: Do we need a lawyer? When will the application form be available?

Please keep us posted of any developments. We will keep looking into your Webpage to make sure we do not miss your 5 day window, however if there is something we should be doing now, please inform me ASAP.

Respectfully, Eliud Villanueva