



OETA Confirms Continued Operations Following CPB Shutdown

Media Q&A

Is OETA affected by the CPB shutdown?

OETA's day-to-day operations are not affected. Programming, emergency alerting, and educational services continue uninterrupted.

Did OETA receive funding from CPB?

Yes. OETA received approximately \$1.9 million in CPB funding, which supported programming and services. OETA is fully funded through fiscal year 2026 and is actively working to replace those funds through fundraising and underwriting initiatives.

Will PBS programming continue to air on OETA?

Yes. OETA remains a PBS member station and continues to air national PBS programming alongside locally produced content.

Could the CPB shutdown affect OETA in the future?

OETA has planned responsibly and is in a stable position through FY26. The organization is proactively expanding fundraising and underwriting efforts to ensure long-term sustainability beyond that timeframe.

What does this mean for emergency alerts and public safety communications?

There is no impact. OETA's emergency alerting systems remain fully active and continue to play a critical role in public safety across Oklahoma.

Has OETA made recent investments in infrastructure?

Yes. The State of Oklahoma recently funded a full replacement of all 18 OETA transmitters statewide, strengthening the reliability and reach of OETA's broadcast signal for the next 20 years and beyond.

How many channels does OETA operate?

OETA operates four channels statewide: OETA HD, which includes PBS programming and local content; OETA Create, focused on lifestyle and how-to programming; OETA World, offering news and public affairs; and PBS KIDS, providing educational programming for children.

What should viewers expect going forward?

Viewers should expect business as usual. OETA will continue delivering trusted programming, educational resources, and local coverage while working diligently to secure future funding.