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VACo/VML Legislative Day 2011



VACo President Robert Adkins (right) and VML President James Council are all smiles before the 21st annual VACo/VML Legislative Day.

Local leaders from around the state gathered in Richmond on Feb. 3 for the 21st VACo/VML Legislative Day. Members of both organizations heard staff reports on pending matters in the General Assembly and also used the time to lobby legislators on important issues.

Gov. Bob McDonnell was the keynote speaker and addressed county and municipal leaders on the budget, transportation and other issues that affect localities.

VACo and VML staff preceded Gov. McDonnell and talked in detail about the budget as well as important good and bad bills currently making their way in the General Assembly. A 15-minute Q&A session followed the staff reports.

VACo President Robert Adkins kicked off the event and encouraged all in attendance to read the Legislative Day Bulletin, a publication released by VACo and VML.

Action needed NOW on budget amendments

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By Dean Lynch
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ACTION

Please call members of House Appropriations Committee and Senate Finance Committee to support these key budget amendments. The members will be meeting over the next week to work on the budget and select budget conferees. Your call is very important. Please communicate with VACo on your efforts.

KEY INFORMATION

• **K-12 Education Funding:** Call to support the Senate amendment that increases K-12 education spending by \$100 million over the introduced budget (including \$87.7 million for the state share of an additional \$130 per student, with an additional \$16.6 million for the LCI Hold Harmless). The Senate amendment protects those 97 localities that would have lost substantial funding under the introduced budget. The House cut funding by \$100 million through FY 2012.

• **Line of Duty:** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that allows localities to provide benefits under alternative programs. The Senate amendment gives localities the authority to implement and administer the program. The House extended the deadline for the option out provision but requires localities to begin funding the program July 1, 2011 at the VRS determined rate (approx. \$230 per person for paid staff).

• **HB 599 (police department funding):** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that restores \$18.7 million in state aid to localities with police departments. Funding for police departments has been dramatically reduced over the past biennium and this funding is crucial to keep adequate public safety services and personnel. The House made no adjustments to the introduced budget.

• **CSA (Children's Mental Health Services):** Call NOW to oppose the House amendment that shifts funding for caseloads and services of approximately 20,000 children from the state to localities under the Comprehensive Services Act (CSA). The House realized savings of \$21.6 million by transferring funding responsibility to CSA.

• **CSA (Therapeutic Foster Care):** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that restores \$7.5 million for therapeutic foster care services. These services are needed to treat at risk children. The House made no adjustments to the introduced budget which decreased funding.

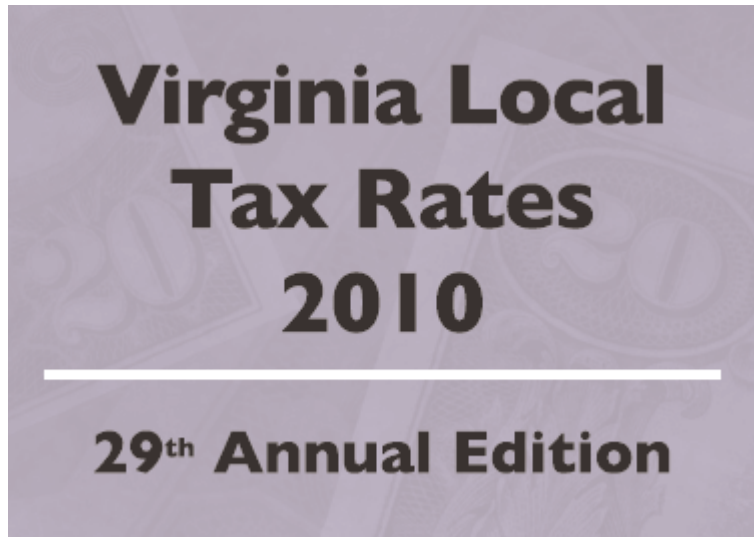
• **CSA (Non-mandated services):** Call NOW to support restoration for CSA non-mandated services. Both the House and the Senate restored funding of \$5 million that was cut from the introduced budget.

• **Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF):** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that

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Virginia Local Tax Rates, 2010 Now Available



By John L. Knapp, Ph.D. and Stephen C. Kulp

Published in cooperation
with the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia Association of Counties

The 29th annual edition of this important reference book contains detailed information on tax rates and fees in all of Virginia's 95 counties and 39 cities. Also, there is information for all of the state's 36 large towns and for 113 of the remaining 154 smaller towns.

The study is based on a comprehensive survey conducted by the Center for Economic and Policy Studies at UVA's Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

As local governments struggle with the fiscal aftermath of the Great Recession, now is the time to review state statutory restrictions and to examine local sources of revenue in comparison to what other localities are doing.

Such analysis is made easy by this 396-page publication that contains explanatory text for each source, 38 text tables, 67 detailed tables, and 5 charts. Also included is an overview of local government taxation including text and graphics. To order Virginia Local Tax Rates, 2010 open this link.

PIOs encouraged to enter NACIO competition



It's not too early to start thinking about showcasing your best communications work and determining your entries for the 2011 NACIO Awards of Excellence competition.

Please plan now to submit your entries. An official 2011 NACIO Awards of Excellence Call for Entries will be sent out within the next few weeks. VACo will publish the registration form in County Connections.

Please note that the 2011 deadline for entries will be April 15.

Enter the NACo 2011 County Courthouse Awards



Applications for the 2011 NACo County Courthouse Awards program are now available.

The County Courthouse Awards program is sponsored by Siemens and recognizes innovative governance by county elected officials from NACo Member counties.

Award winners will receive an engraved plaque that they can display in their county, recognition at the 2011 NACo Annual Conference and a \$5,000 college scholarship to present to a graduating high school senior.

Awards will be given out in three categories: rural, suburban and urban.

All NACo members are encouraged to apply. Applications must be received by April 29.

Contact: Erik Johnston at (202) 942-4230 ejohnston@naco.org.

Coming Soon:

VACo's 2011 Achievement Award Program

VACo Budget Analysis (mid-session)

By Dean Lynch
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Revenue Estimates

Revenues for the introduced budget were predicted to be well below the FY 2006 level until the mid-session revenue reforecast (Feb. 4) added an additional \$152 million to the FY 2011-12 projections.

The reforecast, based on the trend of actual revenue collections year to date and confined to three sources (individual withholding, non-withholding and refunds) increased available state general funding.

The introduced budget had no restoration of local funding cuts from prior years, even with \$400 million more to spend than last session. The additional general funding, available after the reforecast, increased revenue projections and gave the House of Delegates and Senate up to \$200 million in additional resources to appropriate above the introduced budget.

The introduced budget identified savings in aid-to-localities for the FY 2011-12. These savings translate to program reductions or reimbursements

to localities. Those savings are:

- Elimination of FY 2012 Local Composite Index Hold Harmless for K12 (\$57.6 million)
- Update K12 ADM Projections (\$43.3 million)
- Supplant general fund K12 with Lottery funds (\$27.2 million)
- Capture general fund balances from at-risk four year old program (\$8 million)
- Increase local match rate for Comprehensive Services Act (CSA) therapeutic foster care services (\$7.5 million)
- Eliminate non-mandated services in CSA (\$5 million)
- Equalize match rate for all K12 CSA services (\$3.9 million)

Budget Amendments

Revisions to the introduced budget have been reported out from the House and Senate money committees. Each house completed their work on their respective budget amendments on Feb. 10.

The differences between the House and Senate are wide. The Senate budget removes \$150 million for transportation and spends \$122 million more on Direct

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Aid to K-12 programs and \$114 million on health and human services.

The House budget retains \$150 million for transportation, spends \$111 million to eliminate most of the accelerated sales tax revenue and spends more on VRS contributions.

The House makes further cuts to K-12 and human services programs and makes a larger additional deposit (\$64 million) to the Rainy Day Fund versus the Senate (\$20 million).

VACo has prepared a comparison of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees spreadsheet for review.

Please see: VACo Preliminary Analysis of House Appropriations Committee and Senate Finance Committee FY 2011-2012 Budget, dated Feb. 10.

Commonwealth's attorney Dan Chichester to retire

Stafford County Commonwealth's Attorney Dan Chichester announced on Feb. 10 that he will not seek re-election to an 11th term.

Chichester has served as Commonwealth's Attorney since 1971, and has been responsible for prosecuting all criminal offenses committed in Stafford County since then.

He has overseen the growth of the office from one attorney to an organization of 13 attorneys and 14 support staff, working diligently to address the public safety and law enforcement issues that often accompany the growth of a community such as that experienced by Stafford in recent decades.

"The decision to retire from a job I still love to this day is not easy, but there comes a time for everyone in their professional lives, and my family and I think this is the right time," Chichester

said. "I wish to thank the citizens of Stafford for giving me an opportunity to serve them."

Chichester served on active duty in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of captain. He was awarded the Bronze Star among other decorations. During his service as Commonwealth's Attorney for 40 years, he earned numerous state and national honors, including as a past member of the Board of Governors of the Criminal Law Section of the Virginia State Bar, and as a member of the Commission on Parole Abolition and Sentencing Reform, to which he was appointed in 1994 by Gov. George Allen.

Chichester was elected president of the Virginia Association of Commonwealth's Attorneys and chairman of the Commonwealth's Attorneys Services Council. In 1995, he



received the Horan award for outstanding service to Virginia. On a national level, he served on the Board of Directors of the National District Attorneys Association and recently as vice president of that association.

Chichester's last day will be Dec. 31, 2011.

Ashcraft to become Prince George county administrator



Caroline County Administrator Percy C. Ashcraft has resigned to accept a similar position at Prince George County.

Ashcraft, 53, has been the chief administrative officer in Caroline since

Oct. 12, 1999. His resignation is effective March 12.

Ashcraft notified Caroline County Board of Supervisors Chairman Floyd Thomas, other members of the Board and County staff on Jan. 31 of his decision.

"I would like to thank the members of the Board of Supervisors - both past and present - for the privilege to have served as County Administrator," Ashcraft wrote in his resignation letter to Chairman Thomas. "The kindness and professional courtesies extended to me and my family have been received with much gratitude and appreciation."

Ashcraft came to Caroline County from his hometown of Clarksburg, West Virginia, where he served as City Manager.

His 11-year tenure in Caroline

County is the longest among administrators in the greater Fredericksburg area and one of the longest in Planning District 16.

Ashcraft received a bachelor's degree from Salem College, W.V., where he has a double major in communications and political science and a minor in public administration.

Prior to his governmental management career, Ashcraft served 12 years in the West Virginia House of Delegates before retiring in 1994.

Ashcraft and his wife, the former Cynthia Denise Sly, have three children - Emily, 17; Reeve 13; and Molly 8. The family currently resides in Ladysmith Village.

"I extend my full cooperation in the transition to follow," Ashcraft added in his letter.

Prince George hires a new director of social services

Shel Bolyard-Douglas has been selected as director of social services for Prince George County.

The County started the search for a new director in November 2010.

Bolyard-Douglas will begin her duties as social services director on March 1. She was selected to fill this position after an intense recruitment and interview process. She assumes the position vacated by longtime Social Services Director William F. "Bill" Gandel.

Bolyard-Douglas is currently director of social services in Dinwiddie County where she has been employed for the last five years.

Bolyard-Douglas worked previously in Prince George County where she served as comprehensive services coordinator. She has served as adjunct field faculty at Virginia Commonwealth University and previously been employed as a clinical coordinator of

psychiatric services, mental health center supervisor and child and adolescent therapist in the tri-cities area.

She received a bachelor's degree from Longwood College and a master's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University. As director of social services, she will supervise all department personnel and oversee all programs and activities of the social services department.

With regard to her new position in Prince George County, Bolyard-Douglas said, "I am very excited to be returning to Prince George. I look forward to working with the exceptional staff at social services and Prince George."

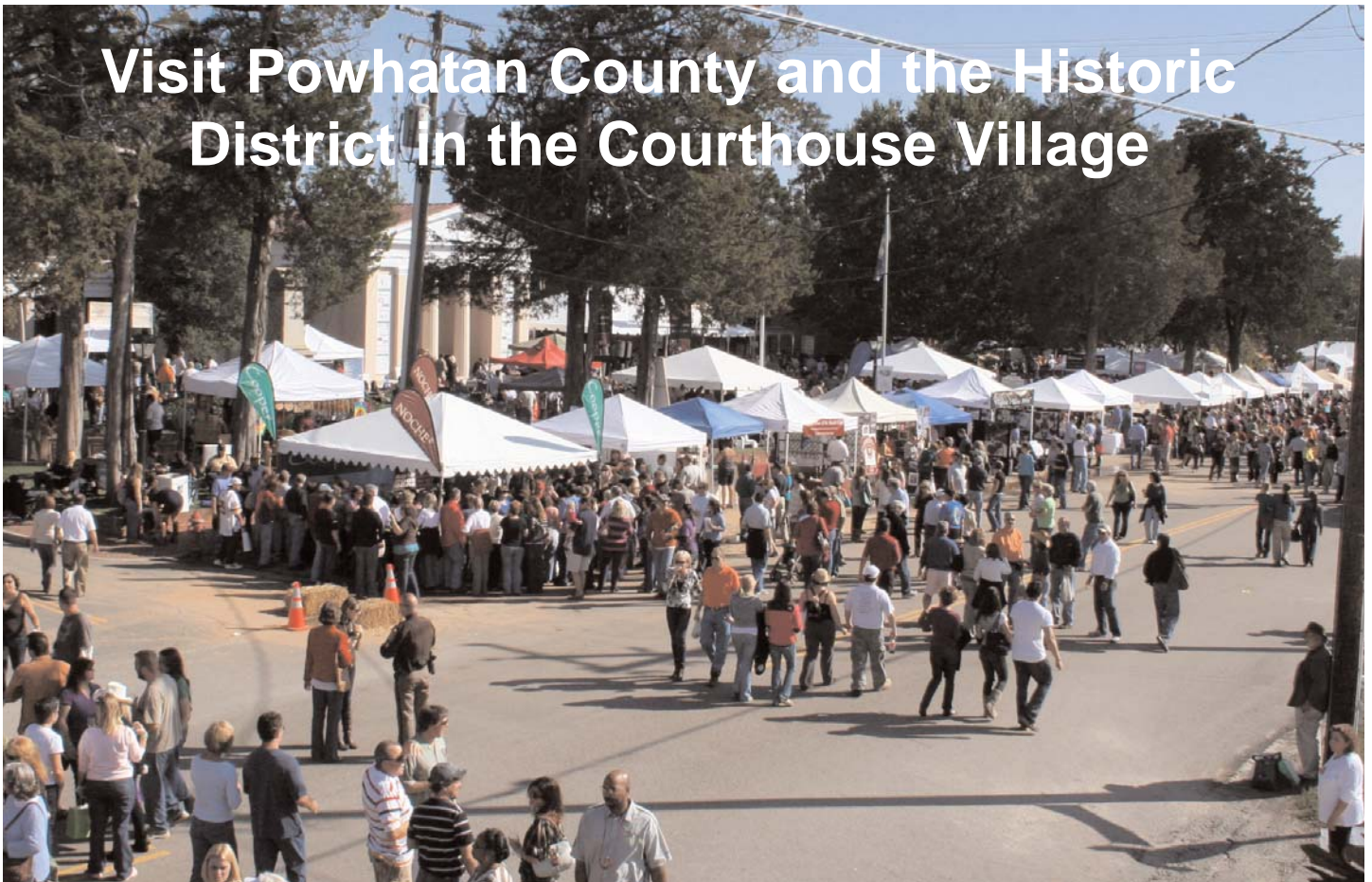
"Shel Bolyard-Douglas comes to Prince George County with a wealth of experience in social services policies, programs, services and human resources. Coordinating services and benefits to County citizens is a key priority here in Prince George County,"



said County Administrator John G. Kines, Jr. "She is well-respected in the social services community and has an outstanding career record of achievement in previous positions. She has excellent customer service skills and has found several ways to involve the community in humanitarian programs in Dinwiddie."

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Visit Powhatan County and the Historic District in the Courthouse Village

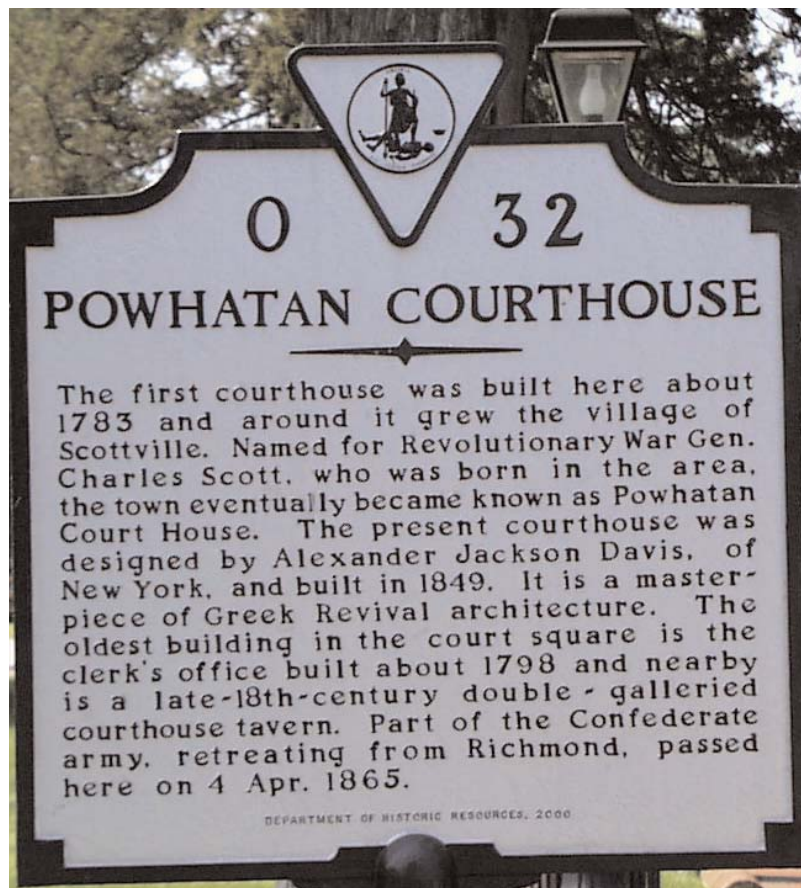


According to Economic Development Director Sherry Swinson, one of Powhatan County's top tourism draws is the Historic District in the Courthouse Village. The site is listed on the National Register.

The Village features a wide variety of tourist attractions, all connected by meandering sidewalks, including: a museum, three restaurants, unique shopping, walking and nature trails, Civil War Trails site, retirement community called Scottville (for citizens 55 years and older), historic structures and a bed and breakfast inn. Plus, there is an associated 3-hour driving tour of Powhatan County that sweeps through the historic Village!

According to Swinson, the County's economic development plan calls for "transforming the Courthouse area into an arts-centric tourist destination featuring upscale boutiques, niche retail, fine restaurants, B&B's and inns."

Come to Powhatan County and visit the Historic District in the Courthouse Village!



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**2011 NACo Legislative Conference
March 5-9**



2011 Legislative Conference
March 5-9
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Washington, D.C.

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Register by clicking [here](#) today and SAVE \$25.

Plan now:

- select the policy setting committee meetings relevant to your county to attend,
- decide which educational workshops will provide solutions for your county, and
- start scheduling your meetings with congressional and federal representatives to bring back home the most knowledge and solutions to benefit your county and its residents.

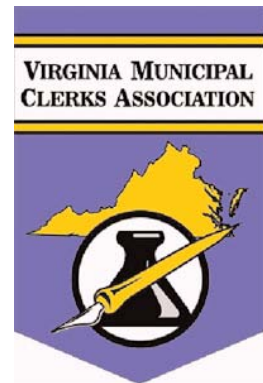
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APRIL 27-29

The 34th annual conference of the Virginia Municipal Clerks Association will be held April 27-29 at The Inn at Virginia Tech University.

For more details contact Donna Boone-Caldwell at DonnaBoone-Caldwell@blacksburg.gov or visit www.vmca.com.



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Spring 2011
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We are pleased to announce the titles for our Spring 2011 Second Wednesday Series, which will begin in March.

- March 9, It's Showtime! Delivering Effective Presentations
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- May 11, Business Writing Basics: Write it Right
- June 8, Creating a Quality Culture: Going from Good to Great

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appropriates \$107.8 million from bond proceeds of the Virginia Public Building Authority (VPBA) to provide grant funds for installment of nutrient removal technology in publicly owned wastewater treatment plants that have signed grant agreements with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). DEQ and localities have signed grant agreements for more than 80 plant upgrades that will reduce nutrient pollution in local streams and the Chesapeake Bay, but funding is \$105 million short in the introduced budget. The Senate amendment would hold the Commonwealth to its commitment with localities that have already begun to take steps under these contracts to upgrade treatment facilities.

- **Sheriff Funding:** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that restores \$6.5 million of the \$13.4 million shortfall due to the failed passage of the Public Safety Fund fee (2010 General Assembly). The House restored \$3 million of the shortfall.

- **Clerks Commissions:** Call NOW to support the House amendment that clarifies commissions will be paid on Circuit Court fee collections and not paid on General District/lower court

fee collections. Currently, no commissions are being paid. The Senate made no language adjustments.

- **Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA):** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that restores partial funding for VJCCCA grants. These grants are used to provide services to juvenile offenders. The House made no adjustments to the introduced budget.

- **Local Departments of Social Services:** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that restores \$5.8 million in general funds and \$8.3 million in non-general funds for local social services offices. The House amendment provides \$1.5 million for administrative costs associated with providing care coordination.

- **Healthy Families:** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that restores \$1 million from TANF for home visiting services. The House made no adjustments to the introduced budget.

- **Drug Courts:** Call NOW to oppose the House amendment that eliminated \$3 million for drug courts. Should funding be eliminated, local drug courts would be required to be funded with local - only funds. The Senate made no adjustments to the introduced budget.

- **Enterprise Zones:** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that provides \$6.5 million to fully fund the program. The House made no adjustments to the introduced budget.

- **Transportation (Infrastructure Bank):** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that eliminates \$150 million in general funds for the Infrastructure Bank. While the Senate eliminates the use of general funds, it does authorize \$250 million in non-general funding for the Bank. The House uses \$150 million in general funds (which is also used to support core services i.e. education, public safety, human services, etc...) and authorizes \$250 million recognized from the VDOT audit.

- **Dam Safety:** Call NOW to support the Senate amendment that provides \$1 million in FY 2011 to maintain and improve dam safety standards. The House made no adjustments to the introduced budget.

Key Contacts

Senate Finance Committee: Colgan (Chairman), Wampler, Stosch, Houck, Howell, Saslaw, Quayle, Norment, Hanger, Watkins, Miller, Y.B., Marsh, Lucas, Whipple, Reynolds

House Appropriations: Putney (Chairman), Morgan, Tata, Ingram, May, Sherwood, Cox, M.K., Landes, Jones, O'Bannon, Lingamfelter, Poindexter, Massie, Abbitt, Phillips, Scott, J.M., Joannou, Brink, Ware, O., Howell, A.T., BaCote, Dance

Employment Opportunities

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County Manager/Iredell County, N.C.
Iredell County, North Carolina, is recruiting for a County Manager. Iredell County is located in the piedmont section of NC at the intersection of Interstates 40 and 77, approximately 45 miles north of Charlotte. The County has a population of 150,000+ and is home to several cities and towns, including Statesville, Mooresville and Troutman, as well as Lake Norman, which extends into the southwest portion of the County with approximately 520 miles of shoreline. The County operates under a Commissioner-Manager form of local government with a five-member board, 900+ full-time employees and a budget of \$170 million. Submit résumé and County application to Iredell County HR, PO Box 788, Statesville, NC 28687-0788, Attention: HR Director, by March 15. Additional information about the opening and an application are available at www.co.iredell.nc.us/job.asp.

Landfill Director/Page County

The primary responsibilities of this position will be to plan, coordinate and manage all areas of the County landfill operations through supervisors and employees to achieve effective, timely and quality service and to assist in the design of landfill facilities and supervise landfill contract construction activities. The minimum qualifications for this position include Associate's degree but prefer college graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Civil or Sanitary Engineering or degree and experience equivalent and a minimum of two years of experience in construction and/or utility operations with supervisory experience. Applications are available at the County Administrator's Office, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or one can be downloaded from

the County's Web site at www.page-county.virginia.gov. The deadline for accepting applications is Feb. 28.

**Community Development Director/
Lee County**

The Lee County Board of Supervisors seeks applicants for the position of Community Development Director who also serves as Executive Director to the Industrial Development Authority. Expected annual salary of \$50,000+ DOQ with full County benefits package. Please submit County application and resume to Lee County Administrator, Room 111, Lee County Courthouse, P.O. Box 367, Jonesville, VA 24263. Applications must be received in the County Administrator's Office no later than 4:30 p.m. on March 7. County application form may be obtained online at www.leecova.org. For further information, contact Dane Poe, County Administrator, at (276) 346-7714.

Chief Building Inspector/James City County

Job Description:www.jccegov.com/pdf/jobdescpdfs/2007jobdesc/768_ChiefBldgInsp.pdf
\$53,223 or higher, DOQ; Development Requires: Extensive knowledge of Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and building trades practices and methods; valid Virginia driver's license and acceptable driving record based on James City County criteria; any equivalent combination of the following providing necessary knowledge and skills: high school diploma or equivalent; extensive experience in building construction, design, or inspection including some supervisory and administrative experience; experience with automated data systems. Associate's degree in management, business, engineering, architecture, or related field preferred. Accepting applications until 5 p.m. on March 4. Visit www.jccegov.com to download application.

Communications Officer/Bedford County

The application process typically lasts 6-

12 weeks. Applications will remain active for six months. Applications may be downloaded from our Web site: www.bedfordcountyva.gov or picked up from the Bedford County Human Resources Office, Bedford County Administration Building, 122 East Main Street, 2nd Floor, Bedford, VA 24523, (540) 586-7601, ext. 1221. Starting salary is \$24,201 plus excellent benefits package. Benefits include: life, medical, dental, and vision insurance, flexible spending plan, retirement, direct deposit, paid holidays, vacation and sick leave. Opportunity for advancement and salary increases upon completion of courses/certifications. Deadline for receipt of applications is Feb. 28 at 5 p.m. Previous applicants need not re-apply.

**Information Technology Director/
Frederick County**

Requirements include:

- Bachelor's Degree required (computer science, information systems, business administration or other industry related curriculum) Masters Degree in IT or related field preferred.
 - 10 or more years of work experience, preferably in local government
 - 5 years of leadership experience in a senior-level leadership role
- Completed County Application required and available online at www.co.frederick.va.us. Only applicants selected for interview will be contacted.

Division Chief/Property Maintenance Code

The Property Maintenance Code Division Chief will be responsible for the planning, management and supervision of the day-to-day activities and future program development and implementation of the Property Maintenance Code Division within the Department of Code Administration. This Division Chief will coordinate and manage inspectors who investigate and resolve complaints, and conduct proactive inspections on violations of the Virginia

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Maintenance Code, blight, and nuisance codes in the City under the general direction of the Director of Code Administration. Salary: \$62K-\$105K/YR (DOQ). For more details and to apply, visit www.alexandriava.gov/jobs or call 703-746-3780. Ref. #: 2011-00005. Closes on March 11 at 5 p.m.

Senior Public Finance Analyst/DHCD SENIOR PUBLIC FINANCE ANALYST

POSITION #00314

(Policy Planning Specialist III)

LOCATION: DHCD

600 E. MAIN ST. STE 300

RICHMOND, VA 23219

HIRING RANGE: \$60,000-\$75,000 Annually

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION, YOU MUST COMPLETE A STATE APPLICATION THROUGH THE ONLINE EMPLOYMENT SYSTEM jobs.agencies.virginia.gov. THIS POSITION IS OPEN UNTIL FILLED.

For additional information please contact our Human Resource Office at (804) 371-7000. An Equal Opportunity Employer. Women, minorities, veterans and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Requests for reasonable accommodations will be provided to applicants in order to provide access to the application and/or interview process.

Manager of Public Works Operations/ City of Portsmouth

As the Manager of Public Works Operations, the successful candidate will serve on the management team and work closely with the Director. In addition, the incumbent is responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of the City's stormwater infrastructure, storm drainage systems, and streets and sidewalks; and will work with contractors, citizens and city staff to accomplish objectives. This managerial position will require efficient and effective responsiveness to citizens. Salary: \$56,410 - \$76,154. Closing date:

Open Until Filled. Please submit a City of Portsmouth application and resume to: City of Portsmouth, Department of Human Resource Management, 801 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, VA 23704. www.portsmouthva.gov.

Assistant Director of Utilities/City of Martinsville

SALARY: DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Requires bachelor's degree in general engineering (electrical preferred) but may substitute a combination of education and work experience. This work performs complex professional and difficult administrative work assisting the Director of Utilities in overseeing all public service utilities of the City. Assists Director in the planning, organizing and directing the installation, maintenance and repair of electric, water, and sewer infrastructure and related public utility operations. Submit application available at www.martinsville-va.gov. Open until filled.

Director/SVRA

The Southern Virginia Regional Alliance (SVRA) is in search of a Director for a new regional economic development marketing initiative promoting the assets of six localities; the Cities of Danville and Martinsville and counties of Patrick, Henry, Pittsylvania and Halifax. The Director will be responsible for the implementation of the goals set forth by the SVRA Board of Directors. This is a two-year pilot program and the Director would be a contract employee reporting to the SVRA Board of Directors. Candidates must have experience in economic development, including a proven track record of organizing an extensive economic development marketing program with proven results. Candidates should also have experience in grant writing. Applicants with a CECd certification and at least five years experience are preferred. Please e-mail your resume along with salary requirements to mheath@yesmartinsville.com by Feb. 15.

Director of Economic Development/ Appomattox County

The County of Appomattox seeks high-

ly qualified applicants for the position of Director of Economic Development. To review the job announcement and related information, please visit the County's Web site at www.AppomattoxCountyVA.gov/jobs. Applications with resumes are due by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 28.

Assistant County Administrator/ Carroll County

Education and Experience: Bachelor's Degree with coursework in business or public administration, accounting or related field and extensive experience of an increasingly administrative and managerial nature in governmental operations, or equivalent combination of education and experience. Master's Degree preferred. All candidates for this position must provide a completed Virginia State Application to the Carroll County Human Resources Office at 605-1 Pine Street, Hillsville, VA 24343. Open Until Filled. For more information candidates are welcome to contact: Human Resources 276-730-3103 MDalton@CarrollCountyVA.org A Complete Job Description and Application may be found at CarrollCountyVA.org.

Recreation Program Coordinator/ Bedford County

The preferred individual will have knowledge of the concepts, objectives, and requirements of a well-rounded recreation program; ability to develop, plan, organize, and administer a recreation program to meet the needs of the community; ability to prepare reports, radio and newspaper releases; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees, civic groups, social groups, and the general public. Applications are available on our Web site: www.bedfordcountyva.gov. Review of applications will begin Feb. 12. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Annual salary is competitive DOQ. Benefits include: life, medical, dental, and vision insurance, flexible spending plan, retirement, direct deposit, paid holidays, vacation and sick leave.



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