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President's Welcome

It is my pleasure to welcome you to VACo's 84th Annual Conference. We have an outstanding set of speakers, breakout sessions, and exciting learning opportunities ahead of us, and I hope you will take full advantage of everything the conference has to offer.



When I was elected VACo's President last year, I decided to focus my efforts on how we as county leaders can improve the health of our communities, whether we live in urban or rural areas and whether our counties are large or small. I was excited to see the conference planning committee choose **"A Commonwealth of Opportunity: Preparing Counties for the Future"** as the theme this year. We are truly laying the groundwork for the future vitality of our state by ensuring that counties across the Commonwealth can prosper. We all want our counties to be economically vibrant, safe places where all residents have the opportunity to lead long, healthy lives. As county leaders, we strive toward that goal every day, and the Annual Conference is a chance to learn from our neighbors, broaden our perspectives, and coalesce around a shared set of legislative priorities as we invest in the future of our communities.

I am grateful to the conference planning committee members for their creative thinking and generosity with their time. Dean Lynch and the VACo team have been working hard to make sure your time here is informative and enjoyable. I also want to thank all of our sponsors and exhibitors who make this event possible. Please be sure to visit with them in the Exhibit Hall.

It has been an honor to serve as your President this year. I thank you for your support, your energy, your ideas, and your commitment to your communities. Enjoy the conference!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sherrin C. Alsop".

Sherrin C. Alsop
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Conference Information

Registration

Everyone attending the conference must register. This includes members, their families, guests, exhibitors, and news media representatives. No one will be admitted to any business or social function without a conference badge.

Registration will take place:

- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Sunday, November 11 | Mount Vernon Foyer
- 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. | Monday, November 12 | Mount Vernon Foyer

VACo staff and volunteers will be at the registration desk during the hours listed above and will be happy to assist you. Notices are posted on a message board at the conference registration desk and in a marquee in the main lobby.

Legislative Program

VACo's annual legislative program is finalized and adopted during the conference. The seven steering committees meet Sunday afternoon, the Resolutions Committee meets Monday morning, and the membership acts on the 2019 Legislative Program during the annual business meeting on Tuesday morning.

A copy of the Preliminary Legislative Program is included in your conference bag. Proposed amendments to the program should be available by Noon, November 12 at the Registration Desk. Proposals should go through the steering committee process. The 2019 Preliminary Legislative Program was shared with members in October. Additional copies are also available at the Registration Desk.

Banquet Tickets

All county officials, county staff, VACo associate members, and exhibitors registered for the conference are welcome to attend the Sunday banquet, as are registered spouses and guests. If you are staying at The Omni Homestead, the banquet ticket is included in your meal package. If you are not, you may purchase a banquet ticket for \$75. If you have registered for the banquet but do not attend, you will be charged \$75 for the meal. Check at the registration desk if you do not have a ticket. Tickets will be collected at the door by the VACo team, so don't forget it!

Guest Programs

The Omni Homestead has undergone major renovations in recent years and now offers many new activities. For more information, visit www.thehomestead.com/activities or the Concierge Desk.

Other Information

Voting Credentials

Article VI of the VACo bylaws provides that each county is to designate a representative of its Board of Supervisors to vote at the annual business meeting. However, the bylaws allow a county to designate a proxy to vote if a member of the Board of Supervisors cannot be present for this meeting. Counties should have received voting credential forms and proxy forms by mail in September. If you did not return your form to VACo in the mail, you can submit it to the VACo Credentials Committee at its meeting on Monday, November 13 at 1 p.m. in the Monroe Room. You can also drop it off at the conference registration desk before the Credentials Committee meeting.

Election of Officers

The election of VACo Officers and Board members will take place at the annual business meeting Tuesday morning.

Golf

VACo's 21st Annual Golf Tournament will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 11 on The Old Homestead Course. The 2017 recipient of proceeds from the Mulligan sales is Bath County Christmas Mother, Inc., which provides assistance to needy families during the holidays.

We also want to thank our VACo Partners for their support, sponsorship and participation at the 83rd VACo Annual Conference and all throughout the year: **Asset Protection Group | Aflac, Aetna, Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Param Solutions, The Berkley Group and VML/VACo Finance.**



VACo 2019 Calendar

VACo/VML Finance Forum

January 8 | Omni Richmond Hotel

General Assembly Convenes

January 9 | Richmond

Rural Caucus Reception

January 30 | Omni Richmond Hotel

VACo Board of Directors Meeting

January 31 | Omni Richmond Hotel

VACo County Government Day at the General Assembly

January 31 | Omni Richmond Hotel

Chairpersons' Institute

February 1-2 | Omni Richmond Hotel

Certified County Supervisors' Program

March and May | TBA

NACo Legislative Conference

March 2-6 | Washington Hilton | Washington, D.C.

VACo Board of Directors Meeting

April | Wythe County

VACo Regional Meetings

May-September | TBA

Certified County Supervisors' Program

May and July | TBA

NACo 2019 Annual Conference & Exposition

July 11-15 | Clark County | Las Vegas, NV

VACo County Officials' Summit

August | TBA

VACo Board of Directors Meeting

August | TBA

Certified County Supervisors' Program

September and November | TBA

VACo 85th Annual Conference

November 10-12 | The Omni Homestead

VACo Board of Directors Meeting

November 10 | The Omni Homestead

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Monday Afternoon Break
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November 21, 2017				

Sherrin C. Alsoop Elected VACo President for 2017-2018



The membership of the Virginia Association of Counties elected King and Queen County Supervisor Sherrin C. Alsoop as 2017-2018 President during VACo's 83rd Annual Conference in Bath County. Alsoop and other newly elected officers started their terms at VACo's Annual Business Meeting on November 14.

Alsoop succeeds Montgomery County Supervisor Mary W. Biggs and becomes the first-ever President from King and Queen County. She is the third President from VACo's Region 2 in the past 11 years.

Exhibit Hall

The exhibit hall will be open from **2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** on Sunday, November 11 and will reopen at **8:30 a.m.** on Monday, November 12. Aqua Virginia is sponsoring the Monday Morning Coffee Break in the Exhibit Hall.

There will be a refreshment break in the Exhibit Hall at 2 p.m. on Monday. Take this opportunity to network and speak with our wonderful exhibitors in the Exhibit Hall. Without their support, this event would not be successful.

There will be a VACo Mini Drawing at 1:45 p.m. on Monday and an Exhibitor Drawing at 2:30 p.m. You must be present to win, so make time in your schedule to attend. To enter, have the card in your registration packet marked by each exhibitor and place your completed card in the box at the exhibitor registration desk by 1:30 p.m. on Monday. Exhibitors not participating in the drawing will be indicated on the card.

Immediately following the Exhibitor Drawing, the name of one lucky exhibitor will be drawn for a free booth at the 2019 annual conference. The exhibitor must be present and set up to win.

WiFi | Charging Station

VACo will once again have the Charging Station set up in the exhibit hall, generously sponsored by **Nationwide Retirement Solutions**. The charger has a variety of charging connections to accommodate Android or Apple products. **You will find the Charging Station** in the right-hand corner of the exhibit hall as you enter the main double doors. Nationwide is at **Booth 303**; stop by and say Hi!

Enjoy free Wi-Fi access in the exhibit hall and other areas during the conference, generously sponsored once again by **Aetna**. Wi-Fi connection instructions can be found on the information billboard at the registration desk. Visit Aetna at **Booth 1003 in the Colonnade**.

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Conference Schedule

Saturday, November 10

Golf Tournament

11 a.m. • Old Golf Course

Beverage Cart Sponsored by AP Group and Aflac

WELCOME: The Honorable **Sherrin C. Alsop**,
President, Virginia Association of Counties, and
Supervisor, King and Queen County

Portable Outdoor Heater at Golf Tournament
Opening Remarks Sponsored by Southeast VAL6

Budget Committee Meeting

5 p.m. • Wilson

VACORP Supervisory Board Meeting

5 p.m. • Lexington

Sunday, November 11

Nondenominational Worship Service

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. • Chesapeake

Exhibitor Setup

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. • Grand Ballroom and Colonnade

VACo Board of Directors

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. • Dominion

VACORP Annual Business Meeting

10 a.m. • Crystal and Empire

Annual Conference Registration

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Mount Vernon Foyer
Lanyards and WIFI Sponsored by Aetna

Sunday Afternoon Coffee Break

1 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. • MV/ST Rotunda
**Sponsored by the Virginia Housing Development
Authority**

Sunday, November 11

Steering Committee Meetings

1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Economic Development and Planning •

Piedmont

Education • Mount Vernon and Stratford

Environment and Agriculture • Blue Ridge

Health and Human Resources • Mount Vernon

Sunday Afternoon Football & Refreshments

2 p.m. - 5 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

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Exhibit Hall Opens

2 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. • Grand Ballroom and
Colonnade

Steering Committee Meetings

2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Finance • Mount Vernon

General Government • Blue Ridge

Transportation • Stratford

Regional Caucuses to Nominate Representatives on VACo Board of Directors

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Region 1 • Blue Ridge

Region 3 • Wilson

Region 5 • Mount Vernon

Region 6 • Appalachian

Region 7 • Stratford

Region 8 • Tower Suite

Region 11 • Madison

Region 12 • Piedmont

Sunday Evening Opening Reception

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. • Crystal and Empire

Sponsored by Dominion Energy

Sunday, November 11

VACo Annual Banquet

(Must present Banquet ticket to attend)

6:30 p.m. • Regency Ballrooms

PRESIDING: The Honorable **Sherrin C. Alsop**,
President, Virginia Association of Counties, and
Supervisor, King and Queen County

WELCOME: **Ashton N. Harrison**, County
Administrator, Bath County

INVOCATION: The Honorable **Judy Lyttle**,
Supervisor, Surry County

PRESENTATION: Top 3 Achievement Awards to
Pittsylvania County, Chesterfield County, and Isle
of Wight County

VACo Dessert Social

8:30 p.m. • Commonwealth Room

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9 p.m. • Downtime

Sponsored by Cypress Creek Renewables

Monday, November 12

Resolutions Committee

7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. • Dominion

Annual Conference Registration

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. • Mount Vernon Foyer

Monday Morning Coffee Break

8:15 a.m. • Exhibit Hall

Sponsored by Aqua Virginia

Exhibit Hall Opens

8:30 a.m. • Grand Ballroom and Colonnade

OPENING GENERAL SESSION

8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. • Regency Ballrooms

PRESIDING: The Honorable **Sherrin C. Alsop**, President, Virginia Association of Counties, and Supervisor, King and Queen County

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS: Police Department Color Guard, Roanoke County

• KEYNOTE SPEAKER •

The Honorable **Ralph Northam**, Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia



Before he was inaugurated as the 73rd Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Ralph Northam served as an Army doctor, pediatric neurologist, business owner, state Senator and Lieutenant Governor.

A native of Virginia's Eastern Shore, Governor Northam was educated at the Virginia Military Institute (VMI), where he graduated with distinction.

After graduation, Governor Northam was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Army. He served eight years of active duty and rose to the rank of major.

He attended Eastern Virginia Medical School and then traveled to San Antonio for a pediatric residency, where he met his wife Pamela, a pediatric occupational therapist at the same hospital. Governor Northam did his residencies at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center and served as chief neurological resident at Johns Hopkins Hospital. As an Army doctor, he served in Germany, treating soldiers wounded in Operation Desert Storm.

Governor Northam and First Lady Pamela Northam have two adult children: Wes, a neurosurgical resident in Chapel Hill, and Aubrey, a web developer in Richmond.

Monday, November 12

• KEYNOTE SPEAKER •

Steven J. Combs, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Veterans Services, Commonwealth of Virginia

Son of an Air Force veteran, Deputy Commissioner Combs served 10 years in the U.S Air Force in operations and logistics, including a tour as a squadron commander at Rhein-Main Air Base, Germany. Other assignments took him to California, Korea, the United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, and Nevada. In April 2004, he joined the Virginia Department of Veterans Services as the Director of Policy & Planning. He became Deputy Commissioner in April 2015.



CONCURRENT SESSIONS

10 a.m - 11:15 a.m.

STATE BUDGET PREVIEW • Stratford

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Ashley Chriscoe**, Vice-Chair, Gloucester County

SPEAKER: **James J. Regimbal, Jr.**, Principal, Fiscal Analytics

Key policy issues before the 2019 General Assembly will have major effects on state and local budgets, from school capital needs and economic development to foster care and mental health. This session offers analysis of where the state budget is now and a preview of where it may be headed next year.

STATE AND LOCAL ASSETS IN TRANSPORTATION | Mount Vernon

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Wayne T. Hazzard**, Supervisor, Hanover County

SPEAKER: The Honorable **Shannon R. Valentine**, Secretary of Transportation, Commonwealth of Virginia

Virginia's roads, rails, shipping and airways

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play a critical role moving commerce and people. This session will provide an overview of how these valuable assets are funded, constructed and maintained and how counties can partner with state agencies to build a successful transportation network.

GOVERNOR'S PLAN FOR BROADBAND | Piedmont

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Charles A. Stacy**, Supervisor, Tazewell County

SPEAKER: **Evan Feinman**, Executive Director, Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission, and Chief Broadband Advisor, Commonwealth of Virginia

The Northam administration has launched an initiative to provide high speed internet access to all Virginia households and businesses within 10 years. This session will provide an update on these efforts and the role that counties will play in partnering with state agencies and the private sector to reach this goal.

TAX COMPETITIVENESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | Blue Ridge

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Paul D. Trampe**, Vice-Chairperson, Spotsylvania County

SPEAKER: **Stephen Moret**, President and CEO, Virginia Economic Development Partnership

Telling Virginia's story is critically important in recruiting new prospects and encouraging additional investments by existing businesses. Join a key economic development leader for a discussion about how Virginia can succeed in a competitive global economy.

SMART TECHNOLOGIES ON VIRGINIA'S POWER GRID | Appalachian | **Sponsored by Dominion Energy**

SPEAKER: **Joe Woomer**, Vice President Grid and Technical Solutions, Dominion Energy

With the passage of the Grid Transformation & Security Act during the 2018 General Assembly, Dominion Energy is set to invest approximately \$450 million installing

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more than 2 million smart meters in homes and businesses. This session will explore how this new technology will result in a more energy efficient and reliable electric grid that will integrate distributed renewable energy sources and electric vehicle charging stations.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

11:30 a.m - 12:45 p.m.

SCHOOL SECURITY | Stratford

MODERATOR AND SPEAKER: The Honorable **Meg Bohmke**, Chairman, Stafford County
SPEAKERS: The Honorable **R. Steven Landes**, 25th House District; The Honorable **Sharon S. Bulova**, Chairman, Fairfax County

Protecting Virginia's students from harm and promoting a positive, caring school atmosphere are major goals for state and local leaders. This session will provide information on policy discussions at the state level as well as local efforts to ensure that children are safe at school and cultivate a supportive learning environment.

2019 TAX POLICY ISSUES: TOWARD A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD? | Mount Vernon

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Jeffrey C. McKay**, Supervisor, Fairfax County
SPEAKERS: The Honorable **Emmett W. Hanger, Jr.**, 24th Senate District; The Honorable **R. Lee Ware**, 65th House District

How will Virginia respond to changes in federal tax policy? How will the Supreme Court's ruling on the collection of sales and use taxes from remote sellers affect state and local budgets? How can the state's tax structure be modernized to enable all local governments to generate necessary revenues? This session is a chance to hear from legislative leaders on important tax policy questions facing the 2019 General Assembly.

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UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR – LAND USE

CONSIDERATIONS | Piedmont

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Susan B. Seward**, Chairman, Sussex County

SPEAKERS: **Darren K. Coffey**, CEO, Berkley Group; **Tyson Utt**, Vice President of Development, Apex Clean Energy, Inc.

Utility-scale solar energy (USSE) projects are growing in size and number across the Commonwealth. Unlike a traditional electric generating facility, they are land intensive, measuring in the thousands of acres and even square miles. This session will explore the potential land use impacts and local revenue implications of this emerging energy production market on Virginia's counties.

SNAPSHOTS OF INNOVATIVE COUNTY PROGRAMS |

Appalachian

MODERATOR: **Dr. Sheryl Bailey**, Senior Vice President, Springsted Incorporated

SPEAKERS: **Mark Moore**, Director of Parks and Recreation, Pittsylvania County; **Debbie Dugger**, Director, Chesterfield County Adolescent Reporting Program, and **Shenika Carlos**, Senior Mental Health Clinician, Chesterfield County Detention; **Tory L. Rowland**, Capital Projects Engineer, Isle of Wight County; **Darren Jones**, GIS Analyst I, Roanoke County

An important objective of the VACo Achievement Awards Program is to celebrate innovative and smart solutions to challenges in our counties. This session shares the creative work from county leadership and staff as Achievement Award winners tell their stories on how they overcame challenges.

LINE OF DUTY ACT CHANGES AND STRATEGIES FOR LONG-TERM COST SAVINGS | Blue Ridge |

Sponsored by VACORP

SPEAKERS: **Chris Carey**, Administrator, VACORP; and **David Brooks**, Deputy Administrator, VACORP

As the largest provider of Workers' Compensation and Line of Duty Act (LODA)

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coverage for Virginia counties, VACORP has the knowledge and analytics to help counties reduce LODA risks, which will save your county money over time. This session will review recent changes to the Act, offer best practices strategies to provide appropriate guidance and coverage for your volunteers, and present long-term cost saving information while positioning your county to be prepared for LODA claims.

Deli Luncheon

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

Sponsored by SunTrust

VLGMA Luncheon

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. • Crystal and Empire

(Must have ticket to attend)

MODERATOR: Joseph P. Casey, VLGMA President, and County Administrator, Chesterfield County

SPEAKER: Bill T. Bolling, Senior Fellow in Residence for Public Service, James Madison University, and former Lieutenant Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia

The VLGMA Luncheon is a ticketed event for county managers and key members of their management teams. You can sign up for this \$55 event on VACo's online system or fill out the registration form.

Credentials Committee

1 p.m. • Monroe

VACo Mini Drawing

1:45 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

Commonwealth of Opportunities: Preparing Counties for the Future

2 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

Exhibit Hall Lounge Sponsored by AP Group and Aflac

Free Time in the Exhibit Hall. Take this opportunity to network and meet and speak

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with our exhibitors in the Exhibit Hall.

Monday Afternoon Break

2 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

Sponsored by the Virginia Housing Development Authority

Exhibitor Drawing

2:30 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

2:45 p.m - 4 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIAL TO ELECTED OFFICIAL: HOW TO ADVOCATE | Stratford

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Tim A. Reeves**, Chairman, Wythe County

SPEAKERS: The Honorable **Terry G. Kilgore**, 1st House District; The Honorable **Robert M. Thomas**, 28th House District

The state-local partnership is vitally important for the success of all counties. Join legislative leaders for a conversation about how you can make the best case for your county with members of the General Assembly.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: SKILLS FOR TOMORROW | Mount Vernon

MODERATOR: The Honorable **K. Adam Kidd**, Chairman, Bland County

SPEAKERS: The Honorable **Frank M. Ruff, Jr.**, 15th Senate District; The Honorable **David L. Bulova**, 37th House District; **Dr. Craig Herndon**, Vice Chancellor for Workforce Development, Virginia's Community Colleges

Virginia's economy needs a workforce trained to compete in the industries of today. Yet, while many workers in the Commonwealth are willing to fill empty positions, they do not always possess the skills and certifications necessary for success. This session will discuss how new programs are allowing Virginians to gain the training they need to meet current market demands and raise their income level.

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THE FUTURE OF AGRICULTURE: INNOVATION AND GROWTH | Piedmont

MODERATOR: The Honorable **William B. Kyger**, Supervisor, Rockingham County

SPEAKERS: The Honorable **Bettina K. Ring**, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, Commonwealth of Virginia; **Susan Sink**, Owner and Operator, Sinkland Farms, Montgomery County

Agriculture is Virginia's largest private sector industry, contributing over 334,000 jobs and \$70 billion to the Commonwealth. All of Virginia, therefore, should be invested in the success of this industry. This session will explore the future of Virginia's agriculture industry, discuss examples of innovation and creativity, and review new opportunities for growth.

CURRENT ISSUES IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES | Blue Ridge

MODERATOR: The Honorable **Sherrin C. Alsop**, President, Virginia Association of Counties, and Supervisor, King and Queen County

SPEAKERS: The Honorable **R. Creigh Deeds**, 25th Senate District; The Honorable **Barbara A. Favola**, 31st Senate District

New funding structures, a new understanding of the developing brain, and a new emphasis on trauma-informed care are all under discussion as policymakers examine Virginia's human services systems. This session is an opportunity to learn from legislators who have worked extensively on human services issues, including services for youth and major changes to the state's behavioral health system.

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY WELLNESS MODEL | Chesapeake | **Sponsored by Aetna**

SPEAKER: **Dr. Sunil Budhrani**, MD, MPH, MBA, Chief Medical Officer, Chief Informatics Officer, Aetna | Innovation Health

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SPECIAL SESSION

2:45 p.m - 4 p.m.

COMMUNITY TRANSITIONS: HOW CHANGE IMPACTS PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY WELL-BEING •

Dominion

SPEAKERS: Mike Chandler, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Virginia Tech University; **Martha A. Walker**, Ph.D., Extension Community Viability Specialist, Virginia Cooperative Extension

This session will examine the multiple impacts change produces in a community and whether the change can be assessed as positive, negative, or neutral. The session will also explore ways local leaders can position their county to prepare for change and forecast the impact the change will have on their community's well-being. This session will be interactive and will highlight localities, which have successfully mixed local leadership with prudent planning and citizen engagement.

High Growth Coalition

4 p.m. • Dominion

Rural Caucus

4 p.m. • Stratford

Nominations Committee

4 p.m. • Appalachian

President's Reception

5:45 p.m. - 7 p.m. • Crystal and Empire

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Tuesday Morning Coffee Break

8:45 a.m. • Regency Ballroom Foyer

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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

9 a.m. • Regency Ballrooms

PRESIDING: The Honorable **Sherrin C. Alsop**,
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Adoption of Legislative Program

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10:30 a.m. • Regency Ballrooms

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• KEYNOTE SPEAKER •

Dr. Robert Holsworth,
DecideSmart, LLC.

Prior to joining
DecideSmart, LLC, Dr. Holsworth
was the Founding Director of
the Center for Public Policy at
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Holsworth will give his smart and stylish analysis on
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CELEBRANT: The Honorable **William J. "Billy" Tarr**,
Supervisor, Accomack County

Exhibitor Setup

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. • Grand Ballroom and Colonnade

VACo Board of Directors

9 a.m. • Dominion

VACORP Annual Business Meeting

10 a.m. • Crystal and Empire

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Sunday Afternoon Coffee Break

1 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. • MV/ST Rotunda

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1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Economic Development and Planning • Piedmont
Education • Mount Vernon and Stratford
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Health and Human Resources • Mount Vernon

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Finance • Mount Vernon
General Government • Blue Ridge
Transportation • Stratford

**Regional Caucuses to Nominate Representatives
to VACo Board of Directors**

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

- Region 1** • Blue Ridge
- Region 3** • Wilson
- Region 5** • Mount Vernon
- Region 6** • Appalachian
- Region 7** • Stratford
- Region 8** • Tower Suite
- Region 11** • Madison
- Region 12** • Piedmont

Sunday Evening Opening Reception

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. • Crystal and Empire
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VACo Annual Banquet

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6:30 p.m. • Regency Ballrooms

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WELCOME: The Honorable **Richard B. Byrd**, Chair, Bath
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Monday, November 12

Resolutions Committee

7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. • Dominion

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PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS: Police Department Color Guard, Roanoke County

• KEYNOTE SPEAKERS •

The Honorable **Ralph Northam**, Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia

Steven J. Combs, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Veterans Services, Commonwealth of Virginia

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

10 a.m - 11:15 p.m.

STATE BUDGET PREVIEW • Stratford

STATE AND LOCAL ASSETS IN TRANSPORTATION • Mount Vernon

GOVERNOR'S PLAN FOR BROADBAND • Piedmont

TAX COMPETITIVENESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT • Blue Ridge

SMART TECHNOLOGIES ON VIRGINIA'S POWER GRID • Appalachian | Sponsored by Dominion Energy

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

11:30 a.m - 12:45 p.m.

SCHOOL SECURITY • Stratford

2019 TAX POLICY ISSUES: TOWARD A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD? • Mount Vernon

Monday, November 12

UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR – LAND USE CONSIDERATIONS •

Piedmont

SNAPSHOTS OF INNOVATIVE COUNTY PROGRAMS •

Appalachian

LINE OF DUTY ACT CHANGES AND STRATEGIES FOR LONG-TERM COST SAVINGS • Blue Ridge | Sponsored by VACORP

Deli Luncheon

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. • Grand Ballroom

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VLGMA Luncheon

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. • Crystal and Empire

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Credentials Committee

1 p.m. • Monroe

VACo Mini Drawing

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Commonwealth of Opportunities: Preparing Counties for the Future

2 p.m. • Exhibit Hall

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ELECTED OFFICIAL TO ELECTED OFFICIAL: HOW TO ADVOCATE • Stratford

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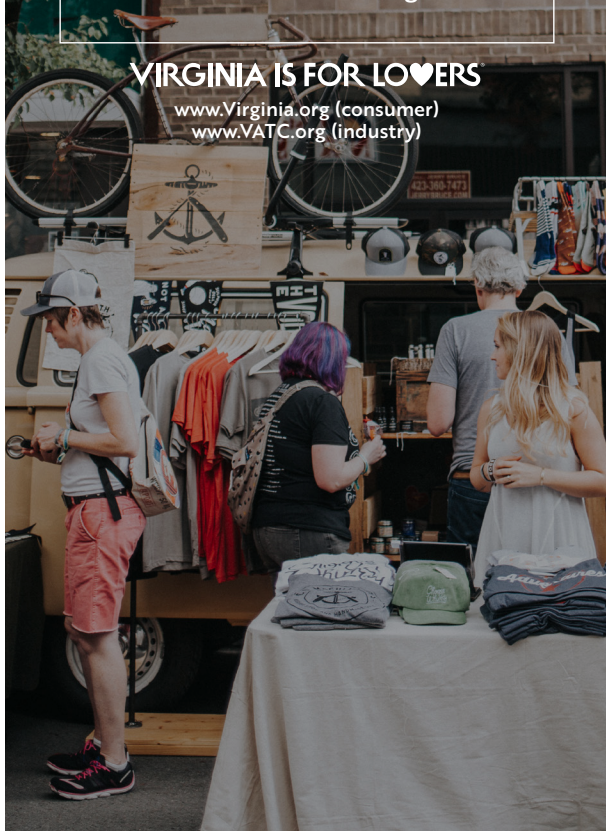
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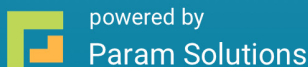
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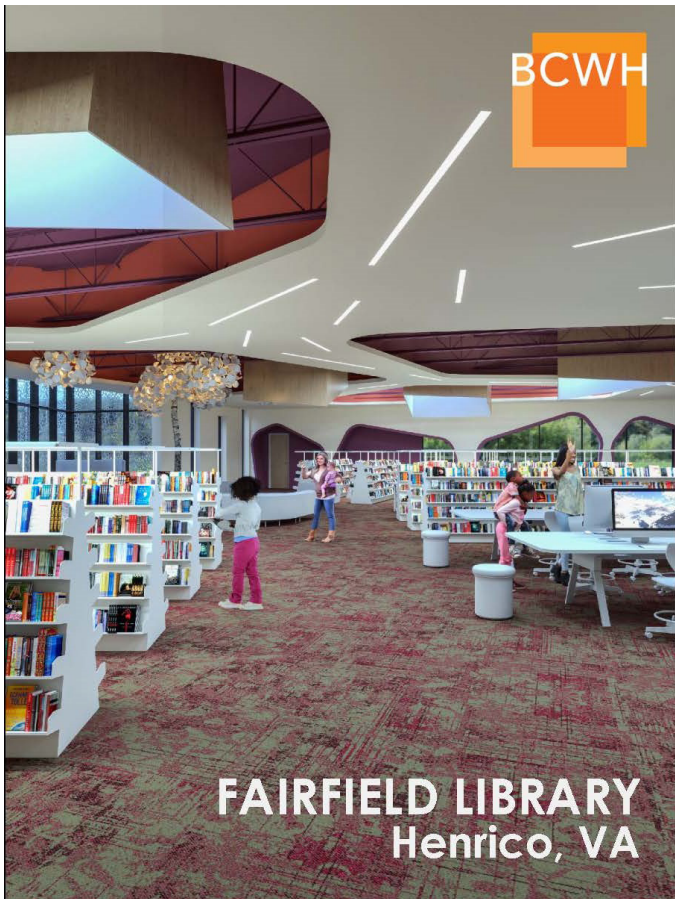
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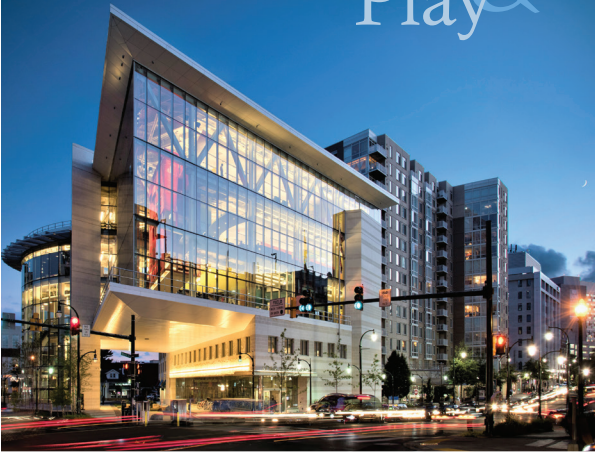
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2. VACo members are invited to attend regional meetings held in the spring and summer throughout the VACo regions in the Commonwealth to identify and discuss key legislative issues.

3. The steering committees meet once in late summer and again in November during the annual conference. The Steering Committees develop their position statements for the annual Legislative Program, based in part on information received during the regional meetings.

4. In early Fall, prior to the annual conference, the membership receives a Preliminary Legislative Program. This draft is revised during the annual conference.

5. The VACo Resolutions Committee oversees the development of the annual Legislative Program. It meets during the annual conference in November. The committee receives legislative updates during the annual legislative session. The Resolutions Committee includes the six members of VACo's Executive Committee and the chairs and vice chairs of VACo's seven steering committees. VACo's President-Elect chairs the Resolutions Committee.

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