

# COUNTY CONNECTIONS

The Newsletter of the  
Virginia Association of Counties

November 14-16, 2021



## 2021 Elections By the Numbers

### LOCAL ELECTIONS

Number of Counties with Supervisors Elections - 65

Number of Supervisor Seats Up for Election - 163

- Open Seats - 41
- Number of Incumbents Seeking Reelection - 122
  - » Number of Incumbents Who Won - 110
  - » Number of Incumbents Who Lost - 12

Number of New Supervisors  
(candidates who defeated incumbents  
and winners of open seats)

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### BOND REFERENDA

Five counties had bond referenda on the ballot; 13 out of 14 referenda passed

### Other Ballot Questions

- Three counties had referenda about relocation of monuments; voters opposed relocation in all three.
- Allowing off-track pari-mutuel wagering was on the ballot in Amherst County and the City of Emporia; the measure failed in Amherst County and passed in Emporia. Allowing casino gaming in the City of Richmond also failed.
- Ballot questions to allow Pittsylvania County and the City of Danville, respectively, to impose a 1 percent sales and use tax for school capital projects failed narrowly in Pittsylvania County (by 23 votes) and passed in the City of Danville.

## Statewide Races

### Governor

Glenn A. Youngkin 50.57%  
Terry R. McAuliffe 48.64%

### Lieutenant Governor

Winsome E. Sears 50.71%  
Hala S. Ayala 49.17%

### Attorney General

Jason S. Miyares 50.36%  
Mark R. Herring 49.55%

## House of Delegates

### 100 seats up for election

**Open seats - 10**  
(5 previously held by Democrats, 5 previously held by Republicans; none of these seats flipped)

### Number of incumbents seeking reelection - 90

(50 Democrats and 40 Republicans)

### Number of incumbents who won - 83

(43 Democrats and 40 Republicans)

**Number of incumbents who lost - 7**  
(all Democrats), possibly pending recounts in 2 races

**Party breakdown of 2022 General Assembly - 52 Republicans, 48 Democrats**

Based on results as of November 5. All results and percentages are preliminary, pending certification.

# 87th Annual Conference

Welcome to the 2021 VACo Annual Conference!

## ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

### BEST ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

**HENRICO COUNTY** | Equity Ambassadors

### BEST SMALL COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT

**(Under 50,000 Population)**

**NELSON COUNTY** | Blue Ridge Tunnel Rehabilitation and Trail Project

### BEST LARGE COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY** | Innovation Bootcamp

### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS WINNERS

- **ALBEMARLE COUNTY** | Court Square Community Conversation/At Ready Confederate Statue Removal
- **ARLINGTON COUNTY** | Emergency Communications Center Remote Call-Taking & Dispatch
- **CHESTERFIELD COUNTY** | ChesterBOT – A Successful Collaboration of Communications and Technology
- **CHESTERFIELD COUNTY** | Labor Redeployment
- **CHESTERFIELD COUNTY** | StratIS – Delivering Creative Cloud Solutions through Strategic Information Sharing
- **DINWIDDIE COUNTY** | Community Support Program
- **FAIRFAX COUNTY** | Eco Video Series
- **FLUVANNA COUNTY** | Fluvanna County Library Response to Covid-19
- **FRANKLIN COUNTY** | 24-Hour Library at Summit View
- **FRANKLIN COUNTY** | River of Lights
- **GRAYSON COUNTY** | Connecting People with the Rest of the World and with Each Other
- **GRAYSON COUNTY** | Getting Information and Resources to People in Need
- **HANOVER COUNTY** | Hanover County Sheriff's Office SHIELD
- **HANOVER COUNTY** | Hanover Fire-EMS Resiliency Initiative
- **HENRICO COUNTY** | Communications RN Model and Communication Fire Officer Program
- **HENRICO COUNTY** | Culture of Dignity and Responsive Action Plan
- **HENRICO COUNTY** | Progress Through Community Conversation
- **JAMES CITY COUNTY** | Clean Water Heritage Grant Program
- **LOUDOUN COUNTY** | Master Gardener Site Assessment Program
- **LOUISA COUNTY** | Wireless on Wheels
- **MONTGOMERY COUNTY** | Millstone Kitchen: Neighbors in Need Program
- **PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY** | Procurement Office Workload Balance
- **PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY** | Technology & Connectivity Plan
- **ROANOKE COUNTY** | From Crisis to Transformation: Local Solutions to a Global Pandemic
- **ROANOKE COUNTY** | Town of Vinton Business District Revitalization Project
- **STAFFORD COUNTY** | Stafford County Joins with Schools to Pivot to an Alternative Form of Field Trip Delivery
- **YORK COUNTY** | Peninsula COVID-19 Operations Center

## SERVICE LONGEVITY AWARDS



### 20 Years

The Honorable **Dennis H. Davis, Jr.** | Buckingham County  
 The Honorable **Thomas G. Shepperd, Jr.** | York County  
 The Honorable **Wayne H. Jessie, Sr.** | Middlesex County

### 10 Years

The Honorable **Daniel D. Lee** | Dinwiddie County

## SUPERVISORS' CERTIFICATION GRADUATES



**Leslie Ayers** (left in photo on left) and **Mickey Johnson** (right in photo on right)

- **Belinda D. Astrop** | Greenville County
- **Leslie E. Ayers** | Rockbridge County
- **Juli E. Briskman** | Loudoun County
- **James R. Brown** | Greenville County
- **William B. Cain** | Greenville County
- **Pam L. Carter** | Augusta County
- **Tony M. Conwell** | Greenville County
- **Cheryl L. Cullers** | Warren County
- **Clyde M. DeLoach** | Patrick County
- **Debbie P. Donehey** | Rappahannock County
- **Joseph H. Easter** | Amelia County
- **Mickey Johnson** | Bedford County
- **Ruth M. Larson** | James City County
- **Dr. Melissa Mason** | Mathews County
- **Delores R. Oates** | Warren County
- **Roger A. Scott** | Amelia County
- **Karie A. Walker** | Virginia Association of Counties
- **Keir A. Whitson** | Rappahannock County