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## GO Virginia Region 8 Regional Council Agenda

All Virtual Meeting

Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 10:00 AM

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98785775342?pwd=YNkYKghmD78J3Xbh4phYurfMfjhQTI.1>

1. Call to Order and Welcome Dr. Yolanda Shields, Chair
2. Roll Call / Special Guests Alison Varner-Denbigh, ED
3. **Consent Agenda Items**
  - a. **Approval of October 28, 2025 Council Minutes (Attached) \*** Dr. Yolanda Shields, Chair
  - b. **Approval of Council Member Term Extensions (Attached) \*** Dr. Yolanda Shields, Chair
4. **Grants Review Committee Report** Ashley Driver, GRC Chair
  - a. **Camp 7 Extended Due Diligence Site Planning Grant (attached) \***  
Chris Boies, Clarke County Administrator and Michelle Ridings,  
Director of Economic Development & Tourism
5. **Financial Update (Attached)** Brandon Davis, NSVRC Dir.
6. Executive Director's Report Alison Varner-Denbigh, ED
  - a. Project Pipeline
  - b. Upcoming Schedule
  - c. Training Opportunity for Current Members
  - d. Regional Self-Assessment Survey
7. Public Comments
8. Closing Comments / Adjournment Dr. Yolanda Shields, Chair

Next Council Meeting: April 28, 2026 at the HIVE – Shenandoah University starting at 10am.

**Legend:** FYI Only, **For Review & Feedback**, **For Review & Vote\***



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## Consent Agenda Item Summary

**Agenda Date:** January 27, 2026

**Consent Item:** Yes

**Regular Item:**

**Action Needed:** Yes

**Informational Purposes:**

**Item Title:** Consent Items – Meeting Minutes Approval and Term Extension Approval

### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the Consent Agenda as presented.

### **Background:**

The following items are placed on the Consent Agenda. All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be voted on with one motion. If discussion is desired regarding any Consent Agenda Item, that item can be removed at the request of any council member. If removed, that item will be placed on a Regular Agenda for discussion and can be voted on separately.

- 1.) October 28, 2025 Council Minutes
- 2.) Council Member Term Extensions

**Budget Impact:** None.

### **Attachments:**

- 1.) October 28, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- 2.) Nominating/Executive Committee Term Extension Recommendations



## Region 8

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### GO VIRGINIA REGION 8 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 28, 2025, 10:00 am to 11:40 am  
 Mountain Gateway Community College: Buena Vista Campus

FIRST	LAST	AFFILIATION	ATTENDED
Hobey	Bauhan	Virginia Poultry Federation	✓
Emily	Marlow Beck	Marlow Auto Group	Absent
Kim	Blosser	Laurel Ridge Community College	Absent
Eric	Bond	Augusta County Schools	Absent
Lisa	Botkin	Shenandoah Regional Airport	Virtual
Janet	Clarke	Clarke Consulting LLC.	✓
Ed	Daley	Interim Warren County Administrator	Virtual 10:08a
Dottie	Day	Navy Federal Credit Union	✓
Randy	Doyle	Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board	Virtual
Ashley	Driver	AD Engineering, LLC	✓
John	Graves	Luray Caverns Corporation	Absent
Conrad	Helsley	NSVRC Board	✓
Greg	Hitchin	Waynesboro Economic Development Director	✓
Bobby	Hobbs	Senior VP, Cornerstone Bank	✓
Lai	Lee	High Meadow Strategies	✓
Tracey	Luellen	Senior HR Manager, Toray Plastics	✓
Mary	McDermott	Shenandoah Valley Angel Investors	✓
Mitch	Moorel	Shenandoah University	✓
Doug	Moyer	Sentara RMH Medical Center	✓
Cary	Nelson	President, H.N.Funkhouser & Co.	Absent
Shawn	Pellington	McKee Foods	✓
Yolanda	Shields*	YesBuilds	✓
Bruce	Simms	Virginia Regional Transit	Virtual
Mike	Stolarz	UTS Systems	✓
Anthony	Tongen	James Madison University	✓
Dave	Urso	Blue Ridge Community College	Absent

*Support staff attending included: Alison Varner-Denbigh (Region 8 Executive Director), Brandon Davis (NSVRC), Ann Cundy (CSPDC), Jay Langston (SVP-ExOfficio), and Jack Honig (DHCD)*

*In person guests included: Jeremy Crute (CSPDC), Elizabeth Goodloe (CSPDC), Sharon Johnson (SVWDB), Kristina Ramsey (Buena Vista), and John Rainone (MGCC President).*

*Virtual guests included: Cody Anderson (DHCD), Brandy Flint (Applicant: Rockbridge Co, Jessica Blythe (Staunton ED), and Amanda DiMeo (Staunton ED).*

### **Call to Order and Welcome**

The October 28, 2025 Council meeting for GO Virginia Region 8 was called to order by Chair Yolanda Shields at 10:00 a.m. Denbigh asked those in attendance virtually and in person to introduce themselves. Shields reminded the attendees of the public nature of the meeting, thus the need to follow state laws and regulations.

### **Roll Call**

Alison Varner-Denbigh called the Council roll, and a quorum was confirmed.

### **Welcome to Mountain Gateway Community College (MGCC)**

Yolanda introduced John Rainone, President of MGCC. Rainone discussed the college's new facility in Buena Vista, highlighting its focus on trades and skill development. The college has exceeded enrollment expectations since its opening and continues to raise funds for additional projects.

### **Consent Agenda**

The July 22, 2025 Regional Council Meeting Minutes were motioned for approval by Greg Hitchin, followed by a second from Michael Stolarz, and were approved by unanimous vote.

### **Grant Review Committee Report**

Committee Chair Ashley Driver introduced a planning grant application totaling \$100,000 from Shenandoah University for a regional commercial kitchen with programming. He explained the process the GRC follows and asked the applicant to provide a brief presentation on their project.

#### *Shenandoah Valley Commercial Kitchen Planning Grant*

The applicant explained that this planning application is requesting \$100,000 to develop a plan for a commercial kitchen and culinary hub at a former restaurant site owned by the university. This plan will include an equipment list, layout design plan, a strategic business plan to ensure sustainability, and a HIVE (Hub for Innovators, Veterans and Entrepreneurs) curricular plan to provide entrepreneurship training. This plan will be used to guide a future implementation project to provide entrepreneurship training and build out the commercial kitchen to grow the food and beverage manufacturing sector.

#### *Page County Meat Processing Cooperative Cancellation Request*

The planning grant was approved for \$87,450 in June 2025 to help develop a business plan for the creation of the meat processing facility located in Page County. It was later determined that private investors involved in this project want flexibility to restructure or to sell the business in the future, thus changing the structure from a cooperative to an LLC. No reimbursement requests were submitted; therefore, no funds were disbursed. The full \$87,450 previously allocated to this project will be returned to the per-capita funding pool for reallocation to other eligible initiatives.

Hobey Bauhan made a motion to support the Shenandoah Valley Commercial Kitchen grant for \$100,000 and it was seconded by Greg Hitchin. The roll call vote to approve was unanimous with Yolanda Shields and Mitch Moore abstaining. Greg Hitchin made a motion to support the cancellation of the Page County Meat Processing Cooperative Grant and seconded by Dottie Day. The roll call vote to approve was majority with Mary McDermott opposing. McDermott recommended changing the verbiage of the cancellation letter to DHCD and offered to work with Shields

on those improvements. Region 8's letter requesting cancellation would then be submitted to DHCD after the updates are reflected.

### **Growth & Diversification Plan**

Jeremy Crute, Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission (CSPDC) Director of Planning presented on the updated Growth and Diversification (G&D) plan, highlighting key changes including the consolidation of traded industries from six to five by eliminating Business & Professional Services. The plan includes performance evaluations, situational analyses, skills gap assessments, and strategic goals aligned with current industry trends and regional needs. The plan was developed over several months with input from the G&D committee, stakeholders, and feedback from economic development staff. The deadline for submitting this report to DHCD is October 31, 2025. Conrad Helsley made a motion to approve the 2025 Growth & Diversification Plan as presented for submission to DHCD and seconded by Tracey Luellen. The roll call vote to approve was unanimous.

### **Financial Status Report**

Brandon Davis of the Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission presented the Comprehensive Financial Dashboard to help the council make decisions about pipeline projects, showing available funds, and the impact of potential approvals. After considering the approval of today's current grant proposal above and the reallocation of the cancelled grant project, the cumulative FY26 per capita available balance is \$1,040,307.40. It is anticipated to have the FY23 and FY24 Fund Projects formally closed out prior to next quarter, except the Incubator Project that had a 12/31/25 term extension.

### **Director's Report**

Alison Varner-Denbigh provided the council with the FY25 Annual Report and the CY26 Dates & Deadlines Calendar. She presented slides on Upcoming Events, Quarter 4 objectives, TPI implementation efforts, and highlighted a couple of Region 8-funded projects.

### **Council Chairman's Report**

Shields spoke about the importance of council-driven suggestions for council member nominations. She requested the council to make recommendations to her for potential candidates in the areas of Agriculture (non-livestock), Life Sciences, and IT & Emerging Technology Industries along with Bath, Clarke, and Highland County Localities.

### **Public Comment**

No public comment was offered. □

### **Next Council Meeting**

January 27, 2026 starting at 10:00am and will be all VIRTUAL.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business before the council, Chair Shields adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.



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## Recommendation

Date: January 6, 2026

To: Region 8 Council Members

From: Yolanda Shields, Council Chair

RE: Council Member Term Extensions

The Region 8 Executive Committee also serves as the Nomination Committee, and recommends approval of term extensions for the following Council members:

Bruce Simms, Virginia Regional Transit CEO – 2 years to 1/22/2028

Michael Stolarz, UTS Systems Vice President – 2 years to 1/22/2028

Both Council members have been strong members since January 2024, attending most of the Council meetings and actively engaged whenever possible. Bruce Simms serves on the Growth & Diversification Committee and Michael Stolarz serves on the Executive Committee. We appreciate their service and their desire to continue.

*The Executive Committee recommends Bruce Simms and Michael Stolarz be reappointed to the Region 8 Council for 2 more years.*



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## Agenda Item Summary

**Agenda Date:** January 27, 2026

**Consent Item:** No

**Regular Item:** Yes

**Action Needed:** Yes

**Informational Purposes:** No

**Item Title:** Camp 7 Extended Due Diligence Site Planning Grant Application

### **Recommendation:**

Review, Discuss, and Vote on the approval of the Camp 7 Extended Due Diligence Site Planning Grant Application for submission to the GO Virginia State Board for review.

### **Background:**

The application requests \$250,000 of Per-Capita Grant Funding for extended due diligence site planning for preliminary infrastructure & engineering design, and a site characterization report of the Camp 7 project. The \$250k will include a topography survey, developing preliminary sanitary sewer line design from the Pump Station to existing on-site sewer, a preliminary infrastructure and engineering site plan to include 3 site plan options, and a site characterization assessment and report. This funding request is based on the initial site planning grant funded by GO Virginia Region 8 as the recommended next steps. This request reflects Region 8's total allowable expenditure of per capita funds for the purpose of site planning for FY26, due to a newly implemented threshold limiting site planning grant expenditures to \$250K per year per region. Traditional planning grants may still be funded, all of which come from allotted per capita funds.

Two Localities: Clarke County and Frederick County

Partnership: Frederick Water

Total Cash Match: \$167,495.77

Timeline: 1 year to complete

**Budget Impact:** \$250,000 Per-Capita Grant Funding

### **Attachments:**

Camp 7 Extended Due Diligence Site Planning Grant – Separate attachment from Council Packet



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## Agenda Item Summary

**Agenda Date:** January 27, 2026

**Consent Item:** No

**Action Needed:** No

**Item Title:** Financial Update

**Regular Item:** No

**Informational Purposes:** Yes

### **Recommendation:**

No action Required. Information Only.

Review dashboard and supporting active project summaries.

### **Background:**

Region 8 receives Per-Capita Funding starting at the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1) annually. Grant applications are reviewed quarterly. If approved by Region 8, the application is submitted to the GO Virginia State Board for approval. The financial dashboard tracks all approved projects by the state, which includes the project title, the funded amount, and the term expiration.

The dashboard records the **Active Project in Black Font**, and reflects the contracted amounts. The projects that are in the **close-out process are in Blue Font** and based on Actual Expense Amounts. The projects that have **completely finished the close-out process are in Red Font**. Eventually, the Closed Out Projects will be consolidated into one column. The **Grant Applications** that are presented to the Regional Council for review but **not yet approved are in Green Font**.

The Active Projects will have project summaries following the dashboard summary. The summaries show the progress of the remittances and the quarterly updates. The fiscal agent (NSVRC) tracks, processes, and updates spreadsheets quarterly.

**Budget Impact:** Per-Capita Grant Funding

### **Attachments:**

- 1) Financial Dashboard
- 2) Active Project Summaries





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Closed projects show ACTUAL amounts  
Active projects show CONTRACTED amounts  
\* Indicates Planning Grant  
**Red font indicates a closed-out project**  
**Blue font indicates closeout submitted awaiting final review & approval**  
**Green font indicates a pipeline project not yet under contract**

Revenues by Funding Source	FY18-22 Funds	FY23 Funds	FY24 Funds	FY25 Funds	FY26 Funds	TOTAL
Per Capita Grant Funding	\$ 5,244,860.00	\$ 1,078,449.00	\$ 1,081,613.00	\$ 1,085,209.00	\$ 1,089,137.00	\$ 9,579,268.00
Funds Recaptured by General Assembly	\$ (966,925.00)	-	\$ (43,469.06)	-	-	\$ (1,010,394.06)
Talent Pathways Initiative Funding		-	\$ 250,000.00	-	-	\$ 250,000.00
ERR Program (Completed)	\$ 589,880.58	-	-	-	-	\$ 589,880.58
<b>Total Funding:</b>	\$ 4,867,815.58	\$ 1,078,449.00	\$ 1,288,143.94	\$ 1,085,209.00	\$ 1,089,137.00	\$ 9,408,754.52
Expenditures by Project	FY18-22 Projects	FY23 Projects	FY24 Projects	FY25 Projects	FY26 Projects	
	19 Closed Projects \$ (4,426,980.32)	SHD Technology Park \$ (993,300.00)	GO2Work (Term End 10/1/2025) \$ (884,500.00)	Camp 7 Clarke County Site Development Planning Grant \$ (170,625.00)	Rockbridge Co Dual Enrollment Cybersecurity Program (Term End 9/8/2027) \$ (38,277.00)	
		Capacitor Incubator Program (Extended to 12/31/25) \$ (395,067.00)	Winchester Regional Airport Authority Land Planning Study* \$ (100,000.00)	Blue Mountain Site Extended Due Diligence \$ (348,810.00)	Rockbridge Co Advanced Mfg Modernization & Scale-up (Term End 9/8/2027) \$ (131,128.00)	
		Talent Pathways Initiative - Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board \$ (249,943.42)	Blue Mountain RIFA Site Feasibility Study* \$ (55,892.70)	Expressways to Power - Lineworker Training Program (Term End 7/1/2027) \$ (401,374.00)	Shenandoah University Commercial Kitchen Planning Study* \$ (100,000.00)	
			Winchester Advanced Air Mobility Pipeline Study* \$ (71,000.00)		Camp 7 Extended Due Diligence \$ (250,000.00)	
<b>Total Funds Allocated:</b>	\$ (4,426,980.32)	\$ - \$ (1,638,310.42)	\$ - \$ (1,111,392.70)	\$ - \$ (920,809.00)	\$ (519,405.00)	\$ (8,616,897.44)
<b>Total Funds Unallocated:</b>	\$ 440,835.26	\$ (559,861.42)	\$ 176,751.24	\$ 164,400.00	\$ 569,732.00	\$ 791,857.08
Planning Grant Subset Allocated:	\$ (208,065.33)	\$ -	\$ (226,892.70)	\$ (401,374.00)	\$ (100,000.00)	
Planning Grant Subset Unallocated:	\$ 427,018.55	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 23,107.30	\$ (151,374.00)	\$ 150,000.00	

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GO Virginia Shenandoah Valley Region 8  
PER CAPITA ALLOCATION GRANT FUNDS

Contract Term: 7/1/2023-12/31/2025

Capacitor Incubator

Budgeted Revenues & Expenditures Report

Reporting Period: January 15, 2026

Accrual Basis Accounting

REVENUES		<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>			<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>			<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>
Draw #1	8/21/2023	5,989.00	5,704.62	Draw #6	5/30/2024	42,680.11	22,145.94	Draw #12		41,013.49	12,664.28
Draw #2	9/12/2023	9,658.93	3,169.23	Draw #7	9/4/2024	13,738.81	7,983.31	Draw #13	\$	30,551.34	\$ 7,604.64
Draw #3	2/5/2024	22,313.12	11,263.08	Draw #8	11/25/2024	45,128.68	44,777.35	Draw #14	\$	37,458.06	\$ 5,203.58
Draw #4	2/7/2024	8,968.09	4,107.31	Draw #9	2/19/2025	35,599.18	9,494.57				
Draw #5	4/11/2024	17,935.94	8,328.90	Draw #10	3/21/2025	28,118.57	9,665.48				
				Draw #11	5/20/2025	30,245.28	42,157.53				
REVENUE		\$ 64,865.08	\$ 32,573.14	REVENUE		\$ 260,375.71	\$ 168,797.32	REVENUE		\$ 369,398.60	\$ 194,269.82

EXPENDITURES

ADMINISTRATION

Administration

SCCF Administration

TOTAL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

Program Operations

Supplies

Contract Services

Legal Expenses

Fees and Licenses

Rent/Lease

Salaries

Fringe

Professional Development

Outreach

TOTAL PROGRAM OPERATION EXPENSES

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

DHCD FUNDS			MATCH FUNDS			COMBINED FUNDS REMAINING
<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	
22,362.00	22,362.00	0.00				-
			19,500.00	18,694.86	805.14	805.14
22,362.00	22,362.00	-	19,500.00	18,694.86	805.14	805.14
						-
5,000.00	4,640.19	359.81				359.81
91,650.00	88,978.25	2,671.75	44,840.00	35,882.42	8,957.58	11,629.33
-	-	-	1,975.00	-	1,975.00	1,975.00
-	-	-	13,600.00	39,324.48	(25,724.48)	(25,724.48)
-	-	-	39,345.00	33,783.67	5,561.33	5,561.33
246,300.00	225,571.13	20,728.87	72,000.00	66,584.38	5,415.62	26,144.49
29,755.00	27,847.04	1,907.96	-	-	-	1,907.96
-	-	-				-
			10,142.00	-	10,142.00	10,142.00
372,705.00	347,036.61	25,668.39	181,902.00	175,574.95	6,327.05	31,995.44
\$ 395,067.00	\$ 369,398.61	\$ 25,668.39	\$ 201,402.00	\$ 194,269.81	\$ 7,132.19	\$ 32,800.58

BALANCE: \$ 32,800.58

Funds Drawdown History

Capacitor Incubator

		FY2024						FY2025						FY2026			
Date Drawn		8/21/2023	9/12/2023	2/5/2024	2/7/2024	4/11/2024	5/30/2024	9/4/2024	11/25/2024	2/19/2025	3/21/2025	5/21/2025	6/30/2025			DHCD Funds	
Budget Category	CAMS Budget	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10	D11	D12	D13	D14	TOTAL	REMAINING
ADMINISTRATON																	
Administration	22,362.00			2,308.74			6,305.15	3,692.78	6,826.01		-		3,229.32	-	-	22,362.00	\$ -
PROGRAM OPERATIONS																	
Salaries	246,300.00	5,553.85	5,553.85	16,661.55	8,330.78	5,553.85	16,661.55	3,846.16	15,726.94	27,259.63	18,836.52	19,432.67	28,317.30	24,730.74	29,105.74	225,571.13	\$ 20,728.87
Fringe	29,755.00	435.15	424.88	1,274.60	637.31	432.09	1,280.91	574.87	2,198.73	5,180.31	3,530.78	2,900.11	3,916.87	2,295.60	2,764.83	27,847.04	\$ 1,907.96
Supplies	5,000.00		3,680.20	786.98						69.24	103.77					4,640.19	\$ 359.81
Other: Consulting Services	91,650.00			1,281.25		11,950.00	18,432.50	5,625.00	20,377.00	3,090.00	5,647.50	7,912.50	5,550.00	3,525.00	5,587.50	88,978.25	\$ 2,671.75
Professional Development	-														-	-	\$ -
TOTAL	395,067.00	5,989.00	9,658.93	22,313.12	8,968.09	17,935.94	42,680.11	13,738.81	45,128.68	35,599.18	28,118.57	30,245.28	41,013.49	30,551.34	37,458.07	369,398.61	\$ 25,668.39
MATCH																	
Budget Category	Matching Funds	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10	D11	D12	D13	D14	TOTAL	REMAINING
ADMINISTRATON																	
Administration	19,500.00		633.85	3,803.08	950.77	406.25	3,195.37	414.04	2,484.23	1,117.90	994.49	994.01	1,242.12	1,101.34	1,357.41	18,694.86	\$ 805.14
PROGRAM OPERATIONS																	
Contract Services	44,840.00			3,075.00		5,400.00	9,626.34	2,833.58	5,560.00	1,247.50	2,465.00	1,262.50	1,875.00	850.00	1,687.50	35,882.42	\$ 8,957.58
Legal Expenses	1,975.00														-	-	\$ 1,975.00
Fees & Licenses	13,600.00			1,875.00					3,441.48	312.00		33,696.00				39,324.48	\$ (25,724.48)
Rent/Lease	39,345.00			2,510.00	1,255.00	1,255.00	3,765.00	2,075.00	7,555.00	2,090.00	2,090.00		4,820.00	2,120.00	2,158.67	33,783.67	\$ 5,561.33
Salaries	72,000.00	5,704.62	2,535.38		1,901.54	1,267.65	5,559.23	2,660.69	25,736.64	4,727.16	4,115.99	4,115.02	4,727.16	3,533.30	-	66,584.38	\$ 5,415.62
Other - Outreach (In-kind)	10,142.00															-	\$ 10,142.00
TOTAL	201,402.00	5,704.62	3,169.23	11,263.08	4,107.31	8,328.90	22,145.94	7,983.31	44,777.35	9,494.56	9,665.48	42,157.53	12,664.28	7,604.64	5,203.58	194,269.81	\$ 7,132.19
TOTAL EXPENSES PAID	\$ 596,469.00	\$ 11,693.62	\$ 12,828.16	\$ 33,576.20	\$ 13,075.40	\$ 26,264.84	\$ 64,826.05	\$ 21,722.12	\$ 89,906.03	\$ 45,093.74	\$ 37,784.05	\$ 72,402.81	\$ 53,677.77	\$ 38,155.98	\$ 42,661.65	\$ 563,668.42	\$ 32,800.58



Accrual Basis Accounting

REVENUES		<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>		<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>
Draw #1	9/4/2024	73,558.83	442,250.00	Draw #5 5/13/2025	10,982.28	-
Draw #2	9/19/2024	206,798.66	-	Draw #6 9/15/2025	202,679.41	-
Draw #3	3/17/2025	95,164.61	-	Draw #7 1/13/2026	65,504.67	-
Draw #4	4/9/2025	<u>229,811.54</u>	<u>-</u>		-	-
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 605,333.64	\$ 442,250.00		\$ 884,500.00	\$ 442,250.00

EXPENDITURES	DHCD BUDGET			MATCHING FUNDS			COMBINED FUNDS REMAINING
	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Administration	<u>14,678.05</u>	<u>14,678.05</u>	<u>0.00</u>				-
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET</b>	<b><u>14,678.05</u></b>	<b><u>14,678.05</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>				-
<b>Program Operations</b>							
Equipment	<u>869,821.95</u>	<u>869,821.95</u>	<u>-</u>				-
Construction				<u>442,250.00</u>	<u>442,250.00</u>	<u>-</u>	-
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM OPERATION EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>869,821.95</u></b>	<b><u>869,821.95</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>442,250.00</u></b>	<b><u>442,250.00</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b><u>\$ 884,500.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 884,500.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 442,250.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 442,250.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	-

**BALANCE:** \$ -

## Funds Drawdown History

### GO2 Work

Date Drawn		9/4/2024	9/19/2024	3/17/2025	4/9/2025	5/13/2025	9/15/2025	1/13/2026		CAMS
Budget Category	CAMS Budget	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	TOTAL	REMAINING
<u>ADMINISTRATON</u>	<u>14,678.05</u>		-			<u>10,982.28</u>	<u>1,276.40</u>	<u>2,419.37</u>	14,678.05	-
									-	-
<u>PROGRAM OPERATIONS</u>										-
Equipment	869,821.95	73,558.83	206,798.66	95,164.61	229,811.54		201,403.01	63,085.30	869,821.95	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>884,500.00</b>	<b>73,558.83</b>	<b>206,798.66</b>	<b>95,164.61</b>	<b>229,811.54</b>	<b>10,982.28</b>	<b>202,679.41</b>	<b>65,504.67</b>	<b>884,500.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

  

Budget Category	Matching Funds	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	TOTAL	MATCH REMAINING
<u>ADMINISTRATON</u>									-	\$ -
<u>PROGRAM OPERATIONS</u>										
Construction	442,250.00	442,250.00	-	-	-				442,250.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>442,250.00</b>	<b>442,250.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>442,250.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES PAID</b>	<b>\$ 1,326,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 515,808.83</b>	<b>\$ 206,798.66</b>	<b>\$ 95,164.61</b>	<b>\$ 229,811.54</b>	<b>\$ 10,982.28</b>	<b>\$ 202,679.41</b>	<b>\$ 65,504.67</b>	<b>\$ 1,326,750.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>



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## GO Virginia Shenandoah Valley Region 8

*Blue Mt. Extended Due Diligence*

*Term 1/13/2025-7/13/2026*

### Budgeted Revenues & Expenditures Report

Reporting Through: January 15, 2026

Accrual Basis Accounting

## REVENUES

<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>
Draw #1	95,002.66
Draw #2	76,030.00
Draw #3	53,507.82
Draw #4	26,449.52
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 250,990.00</b>

## EXPENDITURES

	<b>DHCD BUDGET</b>			<b>MATCHING FUNDS</b>			<b>COMBINED FUNDS</b>
	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<b>REMAINING</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Administration	16,610.00	16,610.00	0.00				-
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET</b>	<b>16,610.00</b>	<b>16,610.00</b>	<b>-</b>				<b>-</b>
<b>Program Operations</b>							
Architecture & Engineering Fees	197,200.00	197,200.00	-	102,600.00	102,600.00	-	-
Planning & Assessment	135,000.00	37,180.00	97,820.00	71,805.00	58,872.37	12,932.63	110,752.63
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM OPERATION EXPENSES</b>	<b>332,200.00</b>	<b>234,380.00</b>	<b>97,820.00</b>	<b>174,405.00</b>	<b>161,472.37</b>	<b>12,932.63</b>	<b>110,752.63</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 348,810.00</b>	<b>\$ 250,990.00</b>	<b>\$ 97,820.00</b>	<b>\$ 174,405.00</b>	<b>\$ 161,472.37</b>	<b>\$ 12,932.63</b>	<b>110,752.63</b>

## BALANCE FUNDS:

\$ 110,752.63

## Funds Drawdown History

### Blue Mt. Implementation

		NSVRC FY2025	NSVRC FY2026						
Date Drawn		6/30/2025	9/2/2025	10/16/2025	12/17/2025				CAMS
Budget Category	CAMS Budget	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	TOTAL	REMAINING
<b><u>ADMINISTRATON</u></b>	<b>16,610.00</b>	1,652.66	-	2,007.82	12,949.52			16,610.00	-
								-	-
<b><u>PROGRAM OPERATIONS</u></b>								-	-
Architecture & Engineering Fees	<b>197,200.00</b>	93,350.00	76,030.00	27,820.00				197,200.00	-
Planning & Assessment	<b>135,000.00</b>	-	-	23,680.00	13,500.00			37,180.00	<b>97,820.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>348,810.00</b>	<b>95,002.66</b>	<b>76,030.00</b>	<b>53,507.82</b>	<b>26,449.52</b>	-	-	<b>250,990.00</b>	<b>\$ 97,820.00</b>
		MATCH							
Budget Category	Matching Funds	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	TOTAL	REMAINING
<b><u>PROGRAM OPERATIONS</u></b>									
Architecture & Engineering Fees	<b>102,600.00</b>	102,600.00	-	-	-				
Infrastructure	<b>71,805.00</b>	58,872.37	-	-	-			<b>58,872.37</b>	<b>\$ 12,932.63</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>174,405.00</b>	<b>161,472.37</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>161,472.37</b>	<b>\$ 12,932.63</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES PAID</b>	<b>\$ 523,215.00</b>	<b>\$ 256,475.03</b>	<b>\$ 76,030.00</b>	<b>\$ 53,507.82</b>	<b>\$ 26,449.52</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 412,462.37</b>	<b>\$ 110,752.63</b>

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FY2024 PER CAPITA ALLOCATION GRANT FUNDS

*Contract #25-GOVA-08B Camp 7 Planning*

*Term 1/6/2025-1/6/2027*

Budgeted Revenues & Expenditures Report

Reporting Through: January 15, 2026

Accrual Basis Accounting

## REVENUES

<u>DHCD CAMS</u>	<u>MATCH</u>
Draw #1 9/3/2025 82,004.01	85,313.00
Draw #2 11/4/2025 88,620.99	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 170,625.00 \$ 85,313.00</b>

## EXPENDITURES

	DHCD BUDGET			MATCHING FUNDS			COMBINED FUNDS REMAINING
	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Administration	8,125.00	8,125.00	0.00				-
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET</b>	<b>8,125.00</b>	<b>8,125.00</b>	-				-
<b>Program Operations</b>							
Planning Assessment	162,500.00	162,500.00	-			-	-
Architectural & Engineering Fees			-	85,313.00	85,313.00		-
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM OPERATION EXPENSES</b>	<b>162,500.00</b>	<b>162,500.00</b>	-	<b>85,313.00</b>	<b>85,313.00</b>	-	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 170,625.00</b>	<b>\$ 170,625.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 85,313.00</b>	<b>\$ 85,313.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>-</b>

**BALANCE:**

\$ -



**Funds Drawdown History**  
**Clarke County Camp 7 Planning**

Date Drawn		9/5/2025	11/10/2025			CAMS
Budget Category	CAMS Budget	D1	D2	D3	TOTAL	REMAINING
<u>ADMINISTRATON</u>	8,125.00	-	8,125.00		8,125.00	-
					-	-
<u>PROGRAM OPERATIONS</u>					-	-
Contract Services	162,500.00	82,004.01	80,495.99		162,500.00	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>170,625.00</b>	<b>82,004.01</b>	<b>88,620.99</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>170,625.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

  

						MATCH
Budget Category	Matching Funds	D1	D2	D3	TOTAL	REMAINING
<u>PROGRAM OPERATIONS</u>						
Architectural & Engineering	85,313.00	85,313.00			85,313.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,313.00</b>	<b>85,313.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>85,313.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

  

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES PAID</b>	<b>\$ 255,938.00</b>	<b>\$ 167,317.01</b>	<b>\$ 88,620.99</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 255,938.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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## Agenda Item Summary

**Agenda Date:** January 27, 2026

**Consent Item:** No

**Regular Item:** No

**Action Needed:** No

**Informational Purposes:** Yes

**Item Title:** Executive Director's Report

No Action Required. Information Only.

- 1) Review & Discuss the Project Pipeline Forecast
- 2) Training Opportunities
- 3) Review and highlight upcoming events
- 4) Self-Assessment Survey

### **Background:**

- 1.) The Project Pipeline – No action needed at this time. The Project Pipeline illustrates a proposed pathway for Region 8 to review & approve Per-Capita grant funding applications with the goal of allocating the funding pool by the end of the fiscal year. The forecast includes the project name, applicant, type of grant application, the requested funding amount, and the anticipated quarter of the application submission for review by the regional council. The project pipeline includes FY26 and FY27, along with other projects in ideation with unknown application submission dates at this time.

**Budget Impact:** Project Pipeline forecasts the impact on the Per-Capita Grant Funding and Competitive Grant Funding to provide situational awareness for consideration of current and future projects

**Attachment(s):** Project Pipeline.

- 2.) Training Opportunities for Current Members – No Action Needed at this time. DHCD has identified that annual training on GO Virginia, COIA (Conflict of Interest Act), and FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) is a best practice. Not mandatory. Region 8 will formalize a process to offer voluntary training on these subjects.  
Attachment: DHCD's Guidance on Regional Council COIA Policy (embedded training link <http://ethics.dls.virginia.gov/>)



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3.) Important upcoming events to note -

March 10-12, 2026: Brainstorming Roadshow Dates (3 locations)

March 24, 2026: GO Virginia State Board Meeting

April 28, 2026: Next Regional Council Meeting (Winchester) - Will review 2 Per-Capita Applications, 1 Competitive Grant Application, Regional Council Nominations, and FY27 Budget

**Attachment:** CY26 Key Dates & Deadlines (Schedule)

- 4.) Self-Assessment Survey – No Action Needed. Individual direct follow-up requested at your convenience. GO Virginia is partnering with The Spark Mill, a consulting firm in Richmond, to launch a statewide self-assessment survey for members of all nine Regional Councils. The purpose of the survey is to gather feedback directly from council members about their experience serving on the council—including insights on governance, engagement, operations, collaboration, and the overall support received.

This is the first time such an assessment is being conducted across all regions, and the results will help GO Virginia leadership:

- Identify common strengths and areas for improvement
- Shape future support strategies for councils
- Strengthen alignment between the State Board, DHCD, and Regional Councils

Project Name	Applicant	Industry Sector	Grant Application Type	Funding Pool	Estimated \$ Request	Application Estimate	Available Per-Capita Funds	\$ 1,150,851.33
Commercial Kitchen w/ Entrepreneurial Support Feasibility Study	Shenandoah University	Ag & Value-added Food	Planning	Per-Capita	\$ 100,000.00	October '25	\$ 1,050,851.33	*Approved 10/28 Regional Council Mtg., <b>Awaiting SU's answers to DHCD's feedback loop questions</b>
Camp 7 Extended Due Diligence	Clarke Co.	Site Planning	Site Planning	Per-Capita	\$ 250,000.00	January '26	\$ 800,851.33	Application presented at January 2026 Regional Council Meeting
AAM CTE Program	Winchester Airport	T&L (Aviation)	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 475,000.00	April '26	\$ 325,851.33	Partners = Winchester & Frederick County Public High Schools plus LRCC
Engineering Implementation & Scale-up Program	Blue Ridge Technical Center	Manufacturing	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 324,237.50	April '26	\$ 1,613.83	New Superintendant as of 12/1/25 would like to make a presentation to the board of supervisors in January (missing the GoVaR8 Jan deadline = pushing it to April)
Regional Innovation Commercialization Network	JMU	IT & Emerging Technologies	Implementation	<b>Competitive Grant</b>	\$ 650,000.00	April '26		Draft expected late February/Early March for review. R8 Advisory Committee is being formed.
FY27 Project Pipeline								\$ 1,232,755.50
Data Center Site Assessment Study	SVP	IT & Emerging Technology	Site Planning	Per-Capita	\$ 60,000.00	July '26	\$ 1,172,755.50	DHCD approved concept, Executive Summary to be submitted for February' 26 Committee Mtg
Durable Skills & Employability Readiness Initiative (TPI)	SVWDB	All Industries	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 250,000.00	July '26	\$ 922,755.50	Localities: Waynesboro City (WHS) & Staunton City (SHS)
Career Pathways & Sector Partnerships Initiative (TPI)	SVWDB	Manufacturing and T&L	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 300,000.00	Oct '26	\$ 622,755.50	Per R8 Executive Committee; Concept needs to be reworked.
Scale-up Electrician Program & Diesel Mechanic/Ag Equipment Mechanic Program (both DE)	Bath County	Manufacturing	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 200,000.00	Jan '27	\$ 422,755.50	<b>March '27:</b> Funding Approved, <b>April - May:</b> Student Scheduling, Equipment Purchasing, Instructor Training/Curriculum, <b>August:</b> Program Starts
Scale-up Welding Program & Implement New Large Animal Vet Tech Program (both DE)	Highland County Public Schools	Agriculture	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 200,000.00	Jan '27	\$ 222,755.50	
BRCC AMT Expansion Project	BRCC	T&L (Aviation)	Implementation	Per-Capita		Jan '27/Apr	\$ 222,755.50	Potential to become a competitive grant concept &/or reallocate above funds to this project. TBD.
Ag Innovation BioHub	JMU	Agriculture & Life Sciences	Implementation	<b>Competitive Grant</b>	\$ 1,000,000.00	April '27		<b>End of FY27</b>
Regional Workforce (3 Community Colleges)	LRCC/BRCC/MGCC	Manufacturing	Implementation	<b>Competitive Grant</b>	\$ 700,000.00	April '27		<b>End of FY27</b>
Shenandoah Valley Aviation Innovation Corridor- Implementation Projects								
Shenandoah Valley Aviation Innovation Study	CSPDC (SHD)	T&L (Aviation)	Planning	Per-Capita	\$ 150,000.00			
Advanced Air Mobility Training Campus	Frederick/Augusta Co.	Transportation	Implementation	TBD	TBD	~2027		
Blue Mountain Flight Testing Campus	Augusta Co.	Transportation	Implementation	TBD	TBD	~2028		

Project Name	Applicant	Industry Sector	Grant Application Type	Funding Pool	Estimated \$ Request	Application Estimate	Available Per-Capita Funds	\$ 1,150,851.33
Project Concepts in Development &/or Contingent upon above projects								
Go Tec Implementation	Shenandoah & Augusta County	All Industries	Implementation	Per-Capita	\$ 750,000.00	July '26		\$\$ TBD
Entrepreneurship Initiative (HIVE Scale-up)	SU	All Industries	Implementation	Per-Capita	TBD	TBD		
Multi-Regional Entrepreneurship Strategy	TAF	All Industries	Implementation	Competitive Grant	TBD	TBD		
VAST Program (Scale-up)	VMI	Manufacturing	Implementation	Per-Capita	TBD	TBD		
Non-Traditional Workforce Support Initiative	MBU (potentially)	TBD	TBD	Per-Capita	TBD	TBD		Might pair nicely with SVWDB TPI Essential Skills Project

# 2026 Key Dates & Deadlines

CY2026	Meeting/Event	Location
1/6/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
1/13/2026	Grants Review Committee Meeting	In-Person (Quorum Needed) @ JMU/Hybrid 11am
1/15/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
1/16/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
1/27/2026	Regional Council Meeting	ALL Virtual
1/31/2026	Quarterly Project Reporting Due	CAMS (Last day of Month)
2/3/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
2/13/2026	<b>Per Capita Implementation &amp; Competitive Applications</b> Due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
2/19/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
Week of 2/16/2026	"Pitch Calls" to DHCD/State Board Workgroup	Virtual
Week of 2/23/2026	Application Feedback Loop	E-Mail
3/3/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
3/10/2026	<b>Brainstorming Session</b> - VA Inland Port (Front Royal/Warren Co)	In-Person Event: 9am-11am
3/11/2026	<b>Brainstorming Session</b> - Valley Career & Technical Center (Fishersville)	In-Person Event: 9am-11am
3/12/2026	<b>Brainstorming Session</b> - Rockbridge Co High School Innovation Center	In-Person Event: 9am-11am
3/20/2026	<b>All Grant Applications</b> due to Executive Director	E-Mail
3/24/2026	GO VA State Board Meeting	Richmond @ 1p
3/26/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
3/27/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
4/7/2026	Executive Committee Meeting - Approve FY27 Budget	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
4/14/2026	Grants Review Committee Meeting	In-Person (Quorum Needed) @ JMU/Hybrid 11am
4/16/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
4/17/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
4/21/2026	Brainstorming Follow-up Q&A Session	Virtual @ 9am
4/28/2026	Regional Council Meeting - Approve FY27 Budget	(10a-noon) TBD-Northern Valley
5/1/2026	<b>Capacity Building FY27 Budget Due to DHCD</b>	E-Mail by NOON
5/1/2026	<b>Per Capita Implementation &amp; Competitive Applications</b> Due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
5/5/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
Week of 5/11/2026	"Pitch Calls" to DHCD/State Board Workgroup	Virtual
Week of 5/18/2026	Application Feedback Loop	E-Mail
5/21/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
6/9/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
6/9/2026	GO VA State Board Meeting	Virtual at 1p
6/18/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
6/19/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
6/23/2026	<b>All Grant Applications</b> due to Executive Director	E-Mail

CY2026	Meeting/Event/Goal	Location
7/7/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
7/14/2026	Grants Review Committee Meeting	In-Person (Quorum Needed) @ JMU/Hybrid
7/16/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
7/17/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
7/28/2026	Regional Council Meeting	(10a-noon) TBD-Central Valley
8/4/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
8/7/2026	<b>Per Capita Implementation &amp; Competitive Applications</b> Due to DHCD	CAMS by NOON
Week of 8/17/2026	"Pitch Calls" to DHCD/State Board Workgroup	Virtual
Week of 8/24/2026	Application Feedback Loop	E-Mail
8/20/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
9/1/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
9/15/2026	Annual Leadership Retreat	Richmond (TBD)
9/15/2026	GO VA State Board Meeting	Richmond @ 1p
9/17/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
9/22/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
9/22/2026	<b>All Grant Applications</b> due to Executive Director	E-Mail
9/30/2026	<b>Region 8 Annual Reports Due to DHCD</b>	E-Mail
10/6/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
10/13/2026	Grants Review Committee Meeting	In-Person (Quorum Needed) @ JMU/Hybrid
10/15/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
10/16/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
10/27/2026	Regional Council Meeting	(10a-noon) TBD - Southern Valley
10/30/2026	<b>Per Capita Implementation &amp; Competitive Applications</b> Due to DHCD	CAMS by NOON
11/3/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
Week of 11/9/2026	"Pitch Calls" to DHCD/State Board Workgroup	Virtual
Week of 11/16/2026	Application Feedback Loop	E-Mail
TBD	Schedule "Road Show" w/ Legislators	Lobby Efforts, Relationship Building...
11/19/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1pm
12/1/2026	Executive Committee Meeting	Virtual (8:30a-10a)
12/3/2026-12/4/2026	Legislative Efforts	Richmond
12/8/2026	GO VA State Board Meeting	Richmond @ 1p
12/17/2026	Monthly Support Org Call w/ DHCD	Virtual @ 1p
12/18/2026	<b>Planning, Feasibility, &amp; Small-Scale Pilot Grant Applications</b> due to DHCD	CAMS Submission
12/18/2026	<b>All Grant Applications</b> due to Executive Director	E-Mail



## Regional Council COIA Policy

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### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this guidance is to assist Regional Council's wishing to adopt a policy in relation to the Conflict of Interest Act (COIA). Currently, Regional Council members are only subject to the online training required by the COIA Council and not subject to the State and Local Statement of Economic Interests filing. One goal of the Regional Councils is to encourage collaboration among localities, the education sector, and the private sector. With projects being brought forth at the regional level, along with Council representation at the regional level, there will be times when individuals may need to recuse themselves from reviewing or voting on a project to be submitted to the state Board. The proposed policy below outlines when such recusal would be appropriate.

### **MODEL POLICY:**

The Conflict of Interest Act is set out to prevent situations in which a person is in a position to derive personal benefit from actions or decisions made in their official capacity. Therefore, abstention from project reviews and approvals may only be appropriate if the member of the Regional Council was to derive a direct personal benefit, i.e. a Regional Council member's company is a partner in a project that would increase the company's revenue. However, local government representatives whose localities are partners would not need to recuse themselves since they would have no personal benefit from the project and are already subject to COIA in their official roles.

### **STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:**

Since it is not required by the COIA Council for Regional Council members to file the State and Local Statement of Economic Interests, the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) does not advise that the Regions create their own statement of economic interest form. However, if a Regional Council feels strongly otherwise, DHCD would recommend it model its form based on the COIA Council's State and Local Statement of Economic Interests.

### **ONLINE TRAININGS**

Training modules for Regional Council members can be found online here: <http://ethics.dls.virginia.gov/> by clicking on "State Employee and Officer Training Module".