



VAPDC 2023 Summer Conference/
Annual Meeting/Board of Directors Meeting
July 26-28, 2023
Hilton Norfolk The Main

Strategic Funding Solutions Opportunities and Issues

All VAPDC Summer Conference events will be at the Hilton Norfolk The Main on the third floor of the hotel, with the exception of the Wednesday night reception which will be aboard the American Rover departing from the Norfolk Waterside pier.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023

11:00 am - 3:30 pm – Registration

11:45 am – 12:00 pm - Conference Opening/Welcome

Welcome to the VAPDC Summer Conference

▽ Dwayne Tuggle, First Vice President, Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions

Welcome to Hampton Roads Region and Norfolk, Virginia

▽ The Honorable Kenneth Cooper Alexander, Ph.D., Mayor, City of Norfolk

▽ The Honorable Douglas G. “Doug” Pons, Mayor, City of Williamsburg/Hampton Roads Planning District Commission

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm - Lunch with Guest Speaker

▽ 12:00 pm – 12:40 pm - Lunch

▽ 12:40 pm - 12:45 pm - Remarks/Introductions

▽ 12:45 pm – 1:30 pm - Speaker/Q&A.

Moderator: Robert Crum, Executive Director, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission

Speaker: Stephen A. Edwards, CEO and Executive Director, The Port of Virginia

1:30 pm – 4:30 pm – Pathways to Affordable Housing

Moderator: Martha Shickle, Executive Director, PlanRVA

1:30 pm – 2:15 pm – Virginia Housing

Speakers

▽ Chris Thompson, Director of Strategic Housing, Virginia Housing

▽ Matthew Bolster, Senior Strategic Housing Officer, Virginia Housing

2:15 pm – 3:00 pm -- PDC Housing Development Program – Project Lightning Round

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm – Break

3:15 pm – 3:45 pm - Cultivating Regional Partnerships to Address Housing Affordability Challenges

Speakers

▽ Martha Shickle, Executive Director, PlanRVA

▽ Sarin Adhikari, Principal Data Manager, PlanRVA

3:45 pm - 4:30 pm – **Pathways to Affordable Housing**

Speakers

- ▽ Sandra Powell, Senior Deputy Director, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development
- ▽ Myron Wooden, Acting Program Director for Community Facilities, USDA Rural Development
- ▽ Austin Pittman, Senior Development Manager, The Lawson Companies

4:30 pm – 4:45 pm - **Closing Remarks for Day 1**

- ▽ Dwayne Tuggle, First Vice President, Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions/
Central Virginia Planning District Commission

5:45 pm – 7:45 pm – **Elizabeth River/Port Facilities Cruise**, Port of Virginia

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023

8:30 am - 12:00 pm – **Registration**

8:45 am - **Opening Remarks/Announcements**

- ▽ Dwayne Tuggle, First Vice President, Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions/
Central Virginia Planning District Commission

9:00 am – 12:00 pm – **Transportation/Moving into the Future**

Moderator: Patrick Mauney, Executive Director, Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission

9:00 am – 10:00 am – **Federal Transportation Grants and Funding**

Speakers

- ▽ Alleyn Harned, Executive Director, Virginia Clean Cities
- ▽ Erin Belt, Decarbonization Lead, Environmental Division, Virginia Department of Transportation
- ▽ Tiffany Dubinsky, Statewide Transit Planning Manager, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation

10:00 am – 10:45 am - **Leveraged Layered Mobility**

Speakers

- ▽ Kristin Peraza, Mobility Manager, Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission

10:45 am - 11:00 am – **Networking Break**

11:00 am – 12:00 pm – **Innovation in Transportation**

Speakers

- ▽ Grant Sparks, Director of Transit Planning, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm – **Lunch/Awards/Guest Speaker**

▽ 12:00 pm – 12:40 pm - **Lunch**

▽ 12:40 pm - 1:10 pm – **Awards**

- Robert W. Baker Achievement Award
- Gordon N. Dixon Award
- Robert M. deVoursney Best Practices Award
- VAPDC President's Award

▽ 1:10 pm – 2:00 pm - **Speaker/Q&A**

Moderator

▽ Anne Doyle, Director of Planning, Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission

Speaker

▽ “**Ted**” **Roosevelt Mercer, Jr.**, CEO and Executive Director, Major General, USAF (ret), Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority, Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport (MARS)

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm – **VAPDC Business Meeting/Election of Officers and Directors**

▽ Lou Ann Wallace, President, Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions/
Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commission

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm – **Networking Break**

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm – **Broadband and BEAD (Broadband Equity and Deployment) Bucks**

Moderator: Robert Crum, Executive Director, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission

2:45 pm – 3:30 pm – **Southside Network Authority--Regional Fiber Network**

Speakers

- ▽ Robert A. Crum, Jr., Executive Director, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
- ▽ Steven DeBerry, Executive Director, Southside Network Authority (SNA)
- ▽ Rosemary Wilson, Vice Chair, Southside Network Authority (SNA) Board of Directors/Vice Mayor, City of Virginia Beach
- ▽ Peter Wallace, Alternate Member, Southside Network Authority (SNA) Board of Directors/Chief Information Officer, City of Virginia Beach
- ▽ Michael W.S. Lockaby, Outside General Counsel, Southside Network Authority (SNA)/Spilman, Thomas & Battle, PLLC

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm - **Broadband Funding and Digital Equity**

Speaker

- ▽ Tamarah Holmes, Director, Office of Broadband, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development

4:00 pm – 4:45 pm – **SEED Innovation Hub – How to Stay the Course in Gaining Funding from Multiple Funding Agencies**

Moderator: Melody Foster, Executive Director, Commonwealth Regional Council

Speakers

- ▽ Sheri McGuire, Associate VP for Community and Economic Development, Longwood University
- ▽ R. Bryan David, Program Director/GO Virginia Region 3, Virginia Institute of Government
- ▽ Lauren Stuhldreher, Virginia Representative, Economic Development Administration

4:45 pm – 5:00 pm – **Conference Wrap-Up**

▽ Lou Ann Wallace, President, Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions/
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5:15 pm – **Networking Reception**

Norfolk Hilton The Main

Conclusion of VAPDC Summer Conference

6:30 pm - **Dinner on your Own**

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2023

9:00 am - 11:00 am - **VAPDC Board of Directors/Executive Directors Meeting/Breakfast**