

# News from the CSPDC Region

February 2026



## CSPDC Honored at ACEC Virginia Engineering Excellence Awards

The American Council of Engineering Companies of Virginia recognized CSPDC with a Merit Award for the Lewis Street Transit Hub Project at the 2026 Engineering Excellence Awards Gala on February 5th. The gala, held at the Dewey Gottwald Center at the Science Museum of Virginia in Richmond...

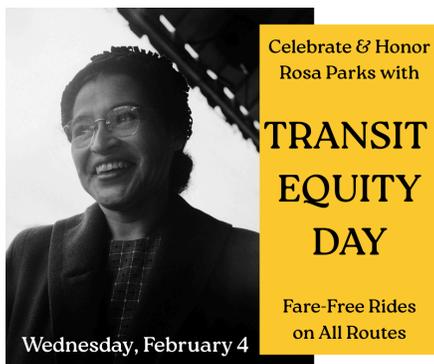
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## Bath County Awarded \$75,000 Housing Rehabilitation Planning Grant

Bath County has been awarded a \$75,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning Grant by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to conduct a county-wide housing assessment to identify properties eligible for...

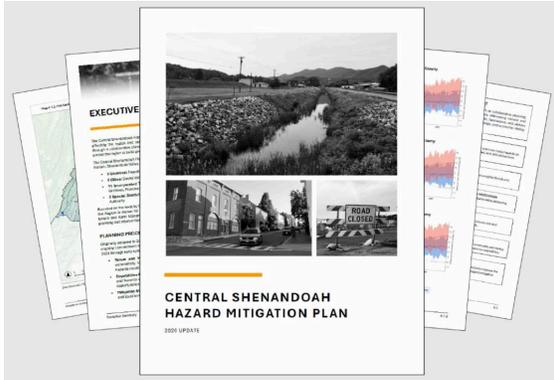
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## Transit Equity Day & Winter Storm Fern Response

BRITE Bus celebrated Transit Equity Day on February 4 with fare-free rides on all BRITE routes. Transit Equity Day pays homage to Civil Rights icon Rosa Parks and her courageous acts in fighting for the right to equitable transportation. This day of action serves as a reminder of...

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## Hazard Mitigation Plan Enters Final Review Stage

After nearly two years of regional collaboration, the updated Central Shenandoah Hazard Mitigation Plan has entered formal review. In late January, the CSPDC submitted a full draft to the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) for review, the first step in a multi-agency approval...

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## New Census Data is Here: 2020-2024 ACS Estimates Released

The wait is over for the latest demographic profiles of our region. On January 29, 2026, the U.S. Census Bureau officially released the 2020-2024

## Take Our Regional Flood and Stormwater Survey

The CSPDC has launched a new public survey inviting residents, business owners, and community members to share their experiences with flooding and stormwater issues in their communities. Survey responses will direct how and where funding is prioritized to address flooding concerns across...

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## Afton Express Releases 2025 Annual Report

We are pleased to present the 2025 Afton Express Annual Report, which documents the commuter service's performance, regional impact, and key initiatives from the past year. The report highlights the service's fourth consecutive year of ridership growth, with 23,725 passenger trips recorded ...

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## Save the Date: VAPDC Funding and Financing Workshop

On May 13th, 2026, CSPDC will host the first of four super-regional workshops organized by the Virginia Association of PDCs (VAPDC). The day-long

American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year estimates. As the "gold standard" for local planning, the ACS provides the most comprehensive look at...

workshop is intended for local and regional economic development staff, lenders and developers to learn about funding and financing...

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