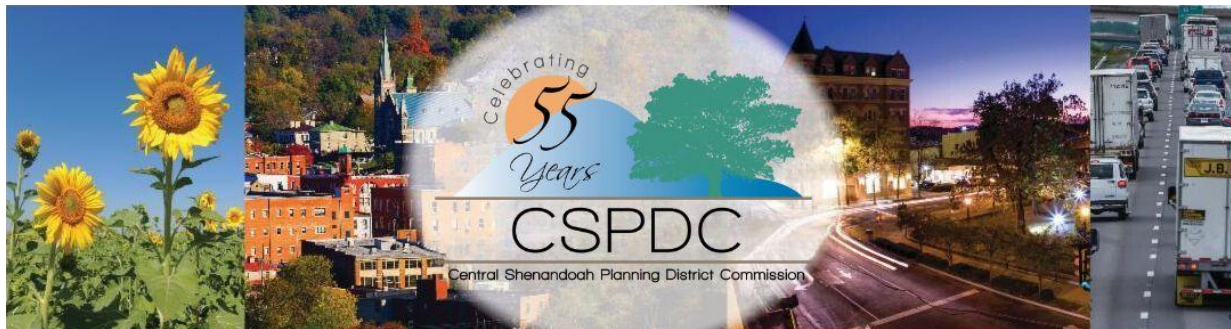
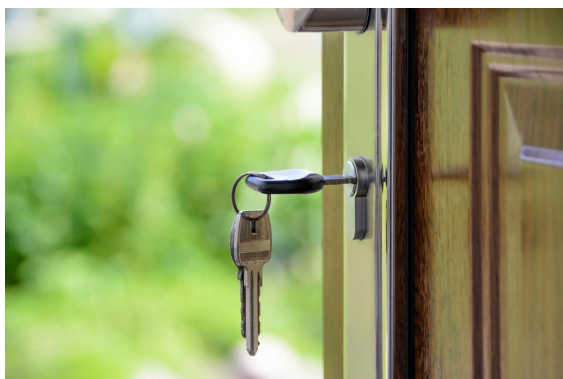




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September 2025



CSPDC Awarded \$4.5 Million in SPARC Funds to Support First-Time Homebuyers

Virginia Housing's Sponsoring Partnerships & Revitalizing Communities (SPARC) Program awarded CSPDC \$4.5 million to help first-time homebuyers across the Central Shenandoah Valley. The announcement was shared with local lenders on September 8, 2025. This is the third consecutive year that CSPDC has sponsored the program, and...

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Afton Express Celebrates Four Years While Planning for the Future

The Afton Express is celebrating its fourth anniversary this September, marking a major milestone for a service that has become a key asset for commuters traveling along the I-64 corridor. Since its launch in 2021, Afton Express has seen steady growth, with ridership increasing by 56% from its inception to the end of 2024, with a...

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Waynesboro Dedicates South River Preserve

Waynesboro city representatives and residents gathered on August 21st to celebrate the transformation of the South River Preserve. The public dedication marked the culmination of years of collaborative environmental restoration work.

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Rockbridge Area Pursues Airport Feasibility Study

The Virginia Department of Aviation (DOAV) has long identified a service gap in Rockbridge County—meaning it's a 45-minute drive in any direction to a general aviation or commercial airport. Recognizing this gap and the economic development...

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Augusta Health Awarded Outstanding Business Partner at CTAV Conference

The Community Transportation Association of Virginia (CTAV) honored Augusta Health with its Outstanding Business Partner Award at the Annual Conference and Expo, recognizing the hospital's partnership, engagement, and commitment to...

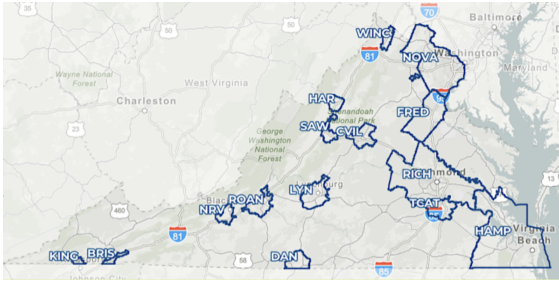
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Lexington Cuts Ribbon on North Main Street

The City of Lexington celebrated the completion of a transformative streetscape project on August 27th with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Members of the Virginia House of Delegates, the Secretary of Transportation and the entire 7th grade class from nearby Lylburn Downing Middle School were the honored guests who cut the ribbon across the...

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CSPDC Hosts MPO Roundtable in Fishersville

Transportation planning professionals from across Virginia gathered at the BRITE Transit Facility in Fishersville on August 27th for a collaborative roundtable discussion hosted by CSPDC's transportation team. The three-hour event brought together staff from eight different Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to tackle shared challenges and exchange valuable insights.

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Recent Flood Mitigation Initiatives in the Region

July proved to be a busy month for regional flood preparedness efforts, with \$652,160 awarded in state funding to regional partners and multiple applications submitted for post-disaster federal funding.

On July 2nd, the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) announced Round 5 awards for...

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