

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Winter 2025 Edition

Center Hours & Info

The Virginia Career Works (VCW) Prince William County and Cherokee Avenue Centers are open to serve your business needs Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Available services include computer access, faxing, printing and typing test. Refer to page 4 or visit our website at <https://vcwnorthern.com> for more information about our program and services.

This Month

- **February is...**
 - American Heart Month
 - Black History Month
 - National Cancer Prevention Month
- **February 17 - Presidents Day**
(Centers Closed)

Hiring Events



SCHOOL BUS DRIVER, TRANSPORTATION ATTENDANT, AND TRANSPORTATION VAN DRIVER JOB FAIRS

- **Wed., Feb. 5:** Springfield, VA; 10a-2p
- **Fri., Feb. 7:** Lorton, VA; 10a-2p
- **Wed., Feb. 12:** Chantilly, VA; 4:30p-7:30p
- **Wed., Feb. 19:** Lorton, VA; 4:30p-7:30p

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICES JOB FAIR

Wed., Feb. 13: Springfield, VA; 11a-2p

For details and directions, go to www.fcps.edu/careers; "Job Fairs & Recruitment"

Tax Season is here!

VITA 2025

FREE Tax Preparation Services

January 25-April 12, 2025

SATURDAYS: 10AM-2PM

SITE LOCATION:

Virginia Career Works - Prince William Center
13370 Minnieville Road; Woodbridge, VA 22192

The Low Income Tax Clinic at Legal Services of Northern Virginia will hold its English Language Tax Tips for '25 series on Zoom from 7PM-8PM on Mondays during January and February.

FEBRUARY 3 - TAX ADVICE FOR DV SURVIVORS: Tax basics for survivors of intrafamily/domestic violence undergoing a separation or divorce, with emphasis on the rules to claim the kids for tax benefit purposes.

FEBRUARY 10 - TAX SCAMS: Learn some of the most prevalent tax scams you should be looking out for, how to avoid them and how to ensure that you retain a reputable tax return preparer.

FEBRUARY 17 - WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU ARE EXPECTING...A TAX BILL: Learn the collection alternative offered by the IRS, such as currently not collectable status, installment agreements, and offers compromise and how to qualify for each.

Zoom meeting ID: 859 0688 0990	Password: 390013
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CLASS SCHEDULES



GED / ESOL (Session 3):

January 28 - April 3, 2025 (Virtual and/or in-person)

Entrepreneurship and Small Business:

February 25 - June 3, 2025

Microsoft Office Specialist (Outlook):

January 28 - February 26, 2025



SCAN ME

FREE Job Readiness Workshop

6PM-8PM (Virtual)

Monday, February 3, 2025

Welcome to Prince William Career Works Center, a place to find something good.

Friday, February 7, 2025

Cultural Expectations of U.S Employers

Monday, February 10, 2025

Setting Goals and Finding Good Resources for Employment Success

Friday, February 14th, 2025

Virginia Workforce Connection Registration and Navigation

Monday, February 21, 2025

How to fill Out a Real Online Job Application

Monday, February 24, 2025

Hard Skills and Soft Skills Needed for On the Job Success

Friday, February 28, 2025

Important Networking Strategies for Employment

Please register by using the QR Code above or by going to our website at www.PWCS.edu/AdultEd



Current PWCS Adult Students: Please email Claudia Gortva at Gortvace@pwcs.edu

All classes follow the PWCS school calendar. Visit www.pwcs.edu/adulted or scan the QR code above to register for classes. If you have questions about a class schedule or need additional information about classes, call 703-791-7357 or email AdultEd@pwcs.edu.



LinkedIn Learning

Are you looking to upskill, explore new passions, or boost your career?

More than 16K courses available online on your schedule.

To get your free license complete the Interest Questionnaire online:

<https://vcwnorthern.com/jobseekers/linkedin-learning>

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- ✓ FREE Tax Software and E-filing
- ✓ Filing Requirements
- ✓ Income & Deductions
- ✓ Understand Tax Forms and Basic Tax Terminology
- ✓ How to avoid common mistakes.

REGISTER TODAY!

bit.ly/Tax_Prep_Feb25



REGISTER

Financial Education Workshops

Understanding Predatory Lending

Wednesday, Feb. 4 @ 7:00PM - 8:30PM

Register: bit.ly/PredatoryLendingRegistration



Smart Money Management

Tuesday, Feb. 11 @ 1:00PM (Virtual)

Wednesday, Feb. 19 @ 7:00PM (In-person)

Register: bit.ly/2smartmoney

GETTING READY FOR TAXES!

Thursday, Feb. 13 @ 7:00PM - 8:30PM

Register: bit.ly/GettingReadyforTaxes

Lunch & Learn: Small Business 101

Feb. 20 @ 12:00pm

Register: bit.ly/SmallBus101



Lunch & Learn: Small Business 102

Feb. 27 @ 7:00pm

Register: bit.ly/SmallBusiness102Workshop

For a full schedule and to register for any of the classes/workshops, go to:

bit.ly/PWFEC_Classes25

Or, scan the QR code.



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If you require supportive services for any type of disability to participate in the Virginia Career Works-Prince William Center workshops or services, auxiliary aids are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

PARTNER INFORMATION

5520 Cherokee Avenue, #100
Alexandria, VA 22312
Phone: (571) 327-2206
TTY: 711 VA Relay

13370 Minnieville Road
Woodbridge, Virginia 22192
Phone: (703) 586-6800
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DARS	Services are available by phone and email.	For information, call 703-335-5550 (press 0 for the front desk) or visit www.vadars.org .
Department of Social Services (DSS)	To apply for public assistance, visit https://commonhelp.virginia.gov .	For general information, call 703-792-7500; For questions, email commonhelp@dss.virginia.gov .
ECMC The College Place-Alexandria	Provides free information and assistance through in-person, telephone and online support for people of all ages seeking higher learning. The College Place offers presentations and workshops, as well as individual assistance completing applications for college admission, financial aid and scholarships.	Email Jason Puryear, Student Success & Outreach Director, at alexandriavatcp@ecmc.org or call 434-218-2675 for questions for more information.
Employment Supports for Lifelong Achievement (ESLA)	Program provides services to residents of Fairfax, Prince William and Loudoun counties with barriers such as low-income, legal history, and/or disabilities.	Visit www.vcwnorthern.com/esla for more information and complete the Inquiry/Referral Form .
Prince William Financial Empowerment Center (PW FEC)	Provides services to help individuals and families in Prince William County advance on a path toward financial stability. Services include financial and small business coaching, financial workshops, housing counseling, and free tax preparation.	For more information, go to https://vcwnorthern.com/pwfec/ Complete an Interest Form and view calendar online.
Northern Virginia Senior Community Services Employment Program (SCSEP)	If you are age 55 or older, currently unemployed and meet certain financial criteria, you may be eligible.	Contact Debbie Fletcher at 703-488-8196 or email scsep@vcwnorthern.com . Attend one of the upcoming Information Sessions to learn more about the program, Tuesdays - 12pm to 1 pm or Wednesdays - 2pm to 3pm. Visit https://vcwnorthern.com/scsep for more information.
Prince William County Schools Adult Education	Community Engagement and Citizenship Preparation, English Language Acquisition (ELA), GED, and other classes are available. For full 2024 class schedule and information, visit http://adulthood.pwcs.edu .	Email adulthood@pwcs.edu or see a staff member for information.
Ticket to Work Program	Are you a job seeker with a disability who wants to work and are receiving SSI or SSDI?	For information, complete Interest Form : https://vcwgov.my.site.com/Application/s/ttw-referral or email myticket@vcwnorthern.com .
Virginia Employment Commission (VEC)	The fastest way to apply for new unemployment benefits, file an additional claim, reopen an existing claim, and certify weekly benefits is through the VEC's Customer Self-Service (CSS) online portal. Visit www.vec.virginia.gov to view tutorials to set up an account and file claims for unemployment.	You may file and inquire about unemployment benefits through the Customer Contact Center by calling 1-866-832-2363 (Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30 pm)
Virginia Works – Department of Workforce Development and Advancement (DWDA)	Effective January 16, 2024, the new agency, DWDA, offers job services to employers and jobseekers. Jobseekers can receive assistance with their job search and preparation in-person and virtually.	Contact 703.897.0407 Email Princewilliam@virginiaworks.gov
WIOA / WIOA Youth	Unemployed and struggling to find employment? Or need an upgrade your skills to gain employment?	To sign up for an Information Session to learn more about the programs and to apply, visit https://vcwnorthern.com/wioa ; young adults, ages 17-24, visit https://vcwnorthern.com/youth-programs .



WIOA Title I-financially assisted programs and Virginia Career Works – Northern are an equal opportunity program/employer committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in all programs, services and activities. Reasonable accommodations, to include auxiliary aids and services, are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.