Newsletter



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SEPTEMBER 2025 IS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH!

Center News & Services

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 programs, events and services.

September marks Workforce Development Month – and we're celebrating 20 years of empowering careers and communities! Kicking off with <u>Labor Day</u> on September 1st, a holiday dedicated to honoring the hard work, resilience, and contributions of America's workforce, this month is all about investing in people and possibilities.

September is **National Hispanic Heritage Month**. Learn more about history and celebrations at:

www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov

National Preparedness Month is also this month. Learn how to prepare yourself, your family, your business and your community for disaster. For resources, visit:

https://www.ready.gov/be-informed

Linked in Learning

Are you looking to upskill, explore new passions, or boost your career? More than 16K courses available online and on your schedule. To get your free license complete the Interest Questionnaire online:

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

Prince William County Start SMART Small Business Series

Tuesdays: September 23 - December 16, 2025 | 6:00pm - 8:30pm

Back by popular demand for its 2nd year, our workshops are designed to give entrepreneurs hands-on experience, expert guidance, networking with likeminded professionals.

In-Person Events - Reserve Your Seat: https://tinyurl.com/Start-Smart-2025

Get to know CASA!

Thursday, September 11 (In-Person) 10:00am - 11:00am (SPANISH) 11:00am - 12:00pm (ENGLISH)

Join us to learn about CASA's programs and services available to our immigrant population.

Seats are limited, register today! https://bit.ly/47SOznj

Leveraging your Network with LinkedIn Tools

Monday, September 8 2:00pm - 3:00pm (Virtual)

Learn how to use LinkedIn more effectively to expand your professional network, showcase your skills, and stay competitive in today's job market.

Register Today: https://bit.ly/4IUvPXY5

Workshops & More

Elevator Pitch & Career Edge: Job Search Strategies for Today's Market

Wednesday, September 10

10:00am - 11:30am (In-Person)

Refine your story. Define your path. Elevate your career. Veterans and military spouses are strongly encouraged to attend—your unique experiences and skills are in demand, and we'll show you how to highlight them effectively.

Seats are limited, register today! https://bit.ly/3Vvvjop

Translating Federal Experience into Civilian Opportunities

Wednesday, September 17 1:00pm - 2:30pm (Virtual)

Join Taylor Mason, CEO of Edify Consulting LLC, for a powerful session on how to translate government experience into career-advancing civilian opportunities.

Register Today: https://bit.ly/47OQgSM

Job Search Tips - Navigating with 21st Century Tools

Thursday, September 25 1:00pm - 2:00pm (In-Person)

Looking for a job in today's market requires more than just a resume—it takes the right tools, strategies, and confidence to stand out. Hear from Adèle, an experienced Youth Workforce Development Trainer with over a decade of international expertise in career readiness, curriculum design, and youth empowerment.

Seats are limited, register today! https://bit.ly/4g9QJRF



Ticket to Work Wednesday

Wednesday, September 3

10:00am - 11:30am (Virtual)

Learn how the Ticket to Work program can help Social Security disability beneficiaries explore employment, replace cash benefits with earnings, and maintain healthcare coverage. Open to job seekers and staff.

Register Today:

https://bit.ly/43rTf0Z

Financial Empowerment Workshops



4-part Financial Education Series - TUESDAYS (7:00pm - 8:30pm):

- Sept. 9 I: Budgeting Basics (Virtual)
- Sept. 16 II: Borrowing Basics (Virtual)
- Sept. 23 III: Credit Scores & Reports (Virtual)
- Sept. 30 IV: Protect Against ID Theft (Virtual)

Smart Money Management

Tuesday, September 9 1:00pm - 2:00pm (Virtual)

Wednesday, September 17 7:00pm - 8:30pm (DSB - Woodbridge)

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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Adult Education



Prince William County Adult Education offers GED, English, Microsoft Office, and other specialty classes.

For registration and information, visit pwcs.edu/AdultEd or scan the QR code.







FAIRFAX COUNTY ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION (ACE)

Offers GED, ESOL, Computer, and Occupational Training Classes.

For more information, schedules, and fees, scan the QR code or go to: bit/liFCPS_ACE

Information Session

Your Roadmap to PWCS Employment: Job Search & Application Strategies

Monday, September 29

11:00am - 12:30pm (In-Person)

Ready to start a rewarding career with Prince William County Public Schools? Join this interactive information session to learn how to navigate the PWCS job application, explore available positions, and get real-time support with the process.

Seats are limited, register today! https://bit.ly/4n5Oscs

Hiring Events & Job Openings



Join Congressman Vindman for the VA-07

Federal Workforce Job & Resource Fair

Tuesday, September 23
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



- Resume workshops
- Hiring opportunities
- Financial planning

LOCATION:

Forest Park High Schoo School Cafeteria 15721 Forest Park Dr., Woodbridge, VA 22193

FAIRFAX COUNTY & PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOW HIRING!

Various positions available including Bus Drivers & Attendants, Food Service, Custodial, Administrative, Teachers, Substitute Teachers and more.

- Learn more about benefits and view current openings and upcoming hiring events for Fairfax County schools at: fcps.edu/current-job-openings
- Learn more about benefits and view current openings for Prince William County schools at: jobs.pwcs.edu

Partner Information

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 <u>www.vcwnorthern.com/esla</u> for more information and complete the <u>Inquiry/Referral Form</u> .
Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) Adult & Community Education (ACE)	The ACE program includes individual courses and certificate programs. Classes offered virtually or in-person which include driver's ed, ESOL, health/medical, apprenticeships/trades, business and technology. Visit https://www.fcpsace.org/ for full list of classes, schedules, and registration.	Questions? Call 703-658-1201 • 9 am. to Noon; or, 1 to 4 p.m. • Monday-Friday Or email aceonline@fcps.edu
Prince William Financial Empowerment Center (PWFEC)	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.
Prince William County Schools Adult Education	Community Engagement and Citizenship Preparation, English Language Acquisition (ELA), GED, and other classes are available. For full 2025 class schedule and information, visit http://adulted.pwcs.edu .	Email adulted@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 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 .

