

GO Virginia State Board Meeting

September 15, 2026



VIRGINIA INITIATIVE FOR
**GROWTH &
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IN EACH REGION



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I. Opening

- a. Call to Order
- b. Introduction of New Members
- c. Roll Call
- d. Public Comment

II. Consent Agenda – *Action Item*

- a. June 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes
- b. 2027 State Board Quarterly Meeting Calendar
- c. Regional Councils Certification
- d. Amendment Board Policy #14: Maximum Regional Per Capita Carryover Allowance
- e. Board Policy #2: Electronic Participation in Virginia Growth and Opportunity Board Meetings

II.b. 2027 State Board Quarterly Meeting Calendar

Meetings to Occur on the Following Days:

March 9, 2027

June 8, 2027

September 14, 2027

December 7, 2027

III. Deputy Director's Report – *Action Item*

a. Implementation Grant Applications (6)

Talent Development (4)

Region 5: Advancing Maritime Career Pathways

Target Cluster(s): Advanced Manufacturing, Shipbuilding and Ship Repair, Port Operations, Logistics, and Warehousing, Energy Security

Applicant: Hampton Roads Workforce Council

Goal: To expand the pool of qualified applicants in GO Virginia Region 5's priority industry sectors.

Products:

- Maritime Career Pathways Platform

Outcomes:

- 170 People Trained
- 15 Businesses Served
- 170 Credentials Awarded

GOVA Request:
\$1,200,000
Total Match:

\$600,000

Local Match:
\$120,000

Additional Leverage:
\$7,000,000
Total Budget:
\$8,800,000

Workgroup Recommendation:
Approve

Participating Localities:

- Isle of Wight County
- James City County
- Northampton County
- Southampton County
- York County
- City of Chesapeake
- City of Hampton
- City of Newport News
- City of Norfolk
- City of Portsmouth
- City of Suffolk
- City of Virginia Beach
- City of Williamsburg

Region 7: NOVA Internship Preparation and Placement Program (IPPP)

Target Cluster(s): Computer Services, Cybersecurity, Life Sciences, Emerging Technology

Applicant: Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC)

Goal: To expand the pool of qualified applicants in GO Virginia Region 7's priority industry sectors.

Outcomes:

- 616 People Trained
- 170 Job Placements
- 16 Businesses Served
- 500 New Interns Placed
- 30 New Apprenticeships Created
- 2 New Programs Implemented
- 200 Credentials Awarded
- 30 Students Completing Dual Enrollment

GOVA Request:
\$2,899,850
Total Match:

\$1,451,892

Local Match:
\$309,692

Additional Leverage:
\$1,324,400
Total Budget:
\$5,676,142

Workgroup Recommendation:
Defer

Participating Localities:

- Fairfax County
- Prince William County
- City of Manassas

Region 7: Virginia Quantum Hub

Target Cluster(s): Emerging Technologies

Applicant: George Mason University (GMU)

Goal: To develop a quantum computing workforce in Region 7.

Products:

- Quantum Lab
- Associates-Level Quantum Bootcamp
- Associates-Level Quantum Bridge Program
- Quantum Upskilling Program
- BSc Concentration in Quantum Science and Engineering
- MS in Quantum Science and Engineering

Outcomes:

- 1,010 People Trained
- 375 Job Placements
- 120 New Interns Placed
- 1,210 Credentials Awarded
- 5 Programs Implemented

**GOVA
Request:**

\$3,684,912

Total Match:

\$1,842,456

Local Match:

\$400,967

**Additional
Leverage:**

\$8,831,178

Total Budget:

\$14,358,546

**Workgroup
Recommendation:**

Approve

**Participating
Localities:**

- Arlington County
- Fairfax County
- Loudoun County
- Prince William County
- City of Fairfax

Region 8: GO 2 Work in Manufacturing Expansion

Target Cluster(s): Light Manufacturing

Applicant: Valley Career and Technical Center (VCTC)

Goal: To increase the pool of qualified candidates in the Light Manufacturing industry clusters.

Outcomes:

- 150 People Trained
- 100 Job Placements
- 25 Businesses Served
- 30 New Interns Placed
- 30 New Apprenticeships Created
- 105 Credentials Awarded

**GOVA
Request:**
\$322,900
Total Match:

\$162,500

Local Match:
\$162,500

**Additional
Leverage:**
\$4,102,274
Total Budget:
\$4,587,674

**Workgroup
Recommendation:**

Approve

**Participating
Localities:**

- Augusta County
- City of Staunton
- City of Waynesboro

Entreprenuership and Innovation (2)

Region 3: RISE Phase III: AI Ready Southside

Target Cluster(s): Advanced Manufacturing, Emerging Technologies, Agriculture

Applicant: SOVA Innovation Hub Corporation

Goal: To expand AI-enabled entrepreneurship in Region 3.

Products:

- Long Term Sustainability and Business Plan

Outcomes:

- 100 Businesses Served
- 30 Businesses Expanded
- 15 New Businesses Created
- 30 Jobs Created

**GOVA
Request:**

\$400,000

Total Match:

\$200,000

Local Match:

\$1,800

**Additional
Leverage:**

\$612,700

Total Budget:

\$1,212,700

**Workgroup
Recommendation:**

Approve alongside
accompanying local
match waiver

**Participating
Localities:**

- Amelia County
- Brunswick County
- Buckingham County
- Charlotte County
- Cumberland County
- Franklin County
- Halifax County
- Henry County
- Lunenburg County
- Mecklenburg County
- Nottoway County
- Patrick County
- Pittsylvania County
- Prince Edward County
- City of Danville
- City of Martinsville

Region 6: Growth Alliance Initiative

Target Cluster(s): IT/Data Centers,

Professional/Technical/Scientific Services, Agriculture

Applicant: Rivers Region Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Council (RREEC)

Goal: To strengthen the region's entrepreneurial ecosystem capacity through a pre-accelerator/accelerator program resulting in business creation, increased capital access, and technology commercialization.

Products:

- Long Term Business/Sustainability Plan

Outcomes:

- 30 Jobs Created
- 90 Businesses Expanded
- 14 New Businesses Created
- 100 Businesses Served
- 50 New Mentors Providing Assistance
- \$1,500,000 Raised by Businesses Served

**GOVA
Request:**

\$531,440

Total Match:

\$266,430

Local Match:

\$79,330

**Additional
Leverage:**

\$0

Total Budget:

\$797,870

**Workgroup
Recommendation:**

Approve

**Participating
Localities:**

- King George County
- Spotsylvania County
- Stafford County
- Westmoreland County
- City of Fredericksburg

IV. Executive Committee Report – *Action Item*

a. FY26 Budget Fund Recapture Method

IV.a. Method 1: 75% Competitive, 25% Per Capita

	Fund Name	FY26 Year-End Balances	Allocated Recapture Under Method 1	FY26 Year-End Fund Balance After Recapture	FY27 Allocation	Total Available Funds After Recapture (FY26 + FY27)
	GO VA Competitive	\$12,934,642.96	\$6,490,011.61	\$6,444,631.35	\$5,449,406.00	\$11,894,037.35
	Region 1	\$1,000,000.00	\$142,476.14	\$857,523.86	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,857,523.86
	Region 2	\$640,672.37	\$214,704.56	\$425,967.81	\$1,500,923.00	\$1,926,890.81
	Region 3	\$309,522.81	\$142,476.14	\$167,046.67	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,167,046.67
	Region 4	\$1,999,349.22	\$371,663.11	\$1,627,686.11	\$2,638,688.00	\$4,266,374.11
	Region 5	\$1,034,587.23	\$482,230.01	\$552,357.22	\$3,363,752.00	\$3,916,109.22
	Region 6	\$378,082.30	\$151,265.21	\$226,817.09	\$1,064,737.00	\$1,291,554.09
	Region 7	\$3,375,072.10	\$708,126.21	\$2,666,945.89	\$4,970,252.00	\$7,637,197.89
	Region 8	\$325,580.50	\$155,176.03	\$170,674.47	\$1,092,242.00	\$1,262,916.47
	Region 9	\$131,882.59	\$131,882.59	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00
	Helene Business Recovery Initiative	\$1,009,988.39	\$1,009,988.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total		\$23,139,650.47	\$10,000,000.00	\$13,139,650.47	\$23,080,000.00	\$36,219,650.50

IV.a. Method 2: 60% Competitive, 40% Per Capita

	Fund Name	FY26 Year-End Balances	Allocated Recapture Under Method 1	FY26 Year-End Fund Balance After Recapture	FY27 Allocation	Total Available Funds After Recapture (FY26 + FY27)
	GO VA Competitive	\$12,934,642.96	\$4,990,011.61	\$7,944,631.35	\$5,449,406.00	\$13,394,037.35
	Region 1	\$1,000,000.00	\$232,722.60	\$767,277.40	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,767,277.40
	Region 2	\$640,672.37	\$350,701.55	\$289,970.82	\$1,500,923.00	\$1,790,893.82
	Region 3	\$309,522.81	\$232,722.60	\$76,800.21	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,076,800.21
	Region 4	\$1,999,349.22	\$607,079.93	\$1,392,269.29	\$2,638,688.00	\$4,030,957.29
	Region 5	\$1,034,587.23	\$787,681.51	\$246,905.72	\$3,363,752.00	\$3,610,657.72
	Region 6	\$378,082.30	\$247,078.79	\$131,003.51	\$1,064,737.00	\$1,195,740.51
	Region 7	\$3,375,072.10	\$1,156,663.65	\$2,218,408.45	\$4,970,252.00	\$7,188,660.45
	Region 8	\$325,580.50	\$253,466.79	\$72,383.71	\$1,092,242.00	\$1,164,625.71
	Region 9	\$131,882.59	\$131,882.59	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00
	Helene Business Recovery Initiative	\$1,009,988.39	\$1,009,988.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total		\$23,139,650.47	\$10,000,000.00	\$13,139,650.47	\$23,080,000.00	\$36,219,650.50

V. Governance and Policy Committee Report

VI. Program Performance and Evaluation Committee Report

VII. Regional Council Committee Report

VIII. Information Items

- a. DHCD Administratively Approved Projects
 - i. Fredericksburg Subregion Site Inventory – Region 6
- b. FY26 Maximum Regional Per Capita Carryover Allowance Notification

IX. Adjournment

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