VTC Top 13

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www.VATC.org

Marketing & Consumer Services

Digital Marketing

- List your lodging, dining, retail, attractions, deals, packages, events, tours & itineraries on <u>admin.virginia.org</u>
- Sign up for the <u>Travel Post</u> for important industry updates
- Share your blogs and content through Matcha Media

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Communications & Social Media

- Share your stories & new destination experiences
- Reach in-state & national media + travelers on social media
- Be included in our Virginia is for Lovers Travel Blog

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Brand

- Use the 50 Years of Love logo + follow the » Brand Style Guide
- Leverage your dollars with Advertising Co-op Plan
- Participate in the **LOVEworks Program**
- Share images and photography from your destination

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Groups & Sports

- Increase your tour and travel business + visitor spending
- Partner with VTC at conferences and client events
- Market your business on (3) trade websites and blogs

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International Marketing

- Reach VA's largest international market **Canada**
- Engage in marketing & media relations in UK, France, Germany, China, Japan, India & Australia
- Participate in Capital Region USA (CRUSA) Co-Op pgrm.
- Connect directly with travelers on social media

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6 Local Visitor Centers + Statewide Welcome Centers

- Showcase your product in a VA Welcome Center BLITZ
- Co-brand your merchandise with Virginia is for Lovers
- Advertise statewide in Welcome Centers & Safety Rest Areas

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Research, Education & Development

Research

- Receive **Economic Impact** of Tourism in your area
- Review Visitor travel behavior & characteristics
- Access new and powerful Visitor Travel Trends

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8 VTC Orientation

- Learn first-hand VTC's resources, marketing and development efforts + partnership opportunities
- Most beneficial for local tourism directors and managers/owners of Virginia tourism businesses
- Held in Richmond quarterly

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Grant and Funding Sources

- Utilize VTC's <u>Marketing Leverage Program</u> (MLP) to access funding for your marketing
- 3 financial partners minimum + performance measures
- 1:1 Match up to \$10,000 -or- a 2:1 match up to \$50,000

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Community & Business Assistance

- Find business development workshops & assistance
- Request product development facilitation
- Request community planning & program assistance

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State Tourism Plan "Drive 2.0"

- Strategic blueprint for tourism development
- Join Statewide engagement to achieve consensus
- Strategy for increasing visitor trips and spending

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Business Development & Tourism Zones

- Examine your Locality's Comprehensive Plan for deficiencies
- Explore potential Gap Financing projects filling deficiencies
- Benefit from creating a local **Tourism Zone**

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13 Virginia Film Office

- Learn about filming in Virginia FilmVirginia.org
- Submit film location photography for your community
- Contact the Film Office to learn how to get connected

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Contact VTC's Destination Development Specialists in your area for strategic planning, marketing leveraging and other community

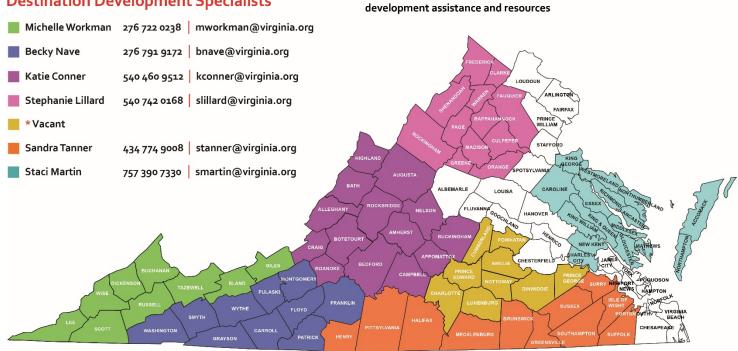
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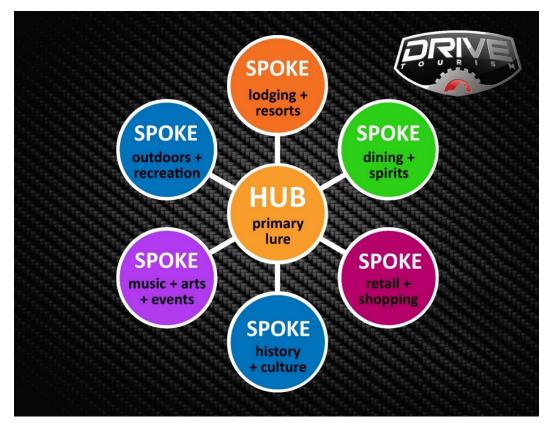
VTC Partnership Marketing

Destination Development Team

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Destination Development Specialists





Maximize Your Tourism Potential

- Work with VTC to have clear *Hub & Spoke Itineraries* ready to go!
- I.D. the main reason a visitor would visit your area (Hub) and match it with the other experiences visitors will want and need - to stay, eat, shop and play (Spoke)
- Make sure you post your individual business and itineraries on Virginia.org

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