VTC Top 13

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Marketing & Consumer Services

Digital Marketing

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

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2 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

- 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 group tour & sports business + visitor spending
- Partner with VTC at conferences and client events
- Market your business on (3) trade websites

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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
- <u>Co-brand your merchandise</u> with Virginia is for Lovers
- Advertise statewide in Welcome Centers & Safety Rest Areas

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Research, Education & Development

7 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
- Review calendar & sign up for Orientation, held quarterly

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Grant and Funding Sources

- Utilize VTC's Marketing Leverage Program and/or Virginia Regional Tourism Marketing Funds

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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 + DRIVE Outdoors

- Strategic blueprint for tourism development
- Grow Virginia's outdoor economy
- Spur job creation and private investment

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Tourism Development Financing Program Tourism Zones + Improvement Districts

- Explore tourism deficiencies for development Gap Financing
- Utilize the funding benefits of **Tourism Zones** and Tourism Development Districts (TID)

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<u>Virginia Film Office</u>

- 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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VTC Partnership Marketing

Destination Development Team

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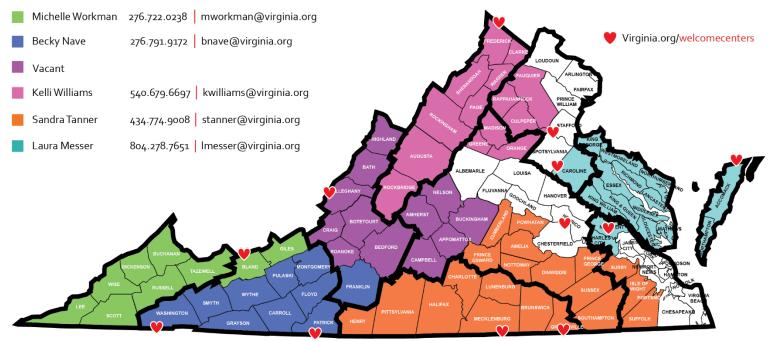
Destination Development Managers

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Virginia Tourism Corporation

Contact VTC's **Destination Development Mangers** in your area for strategic planning, marketing leveraging and other community development assistance and resources

Website VATC.org/partnershipmarketing/tdmanagers



Funding Program Team

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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)
- Review VTC Statewide and Regional Strategic Tourism Plans and implement strategies using the How-To Guides. <u>www.vatc.org/drive2</u>
- Make sure you post your individual business and itineraries on Virginia.org by visiting our <u>User Extranet</u>