



# Powhatan County

## Economic Development

### MONTHLY REPORT – September 2019



#### BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

- Business licenses were approved for 18 new businesses. (14 home occupations)
  - Contractors- 2
  - Retail- 2
  - Services (Professional & Non-professional)- 14
- Firefly Daycare opened in the former Dixon Auction building off New Dorset Road.
- Mabel's Espresso Bakery Café is relocating to a larger location at South Creek One.
- The Mid-Atlantic Tourism Public Relations Alliance (MATPRA) Conference held their opening ceremony dinner at The Mill at Fine Creek and Fine Creek Brewing. The conference also featured tours of Powhatan with various tourism related businesses included for the conference attendees.
- O'Connell rezoning was approved at the August 26<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors meeting to rezone from General Commercial to Commerce Center.



**Staff completed business visits with the following companies including:** Comcast Business, Capital Chips, New Horizon Bank, VA Tourism Corporation, Outdoor Pursuits, VA Small Business & Supplier Diversity, Four Seasons Restaurant, and Fine Creek Brewing

#### **Updates from the August 2019 Monthly report:**

##### Construction continues on the following projects:

Commercial building in Oakbridge consisting of 20,000 SF of leasable spaces

Nice Septic

Citizens Bank and Trust

Canopy ropes course

Crazy Rooster Brewing

##### Review continues on the following site plans/building permits:

Marble Exchange Addition

Classic Granite & Marble

##### Review continues on the following rezoning's or CUPs:

Stavemill II LLC Rezoning



**Richmond BizSense Local Agenda: Childcare business fills former auction house in Powhatan.**  
<https://cutt.ly/0w4PEGW>

**Get inspired in RVA: The Mill at Fine Creek.** <https://www.tidewaterwomen.com/travel/virginia/get-inspired-in-rva>

**Powhatan State Park revealed as a hidden gem in outdoor recreation.**  
<https://richmondmagazine.com/news/features/hidden-gems/>

**Mabel's expanded relocation.** <https://wtvr.com/2019/09/19/mabels-espresso-bakery-cafe-moving/>  
<https://www.wric.com/community/powhatans-popular-mabels-espresso-bakery-cafe-is-relocating/>  
<https://wtkr.com/2019/09/19/the-reason-one-of-virginias-most-instagram-ready-restaurants-is-moving/>  
<https://www.wric.com/community/powhatans-popular-mabels-espresso-bakery-cafe-is-relocating/>

**Local Powhatan man runs 343 laps for 9/11 remembrance.** <https://cutt.ly/Sw4POrs>

**Fest of the Grape** <https://ourcommunitynow.com/events/uncork-and-unwind-at-powhatans-festival-of-the-grape-on-october-5>

**Free Clinic of Powhatan** launches capital campaign [https://www.richmond.com/news/local/central-virginia/powhatan/powhatan-today/free-clinic-of-powhatan-launches-fundraising-campaign/article\\_a4f5666c-df63-11e9-9c89-bbc4807f3d5b.html](https://www.richmond.com/news/local/central-virginia/powhatan/powhatan-today/free-clinic-of-powhatan-launches-fundraising-campaign/article_a4f5666c-df63-11e9-9c89-bbc4807f3d5b.html)



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Citizens Bank & Trust Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting Friday October 4<sup>th</sup> 11:30-2:30 @**  
2501 Anderson Highway.
- **Powhatan Festival of the Grape** at Powhatan Courthouse Square- **October 5<sup>th</sup> from 11 AM – 6 PM.** <https://www.powhatanwinefestival.com/>
- **Mabel's Café Opening Day Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 10 AM**  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/517540322329460/>
- **New Horizon Bank 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** celebrations Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 9am-6pm & 12<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm

- **Richmond Top Work Places** nominations due Oct 18<sup>th</sup>  
<https://topworkplaces.com/nominate/richmond/>
- **Powhatan Chamber of Commerce** monthly lunch **Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 11:30AM-1:00PM** at the County Seat Restaurant. Non-members welcome, registration details at the following link:  
<http://powhatanchamber.chambermaster.com/events/search?from=&to=&isNonStdDateFormat=false&q=Monthly&m=&st=1>
- **Village Vibe Concert Series** at the Village Meadow- **Friday October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7-10 PM** featuring **The Flashback Band**. <https://www.facebook.com/Villagevibeinpowhatan/>.
- **Business Network International (BNI)** Powhatan chapter meets every Wednesday, 8:00AM-9:30AM in the Huguenot Volunteer Fire Department at 1959 Urbine Road. <http://bniva.com/va-central-virginia-bni-on-fire/en-US/index>. To attend a meeting as a guest please contact Chapter President Page Yonce at [pyonce@cfmortgagecorp.com](mailto:pyonce@cfmortgagecorp.com).