



Welcome to Appomattox

Your Business-Friendly Community to
Make History



Why Appomattox?

Your central and convenient location in Virginia.

Locals are proud to say that Appomattox is where our nation reunited.

What does this mean?

It is a testament to the concept of reconciliation.

A diversified community living the dream of the “Power of One”
...whatever champions one’s belief of unity and team spirit!



Nathan Simpson

Founder, Colonial Systems, LLC

Local Entrepreneur

Our Community

From our picturesque downtown to our nationally recognized historic park, Appomattox has something to offer everyone.

History

Appomattox
Courthouse National
Historic Park
American Civil War
Museum

Nature

Holliday Lake State
Park
Appomattox
Buckingham State
Forest
James River
Recreation

Arts & Music

Courtland Festival Park
Wolfbane Performing Arts Center



Recreation for all Ages

Appomattox, with its 342 square miles, offers miles of trails at its National Historic Park, State Park, State Forest, Community and Town parks, and over **20,000 acres of green space** for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

With over **20 miles of river waters** and **150-acre Holliday Lake**, Appomattox is an ideal destination for fishing, boating and canoeing. The abundant countryside provides ample opportunity for deer, bird, and other wildlife hunting.

The community boasts a wide range of ball fields, soccer fields, a golf course, and a disc golf course.



Living here is an opportunity to enjoy life.

Town Children's Park

Railroad Festival

Lavender Festival

Wolfbane Performing Arts Center

James River State Park,

Smith Mountain Lake, and Kerr Lake nearby

Courtland Festival Park

Community Recreation Park

Dr. Annette Bennett

Superintendent

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**2020 Best High School National Rankings (3
consecutive years)**

Fully Accredited Five Years Running

2,235 Students

87% of Kindergarteners met Fall literacy
benchmark

91% Graduation Rate



Tim Saunders

Business Engagement & Outreach Coordinator

Virginia Career Works

Our Workforce

Population

County: 15,661

Extended Labor Market Area (LMA): 254,000

Labor Force

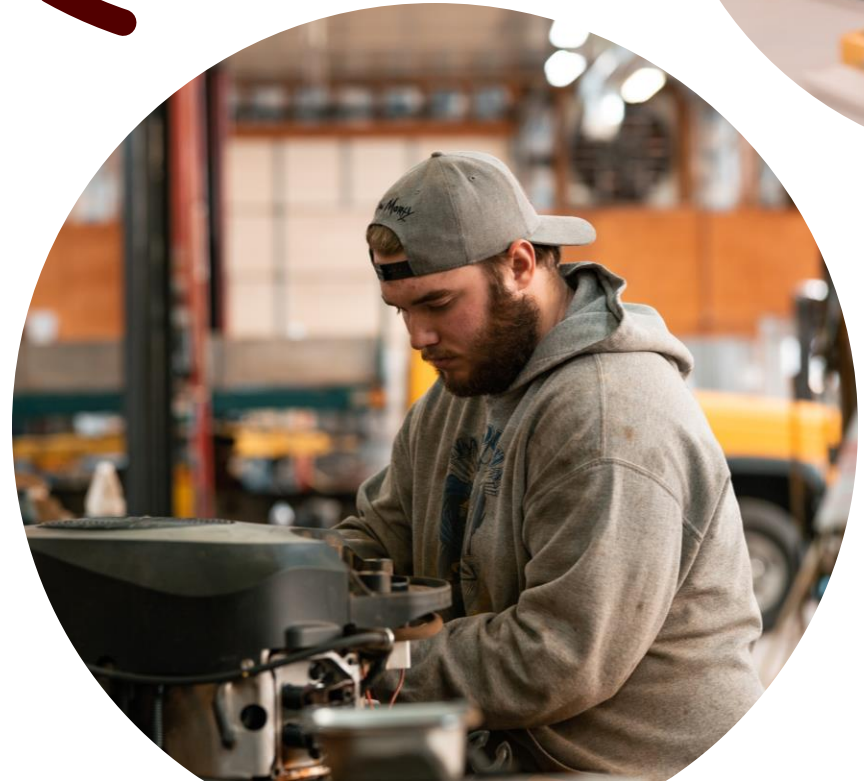
County: 7,209

Extended LMA: 115,700

Participation Rate: 57.2%

4,145 Commuters travel up to 35 minutes to get to work each day (57%)

Unemployment Rate 4.8%



Workforce Development



Central Virginia Community College

Offers customized training programs for area employers
Get Skilled, Get a Job, Give Back (G3) Initiative

Areas of Focus

Engineering and Manufacturing
Building/Construction Trades
Health Care
Public Safety



Virginia Technical Institute

VTI uses curriculum from the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER)
Hands-on training tailored to your needs



Regional Workforce Training Academy

Soft Skills Training
Leadership Training
Customer Service
Time Management
Business Communication
Interpersonal Skills and Public Speaking

Garet Bosiger

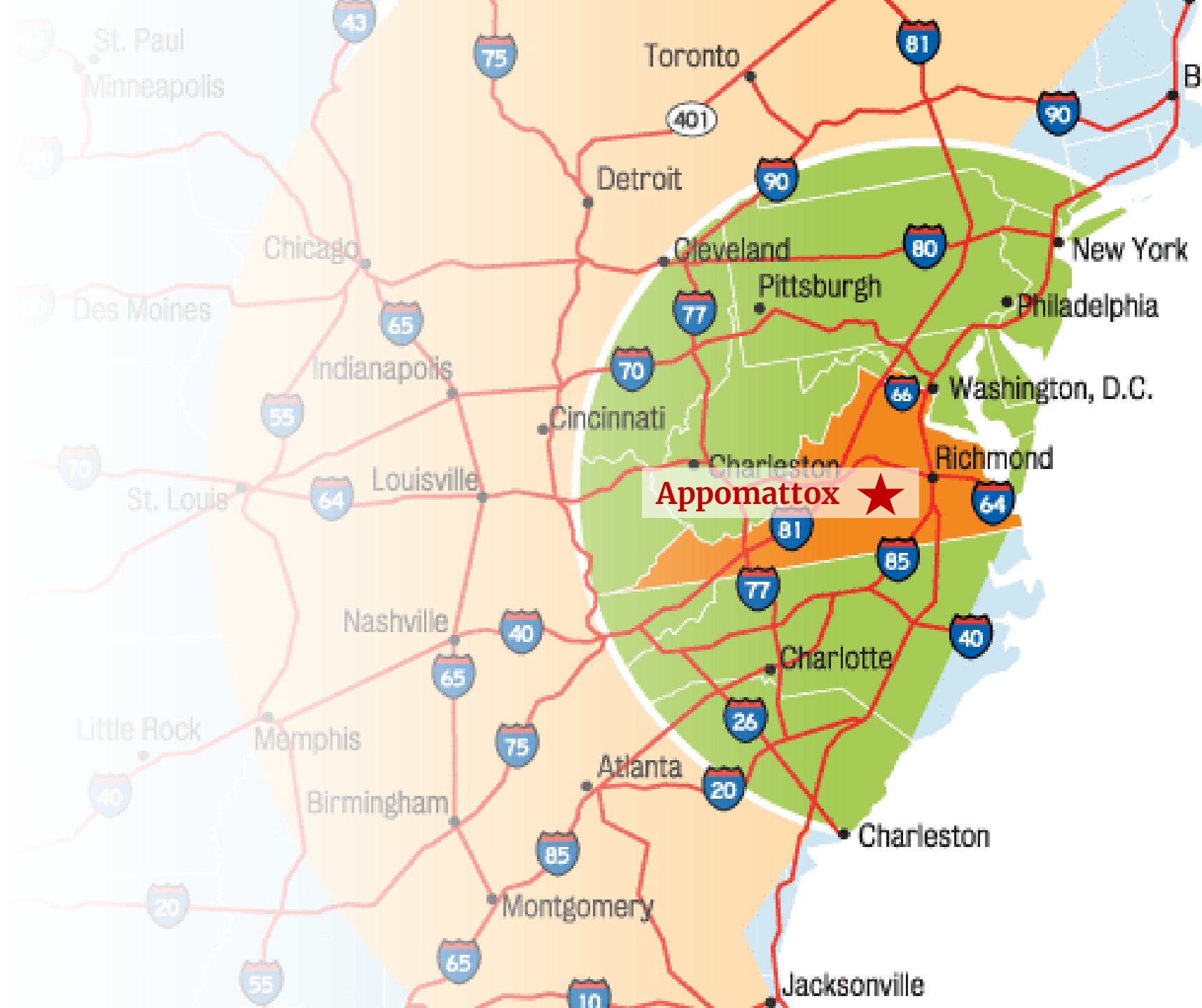
Chairman

Economic Development Authority

Central and Convenient

Appomattox is centrally located in the Commonwealth. Appomattox is within one day drive of 40% of the US population. We are strategically located between Boston, Jacksonville, Detroit, and Memphis.

US 460 E/W, US 29 N/S, Interstates 81, 64, 95 and 85 within 90 minutes



Transportation and Communication

Highway Connectivity

Access to major markets via US 460 & US 29

(4) Interstate Highways all within 90 miles

Route 26/Oakville Road Improvement: Under VDOT Study & Review

Air

Lynchburg Regional Airport (20 min)

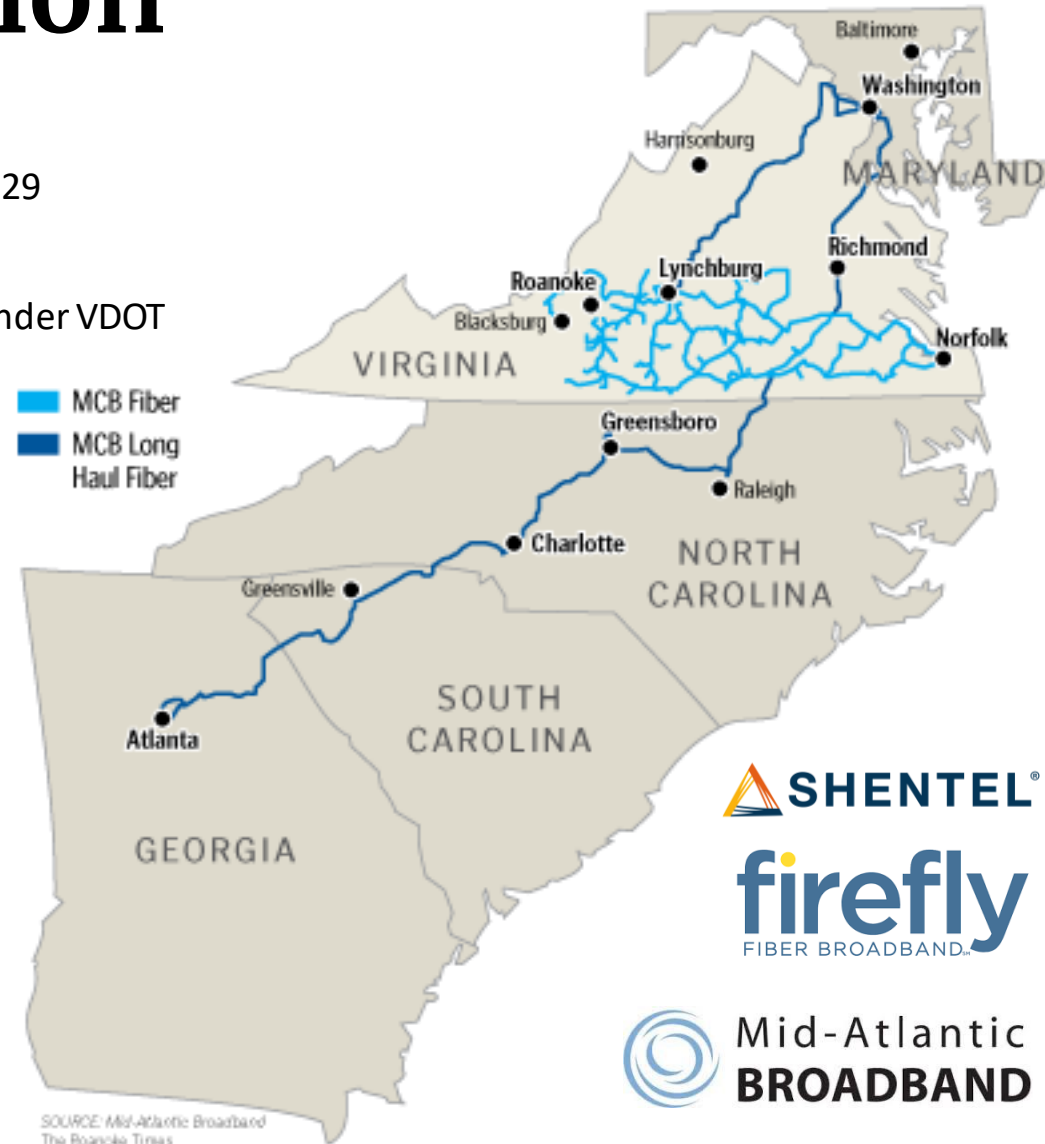
General Aviation Airport (15 min)

Train

Passenger rail available (20 min)

Port of Virginia

(3) hours to our East



Wired for the new economy.

Appomattox Center for Business and Commerce is served **fiber** via Mid-Atlantic Broadband's **1.2 Terabit backbone** network

MBC Node (12'x20') at Appomattox Center for Business & Commerce provides **connectivity** to over 40 telecom carriers.

MBC wholesale open-access fiber can connect directly to customer building in the park and provide optical transport from 10Mbps, 100Mbps, 1Gbps and 10Gbps via **single or diverse paths**.



Our Neighborhoods



7,314 Housing Units in Appomattox County

Appomattox County has a **variety** of Single-Family Dwellings, Multi-Family Dwellings and Townhomes.

More densely populated **town, suburban** and **urban** settings can be found in the Town of Appomattox, Lynchburg or Farmville.

Residential subdivisions, rural residential settings and country farms are prevalent throughout the region.

144,038 Housing Units of all varieties in the Region and surrounding counties.

78% Homeownership Rate (above national average).

Housing prices in Appomattox range from low-mid \$100k's to higher end homes in the \$400k's and above.

What's Nearby?



Thomasville Economic Impact

Opened in 1974.

County's largest employer for decades.

Over **1,600 employees** at its height, non-unionized.

Population Growth, Thriving Economy,
Housing Boom.

Over a 30% increase in population during the
first 25 years of existence.

Average tenure of employment: **29 years**



“It’s Heartbreaking.”

-Frankie Childress, 35-year employee

“We grew up together, we grew old together, our kids played ball together and we’re going to move forward together.”

Bill Gilleland, Plant Manager,
2007 on the last day of operations.

“...we lost enough volume, and a lot of our bigger customers started sourcing direct from Asia.”

-Bill Gilleland, Plant Manager

Discussion.