



Making your Relocation Smooth

Richmond community information and resources

Fun facts about Greater Richmond:

- A population of more than one million and a growing international community adds to the area's diversity and cosmopolitan character;
- Ranked as one of North America's top five large cities for best quality of life, human resources, and development and investment promotion (*Foreign Direct Investment (fDi) Magazine April/May 2007 issue*);
- One of the nation's 20 best places for business and careers, rated 14th among the 200 largest metro areas (*Forbes, April 5, 2007*);
- Home to seven *Fortune* 500 and six *Fortune* 1000 headquarters (*Fortune magazine's annual list of the nation's largest private corporations, released April 16, 2007*);
- Richmond, the capital city of VA, is a cityscape of culture that offers many opportunities for outdoor recreation. At the crossroads of Interstates 64 and 95, Richmond is two hours from the mountains and two hours from the beach and Washington, D.C.

Culture & Recreation

Professional arts, entertainment, sports and natural attractions come together to form a cosmopolitan region rooted in a rich natural heritage. A sampling of these resources include:

- Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
- Richmond Symphony
- Children's Museum of Richmond
- 25 Golf Courses
- Richmond Kickers, affiliate of DC United Soccer
- Class IV and V urban water rafting and kayaking
- Over 100 local parks and 6,500 acres of

park land

- NASCAR Auto Racing

Education

- Each locality/county in Greater Richmond has its own public school system with a full range of career prep, college prep and honors/AP classes and specialty and magnet centers (see listings that follow for information specific to surrounding counties)
- Four vocational/technical centers offer trade and industry classes and apprenticeship training
- Gifted students are eligible for accelerated programs at two governor's schools
- Sixty-one private and parochial schools have enrollment of more than 13,000
- Full range of associate, undergraduate and graduate programs at five four-year and five two-year institutions

Climate

Classified as modified continental, Richmond's climate provides four distinct seasons including warm and humid summers and generally mild winters.

Housing

A wide variety of housing types and styles are available, in city, suburban and rural locations. Choices include downtown apartments in renovated warehouses, historic townhouses, golf course and waterfront communities, award-winning planned communities and farms.

Surrounding counties

www.co.henrico.va.us
www.co.hanover.va.us
www.chesterfield.gov
www.louisacounty.com
www.co.goochland.va.us



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www.co.new-kent.va.us
www.kingandqueenco.net

Churches and religious organizations:

www.switchboard.com/Churches+&+Religious+Organizations/Richmond/VA/36-/yellowpages.htm

Greater Richmond's Largest Employers

<i>Major Employers</i>	<i># of Employees</i>
HCA Inc.	7,719
Capital One Financial Corp.	7,389
VCU Health System	6,990
Philip Morris USA (incl. HQ & R/D)	6,100
Wal-Mart Stores.	5,862
Wachovia Corp.	5,349
Dominion Resources (incl. HQ)	5,114
Bon Secours Richmond Health System	5,021
SunTrust Banks, Inc.	3,674
Ukrop's Super Markets, Inc.	3,563

Useful Websites

www.Richmond.com
www.timesdispatch.com
www.richmondva.org
www.homerentals.net
www.apartmentpros.com
www.capitalrelo.com

Why VCUHS is different

- VCU Medical Center (which includes the VCU Health System) is the most comprehensive teaching medical center in Virginia and is regularly ranked among the top hospitals in America.
- VCU Health System is home to nearly 200 specialty areas, with international acclaim in the early diagnosis and treatment of chest pain and strokes; organ transplantation; head and spinal cord trauma research; burn and wound

healing; neonatal intensive care; genetic research; and cancer research, treatment and rehabilitation.

- VCU Health System offers multidisciplinary centers for cancer, cardiology, neurosurgery and transplantation
- VCU Health System operates nationally-recognized Centers of Excellence in many specialties including women's health and bariatric surgery.
- VCU's Massey Cancer Center is a National Cancer Institute designated facility
- VCU Health System's 600-physician faculty group practice includes internationally recognized physicians, dozens of whom are recognized among the best doctors in the country.
- We treat more than 80,000 patients annually in our emergency department, which is the region's only Level One Trauma Center
- VCU Health System's teaching hospital component, MCV Hospitals, is simply unmatched. Our new critical care bed tower opened in September 2008, adding 360,000 square feet of clinical space and increase our percentage of private suites to 70. The new bed tower also houses one of the largest operating rooms on the East Coast.

At-a-glance phone numbers:

- Human resources: 628-3244
- Payroll: 828-9437
- Communication center: 628-0023
- Referral management: 628-2440
- Administration: 828-8106
- General information: 828-9000