



# Southern Virginia REGIONAL ALLIANCE

## Workforce Solutions

Higher Education, Skill Sets, Certifications and Recertifications  
Resources for Your Region

Virginia offers residents a robust education system for workforce development. From higher education to certifications and recertifications, continuing education and customized training opportunities create a pipeline of skilled workers.

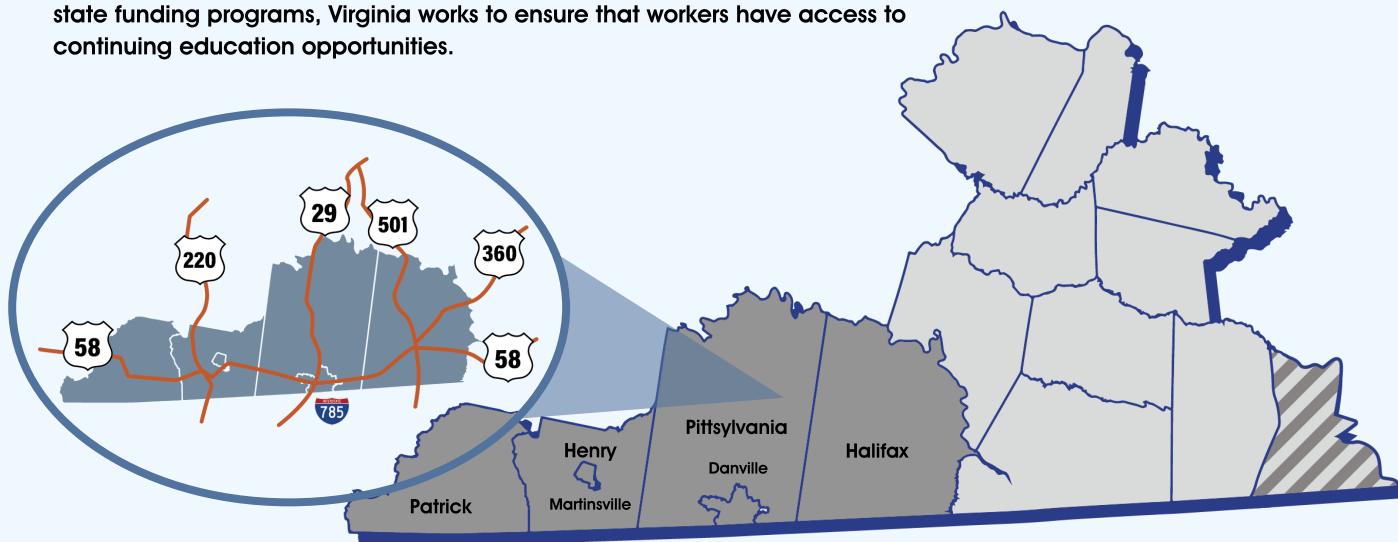
Starting as early as elementary school, educational institutions help develop students' foundational and soft skills to ensure that they are ready for any career. Higher education programs work with employers to match skill sets to certifications and to offer students valuable workplace learning experiences. Recently, registered apprenticeships in Virginia have expanded into white-collar jobs. By prioritizing financial support, such as tuition assistance and state funding programs, Virginia works to ensure that workers have access to continuing education opportunities.

95% of new jobs require  
postsecondary education.

*(State Council of Higher Education for Virginia)*

At Patrick and Henry Community College,  
50% of programs are career and  
technical education.

*(Rhonda Hodges)*



### GOVA Region 3: SVRA

Patrick Henry Pittsylvania  
Danville Halifax Martinsville

### GOVA Region 3: EAST

Brunswick Charlotte Lunenburg Nottoway  
Buckingham Cumberland Mecklenburg Prince Edward

### Region 4

Greensville  
Emporia

### Resource Key



State Resource



Federal Resource



Not For Profit



Incentives



Private Sector

### Topic Area Key

- HiEd -

Higher Education

- SKILL -

Skill Sets

- CERT -

Certifications

- ReCert -

Recertifications

### Institute for Advanced Learning and Research

[www.ialr.org](http://www.ialr.org)

The Institute for Advanced Learning and Research's (IALR) Advanced Learning Department delivers educational and talent development initiatives centered on meeting the needs of regional employers. Multiple collaborations and partnerships inspire, develop, credential or support advanced learning opportunities across the region — aiding economic transformation by generating a skilled pipeline of talent.

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## Pittsylvania Career and Technical Education

[pctc.pcs.k12.va.us](http://pctc.pcs.k12.va.us)

The Career and Technical Center located in Chatham offers a wide range of trade skill options for high school students in Pittsylvania County. Students dual enroll with Danville Community College and often graduate with career credentials.

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## Patrick & Henry Community College

[www.patrickhenry.edu](http://www.patrickhenry.edu)

Patrick & Henry Community College is a two-year institution located in Martinsville, Va., which offers associate's degrees, diplomas, certificates and workforce training programs.

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**Service Area: Martinsville, Henry, Patrick County**

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## Department of Labor and Industry

[www.doli.virginia.gov/apprenticeship](http://www.doli.virginia.gov/apprenticeship)

The Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI) works with Virginia employers and employees to develop strong occupational safety and health and minimize hazards in general industry and construction services.

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## Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services

[www.vadars.org](http://www.vadars.org)

The Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) works to improve the employment, quality of life, security and independence of older Virginians, Virginians with disabilities and their families.

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## Averett University

[www.averett.edu](http://www.averett.edu)

Averett University is a private, four-year institution located in Danville, Va. It is a highly ranked regional liberal arts college in the South and has its very own flight center located conveniently near Danville Airport.

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**Service Area: Virginia & Online**

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## Danville Community College

[www.danville.edu](http://www.danville.edu)

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## Southern Virginia Higher Education Center

[www.svhec.org](http://www.svhec.org)

SVHEC is a job training and higher education resource in Southern Virginia that partners with community colleges and state universities for access to degree programs. The also provide short-term, credential-based training.

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## Virginia Career Works

[www.virginiacareerworks.com](http://www.virginiacareerworks.com)

The Virginia Career Works West Piedmont Region (VCWWPR), in partnership with the region's local elected officials, provides leadership and direction to determine how best to deliver workforce services for the region.

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