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Northern Virginia Chamber to Co-Host 6th Annual Northern Virginia Regional Elected Leaders Summit

This event will feature elected leaders from Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William Counties and the City of Alexandria on August 24

ARLINGTON, Va. - The Arlington Chamber of Commerce will host the 6th Annual [Northern Virginia Regional Elected Leaders Summit](#) with premier partner, the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and co-hosts, Alexandria Chamber of Commerce, Loudoun Chamber of Commerce, Prince William Chamber of Commerce, and Northern Virginia Regional Commission.

This event will take place at [George Mason University's](#) Van Metre Hall with a virtual simulcast option for attendees through the Zoom platform. The event offers Northern Virginia's business leaders the opportunity to learn about the economic climate in the region, hear about new and ongoing initiatives aimed at bolstering economic growth, and discover how the jurisdictions in Northern Virginia can work together for the betterment of our regional economy, particularly during recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. Local leaders will discuss issues including the region's workforce, housing, and transportation network.

"Working closely with our local elected leaders helps us ensure a high quality business climate here in Northern Virginia," said Julie Coons, President & CEO of the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce. "I am excited to hear what is in store for Northern Virginia, what our leaders have learned from the COVID-19 pandemic, and how our region can remain the best in which to do business."

"Regional collaboration across the public and private sectors continues to be of utmost importance as we move into pandemic recovery," said Kate Bates, President & CEO of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. "This summit will allow Northern Virginians to understand how the region is working together to support our communities. I am grateful for the strong partnerships among the chambers of commerce in the region, and our elected leaders."



“We’re looking forward to joining our neighbor chambers once again for this important conversation on the challenges and exciting opportunities facing our region.” said Joe Haggerty, President & CEO of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce.

“Collaboration and regional problem solving are needed now more than ever to address Northern Virginia’s workforce, housing attainability, and transportation challenges,” said Tony Howard, President & CEO of the Loudoun Chamber. “This event will provide an opportunity for our region’s elected officials and business leadership to connect and proactively seek holistic solutions.”

“In this ever changing environment, it is important now more than ever to hear from our regional leaders,” Debbie Jones, President & CEO, Prince William Chamber of Commerce. “We greatly appreciate the opportunity to present access to these regional leaders while partnering with our fellow chambers.”

The event will feature elected officials from across the area, including Arlington County Board Vice Chair Katie Cristol, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chair Jeff McKay, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors Chair Phyllis Randall, Prince William County Board of Supervisors Chair Ann Wheeler, and City of Alexandria Mayor Justin Wilson. Drew Wilder, Northern Virginia Reporter for NBC Washington, will serve as the moderator.

The event will be held on Tuesday, August 24 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. Registration is available [online](#). Media are invited to attend, but RSVP is required. Contact Thomas Fitzpatrick at (703) 525-2400 x205 or communications@arlingtonchamber.org to confirm your attendance or learn more.

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About the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Originally founded in 1925 as a Fairfax county-focused business advocacy organization, the Northern Virginia Chamber has grown into the region's largest Chamber of Commerce, drawing members and impacting policy across the Greater Washington D.C. Metropolitan Region. Today, representing close to 500,000 employees, the diversity of our community is one of our greatest assets, offering opportunities to learn from one another and form personal connections that help guide lasting business growth.



The Chamber's goal is to be considered not only a business partner, but also an agent of change for our members. We do this through our work in government advocacy, education through events and programs, networking, promotion of member businesses, and recognition through awards. We are proud to have worked together over these many years to build a meaningful association that enriches our community and look forward to continuing that good work.

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