

# DED Programs 2009

Program	Summary	Contact	Website	Key Dates
<b>Agricultural and Forestal Districts</b>	The State Code of Virginia characterizes the purpose of the Agricultural District Program as a means to “conserve, protect, and encourage the development and improvement of agricultural and forestal lands for the production of food and other agricultural and forestal products, and conserve and protect agricultural and forestal lands as valued natural and ecological resources which provide essential open spaces for clean air sheds, as well as for aesthetic purposes.”	Patrick Ryan, Economic Development GIS & Project Specialist, 703-737-8322, patrick.ryan@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarms.org/agdistricts">www.loudounfarms.org/agdistricts</a> and <a href="http://www.loudoun.gov/agdistricts">www.loudoun.gov/agdistricts</a>	June 1 of each year for interim addition applications. See <a href="http://www.loudoun.gov">www.loudoun.gov</a> for a list of district term dates.
<b>Buy Fresh, Buy Local</b>	The Piedmont Environmental Council and DED work together to publish a brochure mailed to every address in Loudoun featuring businesses that use local products.	Melissa Nelson, Agricultural Marketing Manager, 703-777-0426, melissa.nelson@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.buylocalvirginia.org">www.buylocalvirginia.org</a>	First edition published July 2008.
<b>Celebrate Loudoun</b>	This is an initiative to encourage shopping at local stores during the holiday season. If you are interested in having your business participate, contact Melissa Nelson.	Melissa Nelson, Agricultural Marketing Manager, 703-777-0426, melissa.nelson@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.Loudounfarms.org">www.Loudounfarms.org</a>	Nov. 1 - Virginia Village Shopping Center 9 am to 1 pm & Dec. 5, The Very Virginia Shop, 109 S. King Street, Leesburg 6-9 p.m.
<b>Farm Color Tour</b>	Tour of participating farms and wineries the 3rd weekend in October.	Ann Higgins, Marketing Coordinator, 703-737-8387, ann.higgins@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarms.org">www.loudounfarms.org</a>	Occurs 3rd weekend October; to have your business included contact Ann Higgins by early August.
<b>Farmers Markets</b>	This is a network of farmers markets governed by the Loudoun Valley HMA. With 7 locations in the county you can always have a place to find good, locally produced fruits and vegetables.	Melissa Nelson, Agricultural Marketing Manager, 703-777-0426, melissa.nelson@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarmersmarkets.org">www.loudounfarmersmarkets.org</a>	Markets run first week in May until the last weekend in October. The winter market opens the first weekend in November and runs until the last weekend in April.
<b>Rural Innovation Seminar</b>	An annual seminar bringing together speakers on the latest innovations in agribusiness.	Gary Hornbaker, Rural Resources Coordinator, 703-771-5427, gary.hornbaker@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarms.org">www.loudounfarms.org</a>	Occurs 2nd Friday March; to attend you need to register two weeks before the event.
<b>Spring Farm Tour</b>	Serves as introduction to Loudoun's growing season, tour of participating farms and wineries the 3rd weekend in May.	Ann Higgins, Marketing Coordinator, 703-737-8387, ann.higgins@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarms.org">www.loudounfarms.org</a>	Occurs 3rd weekend in May; to have your business included contact Ann Higgins by the end of February.
<b>The Loudoun Farms Product Guide</b>	This guide is designed to assist consumers in locating local products and services .	Ann Higgins, Marketing Coordinator, 703-737-8387, ann.higgins@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarms.org">www.loudounfarms.org</a>	To have your business included contact Ann. There is a rolling deadline.
<b>The Loudoun Wine Passport Program</b>	A brochure containing a list of the wineries, vineyards, tasting rooms, and other resources pertaining to Loudoun's wine industry.	Ann Higgins, Marketing Coordinator, 703-737-8387, ann.higgins@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.loudounfarms.org">www.loudounfarms.org</a>	To have your business included contact Ann. There is a rolling deadline.

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<b>Office Space Listing</b>	This is a free service available for those looking for a small commercial space. Visit the website where you can view available properties or register for an account so you can list your available properties.	Philip Denino, Community Development Manager, 703-777-0585 philip.denino@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://biz.loudoun.gov/officespace">http://biz.loudoun.gov/officespace</a>	You can list properties or search listings at any time.
<b>Loudoun Places</b>	This is an initiative of the DED to grow businesses and communities together. It is a voluntary group that meets once a month and has special supplementary programs throughout the year. Topics are covered pertaining to small businesses, towns, and communities.	Philip Denino, Community Development Manager, 703-777-0585 philip.denino@loudoun.gov		We have a monthly meeting with periodic events.
<b>Design Excellence Awards</b>	The DED sponsors through the Design Cabinet annual awards for design excellence. Nominations are received each winter and announced in early spring.	Susan VanEpps, Senior Business Analyst, 703-771-5187, susan.vanepps@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://biz.loudoun.gov/designcabinet">http://biz.loudoun.gov/designcabinet</a>	To make a nomination for the Design Awards, Susan needs to receive it by early February.
<b>LoCo Motion</b>	DED's monthly economic development newsletter	Susan VanEpps, Senior Business Analyst, 703-771-5187, susan.vanepps@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://biz.loudoun.gov/loco">http://biz.loudoun.gov/loco</a>	You can register to receive LoCo Motion at any time.
<b>EDC</b>	Created in 1995 by Loudoun's Board of Supervisors, the Economic Development Commission (EDC) is a public/private partnership responsible for promoting the county's economic development. The broad range of industry representation – including aerospace, agribusiness, banking & finance, higher education, technology, real estate development, small business and telecommunications – makes the EDC a powerful and effective forum.	Dorri Morin, Manager Strategic Initiatives and Communications, 703-737-8385, dorri.morin@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.biz.loudoun.gov/edc">http://www.biz.loudoun.gov/edc</a>	Usually meets the 1st Friday of the Month at Ida Lee Recreation Center in Leesburg, VA from 8 am to 10 am
<b>Science and Technology Cabinet</b>	A DED hosted forum to encourage the development of the county and the region as a global center of science and technology.	Beth Hain, Manager Business Investment, 703-737-8386, beth.hain@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://biz.loudoun.gov/sciencetech">http://biz.loudoun.gov/sciencetech</a>	On-going
<b>Northern Virginia Life Sciences Communities</b>	A regional marketing partnership formed by the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William and George Mason University.	Beth Hain, Manager Business Investment, 703-737-8386, beth.hain@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://novalifesciences.org/">http://novalifesciences.org/</a>	On-going
<b>Medical Automation Conference</b>	International Medical Automation Conference is hosted in Loudoun through 2011.	Beth Hain, Manager Business Investment, 703-737-8386, beth.hain@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://www.medicalautomation.org/">http://www.medicalautomation.org/</a>	12/12/2008

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Modified Process	In an effort to support a business-friendly environment that encourages targeted development, DED manages a board adopted a Modified Land Development Process (MP) for specific industries and identified development projects.	Robyn Bailey, Manager Business Infrastructure, 703-777-0324, robyn.bailey@loudoun.gov	<a href="http://biz.loudoun.gov/mp">http://biz.loudoun.gov/mp</a>	On-going