



## Economic Development e-News 12.29.16

News and Information from the Accomack-  
Northampton Planning District Commission  
Economic Development Office

### A-N Economic Development Committee Seeks New Members

The Economic Development Committee met in December and adopted [new bylaws](#). As part of the process, new seats were created on the Committee. In addition, there are several member terms expiring in January. A nominating committee was appointed and nominees are being compiled. There are currently 10 vacancies on the 25-member Committee. The following seats are open:

- One (1) public or private representative from the Agribusiness and Food Processing Sector
- One (1) public or private representative from the Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Sector
- One (1) public or private representative from the Foundational and Entrepreneur Sector
- Three (3) private sector representatives from Accomack County
- Two (2) private sector representatives from Northampton County

If you are interested in serving on the committee (for a 3-year term) please contact [Caroline Bott](#) by Friday, January 6. All interested individuals will be forwarded to the Nominating Committee for consideration. The next Economic Development Committee meeting is currently being scheduled for February.

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[Did you know the A-NPDC website has an Economic Development area with news, information, and resources?](#)

[Click here to check it out.](#)

#### CommitteeMembers

*Peter Bale  
John Chandler  
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**U.S. Small Business Administration Resources**

**[Click Here to Read the SBA's Top 10 Blogs of 2016](#)**

**[COURSE: How to Write a Business Plan](#)**

SBA's Small Business Training Network Presents...  
**How To Write A Business Plan**

One in a series of online training courses teaching entrepreneurs the fundamentals of starting and managing a business.



December is National Write a Business Plan Month! Take the time to start or review your business plan. SBA's [online course](#) can help. A few of the items covered include:

- General business planning
- Defining and describing the components of a business plan
- Providing access to sample plans and resources that can help you develop a very good business plan



**Facebook Live Q&A: Financing Options for Your Small Business**

The SBA held a Facebook Live Q&A on December 19. Click the link to watch the recorded event.

**Affordable Care Act 101:  
 What The Health Care Law Means for Small Employers**  
 December 2016

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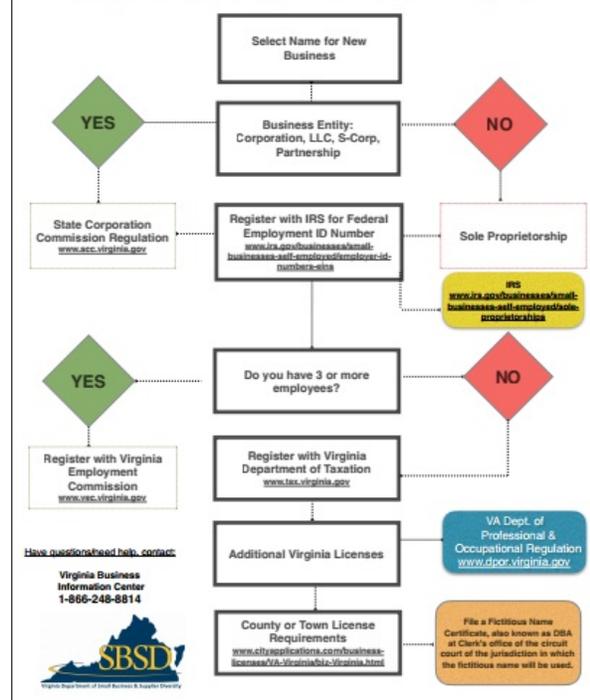
**What the Healthcare Law Means for Small Employers**

Moderated by the Small Business Majority, this event was recorded on December 22 and features representatives from the Small Business Administration and the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Entrepreneur Resources**

- [Hatch](#)
- [SouceLink Virginia](#)
- [Virginia Start UP.org](#)
- [Virginia Business One Stop](#)
- [Virginia Small Business Development Center](#)

**Steps to Starting a Business in Virginia**



**News from Virginia Business**

- [McAuliffe Plan Calls for More Oversight and Gubernatorial Control of VEDP](#)
- [Virginia Unemployment Rises](#)

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## USDA - Rural Development Funding Opportunities

- [Community Facility Direct Loans and Grants](#)
- [Community Facilities Loan Guarantees](#)
- [Water and Waste Disposal Loan Guarantees](#)
- [Water & Waste Loans and Grants](#)
- [Business and Industry Loan Guarantees \(B&I\)](#)
- [Rural Business Development Grants \(RBDG\)](#)

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## Resources & Documents

- [Accomack-Northampton Planning District Commission](#)
- [Stronger Economies Together Regional Economic Development Plan](#)
- [ESVA Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy](#)
- [Accomack Economic Development Authority](#)
- [Northampton County Department of Economic Development](#)



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