



GO Virginia State Board Retreat

Dates/Times:

September 9th, 2025, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Location:

Reynolds College
Workforce Development Center
1651 E Parham Rd,
Richmond, VA 23228

The objective of this retreat is to engage in a strategic discussion on aligning the Commonwealth's economic development priorities and expectations for GO Virginia.

Tuesday, September 9th

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| 8:00 am – 9:00 am | Check-In – Breakfast Served |
| 9:00 am - 9:05 pm | Welcome |
| 9:05 pm - 9:20 pm | Opening Remarks |
| 9:20 am - 10:00 am | Virginia's Economic Landscape

This session sets the tone for the day's conversations by grounding attendees in the facts, trends, and forecasts that shape Virginia's economy. The presentation will touch on emerging opportunities and risks, offering strategic insights that can inform GO Virginia's statewide investment and priorities. |
| 10:00 am- 10:10 am | Networking Break |
| 10:10 am – 11:00 | Panel: Exploring Virginia's Economic Competitiveness

This discussion will examine Virginia's economic position through the lens of industry—exploring the factors that drive business growth, attract investment, and sustain a strong workforce. Panelists will share insights on the state's competitive advantages, including high-performing industry clusters and ecosystem assets, while also addressing barriers that could limit long-term success. |
| 11:00 – 11:10 am | Networking Break |
| 11:10 am – 12:00 pm | Panel: Increasing GO Virginia's Collective Impact

This session will explore how GO Virginia functions as a catalyst for statewide economic transformation by leveraging the strengths of its regional partners. Panelists will highlight regional collaboration, scalable |



initiatives, and innovative approaches to aligning local priorities with the broader goals of the Commonwealth.

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm Lunch

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm Facilitated Conversation: GO Virginia Investment Strategies

In this facilitated discussion, board members will break into small groups to reflect on whether GO Virginia’s current investment strategies remain responsive to regional needs, competitive realities, and the Commonwealth’s long-term economic goals. Groups will reconvene to share takeaways and proposed action steps with the whole board. This session is designed to spark candid conversation and lay the groundwork for potential refinements to the program’s strategic direction in the months ahead.

Close of Meeting

The quarterly business meeting of the GO Virginia State Board will immediately follow the retreat.