

Business & Worker Resources

Fairfax County Programs, Assistance and Recent Impacts

Business Support Resources

ACCELERATE 2026 BREAKFAST SERIES

FAIRFAX FOUNDERS FUND

FAIRFAX CORE — Connecting Opportunities & Resources for Entrepreneurs



Accelerate Series - Connects investors and entrepreneurs through a quarterly breakfast to strengthen the regional venture ecosystem. https://acceleratedeals.org/accelerate-breakfast-series

Fairfax Founders Fund - Provides up to $50,000 in grants and technical assistance to high-growth Fairfax County startups to accelerate growth. Fairfaxcounty.gov/economic-initiatives/fairfax-founders-fund

Fairfax CORE - Provides entrepreneurs and business owners with resources to start and grow a business including experts, free and low-cost education, step-by-step business guides, and specialized assistance. FairfaxCORE.com

Customized Business Resilience Assistance – Direct, expert-guided advisory support in a confidential environment helping businesses and individuals navigate disruption, transition, or growth through customized pathways. FairfaxCountyEDA.org/contact-us/

Business Support Resources

IMPACTS

15,818

New 2025
Fairfax CORE Users

1,200

Direct business engagements via Fairfax CORE in 2025

1,000+

Businesses and entrepreneurs directly engaged to support resilience when faced with disruption in 2025

$27.4 Million

Secured in follow-on funding for 14 Accelerate Breakfast Series startups over the last 18 months

$7.7 Million

Raised in follow-on funding by 13 high-growth startups within the Founders Fund portfolio.

Worker Support Resources

Basic Career Services

- **Access** "one-stop" employment system through dedicated resource centers.
- **Utilize** no-cost services led by certified workforce professionals.
- **Connect** in-person or virtually by appointment. Services include:
  - **One-on-One Coaching:** Professionals help explore career assessments, develop networking strategies, and set "SMART" goals.
  - **Job ReadinessTools:** Assistance with resume writing, cover letter drafting, and practice interviews with constructive feedback.
  - **Technology Access:** Essential access to computers, the internet, and office equipment for employment search.

Specialized Workforce Development Programs

- **Individualized support:** Empowers unemployed adults, dislocated workers, and youth through tailored career guidance.
- **Paid work-based learning:** Provides hands-on professional experiences to build essential workplace skills.
- **Industry-specific training:** Delivers technical instruction for high-growth roles in in-demand sectors.
- **Post-employment support:** Offers ongoing resources to ensure long-term retention and career advancement.

Connections to Employers

- **Career Events:** Organizes information sessions, "Meet the Employer" workshops, hiring events, and job fairs to facilitate direct networking between talent and local businesses.

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/employment-and-training

Worker Support Resources

IMPACTS

654

Adults and youth served through WIOA Adult/DW, and Youth programs

2,300

Individuals served through VDSS employment programs (SNAP-ET, VIEW, and Bridges to Success)

~12,000

Job seekers supported through employment resource centers

30,000

Total in-person and virtual visits to employment resources centers across four locations

2,500

Impacted federal workers that have engaged with Fairfax County Workforce Development services

Employer & Worker Resources

TALENT CAPITAL

TalentCapital.ai- Greater Washington's initiative that utilizes AI technology to skills-match people to jobs, career coaching, and retraining opportunities.
talentcapita.ai



The Pivot - NOVA regional initiative equipping job seekers and employers with tools to navigate career disruption and discover new opportunities through hands-on guidance, career exploration, and entrepreneurial insight.
novaeda.org/the-pivot/

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TalentUP

Talent Up NOVA - Connects employers with qualified displaced federal workers and contractors, offering no-cost temporary paid professional opportunities.
VCWnorthern.com/talentupnova

Employer & Worker Resources

IMPACTS

100,000+

Displaced federal workers directly connected to job opportunities online and at hiring events

80,000+

Impacted individuals skills-matched to career, upskilling, and reskilling opportunities.

179

TalentUp Internship-to-employment pathways

30+

Hiring and entrepreneurship events hosted and/or supported by FCEDA