

We are Working for You



Adding Measures for Tax Relief- Implemented Ordinance to Permit the Return of Surplus Property Tax Revenue (Rebate)



Expanding the Tax Base to Reduce Taxpayer Burden is Priority



Creating Opportunities for Affordable Housing



Helping Underserved Citizens- Working with Faith Based Leaders to Form a Community Cooperative Ministry



Fostering Dialogue with Town of Surry for Revitalization Initiatives



Increasing Financial Support to the Surry EDA to Assist Small Business



We Take Pride in Our School System- Supporting Education & Student Success



The Heart of Community is at our Core

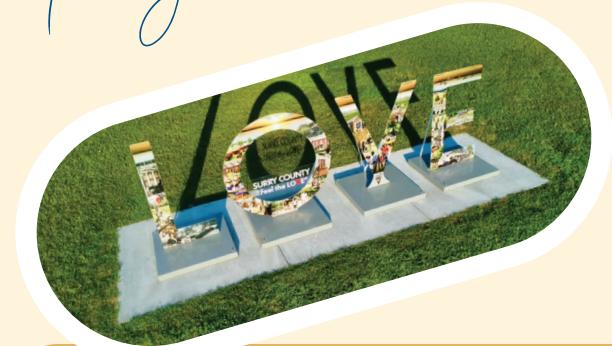


We Support Resources to Deliver Excellent Customer Service

SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Progress in Action



Dear Surry County Resident,

We are pleased to share with you the enclosed highlights of the many exciting achievements and ongoing initiatives underway in the County.

From tax relief measures, infrastructure investments, expanded public safety services to economic growth, and community engagement the Board of Supervisors and staff have been working hard to deliver real results while maintaining one of the lowest tax rates in the region.

Let's Feel the Love as we "Embrace Today while Shaping the Future".

What Matters Most

PUBLIC SAFETY INVESTMENTS



Maintaining a Good Financial Position

The County invested over \$8.5 Mil in cash funded projects (past 5 years)

MINIMIZING THE TAX BURDEN

- \$5.4M Emergency Radio Communication System = 98% coverage from 60%
- New fire engine, mini pumper and medic unit – secured debt free!
- Surry County 24/7 Licensed Rescue Squad formed - New Medic (pictured)
- Expanded elderly tax relief up to \$1,500 for qualified applicants
- New schedule: Personal Property Tax in June, Real Estate in December-reduced the tax burden in the December timeframe
- Historic reduction in the personal property tax rate from \$4.00 to \$3.75
- Real Estate rate of \$0.71 is one of the lowest amongst surrounding localities
- Clean audit opinions annually
- Emerging Technologies District created for high-tech, mixed used development

Economic Growth

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

- Proof that Surry is attracting new businesses: Morelia Mexican restaurant opened in the community
- Economic Development Authority in action to support the opening of the Surry Marketplace
- YMCA facility planning and development underway to meet childcare, recreational, senior/active living, and other needs
- \$5.2M in federal water grants secured for clean water and economic expansion
- Bear Island Battery Storage facility approved – 89MW renewable energy capacity; siting agreement secures resources for public safety and other community needs
- Popular events engage the community: 4th of July Fireworks, Trunk or Treat, Homecoming, NNO, Veterans Dinner, Tree Lighting, 1st Fridays on the Lawn (May–Oct)



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AT EVENTS



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Community Connections

EXCELLENT SERVICE DELIVERY



NATIONAL
RECOGNITION
A FULLY WIRED
COMMUNITY

- VACO Award for 55+ Community Engagement initiative
- VACO Award for Shared Building Inspections Program
- Blighted properties removed countywide
- 100% of inspections are performed within 24 hours
- Relocated the Registrar's office to best serve the needs of all voters
- Repairs to libraries, repaving of government center, parks and recreation and solid waste site lots
- Launch of "Farm Hopping" Trail App and tourism video
- Grays Creek designated as a Scenic River in Virginia - Kayak, Fish & Enjoy the Views
- Hunting ordinance adopted reflecting present-day practices, procedures, laws, and safety standards



PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS