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INTRODUCTION

GO Virginia is a statewide, bipartisan, business-led economic development initiative that promotes collaboration among local governments, higher education, industry, and workforce initiatives. **The program goal is to create high-paying private sector jobs by awarding grants for regional priorities across the Commonwealth.**

This report is prepared annually for the Region 9 Council to review at their Annual Meeting in June of each year. This report summarizes regional milestones and accomplishments that advanced the program goal during Fiscal Year 2026 (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026).

GO Virginia Region 9, also known as the Piedmont Opportunity Corridor, includes the City of Charlottesville and the Counties of Albemarle, Culpeper, Fauquier, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, Madison, Nelson, Orange, and Rappahannock.

The GO Virginia Region 9 Council oversees the development and execution of the GO Virginia program within Region 9, including the development and evaluation of funding proposals. The Central Virginia Partnership for Economic Development (CVPED) serves as Region 9’s fiscal and administrative support organization. The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is the state agency responsible for administering the GO Virginia program and supporting the GO Virginia Board.

GROWTH & DIVERSIFICATION PLAN

The [2025 Region 9 Growth & Diversification Plan](#) (Growth Plan) was published in October 2025. The target sectors from the 2023 Growth Plan update were reaffirmed as representing the best opportunity

for regional high-wage job growth. The plan sets forth twenty [Growth Plan Opportunities](#) for grant funding that could advance the GO Virginia program goals in Region 9. As stated in the plan, grant proposals must focus on one or more of Region 9’s target sectors while deploying at least one of the four programmatic project strategies as noted in the table below:

Region 9 Target Sector	Program Strategies
Biosciences Financial & Business Services Food & Beverage Manufacturing IT & Communications Light Manufacturing	Entrepreneurship Growing Existing Businesses Site Readiness Talent Development

Projects advancing the Region 9 Growth Plan may be funded through the Region 9 Per Capita Fund or through the Statewide Competitive Fund. Competitive Fund projects can be inter-regional, involving two or more regions, or single-region when project costs exceed a region’s available per capita funds.

SUMMARY OF PROJECTS AWARDED

In FY 2026, the **Region 9 Council approved or actively supported three new projects toward funding or implementation** that advanced **nine of the twenty** opportunities identified in the Region 9 Growth Plan.

Expanding the GO TEC Career Pathway in Region 9 is an implementation project that will expand the [GO TEC](#) (Growth Opportunities in Technology Careers) model into all middle schools in Charlottesville City Schools, Albemarle County Public Schools, and Greene County Public Schools. The program, led by Albemarle County Public Schools, will train 3,126 middle school students and create seven program labs.

This project will advance three Talent Development opportunities.

Food & Beverage Accelerator is an implementation grant that will advance planning grant recommendations for Food & Beverage production companies primarily in the Counties of Albemarle, Fauquier, Madison, Nelson and Orange, as well as the City of Charlottesville. Led by Venture Central, the program will expand sixteen businesses through a cohort model and raise \$150,000 over the two-year grant period.

This project advances two Grow Existing Business opportunities.

AI Mobile Unit for Workforce & Education is an inter-regional competitive implementation project led by Cyber Bytes Foundation in GO Virginia Region 6, also serving the counties of Fauquier, Nelson, and Orange in Region 9. This project will address vulnerabilities identified in [Virginia AI Workforce and Education Landscape Assessment \(AISLA\)](#). It targets lagging workforce readiness for AI integration and inequities to AI education, primarily in rural areas. Grant activities will deliver AI literacy, ethics, prompting, and industry-recognized CompTIA AI Essentials and CompTIA AI Prompting certifications, directly to schools, workforce centers, and employers through two self-contained mobile training units.







This project will advance six opportunities in Talent Development and two in Grow Existing Business.















A summary of the Grant Opportunities to be advanced through the project funded in this fiscal year is below:

Talent Development Opportunities Advanced	Related Project(s)
Establish workforce coalition(s) or initiatives that enhance collaboration and efficiency within the Region 9 talent development ecosystem for target sectors.	GO TEC AI Mobile Unit
Grow AI-ready workforce to advance the competitiveness of Region 9’s target sectors informed by the AISLA Project Blueprint Report.	AI Mobile Unit
Advance sector-specific talent pathways planning efforts, ensuring alignment of education and training with industry-specified needs.	GO TEC AI Mobile Unit
Implement talent pathway strategies spanning from middle school awareness to senior-level employment opportunities.	GO TEC AI Mobile Unit
Develop sector-driven credentialing, micro-credentialing, apprenticeship, upskilling, and internship (high school, adult) programs designed to meet the demands of target industries.	AI Mobile Unit
Assess and address regional target sector workforce needs to fill high demand occupations.	AI Mobile Unit

Grow Existing Business Opportunities Advanced	Related Project(s)
Support implementation grants from gaps identified in planning grants or other regional reports.	AI Mobile Unit Food & Beverage Accelerator
Catalyze AI & technology adoption in target sectors that drive sector growth and competitiveness.	AI Mobile Unit
Support sector-led initiatives that address business-validated sector gaps to traded sector growth	Food & Beverage Accelerator

In addition to the three newly awarded projects noted, ten other projects have been active during FY 2026. Collectively all thirteen projects have helped to advance Growth Plan implementation. The following table is a summary of how FY26 active project activities align with the Growth Plan Strategies:

 Biosciences	 Financial and Business Services	 IT & Communications	 Food & Beverage Manufacturing	 Light Manufacturing	 Multiple Sectors
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 Entrepreneurship  Carver Food Incubator Culpeper County  Rural Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Connector Community Investment Collaborative	 Grow Existing Business  Food & Beverage Business Accelerator Planning Grant Venture Central  Project VITAL: Commonwealth Biotechnology Accelerator CvilleBioHub  Wine Industry Implementation Grant County of Nelson  Wine Industry Planning Grant County of Nelson	 Site Development  Rivanna Futures Albemarle County	 Talent Development  BioBridge TPI CvilleBioHub  Innovation Corridor Road Map Central Virginia Partnership  Technology Academies Laurel Ridge Education Foundation
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In FY 2026, the Region 9 Council’s portfolio of grant projects are collectively serving all eleven localities in GO Virginia Region 9, as noted in the following table:



Project Leader	Charlottesville	Albemarle	Culpeper	Fauquier	Fluvanna	Greene	Louisa	Madison	Nelson	Orange	Rappahannock
AI Mobile Unit				X					X	X	
BioBridge Talent Pathways Initiative CvilleBioHub	X	X									
Carver Food Business Incubator Culpeper County			X	X				X		X	X
Expanding GO TEC Career Pathways in Region 9 Albemarle County Public Schools	X	X				X					
Innovation Corridor Road Map Central Virginia Partnership for Economic Development	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Food & Beverage Business Accelerator Planning Grant Venture Central	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Food & Beverage Accelerator	X	X		X				X		X	
Project VITAL: Charlottesville Biotechnology Accelerator CvilleBioHub	X	X									
Rivanna Futures Albemarle County	X	X				X					
Rural Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Connector Community Investment Collaborative			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Technology Academies Laurel Ridge Education Foundation				X							X
Wine Industry Implementation Grant Nelson County	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wine Industry Planning Grant Nelson County	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

FUNDING BY STRATEGY

This section includes more detail on each newly funded project in addition to recaps of regional project investments.

FY26 Approved Projects:

Expanding GO TEC Career Pathways in Region 9

GO Virginia Funds	Locality Match	Non-Locality Match	Other Leverage
\$1,016,000	\$767,210	--	--

- **Applicant(s):** Albemarle County Public Schools
- **Funding Source:** Region 9 Per Capita Funds
- **Participating Localities:** Albemarle County Public Schools, Greene County Public Schools, City of Charlottesville Public Schools
- **Targeted Industries:** Advanced Manufacturing, Information Technology, Bioscience, Logistics
- **Investment Strategy:** Talent Development
- **Project Goal(s):** To expand the pool of qualified workers by increasing career exploration opportunities in targeted industries in GO Virginia Region 9 by creating Career Connection labs and teacher training as a part of the GO TEC initiative.
- **Project Description:** Add new career connection labs in all the middle schools in counties of Albemarle, Greene, and the City of Charlottesville. Modules include: IT Coding & Networking, Automation & Robotics, Precision Machining, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering, Metrology, Biotechnologies, and Welding. The applicant is partnering with local employers to offer facility tours and deepen students' career exposure. Each module introduces students to career pathways tied to local employer needs, such as biotech lab skills, financial analytics, food production processes, IT systems, and advanced manufacturing.
- **Committed Outcomes:** Train 3,126 students; implement 7 new programs

Food & Beverage Accelerator

GO Virginia Funds	Locality Match	Non-Locality Match	Other Leverage
\$262,192	\$120,000	\$11,308	\$23,000

- **Applicant(s):** Venture Central
- **Funding Source:** Competitive Fund – Single Region
- **Participating Localities:** Albemarle County, City of Charlottesville, Fauquier County, Madison County, Orange County
- **Targeted Industries:** Food & Beverage Manufacturing
- **Investment Strategy:** Grow Existing Business
- **Project Goal(s):** The Venture Central Food & Beverage Accelerator addresses a documented economic development gap in GO Virginia Region 9 where 92% of regional food and beverage

(F&B) manufacturers remain under \$1M in annual revenue, limiting their ability to create higher-wage jobs and expand traded-sector activity despite proven products/market demand. This implementation grant builds on a GO Virginia-funded planning grant to establish Virginia’s first F&B production accelerator, designed to catalyze growth by strengthening R9’s priority traded-sector cluster.

- **Project Description:** The project will serve established F&B manufacturers through annual accelerator cohorts supported by 1:1 consulting and resource connection. Participating firms will be Region 9 based packaged F&B manufacturers with demonstrated product-market fit and readiness to scale, generally generating \$100K+ in annual revenue. Accelerator activities include: strategic coaching, expert consultation network, direct industry connections, peer connections and cohort learning.
- **Committed Outcomes:** 10 jobs, 16 businesses expanded, 16 businesses served, \$150,000 total capital raised by businesses served

AI Mobile Unit for Workforce & Education

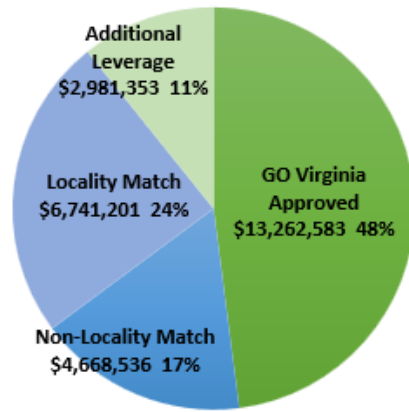
GO Virginia Funds	Locality Match	Non-Locality Match	Other Leverage
\$1,079,109	\$40,985	\$498,745	---

- **Applicant(s):** Cyber Bytes Foundation
- **Funding Source:** Competitive Fund – Multi-Region
- **Participating Localities:** Counties of Stafford, King George, Orange, Fauquier, Nelson
- **Targeted Industries:** Financial & Business Services, Information Technology & Communications, Light Manufacturing
- **Investment Strategy:** Talent Development
- **Project Goal(s):** Implement an innovative regional workforce initiative that will bring artificial intelligence training, certifications, and career pathways directly into communities across GO Virginia Regions 6 and 9. This project addresses gaps identified in the AISLA report.
- **Project Description:** 80 mobile AI workshops will be delivered across schools, workforce centers, and rural communities in Regions 6 and 9 through two mobile AI units. Each session will utilize CompTIA and AI.edu based curriculum, providing participants with applied training in artificial intelligence fundamentals, ethics, data literacy, and responsible AI use. Workshops – lasting approximately 4 to 5 hours per session (with three sessions per participant) – will be conducted using the hardware and technology installed on the AI Mobile Unit, including laptops, AI software, and secure connectivity.
- **Committed Outcomes:** 2,080 people trained, 20 businesses served, 280 credentials earned, 1 new program implemented, 100 students completing dual enrollment

Funding Details, All Projects:

With the addition of these newly awarded grants, through FY 2026, the Region 9 Council has awarded \$13,262,583 to 35 projects in the Piedmont Opportunity Corridor that will grow the regional economy through target traded sectors. Project teams have raised \$6,741,201 of support from local governments,

GO Virginia Region 9 Funded Projects



Through June 9, 2026

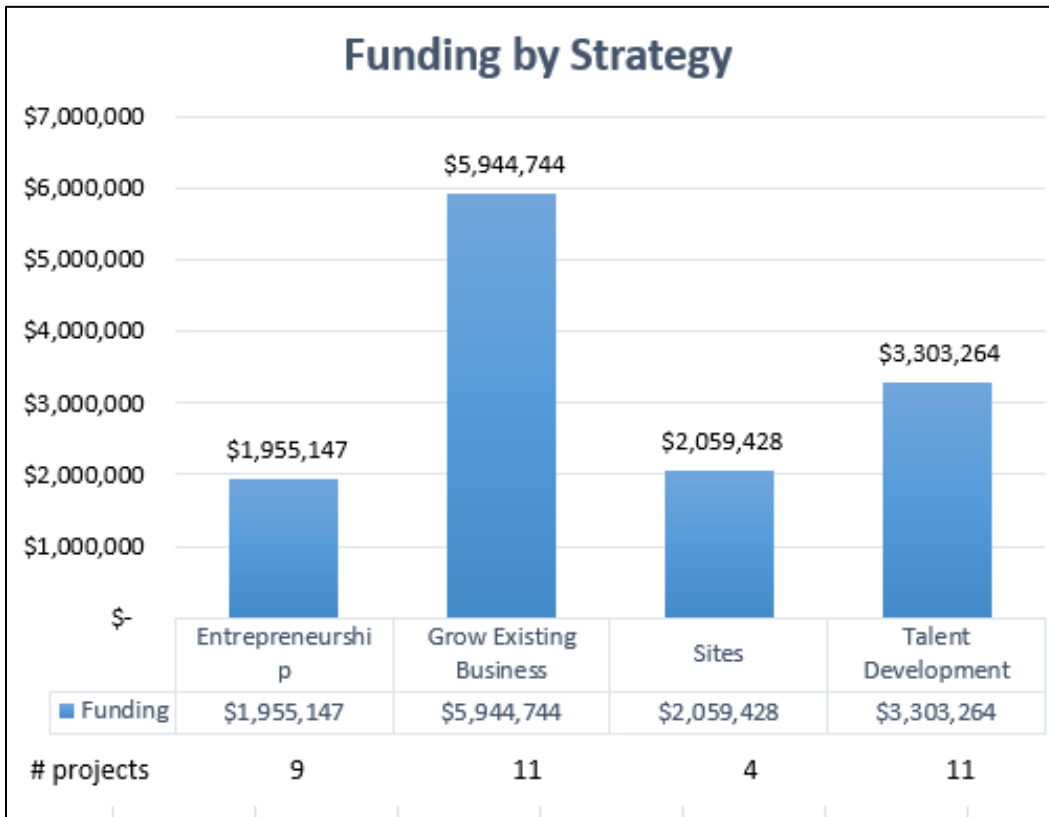
■ GO Virginia Approved ■ Non-Locality Match ■ Locality Match ■ Additional Leverage

\$4,668,536 from other sources, and \$2,981,353 additional leverage. Funds awarded for Inter-Regional Competitive projects, such as Mobile AI Unit, are not included because the fiscal and administrative responsibility is led by another region.

The following chart shows how awarded grant funds are

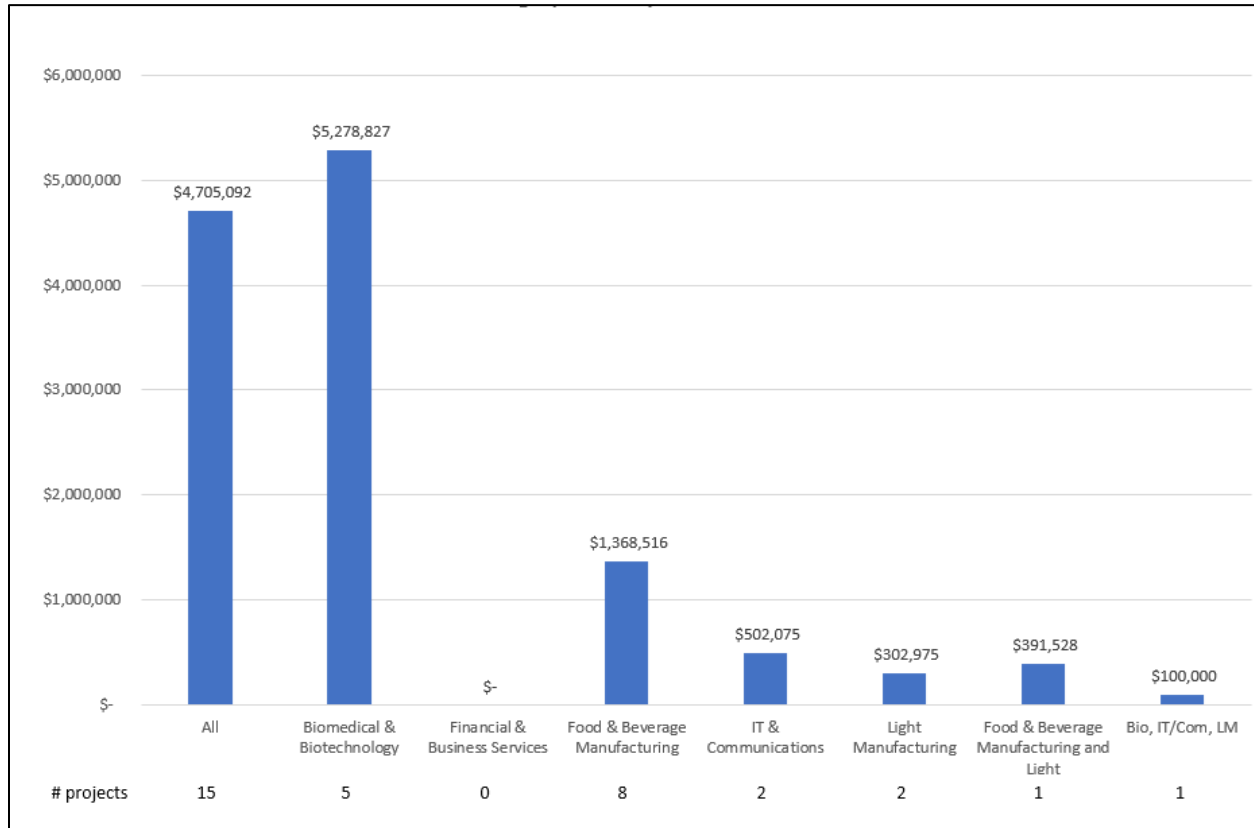
distributed among projects strategies since the GO Virginia program began in Region 9. Because individual projects might deploy more than one strategy, each project is assigned a primary strategy for data collection and program management reasons.

Funding by Strategy



The following chart represents funding allocated across industry clusters. Because many projects serve more than one, single or multiple industry focuses based on the project’s goals are indicated:

Funding by Industry Cluster



REGIONAL COLLABORATION & PARTNER SUPPORT

Developing projects requires significant effort in collaboration building. The Council has engaged either directly or through projects with at least 166 partners including: 98 businesses, 15 education institutions, 16 government entities, and 37 other non-profits or stakeholder organizations. A list of those organizations is included at the end of this report.

In addition to grant development, the Region 9 Council and staff have engaged in various other activities:

1. Awarded 102% of the \$1,000,000 FY 2026 Per Capita Allocation (including annual and returned project funds). All Localities engaged.
2. Initiated and internally managed the 2025 Growth Plan publication.
3. Participated in Regional Council Chair meetings hosted by DHCD.
4. Participated in workgroups and interpreted findings of the AI Landscape Assessment report; created grant opportunities to address regional vulnerabilities.
5. Hosted 5 Council meetings and 10 Committee meetings.

6. Supported developing projects from findings of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) reports with both the Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission (RRRC, PD-9) and the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC, PD-10).
7. Served on grant Advisory Committees for BioBridge TPI, Food & Beverage Business Accelerator Planning Grant, and Wine Industry Implementation Grant projects.
8. Created new Council Member Manual.
9. Participated in monthly GO Virginia Organization Support meetings.
10. Chair attended the GO Virginia Board Retreat in Richmond.
11. Attended Project VITAL partner project meeting in Roanoke.
12. Participated in DHCD Policy and Outcomes Feedback Sessions.
13. Attended Virginia Economic Developers Association (VEDA), Charlottesville Business Innovation Council (CBIC), CvilleBioHub, Tom Tom and other community events.
14. Collaborated with peer regions in sharing knowledge to help drive project pipelines statewide.
15. Project site visits including Council members.

OUTCOMES AND IMPACT

For the region to be successful, target industries must grow their employment base, expand within the region, and attract more related businesses or supply chain. The goal is to achieve growth of target sector employment. The goal can be accomplished by supporting site development, talent and workforce program delivery, and enhancing the entrepreneurship ecosystem of these sectors.

In the 2025 Growth Plan, the Council decided to track the following metrics in the Annual Report as a further metric to evaluate success. Related data is also provided.

- Employment and wage growth
- Business announcements
- Outcomes Committed vs. Actual
- Committed Outcomes vs Actual by Strategy Year to Date by active projects

Employment and Wage Growth:

Industry Snapshot, 2025Q3

Sector	Employment Growth, 5-year avg	Employment Growth Projection 1 year	Average Wages	Wage Growth Over 1 Year
Biosciences	3.7%	0.7%	\$101,878	0.9%
Financial & Business Services	0.8%	0.3%	\$84,519	3.8%
Food & Beverage Manufacturing	5.2%	0.9%	\$39,461	0.6%
IT & Communications	1.8%	0.9%	\$109,114	5.9%
Light Manufacturing	-0.1%	0.5%	\$67,596	2.4%
All Sectors	1.5%	0.4%	\$65,785	4.6%

Source: JobsEQ. Data pull 4.8.2026

As indicated by the table, all target sectors had wage growth, and all but Light Manufacturing had employment growth.

Region 9 Business Announcements (FY 2026):

Job Commitment and Capital Investment Related Announcements:

Sector	Company	Investment	County	Jobs
Biosciences	Astra Zeneca	\$4.5B	Albemarle	600
Financial & Business Services	EdgeCore	\$17B	Louisa	
Manufacturing	L3Harris	\$1.27B	Orange	350
Energy	Tenaska	\$ 2B	Fluvanna	29

The 2025 Growth Plan did not identify new target sectors. Initiatives relating to the growing Defense and National Security sector are being closely monitored, because other regions have had success integrating related industries within their grant opportunities. Implementation initiatives out of the Innovation Corridor Strategic Roadmap Planning grant are expected to propose strategies within this sector.

Committed Outcomes:

The benchmark for the GO Virginia program is Average Annual Wages as measured in the first quarter (Q1) of each calendar year and sourced from Chmura JOBS EQ. As noted below, as of 2025Q3 Average Annual Wages in Region 9 are \$65,785 and \$75,076 in Virginia. Average annual wages per worker increased 2.7% in the region over the preceding four quarters as compared to 5% for Virginia.

Average Annual Wages

	2018Q1	2019Q1	2020Q1	2022Q1	2024Q1	2025Q4
Region 9	\$48,154	\$49,130	\$51,750	\$56,326	\$60,949	\$65,785
Virginia	\$55,526	\$56,993	\$59,107	\$66,863	\$71,461	\$75,076

The following tables capture two of the most frequently committed project outcomes: number of businesses served, and number of jobs created/filled. Some projects do not include these outcomes such as planning grants, site projects, and most projects funded through the COVID-related ERR funding stream, and those are omitted from the tables.

Active Projects (as of April 30, 2026): Committed and In-Progress Outcomes

*Where Jobs Created and Businesses Served Apply

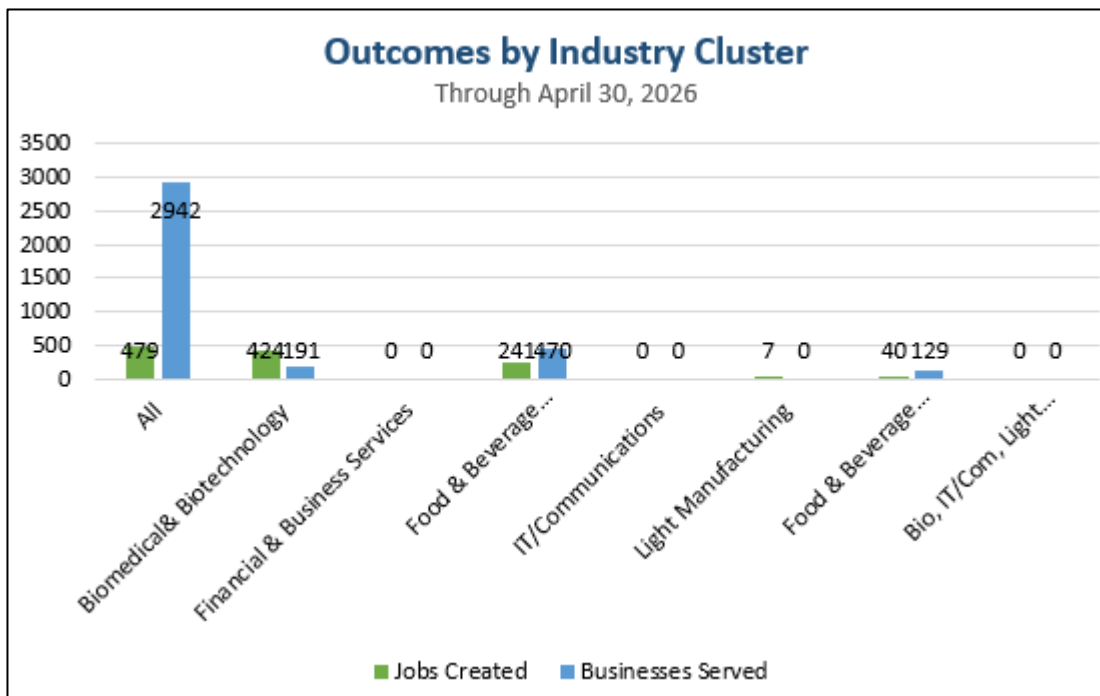
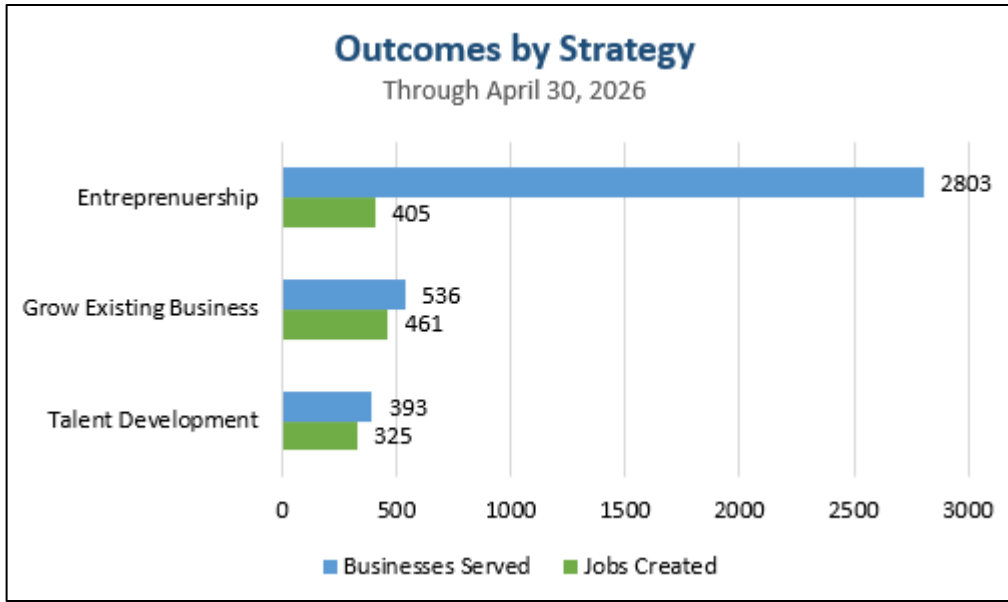
Project	Strategy Industry	Committed Jobs	Actual Jobs	Committed Businesses Served	Actual Businesses Served
Project VITAL	Grow Existing Businesses Biomedical & Biotechnical	68	8	60	60
Wine Industry Implementation	Grow Existing Businesses Food & Beverage Manufacturing	20	2	104	64
TOTAL		88	10	164	124

Projects Closed this Year (as of June 30, 2026): Committed and Actual Outcomes

*Where Jobs Created and Businesses Served Apply

Project Funding	Strategy Industry	Committed Jobs	Actual Jobs	Committed Businesses Served	Actual Businesses Served
Carver Food Business Incubator	Entrepreneurship Food & Beverage Manufacturing	93	92	68	65
Rural Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Connector	Entrepreneurship All	30	76	200	301
Technology Academies	Talent Development Food & Beverage Manufacturing, IT/Communications, Light Manufacturing	69	0	--	--
TOTAL		192	168	268	366

The following two tables display the outcomes first by strategy and then by industry cluster for projects awarded to date. These totals only include actual achieved outcomes for completed projects and in-progress totals for active projects reported as of 2026 Q1. For the table representing outcomes by industry cluster, some sectors are combined because projects target more than one industry. For example, Talent Supply Connector targets both Food & Beverage Manufacturing and Light Manufacturing but does not report outcomes by sector separately.

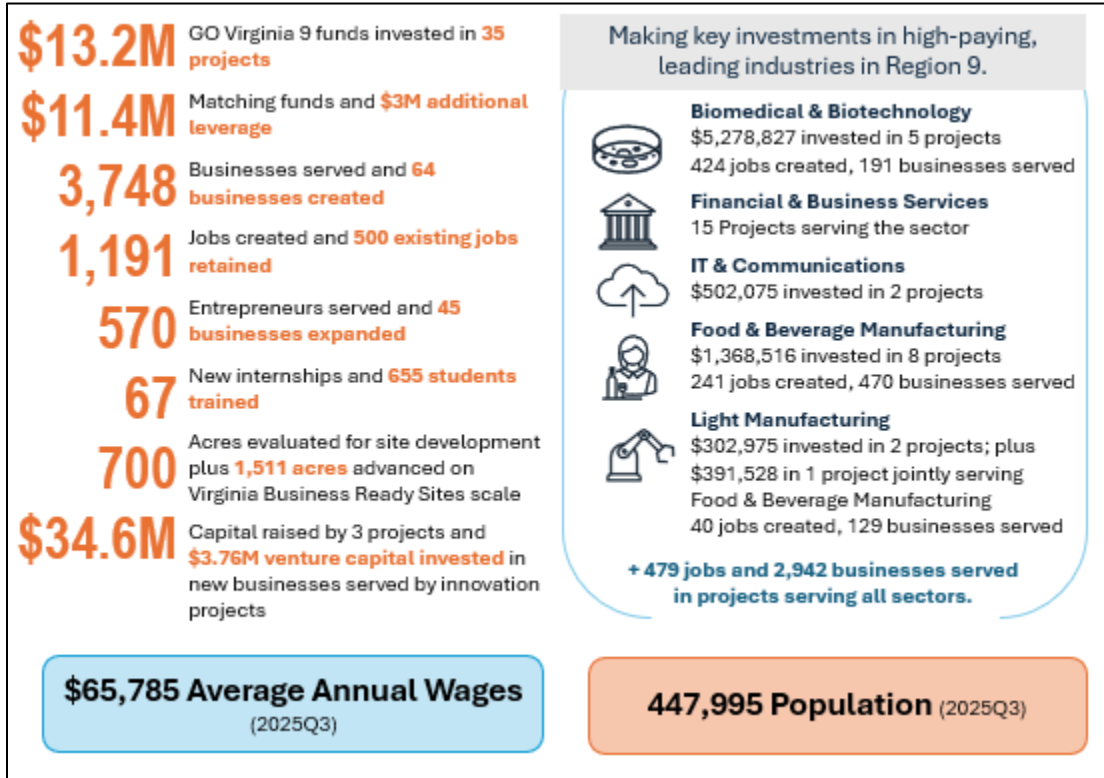


COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH

The Region 9 Council website, www.GOVirginia9.org, is the primary resource for stakeholders. Regional staff also amplify updates through email lists, newsletters, and LinkedIn. The Region 9 Linked In page continues to grow and now has 532 followers.

In FY 2026, Region 9 staff continued to market the GO Virginia program and worked hard to support active grant leaders. Staff often went to stakeholder meetings and outreach events. The Region 9 staff also stayed in touch with regional economic development partners to learn about their priorities and to explore ways to work together.

The information below is from a key impact collateral piece referred to in the region as our infographic. It is updated for each Council Meeting and is available on the website.



Additionally, Region 9 staff regularly set up site visits with projects to build engagement and support success. Council members are invited to attend.

Pictured, left, is DHCD Program Administrator Jack Honig with GO Virginia Region 9 Chair, Rob Archer, while on a site tour for the Tech Academies project at Laurel Ridge Community College.

PROJECT PIPELINE

During FY 2026, staff invested considerable time cultivating projects and engaging stakeholders. Staff support project teams by joining grant advisory committees and regularly updating economic development leaders about the pipeline to manage potential match commitment requests.

In the coming year, the Council expects to support and review proposals as follow up projects to planning grants. Planning grants have proven to be critical in advancing most of the successful catalyzing projects in the region. Through planning grants, plans can be validated, relationship, funding and partnerships solidified to a degree that de-risks an implementation grant where outcomes are required. As such an important precursor, the region tracks works closely with applicant teams to deliver solid reports that are likely to lead to implementation grants.

Five planning grants active in FY2026 generated reports, two led to a subsequent implementation grant awarded within the year, two projects are expected to submit implementation proposals in FY2027, and one proposal was not advanced by Region 9 Council. Additionally, staff and council members served in workgroups related to the Virginia AI Landscape Assessment report.

Planning Grant	Report	Implementation Status
BioBridge Talent Pathways Initiative	Talent Pathways: A Biosciences Workforce and Talent Strategy for GO Virginia Region 9	Implementation proposal expected Fall 2026 in collaboration with Innovation Corridor Strategic Roadmap
Food & Beverage Accelerator Planning Grant	Food & Beverage Accelerator Planning Grant Report	Implementation approved in June 2026
Innovation Corridor Strategic Roadmap	Publication Pending	Implementation proposal expected summer 2026 in collaboration with TPI project
Regional Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Connector	REI Thrive in Place	Implementation proposal not advanced by Region 9 Council
Virginia AI Landscape Assessment	Virginia AI Landscape Assessment	Relevant findings integrated in Region 9 2025 Growth Plan and as part of AI Mobile Unit implementation project.
Wine Industry Planning Grant	2024 Wine Industry Report	Wine Industry Implementation Grant underway. A statewide Implementation proposal expected Fall 2027

COUNCIL MEMBERS (FY 2026)

Council Member	Title / Organization
Rob Archer (<i>Chair</i>)	CEO, Codebase Coworking
Roque Castro (<i>Vice-Chair</i>)	Global Head of Sales and Business Development, Elysium LD Technology, Inc.
Cathy Schafrik (<i>Treasurer</i>)	County Administrator, Greene County
Kim Blosser	President, Laurel Ridge Community College
The Hon. Edwin “Ike” Broaddus	Supervisor, Fauquier County
Christina Clough	Vice President, Pioneer Bank
Gizelle Curtis	Sr. Economic Development Market Specialist, Dominion Energy
Ethan Dunstan	Principal, Capital River Advisors
The Hon. Ned Galloway	Supervisor, Albemarle County
Rahul Keshap (<i>Chair, Entrepreneurship Task Force</i>)	Principal, Shuru Law
Leslie Kidd	Co-Owner, All Install
Cheryl Kirby	Banking Relationship Manager, Atlantic Union Bank
Ray Knott (<i>Chair, Grow Existing Business Task Force</i>)	EVP, Deputy Commercial Banking Executive, Blue Ridge Bank
Christine Jacobs	Executive Director, Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission
Pace Lochte	Assistant Vice President for Economic Development, University of Virginia
Patrick Mauney	Executive Director, Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission
Paige Read	Director of Economic Development & Tourism, Town of Culpeper
Jean Runyon (<i>Chair, Talent Development Task Force</i>)	President, Piedmont Virginia Community College
Jennifer Schmack	Economic Development Director, Fluvanna County
Francoise Seillier-Moiseiwitsch, PhD	Revalation Vineyards
Jonathon Weakley (<i>Chair, Sites Task Force</i>)	County Administrator, Madison County
Tina Weaver	Papa Weaver’s Pork, Inc.
Gary Wood	CEO & President, Firefly Fiber Broadband

COLLABORATING PARTNERS

The following is a list of partners involved in Region 9 project development, including those that provided letters of support. Since the program inception, there have been 166 partners: 98 businesses, 15 education entities, 16 government organizations, and 37 other organizations.

Businesses

- Absurd Snacks
- Afton Mountain Vineyards
- AgroSpheres
- Aire Serv Heating & Air Conditioning
- Ampel Bio Solutions
- AOR Logistics
- Artemisia Farm & Vineyard
- Astraea
- Atlantic Union Bank
- Avant Genomics
- Avondale Dècor
- Bean Hollow Grassfed
- Bearfence Leadership Solutions, LLC
- Bingham & Taylor
- BIO-CAT
- Bold Rock Hard Cider
- Botanical Bites & Provisions, LLC
- BUILT Technologies
- Cake Bloom
- Cedar Mountain Stone
- Champion Brewing Company
- Chateau Merillanne
- Codebase Coworking
- Copack.net
- CRCL Solutions, LLC
- Culpeper Cheese Company
- Dominion Energy
- Eastwood Farm & Winery
- EcoSeptix Alliance
- Erin's Elderberries LLC
- Farmstead Ferments
- Fifty-Third Winery & Vineyards
- First Citizens Bank
- Flavor Craft Consulting
- Flora Pettit, PC
- Focused Ultrasound Foundation
- Gadino Cellars
- Gardens of Khmet
- Gaston & Wyatt
- GENEDGE
- GenEp
- Genesis Home Improvement, LLC
- Good Phyte
- HydroHeal Therapeutics
- InBio
- KellyBronze
- Kenis Healthcare
- KeViRx
- LaVache Microcreamery
- LexisNexis
- Lighthouse
- Liquet
- Luminoah
- Luna Labs
- Lytos Technologies
- Mabel's Bakeshop
- MITRE
- Mobius Scientific
- Montifalco Vineyard
- Naked Mountain Winery & Vineyards
- Nelson 101
- Noogs
- Nouveau Biosciences, LLC
- Olive Oil Flights
- Owl Peak Labs
- Patriot Industries
- Pearl Island Foods
- Penny's Imperfect Pizza
- PeriOp Green
- Pharma Directions
- Pross Construction Company
- Rappahannock Electric Cooperative
- Revalation Vineyards
- Rivanna Medical, Inc.
- RVP Bar
- Scheer Partners
- Seek Lavender
- Slate Bio Inc.
- South Duvall
- Small Batch Empire
- Square One
- Storyware
- Taste of Home
- TEconomy
- The Coleman Group
- The Farm at Sunnyside



- The Good Food Co.
- The Virginia Shop
- Thermo Fisher Scientific
- Thornton River Orchard & Market
- University of Virginia Community Credit Union
- USP

- Vasarya
- Veritas Winery
- Williams Compliance
- 4P Foods
- 8 Myles Inc

Education

- Albemarle County Public Schools
- City of Charlottesville Public Schools
- Fauquier County Public Schools
- Germanna Community College
- Greene County Public Schools
- James Madison University
- Laurel Ridge Community College
- Louisa County Public Schools

- Piedmont Virginia Community College
- Rappahannock County Public Schools
- University of Virginia

- UVA – Batten Institute
- UVA Economic Development
- UVA Engineering
- UVA Licensing & Ventures Group

Government

- Albemarle County
- City of Charlottesville
- Charlottesville Albemarle Convention & Visitors Bureau (CACVB)
- Culpeper County
- Fauquier County
- Fluvanna County
- Greene County
- Louisa County
- Madison County

- Nelson County
- Orange County
- Rappahannock County
- Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission
- Sperryville Fire Company
- Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission
- Town of Culpeper

Other

- Bread & Roses
- Businesses of Rappahannock
- CAV Angels
- Catalyst
- Central Virginia Partnership for Economic Development
- Central Virginia Small Business Development Center (CV SBDC)
- Charlottesville Area Community Foundation (CACF)
- Charlottesville Angel Network (CAN)
- Charlottesville Business Innovation Council (CBIC)
- Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Community Investment Collaborative (CIC)
- Culpeper Chamber of Commerce
- CvilleBioHub
- Fauquier Chamber of Commerce
- Fredericksburg Food Co-op

- George Washington Carver Agricultural Research Center
- Girl Scouts of Virginia Skyline
- GovSmart
- Hampton Roads Small Business Development Center
- Innovation Commercialization Assistance Program (ICAP)
- Laurel Ridge Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.
- Laurel Ridge Small Business Development Center
- Lighthouse Network
- Louisa County Chamber of Commerce
- New Hill Development Corporation
- PATH Foundation
- Quantitative Foundation
- Rivers Region Entrepreneurial Ecosystem
- SCORE Central Virginia
- Shenandoah Community Capital Fund



- Venture Central
- Virginia Bio
- Virginia Career Works – Piedmont Region
- Virginia Small Business Development Center
- Virginia Specialty Food Association
- Virginia Wine Coalition
- Virginia Winemakers Research Exchange
- Virginia Winery Associations

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