



welcome new businesses

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▼ James City County... open for business since 1607

- 1607 - Jamestown is the site of the first permanent English settlement in North America. The settlers farm and trade with the Powhatans.
- 1607-1699 - James City serves for a brief time as the political, social, and economic center of the Virginia colony. The seat of government moves to Williamsburg in 1699, and to Richmond in 1780.
- 1609 - Jamestown is the home of the first industrial business venture in the United States—a glass manufacturing operation.
- 1600's - Jamestown settlers establish America's first port by exporting tobacco and iron and importing finished products. Dutch ships bring the first Africans to cultivate tobacco, now the colony's cash crop.
- 1800's - Tobacco crops wear out the land. Corn, wheat, and potatoes become chief crops.
- 1840's - Steamboat trade stimulates economic recovery.
- 1880's - Railroad and industrial revolution contribute to County growth. The rail stop at Burnt Ordinary is renamed Toano. Norwegians from the Midwest, and later Danish and Swedish settlers, build their own community at Norge in 1896. Toano becomes a hub for commercial farmers.
- 1938 - The Williamsburg Pottery marks its beginnings in a shed on a half-acre lot beside Route 60. Its success inspires a host of outlet shops and malls in the western end of the County.
- 1940's to World War II - Families of military and civilian workers move to area. The Grove community is settled by Black Americans when Camp Perry assumes the

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new business arrivals

James City welcomes the following new businesses to the County.

The businesses listed recently received their new business license and completed a survey card offered with the license.

- **Affordable Rent-A-Hubby** 253-8401
295 Shoal Creek Drive, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Home/Lawn Odd Jobs Services
- **An Elegant Touch** 258-4566
163 Winston Drive, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
All Occasion Gift Baskets
- **APEX Solutions** 566-4749
246 Loch Haven Drive, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Window/Door/Siding Replacements
- **BedCrafters** 565-9513
5601-13 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Retail Mattresses/Accessories
- **Cavalier Entertainment** 229-9278
4901 Camberley Circle, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188-8801
Live and D.J. Entertainment Agency
- **Creative Interiors** 220-6288
2484 Sanctuary Drive, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Interior Decorating
- **Creative Selling Solutions** 220-2105
5322 Tower Hill Court, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Sales and Marketing Management Services
- **Susan G. Cummings, PhD, LCSW** 253-0371
217 McLaws Circle, Suite 2, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Psychotherapy
- **Dan's Detail Mobile Services** 258-1567
139 Winterset Pass, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Personal Mobile Services
- **Dennis and Connie's Vending** 566-3025
P.O. Box 278, 3329 Chickahominy Road, Toano, Virginia 23168
Vending/Snack Machines
- **DigiCon Computer Services** 566-1095
119 Meadow Crest Trail, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Computer Repair/Training/Consultation
- **Dolphin D.J.** 253-0797
137 Old Field Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
D.J. Service
- **Edward Jones Investments** 229-8990
5242 Olde Towne Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Full Service Brokerage

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property on which their homes are located. After the war, many military families make the County their permanent home.

- **1950's** - The economy starts the move from agriculture to manufacturing and service-oriented businesses. In 1958, Dow Chemical Company builds a plant in the eastern part of the County to manufacture synthetic fibers; it's later owned by a German industrial group known as BASF.
- **1957** - Jamestown's 350th anniversary event marks dramatic increases in travel to the area. Jamestown Festival Park is created; and later renamed Jamestown Settlement. The Colonial Parkway is completed, joining Jamestown to Williamsburg and Yorktown.
- **1964** - Carter's Grove opens. The 17th and 18th-century landmark on the James River, which houses an archaeological museum and reconstructed mansion and slave quarters, brings a new surge of tourism to the County.
- **1969** - A new era begins when Anheuser-Busch, Inc. purchases the 18th century Kingsmill Plantation. The brewing plant attracts support industries—Ball Metal Container Group, Owens-Brockway Glass, and Reynolds Aluminum Recycling. The first lots of the Kingsmill planned community are offered.
- **1975** - Busch Gardens opens as a major entertainment attraction, adding to the 1970's and 1980's motel and restaurant construction boom.

▼ major business employers

All employers listed, except for Colonial Williamsburg, are located in James City County. Colonial Williamsburg hires a substantial number of County residents.

| firm | product/service |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Anheuser-Busch | beer |
| Ball Metal Container | aluminum cans |
| Busch Gardens | entertainment park |
| Colonial Williamsburg | tourism |
| Greystone | metal plating |
| Owens-Brockway Glass | glass containers |
| Printpack, Inc. | high barrier plastic |
| Service Metal Fabricators | sheet metal fabrication |
| Solarex | solar energy panels |
| 3-G International | smart cards |
| Williamsburg Pottery | gift items |
| Williamsburg Soap and Candle Company | candles |

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- **Joan Kelley Computer Training** 229-1626
122 Crown Point Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Computer Training, Soft/Hardware Setup
- **Joe Pombriant's Soccer Academy** 564-6339
155 King Henry Way, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Personal Training
- **Lisa Okes Tupperware** 229-5280
144 Wellington Circle, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Party Sales/Tupperware Products
- **McDermott and Roe** 258-1540
217 McLaws Circle, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Attorneys
- **Mind & Bodyworks** 757-532-4210
175 The Maine, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Massage Therapy Services
- **Nails at Serenity Place** 253-8075
473 McLaws Circle, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Nail Salon/O.P.I. Products
- **NAPA of Toano** 566-2696
8009-B Hankins Industrial Park, Toano, Virginia 23168
Auto Parts Sales
- **NetSenses, Inc.** 249-0037
P.O. Box 3101, Williamsburg, Virginia 23187
Internet Consulting/Web Development
- **Peggy Powell/Herbalife Independent Distributor** 565-4825
136 Winterset Pass, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Nutrition & Weight Management
- **Ralph C. Simmons, PE** 258-5000
4732 Longhill Road, Suite 3103, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Engineering Consultant
- **Rob's Jobs** 566-3890
126 Maxton Lane, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Masonry, Carpentry, Power Washing Contractor
- **SBS Office Services** 221-8100
5424 Airport Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Typing/Secretarial Services
- **Studyabroadadvisor.com** 565.5066
118 Winter East, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Study abroad advising/consulting
- **Sylvan Learning Center** 564-8081
5251-27/28 John Tyler Highway, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Supplemental Education programs
- **Ted Fort Tour Guide**
2891 Lake Powell Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185-3761
Tour Guide Services
- **Terry H. Hake, DDS PC** 229-4115
1761 Jamestown Road, Suite 102, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Dental/Endodontic Practice
- **Tom's Handyman Service** 888-6404
20 Earl Drive, Williamsburg Virginia 23185
Home Improvements
- **Triangle Tours of Virginia, L.L.P.** 258-3332
100 Workington, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Personal Services Tour Guides
- **Williamsburg Fine Cigar** 229-6375
5242 Olde Towne Road, Suite 5, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188
Cigar Shoppe
- **Williamsburg Law Group, PLC** 253-1062
1321 Jamestown Road, Suite 102, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
Law Practice