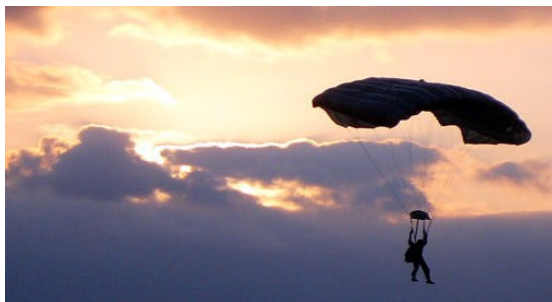




Advocates for the Nation's Military in Virginia



The Virginia National Defense Industrial Authority (VNDIA)

was created during the 2005 Session of the Virginia General Assembly. As described by enabling legislation, it was the sense of the General Assembly...

“that a need exists for the provision of technical assistance and coordination between the Commonwealth, its political subdivisions and the United States military...”

The Authority consists of sixteen citizen members appointed by the Governor (10), Speaker of the House (4) and Senate Rules Committee (2).

The work of the Authority is conducted under the auspices of three working committees:

- ***Strategic Planning***
- ***Local Coordination, Support and Communication***
- ***Grant Review and Oversight***



An overview of each committee follows:

STRATEGIC PLANNING

- Continually seek military operational gains for Virginia through new missions and realignments.
- Follow and evaluate all federal and state legislation impacting Virginia-based military installations and advocate for necessary funding.
- Serve as liaisons to:
 - U.S. Department of Defense
 - Governor's Office, and
 - Virginia's Congressional Delegation

LOCAL COORDINATION, SUPPORT AND COMMUNICATION

- Coordinate communications with and among regional and community military councils statewide.
- Facilitate communications statewide regarding military and defense issues through the VNDIA website, media contacts, and with legislators.
- Actively visit military installations and meet with base and community leaders.
- Assist in the development and implementation of regional recommendations that meet challenges and create future opportunities for installations and communities.

GRANT REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT

- Administer the Military Strategic Response Fund.
- Provide oversight to projects financed through grant funding.



Authority Board Members

John N. Abrams of Annandale

John B. Adams, Jr. of The Plains

G. William Beale of Bowling Green

Mark D. Betts of McLean

Reta R. Busher of Richmond

Robert R. Fountain, Jr. of Montross

Richard E. Hawley of Newport News

Alfred M. Jacocks, Jr. of Virginia Beach

John W. Knapp, Sr. of Lexington

Donald L. Pilling of Vienna

Joe R. Reeder of Alexandria

Roseann O. Runte of Norfolk

Cord A. Sterling of Stafford

Kurt H. Tripp of Spotsylvania

William L. Welch, Jr. of Vienna

For information, please call:

Phone: (804) 545-5716

Fax: (804) 545-5641

or visit our website:

www.vndia.org

Mission Statement

To support the mission and transformation of Virginia-based, U.S. Military and National Defense activities, collaborating with Virginia communities to identify and maximize opportunities that meet the current and future needs of the military, local partners and related industries.



Military Strategic Response Fund

Established during the 2006 Session of the Virginia General assembly to...

"Assist impacted Virginia localities in funding needs associated with the implementation and response to the recommendations of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) which were subsequently agreed to by the President and the United States Congress."
Virginia Budget Bill 2006

Grant funds will be made available on a reimbursement basis to eligible organizations through a competitive application process. Projects must be fully supported by local governing bodies. Qualified activities include planning and implementation efforts in the areas of transportation, housing, public infrastructure, environmental issues, encroachment, workforce transition, and historic preservation. For complete information, please contact the VNDIA staff.

VNDIA Staff Members:

David G. Dickson, *Executive Director*

Bruce B. Edmiston, *Military Projects Manager*

Cynthia H. Arrington, *Communications Manager*