#### **CHESAPEAKE**

# Hampton Roads-Southside

### We're here to make your meetings matter

Chesapeake, Virginia has the perfect blend of urban and rural settings, and that's just one reason Money magazine ranked the city as one of the country's top 100 best places to live in 2010. But, it's not just the residents that benefit from the inimitable quality of life; Chesapeake's winning combination of accommodations, meeting venues, attractions and outdoor activities provide plenty of options for any agenda, making it a desirable meeting destination.

Situated in the heart of Coastal Virginia, Chesapeake is conveniently situated in the mid-Atlantic region within 750 miles of two-thirds of the U.S. population. Getting your group here — no matter the size — is easy with nearby Norfolk International Airport (ORF) offering connections by air and major interstate highways providing access by automobile.

With hotels ranging from traditional to trendy, you can tailor your group's surroundings based on taste and budget. You can host meetings in convenient hotel conference facilities, unique



outdoor venues or the Chesapeake Conference Center. With 22,700 square feet of meeting space, award-winning food and beverage service and customizable floor plans, the Chesapeake Conference Center is flexible enough to handle a range of meetings. As a Virginia Green Certified meeting facility, the Chesapeake Conference Center also offers free parking and is located near a variety of hotels, and shopping and dining options.

The Chesapeake Marriott hotel is adjacent to the Chesapeake Conference Center, and both facilities combine to form the Chesapeake Meetings Campus. Opened in the fall of 2008, the Chesapeake Marriott offers guest affordability,

comfort, style and innovative spaces that inspire. The location has nine meeting rooms for a total of 12,000 square feet of available meeting space, as well as a Starbucks and Lobby Bar to help make your meetings memorable.

Here are some of the support services the Chesapeake Convention & Visitors Bureau offers to make your next meeting a success:

- **RFP Assistance** Provide us with your RFP requirements and we'll gather proposals from the hotels, conference facilities and event venues that interest you.
- Familiarization Tours & Site Inspections Our team will schedule appointments for you and accompany you on site visits to ensure that you have all the information needed to make your meeting site selection.
- Pre-Meeting Brochures & Promotional Collateral –
  Successful meetings are all about numbers especially attendance. You can rely on us to help promote your event, and our lovely destination, by mailing "save the date" postcards and visitor guides.
- **Convention Suppliers** We maintain a service directly and can connect you with a variety of meeting service providers.
- Meeting Assistance We will arrange for personalized welcome letters from the Mayor and other high-ranking government officials, provide welcome signage, name

- badges and volunteers for your meetings, and organize convention bags for your attendees to ensure your Chesapeake meeting goes off without a hitch.
- Off-Site Venues/Highlights Want to add networking opportunities or team-building events? Let your imagination run free. Chesapeake offers delightful shopping options, an amazing variety of restaurants, lively festivals and more than 112,000 acres of parks and natural areas to explore. You can also include excursions to neighboring cities in your itinerary, where your group can enjoy Virginia Beach's oceanfront, Norfolk's downtown scene and Williamsburg's colonial history.
- **Green/Environmental Initiatives** Chesapeake supports the Virginia Green initiative, and has a number of accommodations and attractions that have been certified Green. For a more complete list of Virginia Greencertified hotels, restaurants, attractions and events, visit **www.visitchesapeake.com/visitors/virginiagreen**.

With all of these great elements to choose from when planning your meeting, you need a reliable guide that knows the lay of the land. The Chesapeake Convention & Visitors Bureau is that trusty guide — standing by, looking forward to support your next meeting any way we can.

To schedule your next meeting, call the

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