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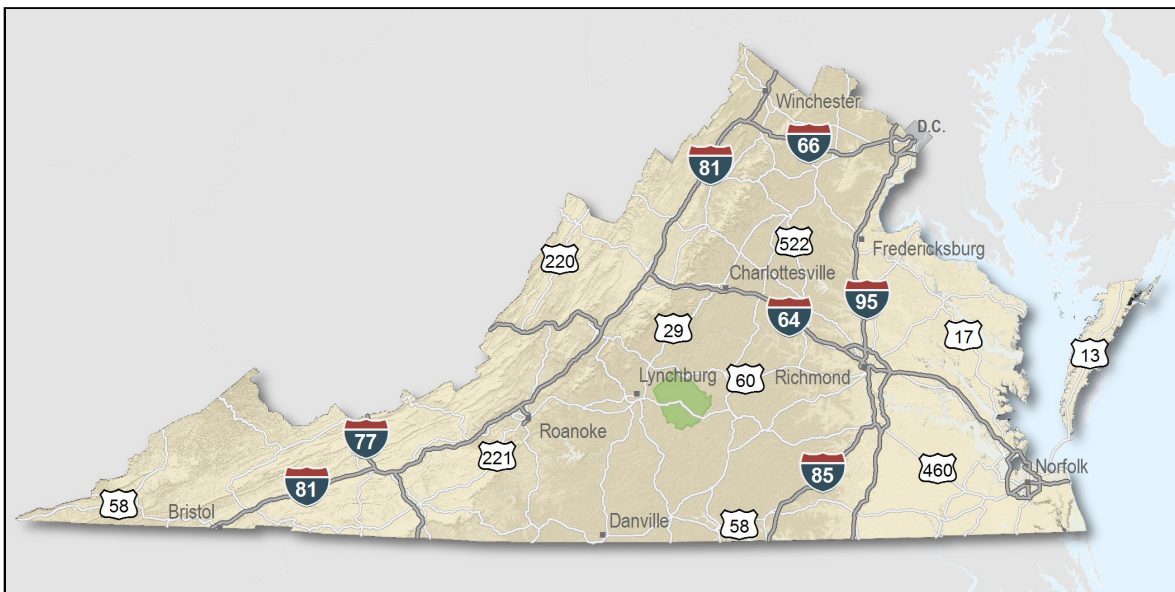
# Appomattox County, Virginia

# Overview

Only a few locations can guarantee the right combination of resources that are crucial to your business's success. Virginia's premier location offers excellent domestic and international access. Centrally located on the U.S. East Coast, more than 47 percent of the U.S. population is within a day's drive, and our integrated transportation system of highways, railroads, airports and seaports ensures that you can reach every one of your markets efficiently. Close proximity to Washington, D.C. facilitates contact with policy makers and the federal government system.

Virginia continues to rank among America's leading states for business by CNBC and Forbes.com. Business-first values, easy access to markets, stable and competitive operating costs, and a talented workforce all drove Virginia to the top. This unique combination of assets has encouraged businesses to prosper here for more than 400 years. Like you, they searched the world over for that convergence of resources that would help ensure their prosperity. For them, their search ended here. Chances are yours will too.

- AAA bond rating- Virginia has maintained a AAA rating since 1938, longer than any other state.
- Right-to-work law allows individuals the right to work regardless of membership in a labor union or organization.
- Corporate income tax rate of 6% has not been increased since 1972.
- Headquarters to 37 Fortune 1000 firms.
- Headquarters to 56 firms each with annual revenue over \$1 billion.
- More than 21,400 high-tech establishments operate in Virginia.
- More than 700 internationally-owned businesses from 40 countries are located in Virginia.
- Ranks third among the 50 states as a recipient of federal R&D funds.
- Streamlined permitting process.
- Recruitment training programs to help new businesses become operational faster.
- Programs at little or no cost to help businesses increase international sales.

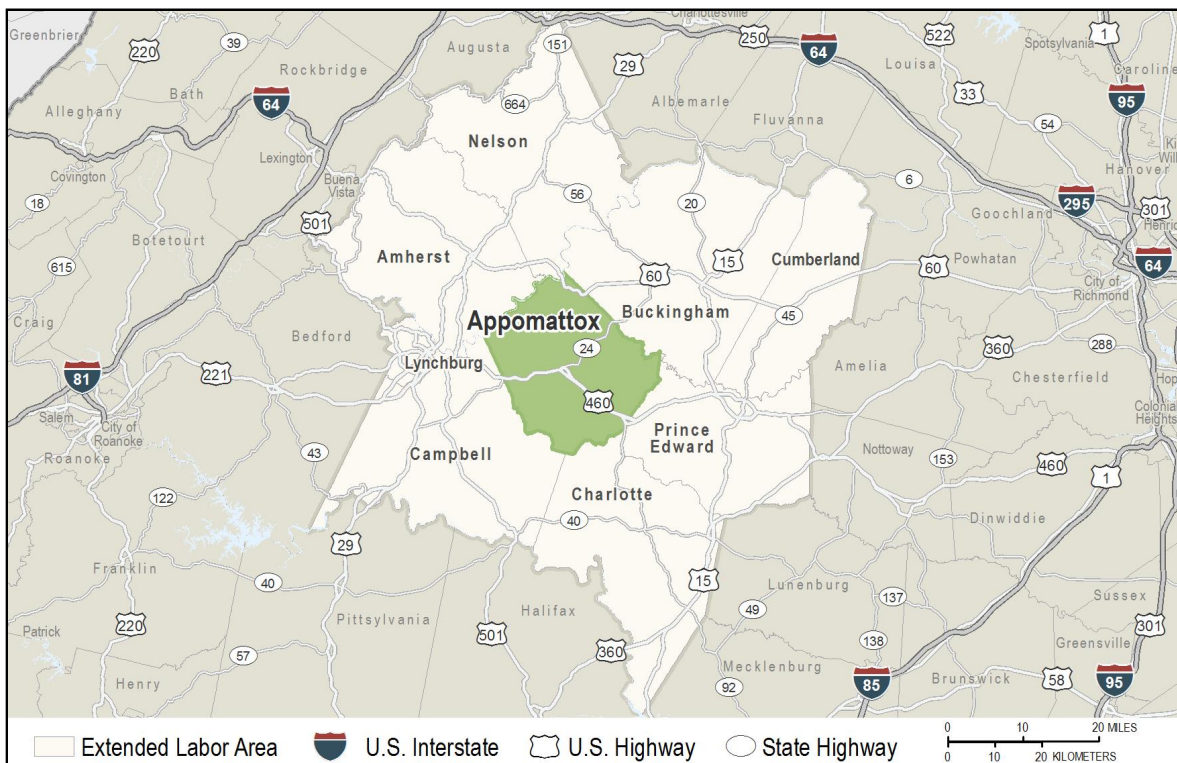


# Location

Appomattox County, 342 square miles in size and having a population just over 15,000 residents, enjoys a mid-Atlantic location near the geographic center of Virginia and is within a day's drive of millions of Americans. Located in Virginia's Piedmont Region, the county enjoys a gently rolling terrain with commercial forestland comprising more than half the county's land area. The Town of Appomattox serves as the seat of government.

Appomattox is served by US Route 460, a four-lane divided highway spanning Virginia east-to-west before running deep into the heartland. Appomattox is also served by an east-west mainline of Norfolk Southern railroad leading directly to the Port of Virginia.

Lynchburg is 20 minutes west of Appomattox; 90 minutes east is the State Capital and Richmond International Airport; 2.5 hours south is Research Triangle Park and Raleigh-Durham International; and 3.5 hours northeast is Washington Dulles International and the internet capital of Ashburn.



# Appomattox County

"Your place to make history!" And More!

For companies expanding or relocating, historic Appomattox County offers a highly competitive environment conducive to corporate success. Highlighted by a capable and productive workforce, Appomattox also offers low cost development, low energy rates, low taxes, and a low crime rate. When paired with available world-class broadband and a mid-East Coast location within a day's drive of more than half the nation's population, your Appomattox location will provide the advantages necessary to not only remain competitive in the marketplace, but to dominate it. Generals Lee and Grant made history here in 1865--Won't you do the same today!



Historic Appomattox

# Labor Market

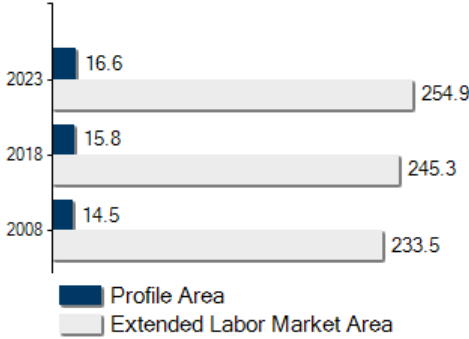
Population		
<b>Gender Distribution (2018)</b>		
Appomattox County	Male	Female
	48.6%	51.4%
<b>Race/Ethnicity (2018)</b>		
<b>Classification</b>	<b>Profile Area</b>	<b>Extended Labor Area</b>
White	12,389	176,099
Black	3,004	58,784
Two or More	336	5,287
Asian	54	3,798
American Indian or Alaska Native	51	1,168
Pacific Islander	7	161
Hispanic (may be of any race)	261	2,088
<b>Median Age (2018)</b>		43 years

Civilian Labor Force (2018)	
Appomattox County	7,083
Extended Labor Market Area	110,894
<b>Total</b>	<b>117,977</b>

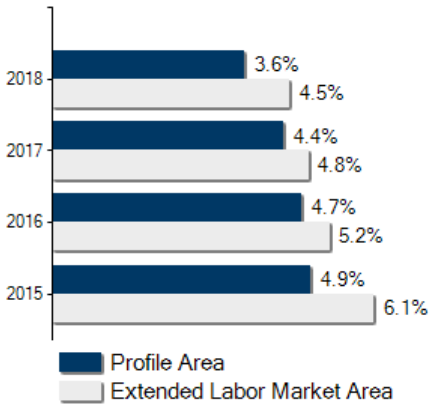
Labor Force Participation (2013-2017)	
Appomattox County	57.2%
Extended Labor Market Area	57.4%

Unemployment	
<b>Unemployment Rate (December 2019)</b>	
Appomattox County	3.2%
Extended Labor Market Area	3.1%
Statewide	2.5%
<b>Unemployed (2018)</b>	
Appomattox County	258
Extended Labor Market Area	4,038
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,296</b>
<b>Underemployed (4th Quarter 2019)</b>	
Appomattox County	617
Extended Labor Market Area	10,803
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,420</b>

## Population in Thousands



## Unemployment Rates







# Labor Market

## Commute Time (2013-2017)

Worked from home	346	5.1%
Under 15 minutes	1,470	22.8%
15-24 minutes	935	14.5%
25-34 minutes	1,740	27.0%
35-44 minutes	948	14.7%
45-59 minutes	825	12.8%
Over 60 minutes	535	8.3%
Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)		32

## Additional Labor Resources

High School Graduates Not Continuing (2017-2018)	37
Two-Year College Graduates (Spring 2018)	1,763
Two-Year College Enrollees (Fall 2018)	6,177
Other College and University Graduates (Spring 2018)	19,571
Total	27,548

**Career Readiness Certificate (06/30/2017-06/30/2018)**

Virginia’s Career Readiness Certificate (CRC) assists employers by certifying that a recipient possesses core skills in applied math, reading for information, and locating information. The CRC certification is based on established Workeys® assessment tests. Virginia uses a three-tiered approach (bronze, silver, gold) to credentialing certificate holders that is based on the recipient’s level of development skills.

Appomattox County	2
Extended Labor Market Area	102
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>

**Educational Attainment**

On-Time Graduation Rate (Class of 2018)	93.8%
Percentage of Appomattox County population age 25+ who are high school graduates (2013-2017)	84.9%
Percentage of Appomattox County population age 25+ who have earned a Bachelor's Degree or higher (2013-2017)	20.6%



# Labor Market

Employment by Sector* (4th Qtr. 2018)		
Agriculture Forestry Fishing and Hunting	45	1.4%
Mining Quarrying and Oil and Gas Extraction	N.D.	N.D.
Utilities	N.D.	N.D.
Construction	300	9.2%
Manufacturing	86	2.6%
Wholesale Trade	63	1.9%
Retail Trade	654	20.0%
Transportation and Warehousing	21	0.6%
Information	N.D.	N.D.
Finance and Insurance	51	1.6%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	19	0.6%
Professional Scientific and Technical Services	56	1.7%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	68	2.1%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31	0.9%
Educational Services	N.D.	N.D.
Health Care and Social Assistance	444	13.6%
Arts Entertainment and Recreation	29	0.9%
Accommodation and Food Services	315	9.6%
Other Services	213	6.5%
Total Government	798	24.4%
Federal Government	42	1.3%
State Government	144	4.4%
Local Government	612	18.7%
Unclassified	N.D.	N.D.
Total	3,271	100.0%

N.D. - Not Disclosed

\*By Business Establishment





# Labor Market

Major Employers	
<b>Manufacturing</b>	
<b>Company</b>	<b>Product/Service</b>
Craneworks, Inc.	Crane design, engineering, installations, and maintenance
Martin Printwear Inc	Screenprinting & Signs
Stallworks LLC	Manufacturing stall systems and high quality equine products
TriTech Solutions	Metal fabrication
<b>NonManufacturing</b>	
<b>Company</b>	<b>Product/Service</b>
Delta Response Team, LLC	Pre-hospital and inter-hospital medical transportation
Evergreen Concrete & Basement	Concrete construction service company
J.E. Jamerson & Sons	Building Supplies
Penelope Jewelry Corporate Headquarters	Jewelry & Fashion

# Labor Market

<b>Union Activity (8/1/2015 - 8/1/2018)</b>	
Petitions filed for decertification	0
Petitions filed for representation	0
Petitions filed for raid	0
Elections won by union	0
Elections won by company	0

### Estimated Earnings (May 2018)

Occupation	Median Wage (US\$)	Mean Wage (US\$)	Median Salary (US\$)	Mean Salary (US\$)
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	12.45	13.24	25,899	27,550
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	16.18	16.94	33,639	35,244
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	19.85	22.11	41,288	45,982
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	17.88	19.13	37,180	39,788
Machinists	18.97	19.35	39,475	40,247
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	24.35	25.21	50,647	52,440
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	26.90	28.42	55,952	59,119
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	18.55	19.08	38,583	39,691
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	21.71	22.94	45,156	47,724
Office Clerks, General	21.23	21.38	44,150	44,473
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	12.72	13.52	26,448	28,122
Receptionists and Information Clerks	14.98	15.77	31,157	32,796
Customer Service Representatives	11.46	11.97	23,846	24,891
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	12.15	13.96	25,264	29,027
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	16.83	17.12	35,011	35,601
Industrial Engineers	24.30	26.54	50,551	55,205
Electrical Engineers	37.71	38.90	78,427	80,893
Software Developers, Systems Software	58.57	55.99	121,841	116,460
Accountants and Auditors	51.72	52.07	107,569	108,314
	34.00	35.93	70,714	74,735

### Per Capita Personal Income (2017)

\$36,663

### Median Family Income (2013-2017)

\$66,409

# Education

## Public School Enrollment (Fall 2018)

Level	Number	Enrollment
Elementary	2	1,063
Middle	1	469
High School	1	689

## Student Teacher Ratio (FY 2018)

Elementary	13:1
Secondary	12:1

## Per Pupil Expenditure (FY 2018) (US\$)

10,122.00
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## On-Time Graduation Rate (Class of 2018)

93.8%
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## High School Graduates Continuing Education (2017-2018)

80.8%
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## Advanced Programs (2017-2018)

### Governor's Schools

Central VA Governor's School For Science and Technology

### Governor's STEM Academies and Health Academies

Lynchburg Regional Governor's STEM Academy

Governor's School Enrollment	8
Students taking 1 or more Advanced Placement (AP) Courses	67
Students taking 1 or more AP Exams	31
Students taking 1 or more Dual Enrollment Courses	82

## Workforce Development Facilities

Facility	Type
Lynchburg Workforce Center	Satellite Center
Region 2000 Career Center	Comprehensive Center



# Education

## Higher Education Facilities – Fall

Facility	Enrollment
Liberty University	79,152
Longwood University	4,911
Central Virginia Community College	4,047
University of Lynchburg	3,081
Southside Virginia Community College - John H. Daniel Campus	2,130
Hampden-Sydney College	1,072
Randolph College	623
Centra College of Nursing	401 <sup>◊</sup>
Sweet Briar College	330
Virginia University of Lynchburg	304 <sup>◊</sup>
Miller-Motte Technical College - Lynchburg Campus	†
American National University - Lynchburg Campus	†

† Enrollment figures are not available.

◊ Fall Enrollment



# Transportation

Interstates	
Name	Distance
I-81	30.2 miles (48.7 km.)
I-64	31.7 miles (51.0 km.)
I-85	47.2 miles (76.0 km.)

Note: Measured from border of locality/region.

Highways				
Highway 131	Highway 24	Highway 26	Highway 460	Highway 47
Highway 60				

Commercial Air Service	
<b>Lynchburg Regional Airport, Lynchburg -- 25.1 miles (40.4 km.)</b>	
American Airlines	

Note: Within a 75-mile drive of the center of the locality.



# Transportation

## General Aviation Service

Name	Runway Length
Falwell Airport, Lynchburg	2,932 ft (894 m)

## Freight Rail Service

Norfolk Southern Railway Company
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## Seaports

Name	Distance
Port of Virginia	188.0 miles (302.6 km)

Note: Driving distance from the center of the locality to Port of Virginia and any other seaports within 100 miles.

## Other Ports of Entry

Name	Distance
Port of Washington - Dulles	178.7 miles (287.7 km)

Note: Driving distance from the center of the locality to Port of Washington - Dulles and any other port of entry within 100 miles.





# Utilities

Utilities	
Electric	Central Virginia Electric Cooperative
Electric	Dominion Energy
Electric	Southside Electric Cooperative
Electric	Appalachian Power
Natural Gas	Columbia Gas of Virginia
Telecommunications	AT&T
Telecommunications	nTelos
Telecommunications	Mid-Atlantic Broadband Cooperative
Telecommunications	Verizon South
Telecommunications	JetBroadband
Telecommunications	Kinex Telecom, Inc.
Water	Town of Appomattox
Waste Water Treatment	Town of Appomattox
Solid Waste Disposal	Region 2000 Service Authority

# Financial Institutions

<b>Financial Institutions – 4th Qtr 2018 Assets</b>	
<b>Bank</b>	<b>Assets (US\$ Millions)</b>
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	1,689,351.0
Branch Banking and Trust Company	219,071.0
Bank of the James	675.3
The Farmers Bank of Appomattox	229.9

# Government and Taxes

## Government

Appomattox County utilizes a traditional board form of government governed by a five-member Board of Supervisors. The Board employs a County Administrator to professionally oversee the day-to-day operations of the county. The Board and County Administrator are assisted in local economic development activities by the seven-member Economic Development Authority and in planning and development activities by a seven-member Joint Planning Commission.

To guide development and adequately plan for future service needs, the county has adopted a Comprehensive Plan. Many of the policies set forth in the Comprehensive Plan have been instilled in the accompanying Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances which have also been adopted.

The incorporated Town of Appomattox (population 1,800) serves as the county seat. A second incorporated town, Pamplin City (population 200), straddles the Appomattox County/Prince Edward County line.

## Taxes

Localities in Virginia collect a 1% sales tax. They do not tax other items taxed at the State level.

Counties and cities in Virginia are separate taxing entities. Therefore, a company pays taxes to either a county or to a city.

If a company is located in a town, it pays town and county taxes except for utility taxes which are paid only to the town and the license tax which is paid only to the town unless town law permits the additional collection of a county tax.

Manufacturers pay real estate, machinery and tools, truck and automobile, utility, and sales taxes.

Nonmanufacturers pay real estate, tangible personal property, truck and automobile, utility, and sales taxes. They also may pay either a merchants' capital or a license tax.

*Manufacturer's Tax Profile (Appomattox) [pdf](#)*

*Non-Manufacturer's Tax Profile (Appomattox) [pdf](#)*



# Community Facilities

**Medical Facilities:** Centra Health operates two hospitals in Lynchburg (Lynchburg General and Virginia Baptist) and one in Farmville (Southside Community). Also in Lynchburg are the nationally recognized Stroobants Cardiovascular Center and Alan B. Pearson Regional Cancer Center. The Appomattox County Health Department administers a clinic and provides public health services to the community. In addition, one nursing home and three homes for the aged are located in the county.

**Physicians:** Several local doctors, dentists and opticians practice within Appomattox County. Lynchburg offers many additional doctors in a variety of specialties including cardiovascular, orthopedics and oncology.

**Library Facilities:** The Jamerson Memorial Library, located in the Town of Appomattox, maintains a collection in excess of 22,000 volumes and offers free internet access.

**Churches:** Forty Protestant churches and one Roman Catholic church are located in Appomattox County. Nearby Lynchburg has an additional 130 places of worship serving a wider variety of faiths, including congregations serving the Jewish and Greek Orthodox worshipper.

**Shopping:** Downtown Appomattox offers several antique and specialty stores, including a popular bookstore/coffee shop. Three shopping centers offer grocery, discount and regional department stores. Several national and regional fast food chains are located in the Town of Appomattox. The City of Lynchburg serves as the region's shopping, dining and entertainment center where one can find most of today's popular chain stores and eating establishments, as well as a vibrant downtown and several neighborhood shopping districts.

Appomattox is most famous for the April 1865 surrender of General Lee's Army of Northern Virginia to General Grant's Army of the Potomac to effectively end the American Civil War. History buffs will enjoy visiting Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, the surrender village which has been restored to its 1865 appearance and is visited by thousands each year.

The American Civil War Museum's Museum of the Confederacy-Appomattox has been educating visitors since 2013 by offering lectures, movies and artifacts pertinent to the Civil War period. Included among the artifacts are the uniform and sword worn by Lee at Appomattox.

The Carver-Price Legacy Museum, housed in an original Rosenwald school, chronicles the history of African-American education and the struggle for Civil Rights, including the role played by Appomattox and the Carver-Price School when neighboring Prince Edward County closed its public schools rather than integrate in 1959.

Wolfbane Productions is a company of passionate artists dedicated to providing live entertainment experiences and cultural events to the greater Appomattox area. They bring a chunk of New York City to Appomattox with every unconventionally engaging theatrical performance and creative educational program they offer.

Appomattox Courthouse Theatre is a nonprofit community theatre that exists to bring quality performance art to Appomattox while helping to preserve the 1892 Courthouse building it calls home.

Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center works to improve the quality of life by educating youth and adults in a natural setting nestled along beautiful Holiday Lake. With its fully furnished conference facility, the Center can host meetings, retreats and training sessions as well as provide unforgettable 4-H camping experiences.

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Appomattox Community Park is a county-owned facility offering soccer, baseball, softball and T-Ball fields, as well as a very popular disk golf course. Grab a table for a picnic or rent the pavilion for a larger gathering, then walk the nearly 3-mile (out and back) Appomattox Heritage Trail which meanders through the Appomattox Center for Business and Commerce. The Community Park has become a favorite site for a variety of ball tournaments and other events that bring a large number of people to Appomattox.

Between Holliday Lake State Park, James River State Park, High Bridge Trail State Park, Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest and Paradise Lake Family Campground, Appomattox offers several excellent alternatives for camping, hiking, canoeing, hunting, and fishing.

Other recreational opportunities include the Falling River Country Club, which has an 18-hole golf course along with swimming and tennis facilities for its members. Kids ages 2-12 will love the Town of Appomattox's new Kiddie Park while kids of all ages will enjoy the local skating rink and Town Ballpark.

Also, nearby Lynchburg offers the Blackwater Creek Trail system, several parks, the Lynchburg Hillcats Class A Minor League Baseball team, the Academy of Fine Arts, the Lynchburg Symphony and the Community Concert Association.

For those who enjoy lake life, both Buggs Island and Smith Mountain Lakes are within 90 minutes of Appomattox. The Blue Ridge Parkway is an hour west of Appomattox.

In addition, opportunities for cultural, fine arts and athletic enjoyment can be found at Liberty University, Longwood University, Hampden-Sydney College, the University of Lynchburg (formerly Lynchburg College), Randolph College, Sweet Briar College, Virginia University of Lynchburg, and Central Virginia Community College, all within 30 minutes of Appomattox.

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