



August 1, 2017

Dear DAO:

Deputies, Assistants and Other local government persons (a.k.a. DAOs) aspiring to be municipal managers or deputies now meet regularly to network with each other and discuss issues that may be particularly relevant to this group. DAO meetings are held semi-annually and designed by fellow DAO members to create an inviting atmosphere, “story” sharing and networking. You’re invited to attend with us to meet more of your colleagues from around the state, learn things that will help you reach your career goals, and share your successes.

The County of Hanover will host the Fall DAO meeting, on September 29, 2017 at the Ashland Library located at 201 S. Railroad Avenue, Ashland, 23005. The meeting will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Planning for the meeting is shaping up. The draft agenda is attached.

Please see the links below for hotel information and preliminary activities you can enjoy in the area. Additional information to be shared as it is refined

Hotels in County of Hanover:

[Hampton Inn](#)

[Country Inn and Suites](#)

[Holiday Inn Express - Ashland](#)

[Fairfield Inn and Suites](#)

[Henry Clay Inn](#)

Events and Places for weekend stay:

Fridays on the Patio at James River Cellars – Friday, September 29

<https://www.visitrichmondva.com/event/fridays-on-the-patio-james-river-cellars-winery/12651/>

Hanover Tavern Autumn Fest and 5k – Saturday, September 30

<http://hanovertavern.org/events/6609>

The Virginia State Fair – Opens Saturday, September 30!

<http://www.statefairva.org/>

Ashland Farmer’s Market – Saturday, September 30

<http://www.town.ashland.va.us/Calendar.aspx?EID=4239&month=9&year=2017&day=27&calType=0>

Kings Dominion

<https://www.kingsdominion.com/>

In addition to DAO members, we encourage members of VLGMA and the Executive Committee to try to attend as well. Please note that all local government employees are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing a large turnout and to having a wonderful meeting in the County of Hanover. Please mark your calendars and register online to attend. Also, please forward this invitation to others in your organization!

Registrations for this great opportunity for only \$20 can be made online at <https://db.coopercenter.org/ccps/login.php>. Payment can be by credit card online, or mail a check to Molly Harlow, whichever works best for you. Please register by **September 15** and invite any other DAOs that may benefit in your organization to do the same. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any other questions or comments you may have.

All the best,
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