Dorchester County, Maryland's Value Proposition



Dorchester County is a rural, tranquil, resort community located on the Chesapeake Bay and Chesapeake Bay tributaries, within close proximity Washington D.C., Metropolitan Baltimore City. The County is located within close proximity to major federal facilities including Fort Meade (DISA), Wallops Island (Aerospace Facility), and a multiplicity of major federal government entities and federal labs located and around Washington D.C., with two international airports nearby. The county is within a region that boasts 22% of the U.S. Population, and is also approximately one hour's drive from the Mid-Atlantic's most popular beach resort city, Ocean City Maryland.

- Dorchester County's resort amenities feature the beautiful Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort Spa, Marina and Conference Center
- Workers employed by County businesses enjoy a superior quality-of-life, and family members of those workers experience the joys of living in a family-oriented community.
- The Entire County is a <u>"Federally Designated HUBZone</u>", offering firms realistic opportunities for businesses to pursue lucrative federal government contracts available to HUBZone businesses
- County businesses experience a pro-business climate, and leadership committed to the success of technology, and traditional/innovative-manufacturing/processing businesses
- Dorchester County's new Business and Technology Park (located across from the "Cambridge/Dorchester Regional Airport") has water, sewer, and fiber infrastructure, with (14) available building lots that are competitively priced.
- Local businesses experience comparatively lower operating cost
- The region has a comparatively low cost of living
- The region has a comparatively low crime rate
- Local businesses enjoy competitive utility rates
- Businesses may qualify for lucrative state economic development incentives, based upon the level of capital investment, and number of jobs created
- Local manufacturers and food processors have access to significant water capacity
- Dorchester County's progressive educational system includes the new \$36 million <u>Dorchester</u> <u>Career and Technology Center</u>, a state-of-the-art training facility designed to equip students for "new economy jobs" in technology and skill-trade professions
- The region possess an excellent community college and university system, that includes <u>The</u> <u>University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science</u>, which is located in Dorchester County
- Dorchester County's possesses a committed, dedicated, and diversely-skilled regional workforce, which is accessed from three contiguous counties, and neighboring states