

Sports & Entertainment Authority

Showtime. All the time.

Key Pillars



Sports Tourism & Entertainment Events



Facility Development

- New
- Reimagining and Maintenance



Home-Grown Events

- Owned and Operated
- Joint Venture event production
- Henrico Baseball Classic



Partnerships

- Growth & Development of Sports
- Youth Participation
- Revenue Growth
- Community
 Collaboration

5 Year Strategic Plan



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160 Years in the Sports Industry

57 Years in Henrico Government

WHY WE EXIST:

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WHERE WE'RE HEADED:

HSEA Vision: Be a leading innovator in sports tourism and entertainment, establishing Henrico and the region as a premier U.S. destination.

HOW WE'RE GETTING THERE:

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5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN BUILDING BLOCKS

Henrico's Reputation & Resources

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Leverage HSEA's ability to grow and support facilities and attract local participants and audiences.



HSEA's Team & Values

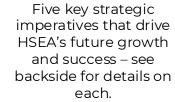
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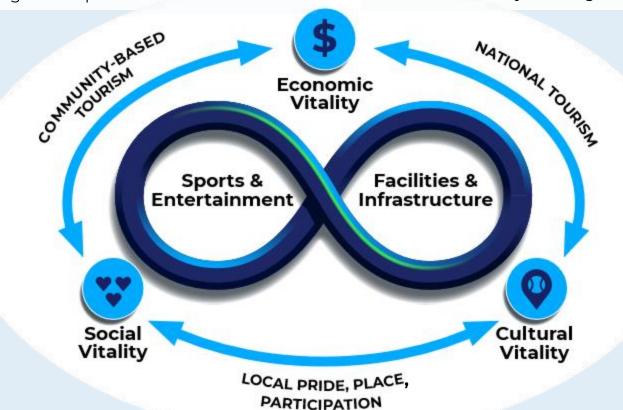
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Five key strategic imperatives that drive HSEA's future growth and success – see backside for details on each.





(See backside for specific impact)

HSEA's BUSINESS STRATEGY

ORGANIZATIONAL STRATEGY

GOAL

Attract, engage, and retain a world-class workforce to achieve HSEA's vision.

APPROACH

Implement a 5-year talent growth and development plan aligned with HSEA's infrastructure and event growth.

Immediate:

- Recognize talent as the key factor for HSEA's growth.
- Develop a strategic organizational plan based on approved goals and industry best practices.
- Define mid-term (2-4 years) and longterm (5+ years) positions, roles, and responsibilities.
- Invest in HSEA leadership (e.g., access to mentorship programs, ongoing training, leadership, and professional development programs, competitive compensation, and support for professional memberships and networking opportunities).
- Create job descriptions and onboarding/culture-building systems.

Mid-Term:

- Align existing talent with the new organizational structure.
- Invite current staff to apply for new high-level positions.
- Recruit for open positions.
- Build a high-level financial expertise team for complex budgeting and financing.
- Develop a strategic succession plan for the HSEA board.

Long-Term:

- Continue recruiting and building the HSEA team.
- Create a strategic succession plan for HSEA staff.



FINANCIAL STRATEGY

GOAL

Establish a diversified and sustainable financial structure to support HSEA's growth and operations.

APPROACH

Identify multiple revenue streams and manage expenses efficiently.

Immediate:

- Identify and develop revenue streams (tournament fees, sponsorships, interest accounts).
- Recognize and manage key expenses (travel, marketing, business operations, incentive funds, event support funds, grants).
- Create and execute a County grant fund for facility and event development.

Mid-Term:

- Establish sales goals for short-term revenue generation.
- Develop strategies to maximize sponsorship and investment opportunities.

Long-Term:

• Plan for future investments and sustainable growth.

BUSINESS OPERATIONS STRATEGY GOAL

Optimize business operations to enhance event quality and economic impact.

APPROACH

Develop a balanced calendar of events, focusing on economic impact, guest services, media visibility, and local engagement.

Immediate:

- Determine the best type of calendar for HSEA activities.
- Balance high-profile events with tourism revenue drivers and local community needs.
- Implement an automated facility registration system.

Mid-Term:

- Develop bid strategies for regional and national events.
- Establish long-term relationships with tournament hosts.
- Develop and manage HSEA's responses to sports and event RFPs.

Long-Term:

- Diversify events to ensure financial stability.
- Stay informed about new technologies.

FACILITY STRATEGY

GOAL

Develop and maintain top-notch facilities to support HSEA's mission and attract events.

APPROACH

Assess current facilities, identify needs, and plan for new acquisitions and improvements.

Immediate:

- Develop a facility use plan balancing tournaments and youth association usage.
- Assess current land and potential acquisitions for new facility opportunities.

Mid-Term:

- Inventory needs and improve existing facilities (restrooms, equipment upgrades).
- Engage in public/private partnerships for facility development.

Long-Term:

- Plan for capital improvements for critical maintenance and for facility modernization.
- Conduct facility analysis from a sports tourism perspective.

COMMUNITY STRATEGY

GOAL

Strengthen community engagement and support through impactful initiatives.

APPROACH

Be present and active in the Henrico community, supporting local sports and increasing access and awareness of local sports in the area.

Immediate:

- Implement marketing strategies to increase community impact.
- Support and collaborate with youth associations and special events.

Mid-Term:

- Develop partnerships with educational and cultural organizations.
- Enhance communication strategies to engage with the community effectively.

Long-Term:

- Plan and execute community-focused programs (education days, equipment drives, partnerships).
- Establish community-wide strategies to work with youth associations.

ULTIMATE OUTCOME: The Economic, Social, and Cultural Vitality that Supports a 21st Century Community

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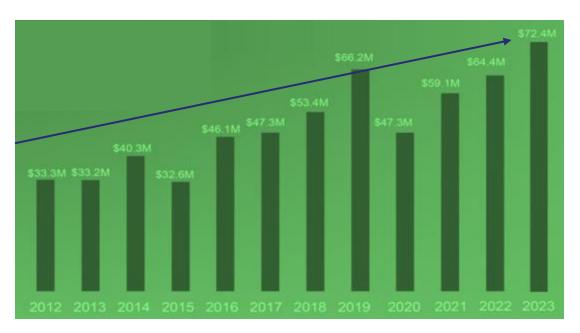
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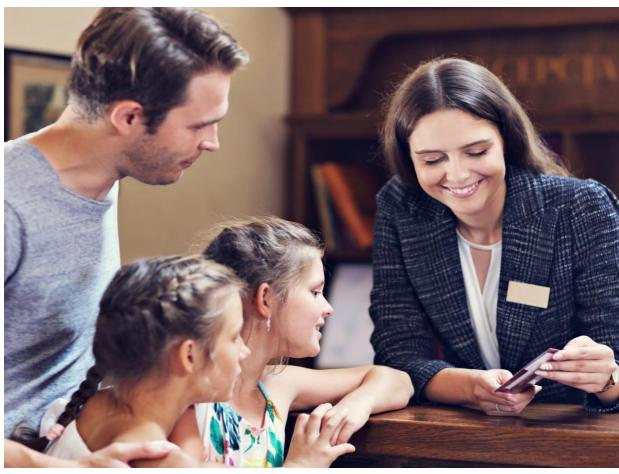
Sports Economic Impact

\$72 Million**

*2023 VTC study by Tourism Economics

**Amateur sports tourism events hosted by Henrico with athletes 50+ miles from venues





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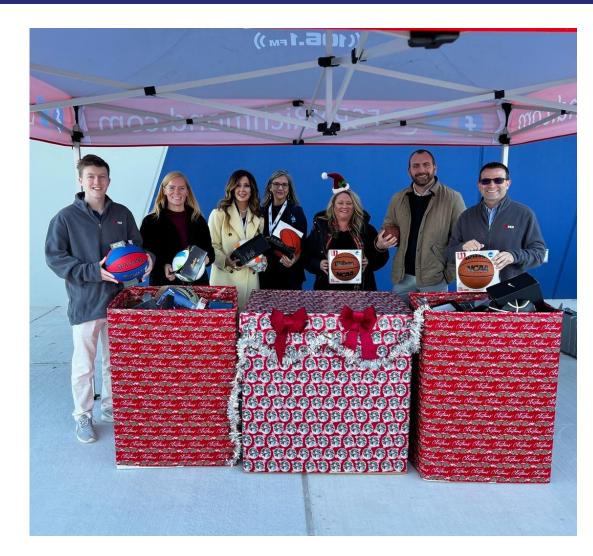




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What's Next?

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GreenCity

A-10 2025 & 2026 Women's Basketball Championships

The Crossings Golf Course

Prep Baseball Report











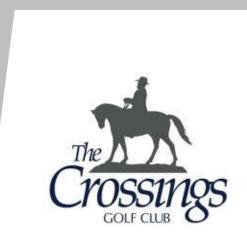
What's Next... Sports Tourism Grants

















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