

## Newport News Tourism Moves to New Office Space in City Center at Oyster Point

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**Newport News, VA, Oct. 4, 2017** – The Newport News Tourism office has relocated from a suite on the third floor of Fountain Plaza Two to a ground-level storefront space on Town Center Drive in City Center at Oyster Point.

The move, made in July, gives visitors another resource for information about Newport News, in addition to the city's official state-certified Visitor Center, located at the entrance to Newport News Park.

"We still serve as an administrative office, working behind-the-scenes to promote tourism in the city," said Cindy Brouillard, Director of Tourism. "However, now that we're in a more visible location, we're able to also provide visitor information about Newport News to guests who drop in with a question or two."

The new office space reflects the modern, sophisticated and industrial characteristics of Newport News, with wood and metal furnishings and accents being the primary features of the décor.

Neutral paint tones, stainless steel appliances, and wooden beams in the high ceilings of the lobby and conference room help give the space a true industrial feel. A rustic sliding barn door along a steel track, which conceals a storage room that doubles as a work room, serves as a focal point, while an accent wall made of glass tile and natural stone in the lobby completes the modern look.

Along the walls of each hallway is a timeline of significant events in the 400-year history of Newport News, starting in 1607 when Capt. Christopher Newport – the city's namesake – landed on Jamestown Island.

"We market our city to a variety of groups," Brouillard said, "and we wanted to make our office very appealing and easily accessible for meeting planners, tour operators, industry representatives, residents and visitors who want information on what to see and do in our beautiful city."

The new address for the Newport News Tourism office is 702 Town Center Drive, Newport News, VA 23606. Telephone numbers and extensions remained the same. An "Open House" to show off the new space will be held for invited guests from 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 20, 2017.

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