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Two new data centers will serve VITA and state agencies, local governments, educational institutions and other government entities.

Commonwealth Enterprise Solutions Center

The Commonwealth Enterprise Solutions Center (CESC) located just outside Richmond in Chesterfield County opened in July, 2007. The state-of-the-art facility serves as Virginia's primary data center where more than 600 VITA and Northrop Grumman employees work.



Southwest Enterprise Solutions Center

Opening in December 2007, the Southwest Enterprise Solutions Center (SWESC), a disaster recovery and helpdesk operations data center in Lebanon, Russell County, will enable the protection and secure access of sensitive information in the event of an emergency. The facility will employ more than 400 workers as Northrop Grumman commits to business and economic development in Southwest Virginia. This center serves as Northrop Grumman's East Coast Service Delivery Hub.



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About the Virginia Information Technology Infrastructure Partnership

The Virginia Information Technology Infrastructure Partnership provides high-quality and cost-effective technical services and resources for the public sector, including executive branch state agencies, local governments and Virginia's public colleges and universities. In 2006, the partnership began updating the information technology (IT) infrastructure services of 85 executive branch state agencies, providing the support agencies need to offer improved and more efficient IT-based customer services for the benefit of the Commonwealth and its citizens. Through the partnership, these same reliable and secure technology resources are available to local governments.



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What is the Virginia IT Infrastructure Partnership?

The IT Infrastructure Partnership is believed to be the first of its kind in the nation. The 10-year, \$2 billion public-private partnership between the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA) and Northrop Grumman is transforming government's IT infrastructure technology and providing the expertise and resources to support the improved delivery of government services. To provide for this 21st century technology network, Northrop Grumman invested more than \$270 million up front for the successful modernization of the IT infrastructure environment. This private sector outlay will ensure ongoing technology updates and advancements at no additional taxpayer dollars.

Local government, VITA and Northrop Grumman—an effective relationship

The IT Infrastructure Partnership provides reliable, high-performance technology infrastructure and support to assist in the delivery of essential public services. Under VITA's direction, Northrop Grumman is responsible for the delivery of the Commonwealth's IT infrastructure and related support services. The IT partnership continues to build upon VITA's current capabilities and will deploy a first-class IT infrastructure for the Commonwealth. Local governments can take advantage of the IT partnership's resources for delivery of consistent, reliable and measurable services and products.

How does the IT Partnership work for local government?

The IT Infrastructure Partnership combines the best resources in the public and private sectors to provide an efficient and effective IT infrastructure "utility." Local governments can take advantage of the IT partnership, providing freedom from the cost and worry

of infrastructure procurement, maintenance and upgrades so they can focus on their core business functions.

IT services will be a predictable part of business. Critical services will be provided as quickly, effectively and as cost efficiently as possible.

Local government benefits

- The pre-approved state contract allows localities to purchase IT services and products without delays and expenses associated with the traditional purchasing process
- No upfront investment is required for facilities, hardware or software
- Budget and management of IT expenses is streamlined; customers are billed at fixed monthly rates and only for services used
- IT infrastructure services can be bundled to meet specific business requirements
- IT services meet or exceed all applicable federal, state and local requirements

In the pipeline

In the coming months and years, new services will include a high-performing broadband network, improved disaster recovery and emergency communications, and a statewide telecommunications network.

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