

MANASSAS FREE G.E.D. PROGRAM HOLDS FIRST GRADUATION

On July 28th, the City of Manassas hosted a graduation ceremony for the 34 residents completing their General Education Development certificate through the first-of-its-kind **GRADUATE!** **program**.



"This event celebrates the achievements of our Graduates and we honor their hard work," said Mayor Michelle Davis-Younger. "...This is a big step in your life journey, and you will all continue working hard - as you have to get to this milestone in your life."

The GRADUATE! program is free to Manassas residents, covering all costs of enrollment, materials, instruction, exam fees, and even providing a \$250 gift certificate to those who complete the program. GRADUATE! is made possible by a unique partnership between the Manassas Economic Development Department and the **SkillSource Group**, a workforce development organization offering a number of training and hiring assistance programs for Manassas employers.

In his commencement speech to the graduates and families in attendance at Harris Pavilion, Virginia Secretary of Education Atif Qarni hailed the program and the efforts of the participants. "It's a big deal. You are the ones who are going to continue to make Manassas City even better and better for future generations."

We extend our best wishes to the inaugural GRADUATE! class and look forward to enrolling more participants in the program!

For more information about the GRADUATE! Manassas program, or to register, visit <https://vcwnorthern.com/graduate/>.

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Who We Are

Here, at the Department of Economic Development, our team is driven by a commitment to help businesses like yours thrive and grow. Please consider us as your personal concierge for any business-related needs. From permitting and licensing assistance, to access to capital or finding solutions to workforce demands, we are here for you.

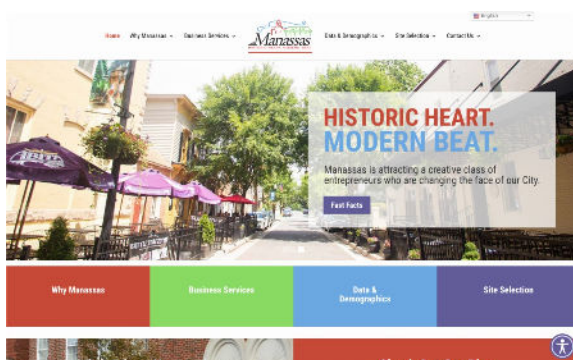
We understand that location is one of the most significant factors in whether a business succeeds and we thank you for choosing Manassas.

We also encourage your feedback. Please share ideas and information directly with us about anything that would be helpful to our local businesses. Also, don't forget to follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates on Manassas happenings.



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