

Calendar of Events

May 6, 2026

Case for Support Masterclass - Wednesday May 6, 2026

Chesterfield Economic Development Authority

7053 Celebration Park Ave.

Richmond, VA 23225

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST

Turn Your Mission Into Funding

Case for Support Masterclass

With National Experts Mel & Pearl Shaw

Date: Wednesday, May 6, 2026

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Chesterfield Economic Development Authority

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\$45 Members | \$55 Non-Members

Why Attend?

If you're serious about securing funding, your organization needs more than a good mission, it needs a compelling case for support.

This powerful session will show you how to clearly communicate your vision, attract funders, and position your organization for sustainable growth.

You Will Learn

What a case for support is, and what it's not

How to create a clear, compelling, and fundable message

What to include to engage donors, funders, and partners

How to use your case across proposals, websites, and conversations

You Will Receive

A copy of Prerequisites for Fundraising Success

Practical tools you can apply immediately

BONUS: Attend the full session and receive a 1-Year Chamber Non-Profit Membership (processing fees not included)

About the Presenters

Mel & Pearl Shaw are nationally recognized fundraising and strategy experts with over 50 years of combined experience helping nonprofits, colleges, and organizations secure funding and grow their impact. Their work spans UNCF, HBCUs, and national initiatives, and they are co-authors of Prerequisites for Fundraising Success.

June 17, 2026
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Leveraging Your Philanthropy
Community Foundation
3409 Moore Street
Richmond, VA 23230
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM EST

Please join us for a presentation on Leveraging Your Philanthropy at the Community Foundation for a greater Richmond.

Date: Wednesday, June 17

Time: 10:00AM–11:00AM

Location: 3409 Moore Street, Richmond, VA 23230

What to Expect

- *A warm welcome and opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals*
- *A high-level look at the value of a Community Foundation to its regions*
- *Ways to partner—from civic engagement initiatives to charitable funds*
- *Helpful tips for tax-efficient grantmaking*
- *Time for questions and conversation*

We look forward to seeing you on June 17th and furthering philanthropy together. Please note that by registering you give the Central Virginia African American Chamber of Commerce, Chamber RVA, and Fulton Bank permission to use your information and images for organizational and marketing purposes and provide follow-up contact information to the workshop presenter.

May 1, 2026

Business Networking After Hours - Friday, May 1, 2026

LoveLeys Hair

9200 Stony Point Pkwy #197

Richmond, VA 23235

06:30 PM - 08:00 PM EST

The Central Virginia African American Chamber of Commerce hosts this month's Business After Hours at LoveLeys Hair, Richmond, VA. Starting at 6:30 PM, join us to meet, mingle, and mix with other business owners, professionals, and like-minded entrepreneurs.

Professional Headshots Available on Site

Photographer: Chozen Studios

First 5 Participants who Register and Attend will receive FREE Headshots

Packages will be available for everyone

Sign-up for for professional headshots when you register for the event