

WHY PARTNER WITH VSAE?

Join a vibrant community of 400+ members made up of leaders from professional, trade and technical associations across Virginia and the companies that support them. VSAE is the only organization solely focused on serving Virginia's association community.

As a Program Partner, you'll have opportunities all year long to connect, engage, and build visibility with association leaders. Your support helps strengthen Virginia's associations—and we'll make sure that commitment is recognized and appreciated throughout the year.

BENEFITS OF BEING A VSAE PARTNER

- > Boost your brand visibility and connect with decision-makers
- > Engage with association leaders throughout the year
- > Be recognized at VSAE events, online, and in our publications
- > Support a thriving association community across Virginia
- > Enjoy additional perks that deepen your impact and involvement And so much more...

Partner packages are completely customizable, allowing you to pick and choose how you want to engage with VSAE members.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

Use this guide to renew your VSAE membership and bundle your marketing and sponsorship dollars to reap the benefits of being a VSAE Partner. You do not need to be a VSAE member to participate in the Partner Program.

For those with smaller budgets, you may still participate with à la carte selections. Please note that à la carte selections do not provide access to Partner benefits unless you meet one of the Partner levels.

We look forward to working with you to make 2026 your most productive and profitable while supporting Virginia's association community.

- 1. Review page 2 to determine which Partner level you would like to achieve.
- 2. Turn to page **3** to renew your dues and contribute to the Executive Scholarship Program.
- 3. Review pages **4–12** to see the many advertising and sponsorship opportunities.
- Complete page 16 to calculate your total support and email to Tami Rawlette at address below.
- 5. You will be emailed an invoice.
- 6. Contact **Tami Rawlette** with questions or if you need assistance.

Tami Rawlette (804) 249-2232 tami@vsae.org

PARTNER LEVELS

Tailor your annual partnership to ensure you receive the type of access and brand exposure that is the right fit for your organization. When your VSAE partner investment reaches certain thresholds, your company earns additional perks!

And the benefits don't stop there. Being a Partner sets you up for the following year by giving you priority selection for 2027. That means you'll have the first opportunity to grab limited sponsorships for high-demand specialty events and pick your preferred advertising months and placements. It's an easy way to make sure your investment continues to work for you.

All Partners are highlighted on VSAE's website, in digital and print publications, the Membership Directory & Resource Guide, and at all VSAE events.

PRESIDENT'S CLUB | \$12,000+

- > Recognition on the VSAE website home page
- Opportunity to participate in all Partner/ Executive events*
- Complimentary registration to all Seminar Series events
- > Priority booth selection for Fall Conference & Partner Showcase
- Opportunity to speak (or show video) for 1-2 minutes at one VSAE Seminar Series event
- Opportunity to send two marketing emails (VSAE schedules and sends)
- > Priority selection for 2027 Partner Program

BENEFACTOR | \$9,750+

- Opportunity to participate in up to two Partner/ Executive events*
- Complimentary registration for three Seminar Series events
- Priority booth selection (following President's Club) for Fall Conference & Partner Showcase
- > Display table at one VSAE Seminar Series event
- Opportunity to send one marketing email (VSAE schedules and sends)
- Priority selection for 2027 Partner Program (following President's Club)

SUPPORTER | \$7,250+

- Opportunity to participate in up to one Partner/ Executive event*
- Complimentary registration for two Seminar Series events
- Priority booth selection for Fall Conference & Partner Showcase (following President's Club and Benefactor)
- > Display table at one VSAE Seminar Series event
- Priority selection for 2027 Partner Program (following President's Club and Benefactor)

PATRON | \$4,750+

- Complimentary registration for one Seminar
 Series event
- Priority booth selection for Fall Conference & Partner Showcase (following President's Club, Benefactor and Supporter)
- Priority selection for 2027 Partner Program (following President's Club, Benefactor and Supporter)

*In addition to the benefits above, VSAE periodically hosts networking events for partners and association executives. These events have no formal agenda/presentation and are funded separately by the attending Partners.

JOIN THE COMMUNITY

MEMBERSHIP

VSAE membership is a meaningful way to connect with Virginia's association professionals, and a visible sign of your support for the association community across the Commonwealth.



Benefits:

- > **Listing in the Membership Directory & Resource Guide** an easy way for VSAE's association members to find you when they're looking for specific products, services, and regional connections. Organized by name, category, and location.
- > Complimentary registration to Seminar Series luncheons a low-key way to build relationships. Show up, share a meal, and participate in the conversation.
- > Member savings on Annual Conference attendance in addition to reducing your cost to attend, it's all about the informal conversations and the chance to build relationships within the VSAE community.
- > **Discounts on booth fees for the Fall Conference & Partner Showcase** keeps your participation affordable while giving you a space to showcase your products and services and meet one-on-one with current and prospective customers.
- > Opportunity to participate in VSAE committees and Shared Interest Groups (SIGs) a chance to contribute, share what you know, and be part of something bigger. You'll also build relationships that make your membership more meaningful.
- > **Subscription to VSAE publications and member alerts** useful for staying informed on VSAE programs, member updates, and what's coming up next.

Membership must be purchased in conjunction with advertising or sponsorship. Supporting VSAE as a Partner locks in the current year dues rate. If there is a subsequent board-approved dues increase, your rate will remain the same for the year.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS | \$560 EACH

The first and second members can join for \$560 per membership.

ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS | \$295 EACH

The third and all additional members can join for \$295 per membership.

EXECUTIVE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM | \$250

Contribute and be recognized by sponsoring new VSAE Association Professional members. Monies in this program are used to recruit new members by helping to defray costs of joining VSAE for their first year.

PRINT

ASSOCIATION PRESS

VSAE's print newsletter, *Association Press*, is published every two months (6 times) and sent to approximately 400 members. It is printed in full color on 8.5" (w) x 11" (h) gloss stock. It is also available in digital format on the VSAE website.

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT PAGE | \$1,500

A full-page article-style ad. Advertiser must provide text (approximately 450 words) and up to two high-resolution images (photos or logo) to accompany copy. A two-column color ad is included and will run on the same page at no extra cost. (1 or 2 per issue, depending on space.)

FULL-PAGE COLOR AD | \$1,000

Ad size is 7.5" (w) x 9.85" (h) and is full color.

(2 per issue)

HALF-PAGE COLOR AD | \$700

Ad size is 7.5" (w) x 4.75" (h) and is full color.

(2 per issue)

TWO-COLUMN COLOR AD | \$425

Ad size is 5" (w) x 4" (h) and is full color. There are discounts for purchasing multiple ads (\$400 if you purchase 3+ ads). (No limit)



PRINT

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY & RESOURCE GUIDE

Published annually, VSAE's *Membership Directory & Resource Guide* is the go-to resource for association professionals looking for the right property and destination for their meetings and the right partner for products and services that serve their organizations and members.

The Membership Directory & Resource Guide is available in both print and digital editions. Although some ads in the print edition are black and white, ALL ADS IN THE DIGITAL EDITION ARE FULL COLOR with live links to your website. This feature is included at no extra charge with all Guide ad purchases.



INSIDE FRONT COVER | \$2,400

Includes a Destination or Facilities Section two-page spread (\$1,295 value). The inside front cover is full color and measures 9" (w) x 11" (h).

INSIDE BACK COVER | \$2,150

Includes a Destination or Facilities Section two-page spread (\$1,295 value). The inside back cover is full color and measures 9" (w) x 11" (h).

FACILITIES SECTION | \$1,300

A two-page spread in a special section of the Guide. The print edition ad is black and white and each page measures 7.5" (w) x 10" (h). Hotel and event venue advertisers typically include an ad on one page and a meetings capacity diagram on the second page.

DESTINATION SECTION | \$1,300

A two-page spread in a new special section of the Guide. Great for DMOs and CVBs. The two-page spread provides you the flexibility to choose what to feature in terms of content, images, and ad. The print edition ad is black and white and each page measures 7.5" (w) x 10" (h).

TAB AD | \$950

Tab ads are an excellent way to get noticed! Ads are full color, can be placed on either side of the tab, and measure 7.5" (w) x 10" (h).

FULL-PAGE AD | \$825

Ad size is 7.5" (w) x 10" (h) and is black and white.

HALF-PAGE AD | \$625

Ad size is 7.5" (w) x 5" (h) and is black and white.

DIGITAL

VSAE offers digital ads on its website and in its semi-monthly electronic newsletter, *VSAE eNews*. You may provide a link to your website in your ad; however, VSAE cannot provide any usage stats.

WEBSITE ADVERTISING



Your digital ad will be prominently displayed at the top of the VSAE home page in a rotating slide show during the month of your purchase. Ads are full color and are 2600 px (w) x 900 px (h).

2 per month

HOME PAGE UPPER BANNER | \$750

Your digital ad will run on the VSAE home page during the month of your purchase. Ads are full color and are 611 px (w) x 78 px (h).

1 per month

HOME PAGE LOWER BANNER | \$450

Your digital ad will run on the VSAE home page during the month of your purchase. Ads are full color and are 611 px (w) x 78 px (h).

1 per month



DIGITAL

ENEWS ADVERTISING

HEADLINE BANNER | \$545 PER ISSUE
Your full color digital ad will be the first to appear in VSAE
eNews, above the nameplate. Ads are 611 px (w) x 78 px
(h) and include a link to your website.

1 per issue

FEATURED BANNER | \$495 PER ISSUE
Your full color digital ad will appear immediately following
the lead article, ensuring maximum visibility. Ads are 611
px (w) x 78 px (h) and include a link to your website.

1 per issue

SPONSORED CONTENT
WITH VIDEO | \$495 PER ISSUE

Share informative facts about your destination, property, product, or services with links to your website. Your sponsored content will be highlighted in its own framed area within eNews. Maximum 50 words.

1 per issue

SQUARE | \$375 PER ISSUE

325 x 325 px full-color display ad within the body of VSAE eNews with a link to your website.

2 per issue



Desktop view

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP VIRGINIA \$1,500 (ANNUAL)

Engage with current and future association leaders and be recognized as an innovative, future-thinking organization that supports diversity and inclusion within Virginia's association community.

Your support enables VSAE to offer this one-of-a-kind program, the only one in the Commonwealth focused on developing the leadership and association management skills of Virginia's current and future association leaders. **New program begins Fall 2026.**

CAE STUDY COURSE | \$500 (ANNUAL)

As the exclusive sponsor of the 2026 Spring and Fall Certified
Association Executive (CAE) Study courses, you will be introduced and provided a few minutes to speak at each kickoff/orientation session, have exclusive access to study group participants, and take part in recognizing the new CAEs at VSAE's Annual Conference.

VSAE PODCAST | \$400 (PER EPISODE)

This monthly podcast features association industry-related topics and discussion-style interviews with VSAE members and stakeholders. Sponsorship includes a 20-30 second commercial either as an introduction to the podcast or midway through the episode.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference will be hosted by **Colonial Williamsburg Lodge & Conference Center, May 3–5, 2026.** The Annual
Conference is attended by 200+ association professionals,
sponsors, and guests.

All sponsorship levels include recognition in pre-event marketing, slideshow, and signage during the event.



	DIAMOND \$2,850	PLATINUM \$1,750	GOLD \$1,050
1-minute video played during conference (sponsor provides video)	X		
Two conference registrations for your staff (does not include accommodations)	X		
Display table in high-traffic area	X		
Included in Sponsor Spotlight pre-event attendee email	X		
Complimentary ad in onsite program	X		
Sponsor ad in the conference app	X	X	
Two invitations to the President's reception	X	X	
Breakout session sponsorship		X	
One conference registration for your staff (does not include accommodations)		X	X
Recognition in onsite program		X	X
One invitation to the President's reception			X

FALL CONFERENCE & PARTNER SHOWCASE

The Fall Conference & Partner Showcase will be held **September 10, 2026**, at the **Greater Richmond Convention Center**. The conference features educational sessions along with a showcase featuring 60+ industry partners.

All sponsorship levels include recognition in pre-event marketing and digital slideshow and signage during the event.



	FEATURED \$1,750	PARTICIPATING \$1,050
Logo on parking pass given to all attendees	X	
Complimentary breakfast and keynote registration for two representatives	X	
Recognition from the podium at the keynote/breakfast	X	
Premium company listing in conference app	X	
Included in Sponsor Spotlight pre-event attendee email	X	
Reserved table at breakfast (sponsor responsible for filling table)	×	
Logo on trade show bag and opportunity to include promotional materials	×	X
Sponsor recognition at expo lunch	X	X
Enhanced company listing in conference app		X
Complimentary breakfast and keynote registration for one representative		X
Opportunity to include promotional materials inside tradeshow bag		х

2026 VSAE Partner Program

SPECIALTY EVENTS

These intimate events are great opportunities to meet and network with specific groups of decision makers within VSAE's Association Professional membership. Sponsors receive one free registration (not including accommodations) for exclusive access to these otherwise "executive-only" events as well as name/logo recognition in pre-event marketing, VSAE website, and event signage.

CEO & SENIOR STAFF RETREAT | \$2,000 (LIMITED TO 10)

NOVEMBER 16-17, 2026 | THE CAVALIER HOTEL, VIRGINIA BEACH

A two-day retreat for association CEOs, executive directors, and other senior staff leaders.

MEETING PLANNER SUMMIT | \$2,000 (LIMITED TO 11)

MARCH 19-20, 2026 | THE VIRGINIAN HOTEL, LYNCHBURG

A two-day summit for association executives and staff who plan meetings.

AI SUMMIT | \$1,250 (LIMITED TO 8)

JUNE 3, 2026 | RICHMOND

A one-day summit for association leaders and staff focusing on current AI trends, key issues, and practical opportunities.

ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT COMPANY (AMC) SUMMIT | \$1,250 (LIMITED TO 8)

JULY 14, 2026 | NEWPORT NEWS MARRIOTT AT CITY CENTER

A one-day summit for professionals who own and work at association management companies.

NORTHERN VIRGINIA BREAKFAST SEMINAR | \$450 (PER EVENT) (LIMITED TO 3 PER EVENT)

Connect with Northern Virginia's association professionals as the sponsor of a VSAE-hosted networking event (April, July, and October).







YEAR-LONG OPPORTUNITIES

These products will be used at all VSAE in-person events throughout the year:

- > Seminar Series events
- > Meeting Planner Summit
- > Annual Conference
- > Al Summit
- > AMC Summit
- > CEO & Senior Staff Retreat
- > Fall Conference & Partner Showcase
- > Awards Luncheon & Silent Auction
- > Northern Virginia Seminars

LANYARDS | \$3,000 Limit 1

Have your name/logo prominently displayed alongside VSAE's logo at all VSAE in-person events in 2026. This is a great way to build your brand and keep your organization in front of the leaders of the association community.

NAME BADGES | \$3,000 Limit 1

Have your name/logo prominently displayed alongside VSAE's logo on all name badges used for VSAE in-person events in 2026. This is a great way to build your brand and keep your organization in front of the leaders of the association community.

COCKTAIL NAPKINS | \$2,000 Limit 1

Have your name/logo alongside VSAE's logo on each cocktail napkin at all VSAE in-person events in 2026.

MOBILE CHARGING STATION | \$1,500 Limit 1

Everyone needs to charge their mobile devices at some time or another. Have your name/logo prominently displayed on a mobile charging unit and signage at all VSAE in-person events in 2026.







TERMS & CONDITIONS

PRINT AND DIGITAL AD SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS PAGES 13–15 SHOULD GO DIRECTLY TO YOUR MARKETING/DESIGN DEPARTMENT OR ADVERTISING AGENCY.

Any ad that does not meet the conditions specified and/or is not received by the deadline may be rejected or modified by the publisher. If an ad requires modification by the publisher to meet the conditions of the ad, the advertiser may be charged \$90 per hour to make the appropriate changes. The publisher also reserves the right to reject any submission. No refunds will be issued for rejected ads. By signing your Partner Program invoice/contract, you acknowledge and agree to these terms.

PRINT ADVERTISING

NEWSLETTER

VSAE's newsletter, Association Press, is printed at a finished size of 8.5" (w) x 11" (h) on gloss stock with no bleeds. It is published 6 times per year. By purchasing an advertisement in Association Press, as part of the 2026 Partner Program, you agree to be held legally bound to the terms of the agreement, regardless of whether the member company or advertising agent is sold or comes under new management. VSAE does not pay agency commissions, as all rates quoted are net. Reserved space cannot be canceled.

Specifications

- > Full-Page Ad: Full-color ad sized at 7.5" (w) x 9.85" (h) with no bleeds. 2 per issue
- > Half-Page Ad: Full-color ad sized at 7.5" (w) x 4.75" (h) with no bleeds. 2 per issue
- > Two-Column Ad: Full-color ad sized at 5" (w) x 4" (h) with no bleeds. No limit
- > **Partner Spotlight:** Approximately 450 words and up to two high-resolution images (photos or logo) to accompany copy. **A two-column ad is included and will run on the same page**. *2 per issue*

Art Requirements

Ads: Provide ad artwork in a CMYK, high-resolution (300 dpi) pdf (use Adobe's Press Quality setting) with no crop marks. Send by email to advertising@vsae.org.

Partner Spotlight: Provide 450-word spotlight text in .doc or .txt document. Accepted file formats for logos and photos are png, pdf, eps, tif, and jpg. Low-resolution logos and photos downloaded from the web are not acceptable. Do not embed photos into a Word file; send them as separate files. Send by email to **advertising@vsae.org**.

Deadlines

Ads must be received by the **20th of the prior month** in which your advertisement is running. If artwork is not submitted in time for production, VSAE reserves the right to withhold the ad from that month's publication.

Conditions

The publisher reserves the right to reject any advertising. All advertising is accepted and published upon authorization from the advertiser to publish the entire contents and subject matter thereof. The advertiser agrees to hold publisher blameless from all claims, damages, and expenses arising out of the accepted advertising. The publisher reserves the right to consult with its member regarding the submission from the advertiser's agency.

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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY & RESOURCE GUIDE

By purchasing an advertisement in VSAE's 2026–2027 Membership Directory & Resource Guide, as part of the 2026 Partner Program, you agree to be held legally bound to the terms of the agreement, regardless of whether the member company or advertising agent is sold or comes under new management. VSAE does not pay agency commissions, as all rates quoted are net. Reserved space cannot be canceled.

The Membership Directory & Resource Guide will be available in both print and digital editions. Although some ads in the print version are black and white, ALL ADS IN THE DIGITAL EDITION ARE FULL COLOR with live links to your website. Therefore, ALL ADS SUBMITTED FOR THIS PUBLICATION MUST BE IN COLOR.

Specifications

- > **Outside Cover Ad:** Two (2) full-page, full-color spread sized at 9" (w) x 11" (h) per page with .125" bleeds on all sides. Please allow .5" for spiral binding. VSAE has style guidelines that must be followed when including VSAE information. Once this space is contracted, VSAE will share this information with the purchaser and the member representative.
- > Tab Ad: Full-page, full color, sized at 7.5" (w) x 10" (h) with no bleeds. Ads can be on front or back of tabs.
- > Inside Cover Ads: One (1) full-page, full-color ad sized at 9" (w) x 11" (h) with .125" bleeds on all sides. Please allow .5" for spiral binding.
- > Full-Page Ad: Black and white, sized at 7.5" (w) x 10" (h) with no bleeds.
- > Half-Page Ad: Black and white, sized at 7.5" (w) x 5" (h) with no bleeds.
- > **Facilities Section Ad:** Two (2) full-page facing black and white pages, sized at 7.5" (w) x 10" (h) per page with no bleeds. Typically, a Facilities Section advertisement consists of a full-page ad and a full page with facilities information and/or meeting space specifications. Non-venue advertisers usually include photos and a description of their services.
- > **Destination Section Ad:** Two (2) full-page facing black and white pages, sized at 7.5" (w) x 10" (h) per page with no bleeds. Typically, a Destination Section advertisement consists of a full-page ad and a full page with destination information.

Art Requirements

Provide ad artwork by email (to advertising@vsae.org) in a CMYK, high-resolution (300 dpi) .pdf (use Adobe's Press Quality setting). All interior ads have no bleeds; therefore, no crop marks are necessary.

Deadline

A signed invoice/contract, payment, and ad artwork must be received no later than **May 10, 2026**, to guarantee placement in the 2026–2027 Membership Directory & Resource Guide.

Conditions

The publisher reserves the right to reject any advertising. All advertising is accepted and published upon authorization from the advertiser to publish the entire contents and subject matter thereof. The advertiser agrees to hold publisher blameless from all claims, damages, and expenses arising out of the accepted advertising. The publisher reserves the right to consult with its member regarding the submission from the advertiser's agency. An electronic tear sheet will be provided to advertiser upon request.

QUESTIONS?

Contact

Lorraine Meade lorraine@vsae.org (804) 249-2237

TERMS & CONDITIONS

DIGITAL ADVERTISING — WEBSITE

Specifications

- > Website Home Page Hero Banner (sliding) 2600 x 900 px 2 per month
- > Website Home Page Upper Banner 611 x 78 px 1 per month
- > Website Home Page Lower Banner 611 x 78 px 1 per month

DIGITAL ADVERTISING — eNEWS

Specifications

- > **eNEWS Headline Banner** 611 x 78 px *1 per issue*
- > **eNEWS Featured Banner** 611 x 78 px 1 per issue
- > **eNEWS Sponsored Content with Video**325 x 325 px plus up to 50 words 1 per issue
- > **eNEWS Square** 325 x 325 px 2 per issue

Art Requirements

Accepted file formats are gif, png, or jpg for ads and photo or graphic for Sponsored Content. Accepted file format for text for Sponsored Content is .doc, .txt, or within an email.

Links

You can have a link embedded in your digital ad, directing viewers to your website. Please include the link within the email when you send your advertisement. Unspecified links will be directed to the website indicated within your member's database record.

Web traffic analysis

VSAE does not have the ability to provide analysis on website digital ad click-through rates. Though VSAE runs Google Analytics on its own website, this technology only supplies information on how the visitor is getting to VSAE's website, not where they go from VSAE's website. Please provide a trackable link with your image or add Google Analytics or a similar tool to your (or your client's) website.

Deadlines

Ads, along with website link, must be received by the 20th of the prior month in which your advertisement is running. Please email to **advertising@vsae.org**.

VSAE Website Home Page Advertising

- 1 Hero Banner (Sliding)
- 2 Upper Banner
- 3 Lower Banner



VSAE eNews Advertising

- 1 Headline Banner
- 2 Featured Banner
- **3** Sponsored Content
- 4 Square



Desktop view