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### **Mission**

The Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH) works to reduce the communication barriers between persons who are deaf or hard of hearing and those who are hearing, including family members, service providers, and the general public.

### **Vision**

The vision of VDDHH is a Commonwealth where persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, late-deafened or deafblind can fully participate in all aspects of life without barriers to communication.

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[www.vddhh.org](http://www.vddhh.org)

[www.facebook.com/vddhh](https://www.facebook.com/vddhh)

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711 (Voice/TTY)

1-800-828-1140 (Voice)

1-800-828-1120 (TTY)

1-800-855-8200 (Spanish)

1-877-243-2823 (Caption Telephone Service)

1-866-221-6784 (Speech-To-Speech)

1-800-855-8220 (Visually Assisted Speech-To-Speech)

### **Virginia Relay Customer Care**

1-866-894-4116 (Voice)

1-866-246-9300 (TTY)

1-402-694-5110 (Fax)

### **About Virginia Relay**

[www.varelay.org](http://www.varelay.org)

[www.facebook.com/VirginiaRelay](https://www.facebook.com/VirginiaRelay)

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## VDDHH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

### **Virginia Relay**

- A free public service, Virginia Relay enables people who are deaf, hard of hearing, DeafBlind or speech disabled to communicate with standard telephone users
- The telephone conversation is relayed between the two users by a specially trained Virginia Relay Communications Assistant (CA)
- Available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week, 365 days/year

### **Technology Assistance Program (TAP)**

- Technology Assistance Program (TAP) provides telecommunication equipment to qualified applicants whose disabilities prevent them from using a standard telephone.
- Demonstrates equipment options, provide training on how to use equipment and troubleshoot equipment
- Provides information about specialized telecommunication equipment and assistive technology

### **Interpreting Services Program (ISP)**

- Maintains Directory of Qualified Interpreters
- Coordinates sign language interpreter/CART services for state agencies and Virginia courts
- Contracts with qualified interpreters and CART providers to provide services
- Provides information about sign language interpreters and real-time captioning

### **Virginia Quality Assurance Screening**

- Administers the Virginia Quality Assurance Screening and provide assessment to interpreters on their skills
- Administers the Educational Interpreters Performance Assessment (EIPA).

### **Community Services**

- Responds to requests for information and provides referrals on various topics related to hearing loss
- Provides training to government agencies on how to interact with individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing and training to businesses, caregivers, public safety officials, and professionals that serve persons who have a hearing loss.
- Provides technical assistance to organizations regarding reasonable accommodations and effective communication
- Promotes public awareness about hearing loss

## ADVOCACY

### **Civic Access**

205 2nd St SW  
Charlottesville, Virginia 22902  
Office: (540) 505-8768 (Voice/Text)  
Videophone: (276) 200-6040  
Email: [info@civicaccess.com](mailto:info@civicaccess.com)  
Website: [www.civicaccess.com/home.html](http://www.civicaccess.com/home.html)

**Deaf Grassroots Movement:** The mission of the Deaf Grassroots Movement is to strive towards equality in communication access, education, and employment and to enhance the quality of life for all Deaf people. Website: <http://dgmvirginia2014.wixsite.com/dgmvirginia>

### **disABILITY Law Center of Virginia (dLCV)**

1512 Willow Lawn, Suite 100  
Richmond, VA 23230  
Office: (804) 552-3962 or (804) 225-2042  
Email: [info@dLCV.org](mailto:info@dLCV.org)  
Website: <http://dlcv.org>

### **Mid-Atlantic ADA Center** (DC, DE, MD, PA, VA, WV)

401 North Washington Street, Suite 450  
Rockville, Maryland 20850  
Toll Free: (800) 949-4232 (Voice/TTY)  
Local: (301) 217-0124 (Voice/TTY)  
Website: [www.adainfo.org](http://www.adainfo.org)

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Richmond, Virginia 23230

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Toll Free: (800) 552-5019

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Website: [www.deafhh.org](http://www.deafhh.org)

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## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

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Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/groups/CVRCD/permalink/1091491404306932](https://www.facebook.com/groups/CVRCD/permalink/1091491404306932)

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**Greater Shenandoah Valley Club of the Deaf**

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Email: [info@nvrc.org](mailto:info@nvrc.org)  
Website: [www.nvrc.org](http://www.nvrc.org)

**Richmond Deaf Club (GRDC)**

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Website: [www.aslclub.com](http://www.aslclub.com)

**Virginia Association of the Deaf (VAD)**

Website: [www.vad.org](http://www.vad.org)

**Regional VAD Chapters**

**Blue Ridge Chapter of Virginia Association of the Deaf**

Website: [www.vad.org/BlueRidge.html#Blue Ridge Chapter](http://www.vad.org/BlueRidge.html#Blue Ridge Chapter)

**Northern Virginia Association of the Deaf**

Website: [www.vad.org/nvad.html](http://www.vad.org/nvad.html)

**Richmond Chapter of Virginia Association of the Deaf**

Website: [www.vad.org/richmond.html#Greater Richmond Chapter of the Deaf](http://www.vad.org/richmond.html#Greater%20Richmond%20Chapter%20of%20the%20Deaf)

**Skyline Chapter of the Deaf**

Website: [www.vad.org/skyline.html#Skyline Chapter of the Deaf](http://www.vad.org/skyline.html#Skyline%20Chapter%20of%20the%20Deaf)

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**Virginia Association of the DeafBlind**

Advocacy group for Virginians who are DeafBlind  
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**Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired  
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Staunton, Virginia 24402-2069

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Toll Free: 1-800-522-8732

Fax: (540) 332-9042

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**Center for the Arts at Mason:** Information on how to request accessibility features.

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4400 University Drive, MS 2F5  
Fairfax, Virginia 22030-4444  
Office: (703) 993-8881  
Email: [cfatix@gmu.edu](mailto:cfatix@gmu.edu)

Website: <http://cfa.gmu.edu/about/accessibility.php>

**Chrysler Hall:** Provides open captioning for select Broadway in Norfolk performances.  
215 Saint Pauls Boulevard  
Norfolk, Virginia 23510  
Office: (757) 823-4299 (for availability or to purchase open caption seating)  
Website: [www.sevenvenues.com/plan-your-visit/accessibility](http://www.sevenvenues.com/plan-your-visit/accessibility)

**University of Mary Washington Klein Theatre:** Provides sign language interpreters for performances on specific dates.  
1301 College Avenue  
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401  
Office: (540) 654-1111  
Website: <http://cas.umw.edu/theatre>

**Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts:** Accessibility Information  
1551 Trap Road  
Vienna, Virginia 22182-1643  
Office: (703) 255-1849  
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## HEARING AID ASSISTANCE

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Website: [www.vdh.virginia.gov/early-hearing-detection-and-intervention/virginia-hearing-aid-loan-bank/](http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/early-hearing-detection-and-intervention/virginia-hearing-aid-loan-bank/)

**Virginia Lions Hearing Aid Bank Foundation**

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## HEARING LOSS SUPPORT

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6930 Hopkins Road

North Chesterfield, Virginia 23234

Meets 2nd Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Jan-May and Sept-Nov

Linda Wallace

Email: [GRHearingLoss@verizon.net](mailto:GRHearingLoss@verizon.net)

Office: (804) 239-9546

Website: [www.hlaagreaterrichmond.com](http://www.hlaagreaterrichmond.com)

**Rappahannock Chapter HLAA**

Diann Drew

Disability Resource Center

409 Progress Street

Conference Room, First Floor

Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401

Email: [DDrew@cildrc.org](mailto:DDrew@cildrc.org)

Office: (540) 373-5890

Meets 3rd Thursday of the Month at 2 PM

**Virginia Beach Chapter HLAA**

Fortis College

6300 Center Drive, Room 5

Norfolk, Virginia 23502

Don Doherty

Email: [dondoherty@mchsi.com](mailto:dondoherty@mchsi.com)

Office: (757) 535-9364

Website: [www.hlaavirginiabeach.com](http://www.hlaavirginiabeach.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/HLAAVirginiaBeachChapter](https://www.facebook.com/HLAAVirginiaBeachChapter)

## INTERPRETER REFERRAL AGENCIES

**ASL Interpreters, Inc.**

25 Madeline Lane

Stafford, Virginia 22556

Office: (804) 651-9955

Email: [info@aslDC.com](mailto:info@aslDC.com)

**Birnbaum Interpreting Services**

PO Box 196  
Haymarket, Virginia 20168  
Office: (301) 587-8885  
Website: [www.bisworld.com](http://www.bisworld.com)

**Civic Access**

205 2nd St SW  
Charlottesville, Virginia 22902  
Office: (540) 505-8768 (Voice/Text)  
Videophone: (276) 200-6040  
Requests: [requests@civicaccess.com](mailto:requests@civicaccess.com)  
Website: [www.civicaccess.com/home.html](http://www.civicaccess.com/home.html)

**HIS SIGN**

44050 Ashburn Shopping Plaza, #195-639  
Ashburn, Virginia 20147  
Office: (877) 458-7408  
Videophone: (571) 252-5387  
Fax: (703) 738-8618  
Website: [www.hissign.com/index.html](http://www.hissign.com/index.html)

**Purple Communications**

1504 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 205  
Richmond, Virginia 23229  
Office: (804) 237-0843  
Email: [purplerichmond@purple.us](mailto:purplerichmond@purple.us)  
Website: [www.signlanguage.com/onsite-interpreting](http://www.signlanguage.com/onsite-interpreting)

**Sign Language Professionals, Inc.**

PO Box 29918  
Richmond, Virginia 23242-0918  
Office: (844) 740-7279  
Email: [office@signlanguageprofessionals.com](mailto:office@signlanguageprofessionals.com)  
Website: <http://signlanguageprofessionals.com>

**Sorenson Community Interpreting**

Office: (800) 659-4783  
Videophone: (844) 720-1891  
Email: [communityinterpreting@sorenson.com](mailto:communityinterpreting@sorenson.com)  
Website: [www.sorenson.com/interpreting](http://www.sorenson.com/interpreting)

## INTERPRETER INFORMATION

### **Virginia Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf**

P.O. Box 29  
Fishersville, Virginia 22939  
Website: [www.vrid.org](http://www.vrid.org)

## MENTAL HEALTH

**Aligned Clinical and Educational Services:** Providers of clinical services for children, adolescents and families. Staff familiar with Deafness and hearing loss, staff provide direct services in American Sign Language.

Office: (434) 466-1588 (Voice/Text)  
Videophone: (434) 326-1496  
Fax: (434) 823-1174  
Website: [www.crozetaces.org](http://www.crozetaces.org)

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 28  
Crozet, Virginia 22932  
Crozet Office:  
325 Four Leaf Lane, Suite 12  
Charlottesville, VA 22903  
Midlothian Office:  
6504 Woodlake Village Cir  
Midlothian, VA 23112

### **Kerry Paul Altman**

Fairfax Psychological Associates  
3923 Old Lee Highway  
Suite 63 D  
Fairfax, Virginia 22030  
Office: (703) 596-4918  
Email: [kerralt@aol.com](mailto:kerralt@aol.com)  
Website: [www.kerryaltman.com](http://www.kerryaltman.com)

### **Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board**

Regional Deaf Services Program  
Michael Bush, Coordinator  
196 Cumberland Road  
Cedar Bluff, Virginia 24609  
TTY: (800) 347-4939

Voice: (276) 889-3785  
Videophone: (276) 883-9338  
Fax: (276) 889-2842  
Email: [mbush@cmcsb.com](mailto:mbush@cmcsb.com)

**Dr. Emmett Jones**

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community Counseling Services  
1503 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 211  
Richmond, Virginia 23229  
Office: (804) 282-1943  
TTY: (804) 282-1944  
Website: [www.challengediscoveryprojects.org/DeafServices.html](http://www.challengediscoveryprojects.org/DeafServices.html)

**Paula Markham, PsyD**

Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board  
200 Medical Drive, Suite B  
Hampton, Virginia 23666  
Voice: (757)788-0261  
TTY: (757) 245-3089  
Fax: (757) 245-5015  
Email: [pmarkham@hnnscsb.org](mailto:pmarkham@hnnscsb.org)

**Katy McHugh**

Prince William County Community Services Board  
Sudley North-Manassas  
7969 Ashton Ave  
Manassas, Virginia 20109  
Office: (571) 217-1765  
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**Kathy McIndoe**

Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board  
8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive  
Fairfax, Virginia 22031  
Office: (703) 383-8500  
Website: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/csb/](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/csb/)

**Natalie Smith, PsyD**

7019 Backlick Ct.  
Springfield, Virginia 22151  
Office: (703) 731-4581  
Fax: (703) 562-8396  
Videophone: (571) 384-4980

Email: [drnatalies@gmail.com](mailto:drnatalies@gmail.com)

Website: <http://drnataliesmith.com>

**Melissa Sporn, PhD**

1499 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 201

McLean, Virginia 22101

Office: (703) 288-9677 (Voice/Text)

Email: [Melissa@drmelissasporn.com](mailto:Melissa@drmelissasporn.com)

**Valley Community Services Board**

Kathy Baker

85 Sanger's Lane

Staunton, Virginia 24401

Office: (540) 213-7527 (Voice)

Email: [kbaker@racsb.state.va.us](mailto:kbaker@racsb.state.va.us)

Website: <http://199.58.212.65/professionals-and-service-providers/ohea/deaf>

## PARENT RESOURCES

**Center for Family Involvement**

Dana Yarbrough, Director

Virginia Commonwealth University

PO Box 843020

Richmond, Virginia 23284-3020

Office: (804) 828-0352

Toll Free: (877) 567-1122

Email: [dvyarbrough@vcu.edu](mailto:dvyarbrough@vcu.edu)

Website: <https://centerforfamilyinvolvement.vcu.edu/resources>

**Infant and Toddler Connection of Virginia**

Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

1220 Bank Street, 9th Floor

P.O. Box 1797

Richmond, Virginia 23219-1797

Office: (804) 786-3710

Fax: (804) 371-7959

Website: <http://infantva.org/>

**Families to Families:** Connects young deaf and hard of hearing children together. Provides peer-to-peer support in the Hampton Roads area.

Lizzy Allen

Office: 757-651-4575 (Voice/Text)

Email: [lizzyad@msn.com](mailto:lizzyad@msn.com)

Melinda Gallagher

Office: (757) 802-3167

Text: (757) 701-8156

Email: [mkgallagher2@gmail.com](mailto:mkgallagher2@gmail.com)

Website: <https://families2families.weebly.com>

**Parent Child Advocacy Program**

1503 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 211

Richmond, Virginia 23229

Office: (804) 282-1943 (Voice)

TTY: (804) 282-1944

Email: [PCAPROGRAM@gmail.com](mailto:PCAPROGRAM@gmail.com)

Website: [www.challengediscoveryprojects.org/pcavideos.html](http://www.challengediscoveryprojects.org/pcavideos.html)

**Virginia Early Hearing Detection and Intervention**

Office: (804) 864-7713

Toll Free: 1-866-493-1090

Email: [hearing@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:hearing@vdh.virginia.gov)

Website:

**Virginia Hands and Voices**

P.O. Box 29552

Henrico, Virginia 23242

Office: (804) 404-3352

Email: [vahandsandvoices@gmail.com](mailto:vahandsandvoices@gmail.com)

**Virginia Hearing Journey**

Meets the First Saturday of the Month at Shady Grove United Methodist Church

8209 Shady Grove Road

Mechanicsville, Virginia 23111

Email: [VaHearingJourney@gmail.com](mailto:VaHearingJourney@gmail.com)

Website: [www.facebook.com/pg/VaHearingJourney/about/?ref=page\\_internal](http://www.facebook.com/pg/VaHearingJourney/about/?ref=page_internal)

**Virginia Network of Consultants for Professionals Working with Children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing**

Ann Hughes, Educational Specialist

700 E. Franklin Street

P.O. Box 843020

Richmond, Virginia 23284

Office: (804) 828-1342

Email: [awhughes@vcu.edu](mailto:awhughes@vcu.edu)

Website: <https://partnership.vcu.edu/programs/education/virginia-network-of-consultants>

## SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES AND INTERPRETER TRAINING PROGRAMS

**George Mason University:** Offers American Sign Language at both undergraduate and graduate levels.

College of Education and Human Development

4400 University Drive, MS 1F2

Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Office: (703) 993-3670

Email: [speced@gmu.edu](mailto:speced@gmu.edu)

Website: <https://gse.gmu.edu/special-education/american-sign-language>

**Liberty University:** Offers BA and Minor in American Sign Language and Interpreting;

Nicole Thorn, Program Director/Assistant Professor

1971 University Blvd

Lynchburg, Virginia 24515

Office: (434) 592-5888

Email: [ndthorn@liberty.edu](mailto:ndthorn@liberty.edu)

Website: <http://www.liberty.edu/academics/arts-sciences/modernlanguages/index.cfm?PID=28195>

### **Northern Virginia Community College**

Paula Debes, Assistant Dean

Annadale Campus

8333 Little River Turnpike

Annandale, Virginia 22003

Office: (703) 323-3192

Email: [pdebes@nvcc.edu](mailto:pdebes@nvcc.edu)

Website: [www.nvcc.edu/annandale/divisions/asl](http://www.nvcc.edu/annandale/divisions/asl)

**Radford University:** Offers a BS Interdisciplinary Studies: Deaf and Hard of Hearing as well as a M.S. Program in Special Education with Virginia licensure in Hearing Impairment K-12.

Ms. Karen Stinson

801 East Main St.

Radford, Virginia 24142

Office: (540) 831-5549

Email: [kastinson@radford.edu](mailto:kastinson@radford.edu)

Website: [www.radford.edu/content/registrar/home/course-descriptions/cehd-descriptions/sign-language.html](http://www.radford.edu/content/registrar/home/course-descriptions/cehd-descriptions/sign-language.html)

**Reynolds Community College:** Career Studies Certificate in American Sign Language and AAS Degree in American Sign Language-English Interpretation

Parham Road Campus  
1651 E. Parham Road  
Richmond, Virginia 23228  
Office: (804) 371-3000  
Website: [www.reynolds.edu/onlinecatalog/current/academic-programs/degrees-career-studies/american sign languagecsc 640-01.aspx](http://www.reynolds.edu/onlinecatalog/current/academic-programs/degrees-career-studies/american_sign_languagecsc_640-01.aspx)

**Tidewater Community College**

Green District Administration Building  
121 College Place  
Norfolk, Virginia 23510  
Office: (757) 822-1122  
Website: [www.tcc.edu/academics/professional-services/programs/american-sign-language-english-interpretation-degree](http://www.tcc.edu/academics/professional-services/programs/american-sign-language-english-interpretation-degree)

**University of Virginia:** Offers a minor in American Sign Language and Deaf Culture

American Sign Language Program  
Gregory Propp, Director  
P.O. Box 400808  
258 New Cabell Hall  
Charlottesville Virginia 22904-4808  
Office: (434) 924-6691  
Videophone: (434) 566-0213  
Fax: (434) 924-1478  
Email: [gp5c@virginia.edu](mailto:gp5c@virginia.edu)  
Website: <http://asl.virginia.edu/asl-program>

## SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES: COMMUNITY

**ASL Champs**

The Mill House  
7812 Shrader Lane  
Richmond, Virginia 23294  
Website: [www.aslchamps.org](http://www.aslchamps.org)

**West Hampton Baptist Church**

631 Aberdeen Road  
Hampton, Virginia 23661  
Website: <http://westhamptonbaptist.org/sign-classes/#comment-227>



## SUMMER CAMPS FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING CHILDREN

### **Bridging Hands Camps, Inc.** (Virginia residents can attend)

Rachel McConnell, Communications Director

8757 Georgia Avenue

Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Email: [info@bhcamps.org](mailto:info@bhcamps.org)

Website: [www.bhcamps.org](http://www.bhcamps.org)

### **Camp Loud and Clear**

Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center

1267 4-H Camp Road

Appomattox, Virginia 24522

Website: <https://holidaylake4h.com/camploud.php>

Dr. Lissa Power-deFur

Office: (434) 395-2972

Email: [bgoin@vt.edu](mailto:bgoin@vt.edu)

Jennifer Kingsley

Office: (434) 391-3679

Email: [jkkingsley@hotmail.com](mailto:jkkingsley@hotmail.com)

### **Signs of Fun Summer Camp**

33 Warren Drive

Fredericksburg, Virginia 22405

Office: (540) 370-4453

Videophone: (540) 645-5029

Fax: (540) 370-4453

Website: [www.signsoffuncamp.org](http://www.signsoffuncamp.org)

### **Brethren Woods Camp and Retreat Center**

4896 Armentrout Path

Keezletown, Virginia 22832

Office/Fax: (540) 269-2741

E-mail: [camp@brethrenwoods.org](mailto:camp@brethrenwoods.org)

### **Deaf Science Camp**

Jefferson Laboratory

628 Hofstadter Rd

Newport News, Virginia 23606

Email: [hampton@ilab.org](mailto:hampton@ilab.org)

Website: <https://education.ilab.org/sciencecamp>

## TRANSPORTATION

**Virginia Railway Express (VRE):** Qualified persons with a disability can receive a reduced disabled fare card.

1500 King Street Suite 202

Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Office: (703) 684-1001

Fax: (703) 684-1313

TTY: (703) 684-0551

Website: [www.vre.org/service/fares/disabled-fares](http://www.vre.org/service/fares/disabled-fares)

**Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles:** Offers the Drivers, CDL and Motorcycle Knowledge Exam in American Sign Language. Can be accessed by asking for the American Sign Language version of the exam at any DMV office. DMV will provide interpreters for certain services. To request an interpreter, contact Jean Dudley.

DMV Room 51

PO Box 27412

Richmond, Virginia 23269

Office: (804) 240-5954

Email: [Jean.dudley@dmv.virginia.gov](mailto:Jean.dudley@dmv.virginia.gov)

Website: <https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/#/>