

Transportation Resources

Bike Shops in Northern Virginia

1. **Oasis Bike Works:** Oasis' mission is 'to grow bike commuting and green practices.' Located right in the center of downtown Fairfax, Oasis is a popular destination for Mason's cyclist community. They are known for their affordable custom bike builds. For more information, see <http://www.oasisbikeworks.com>.
2. **Spokes Etc. Bicycles:** Spokes Etc. sells everything from standard to specialized bikes. They also offer cycling classes. For more information, see <http://spokesetc.com/>.
3. **REI:** REI is known for selling predominately performance and mountain bikes. They also offer a variety of hiking and camping gear too.
4. **Performance Bike:** Offers a wide variety of bikes, bike helmets, cycling shoes, jerseys, shorts, sports nutrition, bike parts. Performance Bike also has an agreement where they promise 100% satisfaction with every product they sell. If an item does not meet your expectations, they will promptly replace, refund, or credit your account - whichever you prefer. See <http://www.performancebike.com/>

Food Resources

Farmer's Markets

1. **Fairfax Farmer's Markets (Van Dyck):** The Fairfax Farmer's Market occurs on Tuesdays, 8:00 am - Noon, May 3 - October 25 and is located in Van Dyck park on Old Lee Highway. Fairfax County Farmers Markets are local, producer only markets. All products sold are produced by vendors within 125 miles of Fairfax County. For more information, call 703-642-0128.
2. **Downtown Fairfax Farmer's Market:** This market is sponsored by the Downtown Fairfax Coalition (a non-profit) and is located at West & Main Streets behind the Wachovia Bank and adjacent to the Historic Fairfax County Courthouse. The market occurs on Saturday from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM during May 7th through October 29th and on Sundays from 10:00 AM to 2:00

PM from May 1st to October 30th. It features local and organic foods as well as soaps and lotions.

3. **Wakefield Farmer's Market:** Located at 8100 Braddock Road, Annandale, Virginia on Wednesdays, 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm, May 4 - October 26, this market features local food and Master Gardener Plant Clinic on site to answer questions about plants in your landscape. Contact 703-321-7081 for more information.

Food-Related Websites

1. Want to learn about Sustainable Food Issues? The Sustainable Table offers a significant amount of information relating to the majority of food-related issues our world faces today. They have information guides that cover everything from how to eat well to the differences between sustainable and industrial agriculture. Check it out at <http://www.sustainabletable.org/home.php>
2. Looking to buy local in Virginia? <http://www.buylocalvirginia.org/> is a database that helps Virginian consumers find local products for purchase throughout the entire state.

Energy Resources

Energy In Virginia

1. Virginia accounts for nearly 10 percent of U.S. coal production east of the Mississippi River
2. Virginia has two nuclear power plants, which typically provide about one-third of the electricity generated within the State.
3. Two of Virginia's coalbed methane fields are among the top 100 natural gas fields in the United States.
4. Virginia established a voluntary renewable portfolio goal that encourages utilities to generate 12 percent of base-year 2007 sales from renewable sources by 2022.
5. For more information, check out the Virginia State Energy Profile at the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

George Mason Energy Usage

1. Based on an analysis of energy consumption in fiscal year 2006, Mason's energy mix is approximately 55% electricity and 45% natural gas.
2. In Fiscal Year 2008, four new residence halls in the Northeast Sector became fully

occupied. It is anticipated that gas intensity will rise again with the addition of these residential facilities. This increase in gas consumption associated with housing units is an area of concern that will be addressed through education and awareness campaigns. For more recent numbers, check out masonenergy.gmu.edu.

Energy and Carbon Footprint Calculators

1. Ever wonder how much energy your home or vehicle is using? The Department of Energy has a few free calculators available to use on their website that will help you determine your usage: <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/calculators/>
2. Both the EPA and Nature Conservancy have carbon footprint calculators available. Check out <http://www.nature.org/greenliving/carboncalculator/index.htm> and www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/ind_calculator.html to see your impact.

Recycling Resources

Recycling Centers and Maps

1. Curious about where to go to recycle your electronics or other items? You can find a list of locations at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling/>. In addition, the county provides a list of items and their disposal locations for all users to use. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/trash/disaccept.htm>
2. Want to find a recycling bin on campus? Check out Mason's recycling map. <http://facilities.gmu.edu/physicalplant/recycling/recyclingmap.png>

Mason Resources

Websites

1. Want to stay in the loop about what initiatives our university is taking to becoming more sustainable? Check out the Office of Sustainability's Website at <http://gogreen.gmu.edu>.