

Live, Work, & Play in St. Mary's County

Growing Creative & Knowledge-Based Economy

- 5th highest concentration of high-tech workers in the country.
- 3.5% above the national average for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) employment .
- 4th best place in the country for tech jobs.
- More aerospace engineers per capita than anywhere else in the country.
- 5% higher public school graduation rate than Maryland overall.
- 2nd most educated state in the nation.
- Youngest population in the state, with a median age of 34.



"I decided to return to Southern Maryland because of the professional opportunities it offers. Life near the water is great, and Southern Maryland provides a small-town feel, while still being close to the city."

- Mickey, 25



Unmatched Access to Nature & the City

- Over 500 miles of shoreline and public access points make St. Mary's County a perfect place for kayaking, sailing, paddle boarding, fishing and more.
- only 60 miles separate the County from Washington D.C., Old Town Alexandria, and Historic Annapolis' restaurants, theaters, museums, and more; a perfect day trip!
- Four State Parks make for great hiking and mountain biking.

Alive with Culture & History

- Explore unique, thriving historical and cultural landmarks including Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland's first capital, and Sotterley Plantation, where you can step back in time.
- Visit the waterfront restaurants, taprooms, cideries, wineries and distilleries across Southern Maryland that offer great places to gather and enjoy local craft beverages.
- Experience a true farm-to-table economy through active local farmers' markets and the oyster farming heritage.
- Enjoy over 50 major festivals and events, including the River Concert Series and the National Oyster Festival.

