

# George Mason University

## Fairfax County Footprint

### University Fast Facts

- George Mason is the largest public research university in Virginia with **40,449** students from all 50 states and 130 countries.
- George Mason produces more tech graduates than any other four-year institution in Virginia.
- George Mason's entrepreneur and small business programs have had an estimated economic impact in Virginia of more than **\$1.6 billion**.
- Fairfax County is home to **10,514** George Mason students and **60,905** alumni.

### Fairfax County Impact

#### Education

- **ADVANCE** - Partnership with NOVA Community College to increase graduation rates among transfer students
- **Early Identification Program** - Partnership with local public schools to prepare first-generation students for college
- **Osher Lifelong Learning Institute** - Learning opportunities for adults 50 and older
- **Environmental Research and Education** - Over **40,000** K-12 students have received environmental instruction at the Potomac Science Center since 2009.
- **Dream Catchers** - Mentorship program utilizing the Mason community to support students enrolled in Fairfax County Public Schools' Nontraditional School Programs

#### Business

- **Small Business Development Centers (2024)**
  - **1,395** clients served
  - **33** new businesses started
  - **246** jobs created
  - **472** jobs retained
- **Mason Virginia Promise** - A guaranteed pathway to a bachelor's degree or help to start a business

#### Health

- **MAP Clinics** - Over **5,600** unique patients received FREE health care, school physicals, screenings, and mental health services.
- **Center for Community and Mental Health** - Provides evidence-based, accessible, affordable and culturally sensitive therapy and testing services

#### Community Assets

- **Center for the Arts** - Fine arts performance venue
- **EagleBank Arena** - Sporting events, concerts, etc.
- **Point of View** - A tranquil 10,000 sq. ft. retreat and research center with event space to rent
- **Mason Observatory** - Hosts night sky viewing sessions for individuals and community groups

#### Community Services

- **Mason Speakers** - George Mason experts volunteer to provide lectures and guest presentations to organizations and businesses.
- **Camps & Youth Programs** - George Mason hosts a variety of camps and youth programs with a wide array of topics and themes.

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