



# **Albemarle County Fact Sheet**

Population: 115,676

Median Household Income: \$97,708

Median Value Owner-Occupied Housing Units: \$450,200

Size: 720.5 square miles

Real Estate Tax Rate: \$0.854 per \$100

**Albemarle County** is one of the most desirable locations in Virginia and in the nation, with a wealth of cultural, historic and recreational amenities in a beautiful setting. We have a very strong local food and beverage culture, and a well-established and widely recognized reputation for wine and beer tourism.

Albemarle County is a highly desirable destination for regional, national and international tourists. World-renowned landmarks in Monticello and The University of Virginia (UVA) are here, along with the homes of Presidents Madison and Monroe.

Home to a solid and stable business base, Albemarle County boasts a range of thriving businesses that support a vibrant local economy. Albemarle recognizes and celebrates the importance of local food and homegrown entrepreneurship, creating an innovative and diverse business community. Unemployment rates in the county are consistently lower than state and national averages and, with almost 50% of Albemarle County residents possessing a Bachelor's degree or higher, the qualifications and skill levels of our workforce are unparalleled.



The Code of Virginia provides that each county be governed by a board of supervisors, which is elected by qualified voters. The Board of Supervisors of Albemarle County is comprised of six members from each magisterial district. Supervisors are elected to four-year terms, which are staggered at two-year intervals. The election of supervisors is held as a part of the State general election in November of odd numbered years.

Back Row: Mike Pruitt, Ann Mallek, Bea LaPisto-Kirtley, Ned Gallaway.

Front Row: Jim Andrews and Diantha McKeel

### **What You Need to Know Before Moving**

**Airport -** The Charlottesville/Albemarle Airport Authority operates the local airport (CHO) (434) 973-8341

**Natural Gas Service-** Natural gas service for urban Albemarle County is provided by Charlottesville Gas 434-970-3211

**Electrical Service-** Electrical service for most of the county is provided by Dominion Virginia Power (866) 366-4357

**Phone Service-** Telephone service for the majority of Albemarle County is provided by Century Link (866) 904-1817

**Landfill/Recycling-** The Rivanna Solid Waste authority operates the landfill and recycling services (434) 977-2976

**Library-** Public library services in Albemarle County are provided by the Jefferson- Madison Regional Library (434) 979-7151

**Register to Vote-** Albemarle county Voter Registration and Elections Department is located at the Albemarle County office Building, 1600 5<sup>th</sup> Street. (434) 972-4173

**Roads-** Virginia Department of Transportation is responsible for the maintenance of all public roads within the County. (434) 293-0011

**Schools**- Albemarle County Public Schools (434) 972-4173

**Parks & Recreation**- Albemarle County has 12 parks, which offer over 3.300 acres for leisure activities including swimming, picnicking, fishing, hiking, biking, horseback, riding, and boating. (434) 296-5844

#### Vehicles:

- Register vehicle/change address with DMV within 30 days of moving to the county.
- Obtain VA Inspection Sticker (if moving from out of state).
- Check with the Albemarle County Finance Department within 60 days of moving to the county, to verify you information on our tax rolls.

## Dog Licenses:

All dogs in Albemarle County Must have a dog license after their first rabies shot. The license
must be displayed on the dog collar at all times. In order to obtain a dog license, you will need to
bring the rabies certificate from the veterinarian indication the expiration date. This form must
be brought each year to purchase a license. You may purchase dog licenses at the Albemarle
county office Building, 401 McIntire Road.

#### **Public Safety:**

- The Albemarle County Police Department protects and promotes community safety, ensures the safe and orderly movement of traffic, and seeks solutions to any problems that create fear or threaten the quality of life in the county. The department's present authorized strength 125 sworn offices, 25 civilian employees and 4 animal control officers. <a href="www.albemarle.org/police">www.albemarle.org/police</a>
- Emergency communications Center (ECC) receives and processes all emergency and nonemergency calls in the County of Albemarle, the City of Charlottesville and the University of Virginia www.albemarle.org/ecc

• Albemarle County Fire Rescue: Albemarle County emergency services system consist of volunteer and career personnel cooperatively provide fire, rescue, and emergency medical services to the community while partnering with other local and regional emergency services organizations. The department provides the highest quality services to protect and preserve the lives, property, and environment of our community. Our vision is to be home of the model volunteer-career fire and emergency medical services system. <a href="www.ACFireRescue.org">www.ACFireRescue.org</a>

For more information <u>www.albemarle.org</u> or (434)296-5822