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Virginia Masonry Association Goes Statewide - Adds New Chapters

The Virginia Masonry Association (VMA), a top resource in masonry education and workforce development for over 20 years, announces that it has expanded to become a statewide organization, merging with the Blue Ridge Masonry Association and creating three new regional chapters; VMA-Blue Ridge, VMA-Tidewater and VMA-Central Virginia. This will allow chapter members to combine workforce development, educational and training efforts with the other regions of Virginia, as well as with masonry trade associations in other states, working toward the missions of the association and of the industry. Members across the state will now have access to association networking events, meetings, VMA Masonry Apprenticeship Training Program classes and more, both statewide and within their region.

The Virginia Masonry Association is an organization is composed of masonry contractors, manufacturers and suppliers that promote masonry construction in Virginia by collaborating industry workforce development efforts as well as providing a source of education for masonry apprentices, architects, contractors, homeowners and high school masonry and building trades programs.

The VMA Masonry Apprenticeship Training Program is a Registered Apprenticeship through the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry and was launched in January 2020 in central Virginia. Due to the high demand for formal masonry training in the other regions of Virginia and beyond, the apprenticeship program has been a major factor in identifying the need for statewide expansion. Learn more at www.virginiamasonry.org or visit www.facebook.com/virginiamasonryassociation.

