Various Resources

- Chesapeake Health Department

  - Health statistics/resources

  - http://www.vdh.state.va.us/lhd/chesapeake/

  - (757) 382-8600

- Chesapeake Human Services/Division of Social Services

  - Child daycare information

  - (757) 382-2000

- Chesapeake Parks and Recreation Department

  - Recreation program information

  - (757) 382-6411

- Virginia Employment Commission

  - Workforce and labor statistics

  - http://www.vec.state.va.us

  - 1-800-828-1120

- City Map Gallery

  - http://wcityofchesapeake.net/services/depart/infotech/gis/maps.shtml

- Check *Section 5* of the *Statistical Profile* each year to learn about new housing developments and areas of concentrated population-growth.

The City of Chesapeake is known for its high quality of life, and part of what makes our community a great place to live is our rich, diverse network of community-based organizations. The City greatly values the many contributions made by Chesapeake's civic leagues, non-profit organizations, faith-based groups and others toward improving the lives of our citizens. This brochure has been prepared to assist your organization as you identify, plan, and implement outreach programs and activities to address needs in your area. The demographic and statistical resources highlighted on these pages should help you collect the data needed to support your activities. This brochure should also be helpful to individuals.

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Finding Demographic and Statistical Information for Your Community-Based Organization
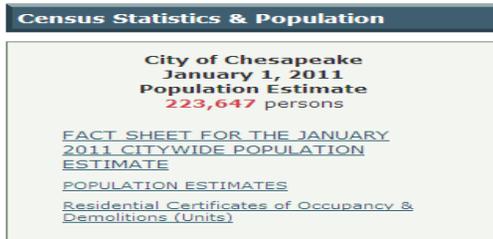

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Getting Started

The Chesapeake Planning Department's website has much information to offer. A great place to begin searching for trends in your area is the *Census & Demographics*

section, **www.cityofchesapeake.net**
⇒ "Planning" link (from left-hand menu)
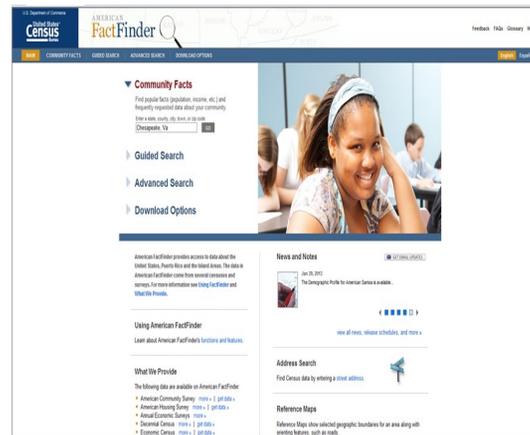⇒ "Census & Demographics" link

From here you can access the City's annual *Statistical Profile* which is updated each summer, the *US Census Bureau*, the *American FactFinder*, and various other fact sheets with population estimates and other useful bits of information.

Census Tracts: in the *Statistical Profile*, much of the data is organized by Census Tracts, geographic divisions across Chesapeake that serve as the units from which census data is collected. The city contains 41 Census Tracts. To identify which tract your organization operates within, reference the Census Tract Map. One is located in *Section 1* of the *Statistical Profile*. The map is also available in the Planning Department's online *Map Gallery*, which can be accessed at the bottom of the left-hand navigation menu of the department's home webpage.

U.S. Census Bureau

A great resource with a wealth of data is the U.S. Census Bureau's (www.census.gov) American Community Survey (ACS).
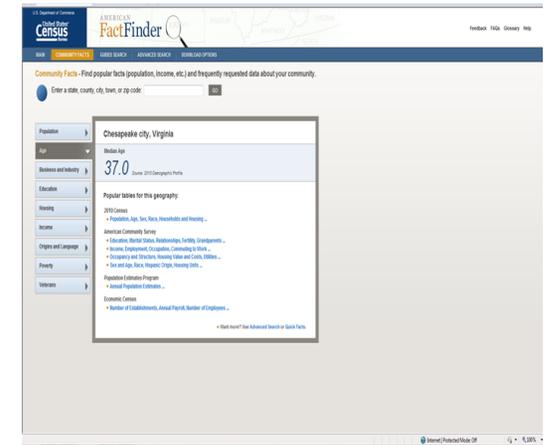
- From the Planning Department's *Census & Demographics* webpage select "American Fact Finder" on the right-hand side.

- From the *American FactFinder* page (http://factfinder2.census.gov), type "Chesapeake, VA" into the blank space below Community Facts.

- Hit Go

- From here you can browse several data tables on topics about the City of Chesapeake. Example: "Age" provides information on median age. Several tables option are also listed from the 2010 Census and the American Community Survey.

ACS

Useful ACS tables may include:

- Selected Economic Characteristics
- Selected Social Characteristics
- Age and Sex
- Disability Characteristics
- Educational Attainment
- Employment Characteristics of Families
- Fertility
- Food Stamps
- Linguistic Isolation
- Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families
- Veteran Status