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From its humble beginnings shortly after the Civil War, the **Bank of Charles Town** has grown to nearly \$300 million in assets and employs close to 100 people in the tri-state area. BCT has a long tradition of providing personalized and responsive service to its customers and the communities it serves. Although we have changed over the years, we still

embrace the principals that got us to where we are today. Our employees never forget that our

main product is service, and we are judged not by what we say about it, but how we deliver it. It represents the basic way we do business at BCT, The Bank to Live By. <u>https://www.mybct.com/</u>

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information on Blue Ridge Community and Technical College, please call 304-260-4380 or visit our website at <u>www.BlueRidgeCTC.edu</u>.

For more than 20 years, **City National Bank** has been serving the Eastern Panhandle with offices throughout the Eastern Panhandle in Charles Town, Berkeley Springs, Inwood, Ranson's Potomac Marketplace and three locations in Martinsburg. City actually operates 20 branches along the I-81 corridor. In the immediate area in addition to the Eastern Panhandle, City has branches in nearby Winchester, Stephens City, Strasburg, Front Royal, and Woodstock, Virginia. In addition to the Bank's 83 branch locations across Virginia, West Virginia, Eastern Kentucky and Southern Ohio, City National Bank operates CityInsurance Professionals, an insurance agency offering a full range of insurance products and services. City's product menu is diverse and includes checking and savings accounts, personal and commercial loans, mortgages, insurance and trust services. But the key to City National Bank's success for more than 20 years has been its ability to develop and retain a team of local bankers who go beyond what customers expect to provide unique banking relationships that are dependable coupled with the bank's sincere commitment to being deeply involved and invested in the communities it serves. <u>https://www.cnb.com/</u> **Diehl Law** is Pointing Business Forward® for its clients. Whether starting up a new business structure, refining company policies and documents, assisting with employment matters, or just advising clients on any one of the myriad of issues faced in the business world, Diehl Law is committed to small and mid-size business in West Virginia and is here to help you make yours the best that it can be. At Diehl Law, the focus is on helping your business grow at the right pace and with the right legal resources. In an era where our society looks to small and medium size businesses to create jobs and stimulate the economy, Diehl Law understands how much is at stake. With real world experience in the corporate world, Diehl Law can provide insight into how, by working with the community a business serves, it helps to increase prosperity for all. Diehl Law uses modern technology to reduce costs and increase productivity for you and your business. The firm focuses on business law including business formation, writing contracts geared toward small and medium-sized businesses, developing brands, planning for business growth and working with business owners who need legal counsel as they develop their companies but who cannot afford to have a lawyer in-house. <a href="http://www.diehllaw.net/">http://www.diehllaw.net/</a>



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## 1. Bookkeeping and Payroll Services

By providing business management tools & the training to interpret them. **HBS Bookkeeping and Payroll Services** provide business owners with a real-time scorecard that measures the effectiveness of their business decisions, and allows them to invest their resources in what matters:

- 1) Making current customers happy (profitably), and
- 2) Getting new customers.

Uniquely, as a part of its service, HBS also provides coaching sessions to clients to assist them in interpreting the scorecard and its financial implications for their business, and making wise choices in the use of scarce business resources.

## 2. Federal and State Tax Returns

By correctly **Preparing their Federal and State Tax Returns**, legally minimizing their tax obligations, and ensuring they remain in compliance with the ever-changing tax code.

#### 3. Professional Tax Representation

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original native stone and timber 1929 building is warm and charming, the fireplace burns in the winter. The 'quirky-elegant' Main Dining room provides a window into sunset over the WV Mountains. And, if that's not enough, "we have a few ghost stories." Located on WV9 - 3.5 miles west of the Town. Available for meetings and workshops 7 days a week. Private room available. Full Service/Open to the public Thursday – Sunday. Reservations Please: call 304-258-0050 or visit online, <u>www.PanoramaAtThePeak.com</u>.



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The West Virginia Manufacturing Extension Partnership (WVMEP) is the West Virginia affiliate of the national MEP program within the Department of Commerce and is based at

West Virginia University's Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources. The WVMEP is dedicated to helping businesses in West Virginia by providing information, decision support, and implementation assistance in adopting new, technologies, techniques, and business practices. Expert in their individual disciplines, WVMEP's team works directly with your organization, to improve production, marketing, quality systems, information systems, health and safety, manufacturing management, product design and development, industrial engineering, and general manufacturing. We work with any size business, no one is too small or too large. Contact the WVMEP at 304-293-3800 Ext 2 or 304-290-8425. Our website is <u>www.wvmep.com</u> and we are on Linkedin, at Linkedin groups: WVMEP

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The Berkeley Springs-Morgan County Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit civic organization devoted to the encouragement and development of area businesses and the general economic climate. Currently there are more than 180 business, organization and individual members. Chamber staff and volunteers develop and manage community-wide annual events including the Apple Butter Festival, new teacher welcome, golf tournament and Community Volunteer Day. www.berkeleyspringschamber.com



**The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce**, "the front door to your community", is a non-profit organization serving Jefferson County for over 50 years with a Board of Directors representing a cross section of

the economic life and the geographic area of Jefferson County and its surrounding areas. The Chamber's role in the community is to help promote the businesses and individuals that become members and inform new community members of local members and their businesses. The Chamber is host to several banquets each year. New and expanded businesses in Jefferson County are recognized at our **Annual Banquet**. In the fall the Chamber recognizes the unsung heroes of the community; law enforcement, firefighters, emergency medical services, and dispatchers are recognized at our **Public Service Recognition Banquet**. In August the new educators in Jefferson County Schools are recognized at the **New Teacher's Luncheon** in their honor. For "**Right Hands Day**" the Chamber will host a special lunch for members that would

like to honor the right hands to their business. Each year the Chamber partners with the Jefferson County Farm Bureau for a joint picnic at a different business location. All banquets are open to the public and offer good opportunities for networking - good food and good fellowship. Your Chamber also encourages businesses to "Sponsor" any Chamber events to help promote your business within the community. For more information visit our website at www.jeffersoncountywvchamber.org and click on "benefits".

Spearheading the County's economic vitality, the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Chamber of **Commerce** is a voluntary nonprofit organization composed of more than 500 businesses and



1500 dynamic men and women. The Mission of the Chamber is to facilitate the economic progress of its members. Benefits of membership include involvement in Berkeley County's leading business organization giving a unified voice to local business and industry, networking

and advertising opportunities, information to members on vital issues, legislation, Chamber activities and community updates through monthly newsletters and emails, information about members in the form of referrals for products and services, leadership opportunities and training through the Chamber's Leadership Berkeley program, and a professional, full-time staff working for your business and community interests. www.berkeleycounty.org



WEST VIRGINIA The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) of the Eastern Panhandle serves Morgan, Berkeley and Jefferson county residents with professional assistance in starting a business, business management issues, accessing capital, exporting, federal procurement, and training. Call, e-mail or visit our website at www.wvsbdc.org.

The EPEF organization was started in 2001 by the Eastern Panhandle Development Authority Executive Directors. The meetings each month are organized by the Berkeley, Morgan, and Jefferson County Development Authorities along with key steering committee members.



The **Berkeley County Development Authority** is charged with the mission of attracting and retaining jobs and tax base for the county and its citizens. Our job is to help you discover the many opportunities that our county has to offer. We work with businesses

of all sizes and all inquiries are kept confidential. The Berkeley County Development Authority can help you identify property options and assist with site selection; assist in obtaining the necessary permits and licenses; locate workforce development and customized training programs; determine financing options and incentives. You'll find a wide variety of attractive industrial and business sites at very competitive prices. Sites range in size from one acre to three hundred acres with infrastructure including public water and sewer, natural gas, electricity, telecommunications, railroad access, and industrial access roads. For additional information please visit our website, www.developmentauthority.com, or contact: Stephen L. Christian, Executive Director, Berkeley County Development Authority, Tel. 304 267-4144, Fax 304 267-2283, email: schristian@developmentauthority.com



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Economic Development Authority

The **Morgan County Economic Development Authority** is the authorized entity to provide support and access to funding for community development projects and develop the infrastructure to attract business, commercial and technology based companies. The group encourages and assists with the growth of our existing business base. Attracts new job opportunities and supports the effort to further

tourist related activities throughout Morgan County. Morgan County is located in West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle, less than 100 miles northwest of Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area and 150 miles southeast of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It is the westernmost of the three counties in the Panhandle, which includes Berkeley and Jefferson counties and which forms a wedge between Maryland to the north and Virginia to the south. The county has an area of 230 square miles with a population of roughly 16,000 people. There are two incorporated municipalities, the Town of Bath, which is included in the larger area of Berkeley Springs, and the Town of Paw Paw. *www.morgancountywv.gov/eda*