

# Elizabeth City - Pasquotank County Tourism Development Authority Board Meeting

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT | FEBRUARY 25, 2021



# COVID-19 & the State of the Travel Industry

## IMPACT ON TRAVEL PLANS

# Impact of COVID-19 Vaccine on Travel Plans

I will wait to travel until my friends and family are all vaccinated

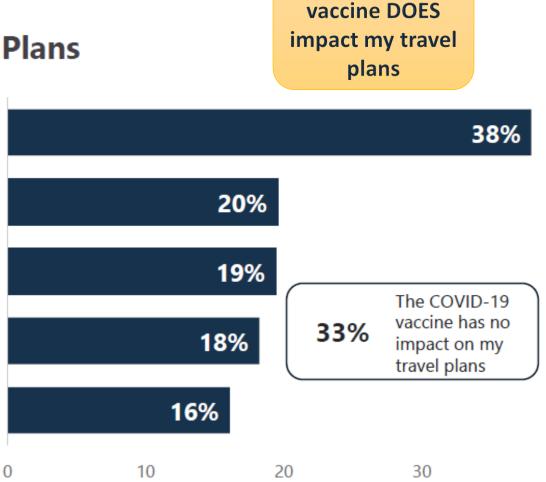
I will wait to travel until the majority of Americans are vaccinated

I will wait to travel until the majority of my community is vaccinated

I will wait to travel until the majority of people in my destination of interest

are vaccinated

I will wait to travel until I receive the vaccine



67% - The



40

8 out of 10 travelers plan to take a trip in the next 6 months

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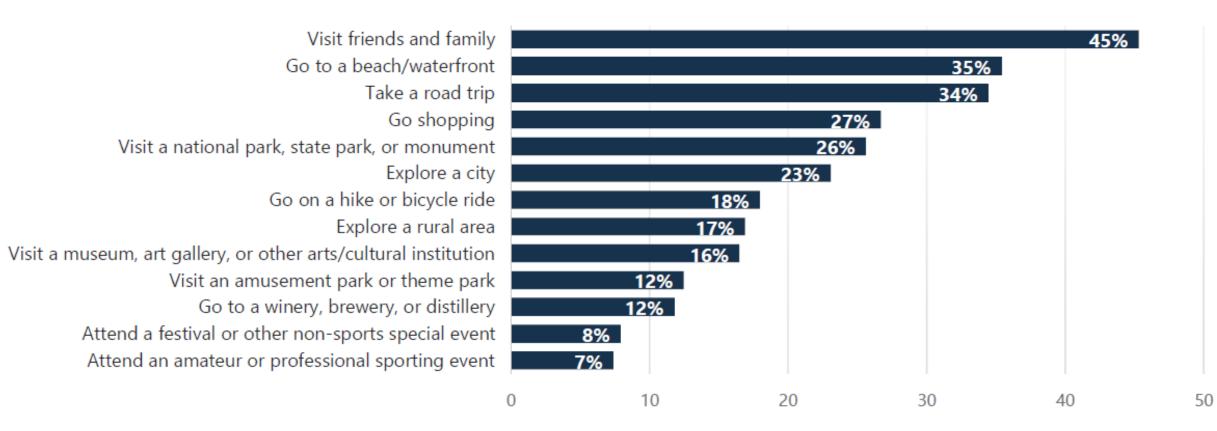
# **IMPACT ON TRAVEL PLANS**

Source: Longwood Travel Sentiment Survey; 02/23/2021

# IMPACT ON TRAVEL PLANS

Base: Travelers (n=746)

## **Activities Travelers Planning to Do on Next Leisure Trip**

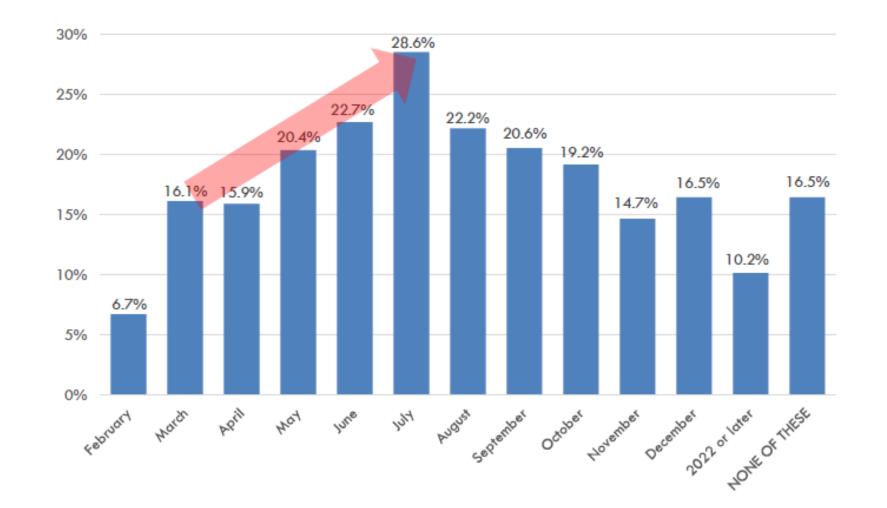




# **MONTHS OF EXPECTED LEISURE TRIPS IN 2021**

Question: Even if only tentatively scheduled, in which months do you currently plan to take any leisure trips? (Select all that apply)

(Base: Waves 50 data. All respondents, 1,210 completed surveys. Data collected February 19-21, 2021)





# ONE WORD THAT DESCRIBES TRAVEL RIGHT NOW

Question: What one word best describes how you feel about travel right now?

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### 2021 Smith Travel Research Report Measures

	EC Region Actuals	EC Region YOY Comparison	Golds- boro Actuals	Golds- boro YOY Comparison	Beaufort County Actuals	Beaufort County YOY Comparison	New Bern Actuals	New Bern YOY Comparison	Middle OBX Actuals	Middle OBX YOY Comparison	Suffolk, VA Actuals	Suffolk, VA YOY Comparison	NC – Entire State YOY Comparison	NC – Northeast Region YOY Comparison
<u>Month To Date – January 2021</u>														
Occupancy	50.2%	+14.3% from Jan '20	41.4%	-11.3%	32.5%	-8.9%	44.5%	-34.0%	26.4%	+0.9%	49.2%	+9.5%		
ADR	\$76.06	-4.9%	\$78.79	-3.6%	\$68.96	-6.1%	\$90.15	-10.8%	\$101.57	+11.7%	\$74.79	-7.0%		
RevPAR	\$38.20	+8.6%	\$32.58	-14.5%	\$22.40	-14.5%	\$40.08	-41.1%	\$26.79	+12.8%	\$36.79	+1.8%		
						<u>Ye</u>	ear to Date -	<u>- 2021</u>						
Occupancy														
ADR														
RevPAR														

EC Region includes: 7 out of 7 properties; total rooms: 541/541

Goldsboro includes: 12 out of 16 properties; total rooms: 1042/1176

Beaufort County includes: 7 out of 9 properties; total rooms: 471/548

<u>Northeast Region includes</u>: Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington, Wilson

New Bern includes: 8 out of 9 properties; total rooms: 735/800

<u>Middle OBX includes</u>: 6 out of 9 properties; total rooms: 687/786; (Kitty Hawk, Duck, Nags Head)

Suffolk, VA includes: 10/13 properties; total rooms: 934/1029

<u>ADR=</u> Average Daily Rate <u>RevPAR=</u> Revenue Per Available Room



# Marketing & Project Updates

## Wayfinding Progress Updates:

- Sign Fabrication RFP published 01/29/2021
- Proposals Due 03/01/2021
- Wayfinding Committee will review and discuss proposals mid-March
- Wayfinding Committee will present recommendation for sign fabrication partner end of March







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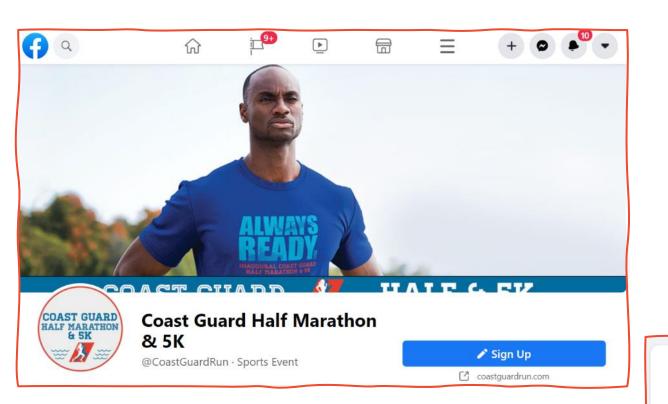


# CoastGuardRun.com – Launched 01/21/2021





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Last 28 days : Jan 27 - Feb 23 🕶	
People Reached	<b>103,672</b> 1177%
Post Engagements	<b>9,328</b> 1405%
Page Likes	<b>544</b> • 455%
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Stacy Sikole Dana Roscoe run this with me next year! Elizabeth City, NC!

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Coast Guard Half Marathon & 5K Stacy Sikole Definitely!
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Dana Roscoe Stacy Sikole ohhhhh yes!!!! Let's do it

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#### Michelle Macdonald

We are running on Oahu this year... see you next year in person!!

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Coast Guard Half Marathon & 5K Michelle Macdonald That's so awesome! Please send some pictures of your run!

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Michelle Macdonald Coast Guard Half Marathon & 5K will do!!

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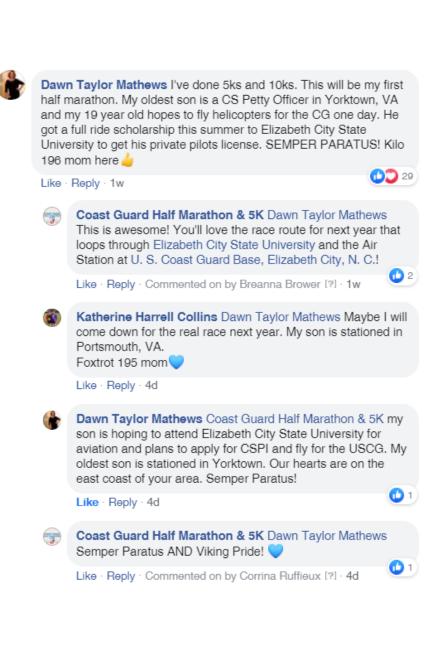
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Amy Wolfe Hickman Jimmy Hickman III trip to NC next year?

Coast Guard Half Marathon & 5K Amy Wolfe Hickman We vote yes!

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# Don't Become a Coaster, Get Up and Run With the U.S. Coast Guard Virtually











Registrations in all 50 States, 10 Countries and 4 Continents







# March 5, 2022

# Add a Coast Guard related charity



# Second Annual Coast Guard Run



**Sister Event Collaboration** 





# **Old Business**



June 26, 2021 Waterfront Park Elizabeth City, NC



# New Business

## **PLANNING FOR 2021-2022**

## Publish 2 RFPs – one for Public Relations and one for Advertising

### **PROPOSED TIMELINE**

- February 26, 2021 **RFPs** published
- March 31, 2021
- Proposals due
- Week of April 12, 2021
- Marketing Committee interviews finalists
- April 22, 2021 **Recommendation on**
- July 1, 2021
- agency(s) to hire made to full BOD
- Contract begins





A collaborative initiative has been established between the tourism departments in **Camden**, **Chowan**, **Currituck**, **Dare** and **Pasquotank** counties to raise awareness of and appreciation for the profound significance of northeast North Carolina's African American sites.

**VISION STATEMENT:** The African American Experience of Northeast North Carolina celebrates the contributions of African Americans and encourages a deeper understanding of the significance of the region's cultural heritage in order to build more inclusive communities.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** To inspire exploration and appreciation for The African American Experience of Northeast North Carolina and ultimately drive cultural tourism and economic impact.





Thank you!