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UVI RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY PARK

Established in 2002 under Title 17, the RTPark is an autonomous public corporation created to drive innovation and economic growth in partnership with UVI and the private sector

- **Diversify the USVI economy** by attracting tech and knowledge-based companies and new investment.
- **Strengthen UVI** through research partnerships, real-world learning, and expanded student opportunities.



BUSINESS ATTRACTION

Business attraction at the RTPark focuses on attracting high-impact tech and knowledge-based companies to the USVI, strengthening the territory's innovation ecosystem while increasing revenue for both the RTPark and UVI.

\$3.4 MILLION

CONTRIBUTION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS IN FISCAL YEAR 2025

6 NEW COMPANIES IN FY2025

- Venture Investment & Advising (2)
- Blockchain
- Healthcare
- Defense Consulting
- Financial Services



Client Breakdown by Island



PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS.

Every student we mentor represents the next chapter of the Virgin Islands' economic story. By connecting emerging talent with real-world experience, the Professional Pathways Program bridges the gap between classroom learning and career readiness.

17

UVI STUDENTS COMPLETED THE INAUGURAL PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS PROGRAM

11

UVI STUDENTS PLACED IN UVI RTPARK CLIENT INTERNSHIPS

COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
WORKFORCE & UPSKILLING.



BUILDING JOBS IN THE INNOVATION ECONOMY.

Across the RTPark ecosystem, companies are building teams and engaging local freelancers, students, and professionals. These workforce numbers highlight how innovation-driven businesses are creating new ways for Virgin Islanders to earn, learn, and grow.

STEM & YOUTH ENGAGEMENT



INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF INNOVATORS

Through the STEM Enrichment Program, UVI RTPark is transforming classrooms across the Virgin Islands into centers of discovery, giving students hands-on access to the tools, mentors, and inspiration that spark innovation.

WE IMPACTED

775

USVI STUDENTS

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS



● Community Event ● STEAM Day ● Summer ● Afterschool

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION BY COMPONENT FOR FY 2025



BUILDING COMMUNITY.

Community education and networking programs like Tech Together and Tech Tuesday have become anchors of innovation, creating spaces where learning, connection, and collaboration fuel the growth of a tech-driven Virgin Islands.

TECH TOGETHER **43**

PEOPLE ATTENDED OUR INAUGURAL TECH TOGETHER UPSKILLING SERIES: *HOW TO BUILD YOUR BRAND WITH LINKEDIN*

TECH TUESDAYS

006 EVENTS

140 PARTICIPANTS

017 UVI RTPARK COMPANIES ENGAGED

ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

The UVI RTPark supports entrepreneurship and empowers Virgin Islanders to turn ideas into impact—creating opportunities that start locally and reach far beyond our shores.

\$5M+

RAISED FOR OUR ACCELERATE VI FOUNDERS

\$10M+

GENERATED REVENUE



INCUBATOR
REOPENED FOR FY26



ENTREPRENEURSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Steve Lowe, Founder of EstateShield VI, a graduate of RTPark's incubator program, exemplifies the power of community-rooted innovation.

120

Families Served

\$150M

Local Wealth Protected

\$500K

Revenue Generated

64 WEST

KINGSHILL | ST. CROIX, USVI

38
EVENTS

1639
ATTENDEES



ACCELERATE VI
COWORKING SPACE

32 CONFERENCE ROOM EVENTS

10 MONTHLY MEMBERS

21 DAY AND WEEK PASSES SOLD



Flexible & Functional Spaces
From professional conferences to community workshops, our spaces adapt to meet the needs of diverse events.



Cutting-Edge Technology

Enjoy seamless hybrid meetings with built-in Zoom functionality, robust audio systems, and dual 98" flat-panel monitors.



Dedicated Support Team

Our Event Support Facilitators ensure your event runs smoothly, providing setup and on-site assistance.



DEDICATED DESKS



HOT DESKS



CONFERENCE ROOMS



LOCKERS/MAILBOX



PHONE BOOTHS

It has provided a base of operations that is both functional and affordable while also allowing the convenience of instant scalability. The upscale atmosphere and meeting rooms provide lasting impressions when meeting clients and the staff, especially Kedisha, are always friendly and helpful.

UNIVERSITY & RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

- **S.P.A.R.K. Initiative**
 - **Solar Farm & Teaching Array** (Living Lab)
 - **Workforce Development**
 - Renewable Energy Technology Degree
 - **Resilient UVI Project:** Including energy audits and monitoring systems
- **Marine Science Research:** Sargassum, ocean plastics, gliders
- **EPIC Grant:** RTPark on advisory board
- **TMCF & EPSCOR** grant support

POLICY RESEARCH

- **Remote Worker Bill:** Tax revenue generation + talent attraction/retention strategies
- **Title 17 Reform:** Transparent, competitive incentives
- **SBA Parity Proposal:** "Covered Territory Business" category

SUSTAINABILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE

- **Solar Farm:** 100% complete
- **EV Chargers:** \$397,500 investment in partnership with the Virgin Islands Energy Office
- **VIDE MOA:** \$311,500 for youth STEM



GET CONNECTED WITH THE UVI RTPARK

*In FY25 the UVI RTPark piloted, proved, and prepared.
FY26 will be the year we scale —ensuring every Virgin Islander has access to
opportunity in a resilient, innovation-driven economy.*



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