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Fuquay-Varina Economic Development Commission and Fuquay-Varina Chamber hold First *Breakfast with a Prime* Outside of Fayetteville

The *Breakfast with a Prime* series is one of the most popular events held by the North Carolina Defense Business Association. The event is designed to bring together businesses that currently have federal contracts or those who would like to start working with defense contractors and allow them the opportunity to present, network and gain a mutual understanding of the benefit from working together and possibly teaming to win additional contracts.

On July 13, the event was co-hosted by the Fuquay-Varina Economic Development Commission and the Fuquay-Varina Chamber of Commerce. This was the first time that the event was held outside of Fayetteville and was touted as a huge success. The event was attended by more than 50 defense and local industry representatives. The Prime contractor for the event was USfalcon. USfalcon is headquartered in Morrisville and is one of the Triangle's largest defense contractors.

Joy Thrash, Executive Director of the North Carolina Defense Business Association had this to say about the first remote event, "The *Breakfast with a Prime* event hosted by USfalcon and held in Fuquay-Varina was a true example of how organizations can come together for a common goal of building the defense industry in North Carolina. The successful partnering of the Fuquay-Varina Economic Development, Fuquay Chamber of Commerce and the North Carolina Defense Business Association brought together companies from across the state that are working in the defense industry. These companies take it to heart that they are providing products and services that support the military and help the men and women who protect our country. The *Breakfast with a Prime* events are networking at its best!"

Fuquay-Varina Chamber of Commerce Executive Tommy Broadwell was also extremely happy with the networking aspect of the event. "The Prime Breakfast was a golden opportunity to invite people in the defense industry in the surrounding area to showcase Fuquay-Varina."

James Sauls, Director of Fuquay-Varina Economic Development, said "This event is very important to our community and the region because it showcases our defense industry. Fuquay-Varina is

perfectly positioned to recruit defense and federal contactors due to the Town's close proximity to the military bases and the research universities in the Triangle."

ABOUT THE NCDDBA

The NCDDBA is a state-wide professional membership organization for businesses that operate in the defense industry either as Prime DoD Contractor, a sub on a DoD contract or a vendor that offers products or services to support DoD contractors. The NCDDBA consists of defense contractors, community and business leaders from across the state as well as military leadership. It is an organization that focuses on improving the economic environment to enhance businesses opportunities within the state. It is designed to work in association with Chambers of Commerce, Economic Developers, Universities, Community Colleges and other organizations that working to build the defense industry in North Carolina. The NCDDBA provides information to enhance defense and homeland security contracting capability, a variety of events for business to business networking, and connections to resources that can help business expand. Membership in the NCDDBA allows you to participate in luncheons, workshops, business to business networking breakfasts and networking socials throughout the year. You may also visit the web site at www.ncdba.com for more information.

ABOUT the Fuquay-Varina Economic Development Commission (FVEDC)

The FVEDC provides economic development leadership to retain, expand and attract quality jobs, businesses, industries and investment in the Fuquay-Varina area for the benefit of its residents. The FVEDC identifies, targets, recruits and retains businesses and industries in the Town of Fuquay-Varina.

ABOUT the Fuquay-Varina Chamber of Commerce

The Fuquay-Varina Area Chamber of Commerce provides leadership, promotes quality economic growth and serves the community in an effort to nurture the quality of life and enhance the prosperity of existing business in the Fuquay-Varina area, while providing a foundation for future development.