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Prospective Retirees Engaged in Pre-Transition Session

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Prospective retirees from the Public Service recently completed a retirement information session with the Virgin Island Public Service Learning Institute. The

session forms part of the RetireReady programme, the newly redesigned programme aimed at streamlining the retirement process to increase efficiency and ease for transitioning public officers.

The sessions were held from 27th-29th May, 2026 and focused on providing participants with practical information, resources and guidance to support an informed transition from active service. Attendees heard presentations from persons across the public and private sector, who shared valuable information on financial planning, retirement benefits, personal wellbeing and post-retirement engagement.

Deputy Governor of The Virgin Islands, Mr. David D. Archer Jr., delivered remarks during the seminar, commending participants for their years of dedicated service and contributions to the Virgin Islands Public Service. The Deputy Governor also highlighted that as persons prepare for retirement, they have a responsibility to leave behind a system with individuals who are equipped with the knowledge and skills that they may have acquired over the years.

Representatives from the Department of Human Resources also delivered comprehensive presentations outlining the retirement application process, pension entitlements, and key administrative requirements, as well as the importance of maintaining purpose, personal fulfilment, mental wellbeing during retirement.

Presentations from the British Virgin Islands Health Services Authority (BVIHSA) emphasised the importance of maintaining physical and mental health throughout retirement and adopting healthy lifestyle practices that support long-term wellbeing. Participants were also given practical guidance on social security and pensions benefits available to retiring
public officers, as well as strategies for savings and investment management, aiming to increase understanding of financial planning considerations for retirement.

The Government of the Virgin Islands remains committed to supporting public officers throughout every stage of their professional journey by providing

meaningful learning opportunities, resources and guidance that promote lifelong engagement in the betterment of the Virgin Islands community.

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