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Construction Topping Out Ceremony for Ashburn Recreation and Community Center April 25

Loudoun County invites members of the public to attend a topping out ceremony for the Ashburn Recreation and Community Center, on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. The ceremony—a tradition in construction—symbolizes the completion of structural steel installation, which is marked by invited guests signing the final steel beam that is then placed into the structure. The event will take place at the end of Van Metre Drive near the Ashburn Recreation Center construction site in Ashburn.

Members of the Board of Supervisors and representatives of the Department of Transportation and Capital Infrastructure, which is building the facility, and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS), which will manage the facility when construction is completed, will be on hand for the celebration and to sign the steel beam.

The project will construct a 117,000-square-foot recreation and community center on Broadlands Boulevard, west of the intersection with Claiborne Parkway. The two-story facility will feature a 50-meter competition pool with spectator seating, leisure pool, spa, full-size gymnasium, large fitness area, running track, soft sensory playroom, multipurpose room with a catering and teaching kitchen, classrooms, offices and meeting spaces.

The gymnasium will be the largest in the county's PRCS system and will include game line markings for basketball, volleyball and pickleball courts. Outside, the center will include a multiuse trail around the property, a large courtyard with seating, a splash play area and playground equipment. Construction is currently estimated for completion in summer 2025.

More information, including a link to sign up for updates on the project, can be found on the <u>project page</u> on the Loudoun County website.