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New Loudoun County General District Courthouse Opens on October 31

Loudoun County's new General District Courthouse will open to the public on Tuesday, October 31, 2023. The new courthouse is located at **2 Church Street NE in Leesburg**, adjacent to the existing courthouse, which remains open. The Loudoun County Courthouse Complex is now comprised of three courthouses: the Loudoun County General District Courthouse, the Loudoun County Courthouse and the historic Charles Hamilton Houston Courthouse.

With the opening of the new courthouse, which was celebrated at a Wednesday evening ribbon cutting, several courts and judicial services are moving. The General District Court, Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney and Department of Community Corrections are currently in the process of moving into the new courthouse.

The Loudoun County Courthouse, located at 18 E. Market Street in Leesburg, will continue to house the Circuit Court, Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Juvenile Court Service Unit and the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Up-to-date information regarding all courts and judicial services will be posted on the county's website by the time the new building opens on October 31 at loudoun.gov/courts.

Facility Closures

The Department of Community Corrections' Leesburg operations will be consolidated into the new General District Courthouse, located on the lower level of the building with operations at its current Leesburg locations closing permanently. The department's Probation Services located at 107 Loudoun Street SE in Leesburg will close to the public permanently on Friday, October 27; and the department's Pretrial Services located at 209 Gibson St. NW in Leesburg will close to the public permanently on Monday, October 30. More information about the department is posted at loudoun.gov/communitycorrections.

The Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney also will now be located within the new General District Courthouse. This new, primary office is where staff will interact with members of the public. The existing location of the Commonwealth's Attorney in the historic Valley Bank Building at 20 E. Market St. in Leesburg will also close to the public permanently at 5:00 p.m. on October 30. The building will be renovated for future use. More information about the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney is posted at loudoun.gov/commonwealthsattorney.

Plan Your Trip to the Courthouse Complex

All visitors to the courthouse complex should pay close attention to the building in which their business is located. To ensure you arrive on time for court and other appointments, all visitors are encouraged to allow ample time to locate the courthouse, park, make your way from the parking

area to the courthouse, and pass through security screening. Detailed information about planning your visit to the courthouse is posted online at loudoun.gov/courthouse.

- **Court Services:**
 - The public can verify their court date and time on the state's website at vacourts.gov.
- **Accommodations Requests:**
 - Visitors can request accommodations or auxiliary services by contacting the county's ADA Coordinator at 571-258-3282 (TTY 711) or [by email](#).
- **Parking:**
 - Free public parking is available at the Pennington Lot and Pennington Garage, located at 210 Church Street NE in Leesburg.
 - The courthouse is located approximately 3 blocks away from the Pennington Lot and Garage.
 - Free shuttle service to and from the Pennington Lot and Garage and the Courthouse Complex is currently available weekdays.
 - In addition to the accessible parking located at the Pennington Lot and Garage, accessible parking for the Courthouse Complex is available at the Semones Parking Lot, which is located at the intersection of North Street NE and Cornwall Street NE in Leesburg.
- **Security Screening:**
 - Visitors who enter any courthouse are required to pass through security screening, which is operated by the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office.
 - Cameras, including cell phones with a built-in camera, laptops, tablets, smartwatches, etc. are **prohibited** in the courthouse. Weapons are also prohibited.
 - More information about courthouse security screening is posted on the county's website at loudoun.gov/courthouse.

About the Courts Complex Expansion Project

The opening of the new General District Courthouse is part of the Courts Complex Expansion project that includes the design and construction of the new 92,000-square-foot courthouse and renovation of existing courts facilities. The project has also created new parking facilities, including the Pennington Garage and accessible parking at the Semones Lot in Leesburg.

The next phase of the Courts Complex Expansion project includes the renovation of the existing Loudoun County Courthouse and the historic Valley Bank building. Design work for this phase is ongoing.

For more information about the expansion project and to sign up for email and text updates on the project, visit loudoun.gov/courts-expansion.



From left: Members of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors join with other officials at the ceremonial ribbon cutting for the new Loudoun County General District Courthouse, pictured at right.

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