



Chair **Phyllis J. Randall** Newsletter



Hello Loudoun:

Happy November! Last month was a busy month! There is a lot to catch you up on, and many upcoming events to inform you about.

Election Day is Tomorrow November 7th!

Polling locations and other information may have changed since last election. Be sure to check out your updated voting information at the Loudoun County Office of Elections [HERE](#).

Keep in mind, you can always tune in to our Board of Supervisors meetings, Public Hearings, and Zoning Ordinance Rewrite Work Sessions [HERE](#).

New Loudoun County General District Courthouse

**On October 31st, Loudoun County's new General District
Courthouse opened to the public.**

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.





Leesburg Halloween Parade





Final Zoning Ordinance Rewrite Work Session

Supervisors Complete Review of Draft Zoning Ordinance



Supervisors will hold a public hearing on the final version of the ordinance proposed for adoption December 13, 2023.

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Board of Supervisors Completes Review of Draft Zoning Ordinance; Public Hearing Scheduled Dec. 13

During a final work session on the Zoning Ordinance Rewrite project October 30, 2023, the Board of Supervisors completed its review of the Draft Zoning Ordinance that was sent to them by the Planning Commission in July. The Board held eight work sessions in September and October and passed more than 150 motions to edit the ordinance text and proposed regulations. The Board's final version of the ordinance will now be prepared for a public hearing in December.

Next Steps

In the coming weeks, all of the edits to the Draft Zoning Ordinance that were approved by the Board will be incorporated to produce a final Zoning Ordinance. The final version of the ordinance will be available for the public to review prior to the upcoming public hearing and will be posted on the county's website when available.

The public hearing will also be publicly advertised in November in accordance with Virginia law.

The Board of Supervisors may vote to adopt the new Zoning Ordinance following public input at the December 13 public hearing.

Once adopted, the new ordinance will replace the current ordinance, the Revised 1993 Zoning Ordinance.

Public Hearing Dec. 13

The Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held in the Board Room at the Loudoun County Government Center located at 1 Harrison Street SE in Leesburg.

Members of the public can sign up in advance to speak to the Board in person or by phone regarding the proposed new Zoning Ordinance. Instructions for signing up to speak are posted on the county's website at loudoun.gov/signuptospeak.

Submit Comments to the Board of Supervisors

Members of the public may provide input to the Board of Supervisors regarding the proposed Zoning Ordinance any time through [this online comment form](#). Anyone who does not have access to the internet may call 703-777-0246 to submit comments.

Watch the Public Hearing

The Board's December 13 public hearing will be televised on the county's cable channel, Comcast Government Channel 23 and Verizon FIOS 40, and livestreamed online at loudoun.gov/meetings.

About the Zoning Ordinance

The zoning ordinance regulates land use throughout the county and is the primary implementation tool for the Loudoun County 2019 Comprehensive Plan, a policy document that provides guidance for elected officials and other governmental decision-makers as to where and how the community will grow over many years. An update to the zoning ordinance is necessary following adoption of the Comprehensive Plan in 2019. The new zoning ordinance is

intended to be more modern and user-friendly, with new regulations that reflect the land use policies in the Comprehensive Plan.

More Information

Detailed information about the Zoning Ordinance Rewrite project, including a history of the process and a link to sign up for email and text updates on the project, is available on the county's website at loudoun.gov/zoningordinancerewrite.

LC-CFRS Coat Drive



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The Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System and the Loudoun Career Firefighters Association have once again partnered with One Warm Coat and Mobile Hope Loudoun during this year's annual coat drive.

Drop off items at any of our Fire and Rescue stations, including Headquarters in Leesburg from **Wednesday, November 1 - Sunday, December 10, 2023.**

- ✓ Collect new or gently used and clean coats, jackets, scarves, winter hats, gloves, and mittens.
- ✓ All donated items will be given to Mobile Hope Loudoun for distribution to local community members in need.

Those wishing to make a monetary donation can scan the QR code and donate online through the Mobile Hope website.



DONATE NOW!



The General Election is November 7th

Six Things to Know November 7, 2023, General Election

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| 1. Know When to Vote | 4. Know What's on the Ballot |
| 2. Know Where to Vote | 5. Know Who Can Vote |
| 3. Bring Acceptable ID | 6. Stay Informed |

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Find more information:
loudoun.gov/NovemberElection



Loudoun County voters will go to the polls Tuesday, November 7, 2023, for a general election. Loudoun election officials remind voters of six key things to know ahead of the election.

1. Know When to Vote

- Polls in Loudoun County will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 7, 2023.
- Early voting continues in Loudoun through Saturday, November 4. Locations and hours for early voting are online at loudoun.gov/VoteEarly.
- Completed absentee ballots may be returned by mail (postmarked no later than November 7) or dropped off at the 24/7 drop box at the Office of Elections and Voter Registration, 750 Miller Drive SE, Suite 150, Leesburg, or at early voting sites.

- Voters may also drop off their ballots at any polling place up to 7:00 p.m. on November 7.

2. Know Where to Vote

- Loudoun County's new election districts, which were created as part of the redistricting process following the 2020 U.S. census, are in effect for the general election as they were for the June primary election. Earlier this year, voters received notices by mail from the Office of Elections and Voter Registration indicating their precinct and polling information. Election officials ask that voters check the notice for their voting location.
- Note that voters in Precinct 307 – Middleburg will return to voting at the Middleburg Town Hall, 10 W. Market St., now that construction of the new facility is complete.
- Note that some voters in Precinct 713- Carter will be voting at Precinct 714- Rock Ridge for this election. Voters have received a voter notice with this information.

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Anyone who is not sure about where to vote may check their voter registration card or look up their polling place and related information online at vote.elections.virginia.gov. A list of polling places in Loudoun is available at loudoun.gov/polls. Also, curbside voting is available at all polling places for individuals who have mobility issues.

3. Bring Identification

Voters will be asked to show an acceptable form of identification, such as a Virginia DMV-issued driver's license. Voters who do not have an acceptable form of ID can sign an ID statement affirming their identity and they will be able to vote a regular ballot.

4. Know What's on the Ballot

Offices on the November 7, 2023, general election ballot in Loudoun County include the Board of Supervisors, School Board, Virginia House and Senate, Constitutional Officers, Mayor and

Town Council in Middleburg and Round Hill, Town Council seats in Hamilton, Lovettsville and Purcellville, and Soil and Water Conservation Director-Loudoun District. There are also three ballot questions involving the issuing of bonds for parks and recreation, public safety, school and transportation projects. Links to sample ballots are online at loudoun.gov/SampleBallots.

5. Know About Provisional Ballots

Virginia has what is referred to as Same Day Voter Registration, which allows voters to register and vote a provisional ballot after the deadline to register and vote a non-provisional ballot has passed, up to and including Election Day. Provisional ballots are used by voters who do not appear on the list of registered voters at their polling location. Provisional ballots are not processed by a vote counting machine at the time of voting; they are subject to approval by the local electoral board.

6. Stay Informed

- Text LCVOTES to 888777 to receive text alerts from the Loudoun County Office of Elections and Voter Registration or sign up for the Election Update category through Alert Loudoun, the county's email and text notification system.
- Follow the Office of Elections and Voter Registration on Facebook and Twitter. Loudoun County Government also posts general information on Facebook and Twitter.
- Get election results: Preliminary results of voting in Loudoun County in the November 7 election will be available following the closing of the polls on election night at loudoun.gov/ElectionResults.

More information about voting in the upcoming election in Loudoun County is online at loudoun.gov/NovemberElection.

76th Annual Toys for Tots Campaign



TOYS FOR TOTS



The Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System and the Loudoun Career Firefighters Association are pleased to announce their participation in the 76th annual Toys for Tots Campaign.



Accepting new, unwrapped toy donations to benefit a child in need from

**Wednesday, November 1 –
Wednesday, December 6, 2023**

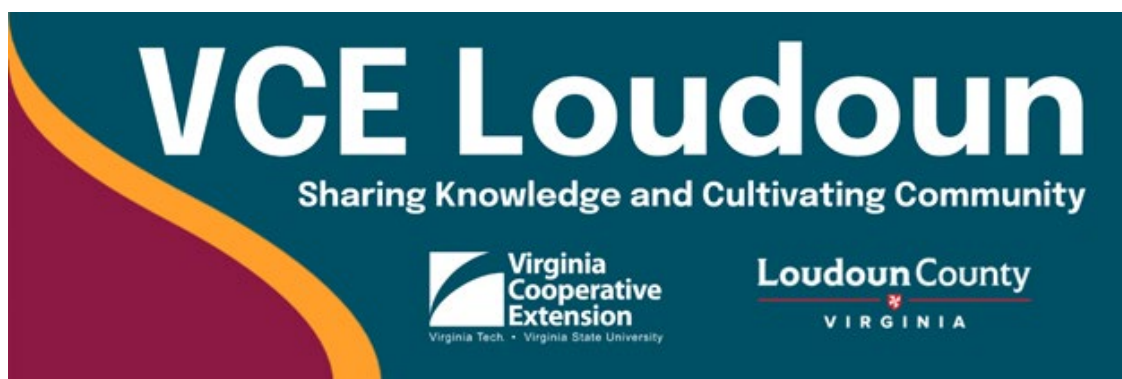
Donations can be dropped off at any of our Fire and Rescue stations throughout Loudoun County, including the Training Academy and Headquarters in Leesburg.

If you would prefer to donate online, visit the local Loudoun County Toys for Tots webpage.



**For more information, contact the LC-CFRS Toys for Tots Coordinator:
Technician Rob Boyer (571-258-3723 or rob.boyer@loudoun.gov)**

Events



Upcoming Events:

- Companion Planting, The Beauty and the Bullies: A Crop by Crop Review – Thursday, November 2 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training – Wednesday, November 8 & Thursday, November 9 @ 1:00 p.m.
- ServSafe para Gerentes/ServSafe for Managers – Monday, November 13 @ 9:00 a.m.
- Sparking a Love of Local Food and Farming: Classrooms, Early Care Sites, and Summer Programs – Tuesday, November 14 @ 2:00 p.m.

Announcements:

- VCE Loudoun 4-H'ers Selected as Finalists for National 4-H Award

Upcoming Events:

Companion Planting, The Beauty and the Bullies: A Crop by Crop Review

Ever wonder why some plants grow well together, and some plants don't? Learn the ins and outs of companion planting with Master Gardener Katie Conaway! She will provide an overview of how different plants relate to one another, including how garden bullies can come into play in the companion planted garden.

Thursday, November 2 • 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. • Virtual Event •
[Learn More](#) • [Sign up for Event Announcements](#) • [Log in](#)
(Password: LCPL)

Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training

From beginners to experienced growers, everyone can benefit from taking the time to think about food safety on their farm! Learn about best practices and regulatory requirements as noted by the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule. Participants will receive the AFDO Certificate and training manual.

Wednesday, November 8 & Thursday, November 9 • 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. • \$35 • Virtual Event • [Register for PSA Grower Training by October 27th](#)

ServSafe para Gerentes/ ServSafe for Managers in Spanish

Are you in the food service industry and interested in becoming ServSafe Certified? VCE Loudoun is offering a Spanish-language ServSafe Manager Certification Training. Learn about sanitation, food storage, safety regulations, pest control, and safe food handling practices. The fee includes the class, textbook, & certification exam.

¿Está usted en la industria de servicios de alimentos y está interesado en obtener la certificación ServSafe? VCE Loudoun está ofreciendo un entrenamiento de Certificación ServSafe para Gerentes. Aprende sobre saneamiento, almacenamiento de alimentos, regulaciones de seguridad, control de plagas y prácticas seguras de manipulación de alimentos. El costo incluye la clase, el libro de texto, y el examen.

Lunes, 13 de Noviembre • 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. • \$160 • 750 Miller Dr. SE, Leesburg, VA, 20175 • [Inscríbase en línea](#) / [Sign Up Online](#)

Sparkling a Love of Local Food and Farming: Classrooms, Early Care Sites, and Summer Programs

Part of the Virginia Farm to School Toolkit Webinar Series

This webinar will focus on how farm to school programming spans schools, early care sites, afterschool programs, and summer programs in fun and interactive ways so students gain food literacy while pursuing scholastic goals and serving their community.

Tuesday, November 14 • 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. • [Register for virtual event](#)

Announcements:

VCE Loudoun 4-H'ers Selected as Finalists for National 4-H Award

On October 1, the National 4-H Council announced that two Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) Loudoun 4-H members, Kashvi Ramani and Pranav Kalidindi, are among the twelve finalists selected for the 2024 National 4-H Youth in Action award. Pranav Kalidindi is being recognized for his commitment to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) innovation and sparking change in his community. Kashvi Ramani is being recognized for her efforts to build a diverse and inclusive world through tools of self-expression. The [4-H Youth in Action Awards](#) recognize 4-H'ers who have overcome challenges and used the knowledge they gained in 4-H to create a lasting impact in their community.

[VCE Loudoun 4-H'ers Selected as Finalists for National 4-H Award](#)

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