

# Dulles Direct Newsletter October 2014

Happy Halloween and welcome to the October edition of the Dulles Direct Newsletter. We've had a month of celebrations in the Dulles District, with opening ceremonies for Cardinal Ridge Elementary School and Rock Ridge High School, and many of our residents celebrating the Indian holiday of Diwali. Yesterday, we finished the month by celebrating the "top off" of StoneSprings Hospital Center—the final beam was placed on the top, signed by County and HCA leaders.

I have the pleasure of speaking to three HOA's in November. If you live in one of those communities, I hope to see you there. On November 13, I'll be addressing the East Gate HOA (7:00 pm, East Gate Clubhouse), on the 18th, the Stone Ridge Annual Meeting (7:00 pm, Mercer MS), and on the 19th, Loudoun Valley Estates III Annual Meeting (7:00 pm, Rock Ridge HS).

Here are some other updates about County and Dulles District issues, including transportation projects like the Braddock-Pleasant Valley roundabout, and an emergency request from the School Board for health insurance funds.

## **2014 ELECTION**

On Tuesday, November 4, Virginians will go to the polls to vote for elected officials in the United States Senate and the House of Representatives and one Commonwealth of Virginia Constitutional amendment. This state constitutional amendment would eliminate real estate taxes on homes of spouses of any service member who was 'Killed in Action.' The spouse can continue to claim the exemption so long as they do not remarry and continue to occupy their home as their principal residence. This proposed amendment was introduced by Delegate David Ramadan. In Loudoun County, there will also be three bond referendum questions. You will be asked to vote yes or no on the County issuing general obligation bonds to pay for capital

expenditures. One question directly impacts schools in the Dulles District, so I would like to take the opportunity to briefly explain them to you.

## **Public Safety**

QUESTION: Shall the County of Loudoun, Virginia contract a debt and issue its general obligation capital improvement bonds in the maximum amount of \$34,690,000 to finance in whole or in part, the cost to design and construct an animal shelter located in the Town of Leesburg or east of Route 15; the cost to acquire fire and rescue apparatus; the cost to acquire land for Sterling Park Rescue Squad and the Sterling Volunteer Fire Departments replacement station and to design, construct and equip that replacement station; and other public safety facilities throughout the County?

The current Animal Shelter is located in Waterford and is very outdated. Although a final site has not been selected, the new location will be more centrally located in the County.

# Parks, Recreation and Library Projects

QUESTION: Shall the County of Loudoun, Virginia contract a debt and issue its general obligation capital improvement bonds in the maximum amount of \$10,935,000 to finance in whole or in part, the costs to relocate, expand and equip Sterling Library; the costs to renovate and equip Sterling Community Center; and other public park, recreational and library facilities throughout the County?

These projects have been under for discussion several years, and are the result of a very fiscally prudent plan to reconfigure Sterling-area public services. While it may be hard to believe given how new much of the County is, the facilities in Sterling are quite old and have been outgrown.

# **School Projects**

QUESTION: Shall the County of Loudoun, Virginia contract a debt and issue its general obligation and capital improvement bonds in the maximum amount of \$162,900,000 to finance in whole or in part, the costs to design, construct and equip ES-27, Dulles North Elementary School; the costs to design, construct and equip MS-9, Dulles North Middle School; the cost to design, construct and equip the Advanced Technology Academy and other public school facilities throughout the County?

As you may recall from my discussion on this item a few months ago, I did not support combining the Academies of Loudoun project with the others. The other Dulles North schools on the ballot are badly needed to relieve overcrowding in existing schools. The Academies project would be an enhancement of our offerings. While I don't necessarily support the School Board's concept of having rotating attendance in the new facility (I would rather see single, all day enrollment like at Thomas Jefferson,) I do support construction of this new school. Loudoun County has more than enough high achieving students to support our own facility, and the opportunities with this type of school will benefit the entire system. However, I thought voters should have been able to weigh in on these projects separately.

For general election information, including a list of races on the ballot and the full bond referendum questions, please visit the Loudoun County Electoral Board website <a href="here">here</a>. If you are unsure of your polling place, you can look it up <a href="here">here</a>. Virginia law now requires all voters provide an acceptable form of photo identification (photo ID) to cast your ballot. Click <a href="here">here</a> for a list of acceptable forms of photo ID.

## SCHOOL HEALTHCARE DEFICIT

This week, the Loudoun County School Board voted (6-3) to request \$12.5 Million in order to cover a deficit in their health care fund. The school health care fund ran a deficit of \$11 million in FY13 and \$3 million so far in FY14.

In making the request, the School Board referenced action taken in FY2010 by the Board of Supervisors to reclaim \$12.5 million in surplus funding from the LCPS insurance account. I wasn't serving on the Board of Supervisors at that time—in fact, for those who view these things through a partisan prism—which they shouldn't—that Board was controlled by the Democratic party. In any event, I have received a lengthy briefing by the County Administrator on exactly what happened back then, and I think it has nothing to do with the current situation and shouldn't be tied to it. In FY2010 (calendar year 2009), the housing market had fallen and so had County revenues. The Board of Supervisors was dealing with an overall projected year end deficit. As I've said many times, we're not the federal government and we can't have deficits, so they were forced to take corrective action. As part of that, they instructed staff to sweep all accounts of any entity funded by the Board for surplus funds. Keep in mind, all these funds are taxpayer dollars, and they were appropriated by the Board of Supervisors in the first place. The code of Virginia specifically gives the Board of Supervisors the authority to reclaim unspent taxpayer funds.

At that time, the LCPS insurance plan had a \$12.5 million surplus—even above the contingency. Given that the employer contribution to those accounts were funded by the Board of Supervisors it was among the accounts that was swept.

In the current discussion, members of the School Board stated that the County did not up needing those funds because we didn't run a deficit. However, they are ignoring the fact that the reason they County didn't run a deficit is because the County Administrator was forced to lay off 86 employees. It was not a pleasant time.

Fast forwarding to today, the School Board's argument is that if the Board hadn't taken back the surplus 5 years ago, the account would not be running a deficit today. I suppose that's technically accurate, but it ignores the fact that corrective action should have been taken much sooner to ensure that the LCPS health insurance plan was funded. I don't believe the School Board was fully aware of the problems in this account.

The Board of Supervisors has been through a painful process on health insurance over the last few years. The cost of healthcare has been soaring, and we've had to adjust the health insurance plans of County employees to increase their contribution and deductible levels. We've had to do this every year I've been on the Board. The changes we've made are very consistent with what

I've seen personally in my own private sector health insurance plan and I'm sure similar to what most of you have experienced.

The School Board made adjustments last year for the first time. It remains to be seen exactly how much those adjustments will help keep the plan funded. It appears that the deficit is not actually \$12.5 million—but rather something less. Even after the School Board made adjustments, the LCPS plan is still significantly more generous than the plan that the rest of County employees receive. I've requested a detailed analysis of both plans so that they can be compared.

Going forward, the two Boards need to work together to make sure that the LCPS plan is fully funded. I can't in good conscience support transferring millions to LCPS solely so that they can maintain a plan that is more generous than the ones that our firefighters, Sheriff's deputies and other County employees receive. It isn't fair. So, hopefully we can have a productive dialogue and get both the immediate and long term issues addressed.

#### **CRIME/PUBLIC SAFETY**

#### Anti-Hindu Vandalism

I'm sure many of you are aware of the unfortunate incidents that have targeted members of the Indian community. The Board of Supervisors passed a resolution I offered at our October 1 meeting condemning in the strongest possible terms a series of crimes targeting the Hindu community with 18 instances of hateful graffiti that have occurred in Forest Manor and Brambleton over the past few weeks. On October 3, I attended a community meeting hosted by Delegate Ramadan and Commonwealth Attorney Plowman addressing the incidents. We heard from the Sheriff's Office and the FBI about the investigation and several Temple and civic groups contributed to the reward fund. The Board of Supervisors recently approved an additional award of \$5,000 and the Brambleton Group has donated another \$4,000 for a total award amount of \$25,000 leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect. Fortunately, since the community meeting, no further incidents have occurred. I certainly think the increased visibility on this issue has been helpful. The Brambleton Community Association has done a great job responding to these crimes and ensuring that all citizens feel welcome.

# **Ebola Preparedness**

Loudoun County has aggressively worked to be ready in the event of an Ebola related incident. As the home of one of four international gateways from West Africa (Washington Dulles International Airport), this is more than a theoretical discussion for us. Our personnel had a dry run of sorts on October 16, when Loudoun County Fire and Rescue transported an inmate with a low-grade fever from the Adult Detention Center (ADC) to Inova Lansdowne Hospital. The patient had arrived at Dulles from West Africa on October 13 and was arrested by Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority (MWAA) Police on an outstanding warrant charge in Maryland. The individual was transported to the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center (ADC) by MWAA Police.

As a precautionary measure, the inmate was immediately isolated and monitored at the ADC upon arrival. Medical staff at the ADC discovered mild illness symptoms on the morning of the 16th. Given the individual's travel history, a decision was made by the Loudoun County Health Director, the Sheriff, and the Fire and Rescue Chief to transport the inmate to Inova Loudoun Hospital. Protective measures were put in place and EMS transported the inmate to the ER. EMS personnel who transported the inmate followed protocol for potential Ebola exposure, as did the hospital itself. As it turned out, the patient's symptoms subsided and Ebola was ruled out a few hours later.

Nevertheless, it was good to see a well-coordinated response from our agencies. Our staff has worked diligently with the Centers for Disease Control, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and MWAA to be ready in case another situation like this one arises.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

## **Bull Run Post Office Road Paving Agreement Finalized**

In case you missed the Alert that went out earlier this month, the Board of Supervisors and VDOT have formally approved a plan that will pave Bull Run Post Office Road (BRPO) in Fiscal Year 2015. BRPO currently is seeing more than 1,000 vehicle trips a day. The section that will be paved is south of Braddock Road and .68 miles north of the Fairfax County line.

At our October 8 Public Hearing, the Board of Supervisors approved Loudoun's FY2015-FY2020 Secondary Road Six-Year Plan. Included in that plan is an additional \$1.5 million to pave BRPO to VDOT's Rural Rustic Road standard. \$989,000 has already been appropriated for this project. There is already \$120,000 in FY2015 Secondary Road funding and another \$300,000 has been requested through a different VDOT program to round out the total funding needed to pave the road.

The Rural Rustic Road standard allows qualifying roads to be paved at a significantly lower cost. The concept is to pave an existing unpaved road with a compacted or impervious surface on the same horizontal and vertical alignment as the prior gravel area. Since this is not total reconstruction, the paving should be accomplished in a shorter time frame.

The estimate for a "normal" paving project was in excess of \$8 million. While the Board had tentatively scheduled paving for BRPO in a previous six year plan, the General Assembly dramatically reduced Loudoun's allocation for unpaved road funds during their last session. It became necessary to pursue the Rural Rustic Road standards for unpaved roads in Loudoun as a result of these budget cuts—otherwise, there would be almost no chance of any improvements. Pave in place is not a perfect solution, but at least it will improve conditions. I receive frequent complaints and requests for maintenance for BRPO, particularly after rain and snow.

I also want to mention that Fleetwood Road between Route 50 and Evergreen Mills Road is also slated for paving in 2016. As of now, only FY2015 funds have actually been allocated, but Fleetwood is scheduled for funding in FY15 and FY16. This is also a much-needed improvement.

## **Board of Supervisors Compensation**

There has been some controversy over discussions the Board is having on compensation for the 2016-2020 Board. As always, I wish to provide you with factual information and will share my perspective. I will say at the onset that this particular topic is absolutely a lose-lose proposition for any elected body—especially this one. I will also say that based on what I've heard from other members of the Board, I don't think that the Board will end up making any change to salaries. But, in the interest of being completely transparent, here is the discussion:

In Loudoun, the Chairman of the Board is paid \$50,000, the Vice Chairman \$45,320, and a District Supervisor is paid \$41,200. A sitting Board of Supervisors cannot adjust its own pay, so the question the Board is considering is whether to adjust pay for the 2016-2020 Board of Supervisors. Historically, about 50% of Supervisors who chose to run for reelection are reelected (not a great ratio compared to most offices!), and of course some don't run for reelection.

Salaries were last raised in 2008. The Board of Supervisors is not eligible to receive any cost of living adjustments or other salary adjustments that are given to other County employees, so the salary has remained exactly the same since 2008.

In 2008, the population of the County was 298,420. In 2016, the population is projected to be 379,957. Given that the number of Board members has remained static, the number of constituents represented by each of us has increased by about 27%.

From 2008-2015, Loudoun County government employees have received raises of about 18%. Loudoun County Public Schools have also raised salaries by about 18% from 2008-2015 (according to figures provided by LCPS during the last budget process). It is impossible to predict what raises and salary increases will occur from 2016-2020, though the current Board of Supervisors and School Board have included salary increases in every budget proposal for both bodies.

In terms of comparable jurisdictions—numbers are for the current Board terms and are not inclusive of any changes these jurisdictions may make for the 2016-2020 term:

Arlington County: population 227,000. Chairman: \$55,000 Board Member: \$50,127 Henrico County: population 316,973 Chairman: \$57,300 Board Member: \$49,826 Prince William County: population 433,000 Chairman: \$50,127 Board Member: \$49,826

In case you are curious, Fairfax County pays its Supervisors \$75,000 (this was not considered a comparable jurisdiction for Loudoun because it is much larger).

At the October Finance Committee meeting, Supervisor Williams proposed a \$10,000 increase to District Supervisors (to \$51,200) and a \$20,000 increase to the Chairman's salary (to \$70,000). The motion passed on a 3-2 vote. I voted in favor of the motion, which forwarded the item to the full Board of Supervisors for consideration. I did so realizing that there needed to be more

discussion about this proposal and that what was in front of us then may very well not be the final product, as is often the case when items move from Committee to the full Board.

The larger increase for the Chairman's salary deserves its own explanation. Quite frankly, the Chairman's job has evolved to the point where the Chairman has many "daytime" responsibilities. Remember, the Board of Supervisors is both the legislative and executive branch for Loudoun County—unlike many (most) other places, there is no elected Mayor or County Executive—that role really belongs to the Chairman of the Board. One of the biggest changes over the years has been the proliferation of regional bodies with major responsibilities. Typically, the Chairman of the Board sits on most of these bodies. A good example is the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, which now has appropriation authority for regional transportation funding. Chairman Scott York represents Loudoun on this Board, and serves as its Finance Committee chairman. The justification for the larger salary for the Chairman is to acknowledge the all-consuming nature of that job and the difficulty one would have earning additional income.

It also should be pointed out that the workload in higher growth jurisdictions like Loudoun is much greater than in stable ones—even those with larger populations. Loudoun is still seeing a great deal of development and there are a lot of things that need to be built, which is not necessarily the case in other places.

I want to make it perfectly clear that I consider it a huge honor to serve on the Board of Supervisors. I will never complain about the salary—serving the community is very rewarding, and I appreciate the fact that Board members do receive compensation for it. I am certainly not serving for the salary, though obviously it helps offset some of the things that one must sacrifice in order to serve. Some have pointed out that many members of the Board, myself included, have other jobs that we receive income from. That is certainly true. But, it also must be said that serving on the Board is a "part time" job in name only. That's not a complaint, it is just reality. To do the job properly, you must invest a lot of time. In some ways, the meetings themselves are the easy part—its all the other things that take so much time, like studying complex topics, working on constituent issues, and so on.

So, this becomes a difficult topic. I think a strong case could be made that the Loudoun Board's compensation was under market to begin with, and quite honestly I don't think that the Board should go 12 years without a salary increase. The right amount is a good question. My thought would be to look back to the salary increases that every other County employee has received over the last 8 years as a starting point.

As I said in the beginning, I think in the final analysis the Board won't make any adjustments. Quite frankly, I think a lot of that is because Members of the Board are making a calculation that it would be politically unpopular. I try to base my decisions on what I think the right thing to do is, not what the best thing politically is, but obviously I understand why they are reluctant and I also respect the fact that some in the community would probably not be supportive. The problem of course is that no Board ever wants to deal with this, so it won't ever get dealt with. I tend to think if we had a good, transparent, community discussion about this issue, it could be addressed in a fair way, but I'm not sure that's really going to happen. I

welcome constructive input on this topic (and others) – feel free to email me or the entire Board your thoughts.

#### **NOVEC Dulles South Service Center**

At the October 15 Business meeting, the Board of Supervisors ratified NOVEC's permit to build a utility service center and related facilities in Dulles South which should significantly improve the quality of service in our area. The utility service center will be near the intersection of Evergreen Mills and Belmont Ridge roads, adjacent to an existing NOVEC and Dominion substation.

The service center will consist of an office/warehouse, storage bays, a fueling facility, vehicle maintenance shop and outdoor storage area. This service center will be centrally located in NOVEC's expanding customer base. I do want to note that there was considerable opposition to this proposal from Willowsford residents who live on an adjacent parcel. I am sympathetic to their concerns, but they seemed to be mostly related to the electricity equipment that is already on the site rather than what NOVEC is actually building. The parcel in question is zoned for industrial use, and has been before any homes were built next door. In fact, a smaller substation was already present.

The new facility will allow NOVEC to house employees and equipment much closer to our area. Currently, if there is an outage in South Riding, NOVEC must send crews and equipment from either downtown Leesburg or Gainesville.

#### **Diwali Resolution Presentation**

Again, I was very pleased to present a resolution honoring the Diwali holiday at our October 15 Board Business Meeting. I hope that everyone celebrating had a wonderful holiday.

## **DULLES DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION UPDATES**

#### Route 50

I have received some emails regarding eastbound 50 at Route 28 where the lanes shift left. The lanes were very faint and it was easy to miss them. I'm pleased to report that on Wednesday night of this week, those lanes were re-painted with solid white transition lanes.

Yesterday, the project team made a lane switch and extended the third lane to a point past Stonecroft. For a variety of reasons, this resulted in a difficult commute last evening. The new point of merge seemed to cause the intersection itself to back up worse than before. There were also apparently signal timing issues, and unfamiliarity doesn't help. Upon hearing the complaints, I immediately contacted VDOT and Shirley and asked them to review. At the time of this writing, they were changing the configuration again and moving the merge point before the Stonecroft intersection. Signal contractors were also working on synchronization issues. Hopefully, moving forward, things will go a letter better westbound.

Beyond these issues, progress is continuing on having three westbound lanes open in Loudoun by the end of the year, and through Route 28 next year. I have been continuing to pursue a solution to the increased merge congestion at Route 28, which is still a very big problem. We have also continued to have some issues with traffic lights and have asked for corrections at various intersections.

## **Stone Springs Blvd and Millstream Drive**

The stoplight at this intersection has been installed and will be operational in the next two weeks. For the first few days, it will be flashing in order to alert drivers.

# Right Turn Lane on Northbound Gum Spring Rd onto Providence Ridge Drive

The Board of Supervisors this month awarded a contract to design and construct a right turn lane from northbound Gum Spring Road onto Providence Ridge Drive. The cost of the turn lane will be about \$390,000 and will be funded with a combination of proffer funds.

# **Braddock - Pleasant Valley Roundabout Update**

I have received some emails asking for an update on this project. Thanks to the new lane on 50 eastbound, morning congestion has been somewhat reduced. However, there are still delays at the intersection, and we all know that traffic volumes are only going up in this area, so this remains an absolutely critical project. The next milestone will be the beginning of the year, when the 60% design documents are due. Once that step is reached, work will begin on right of way acquisition and utility line relocation. As with other projects, I do want to point out that the final design process sometimes goes very slowly because of technical issues that arise with easements and mitigation. As with 50 and the upcoming 606 project, the most difficult and time consuming component will be leading up to actual construction. Once the design is completed and the contractor sets a schedule, I plan on holding a kickoff meeting so the contractor can discuss exactly what is going to be happening with the public. Keeping the intersection open and functioning is obviously very important, but also makes the project a lot more challenging

## **Claiborne Parkway Update**

This is one of those projects that has been delayed by issues that have risen during the design process, largely due to issues with easements that needed to be resolved. However, the design for the missing link of Claiborne Parkway is now complete and permits have been acquired. The County just delivered deeds for right of way acquisition to the three HOA's that are impacted, and those discussions are now starting. The timeline from this point on will be determined by how quickly the right of way phase can be completed.

## **East Gate Park and Ride**

I have previously mentioned that work has begun on the East Gate Park and Ride Lot located on Tall Cedars Parkway near the intersection with Edgewater Street. The East Gate Park and Ride currently includes a 218 space Park and Ride lot as well as a rectangle athletic field with 63

additional parking spaces for park use. Considering how popular bus service has been, my concern has been that the lot will open at or near capacity. I mentioned that we were investigating the possibility of not constructing the field in order to preserve capacity for additional spaces in the future.

Staff did an analysis, and I ultimately decided that the best course of action would be to continue with the field construction, with the understanding that it can be later converted to additional parking if needed. The full Finance Committee agreed with that decision, and it will be ratified by the Board shortly. The rectangle field was slated to receive lights; however, I think it would be prudent to not continue with the plan to light this field given the investment required and the long term uncertainty. Also, unlike most lighting projects, a special exception was not required, which means there has been no public process to discuss lighting. This issue will be considered by the Board in November, but my plan is to recommend that field lighting be removed from this project. Under my proposal, the electricity supply needed to light the field will be constructed so that the field could be lit in the future.

# Pedestrian/Bike Ramp on Justice being Reinstalled

The pedestrian/bike ramp that connects to the trail on Justice near Londontown in South Riding is back. VDOT required Toll Brothers to remove the ramp because it didn't meet requirements as it relates to the location of a crosswalk. In order to get the road accepted by VDOT, Toll removed them. Unfortunately, I didn't know anything about it until Toll had already taken them out and I was contacted by the South Riding Proprietary and several concerned constituents. I worked with VDOT to get them to reconsider the decision, and they recently changed their determination based on the fact that the trail itself can't be moved. Toll Brothers has now reinstalled the ramps.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Public Input Process for Sliver Line Station Names Underway**

The Board of Supervisors is seeking public input for the naming of the Route 606 and Route 772 Silver Line Metro Stations. There are many guidelines for station names that the Board used to develop our proposed names. I proposed Loudoun-Dulles North and Loudoun Gateway for consideration for the 606 station. For the Route 606 Station, the following names are under consideration: Broad Run, Dulles Gateway, Loudoun East, Loudoun Gateway, and Loudoun Dulles North. For the Route 772 Station, the following names are under consideration: Ashburn, Loudoun, and Loudoun Gateway West. You can vote online at <a href="https://www.loudoun.gov/stationnames">www.loudoun.gov/stationnames</a>. There is also one upcoming public input meeting on Saturday, November 8 from 10:00 to 11:30 at Discovery Elementary School, 44020 Grace Bridge Drive.

## **AARP TaxAide Service Seeks Volunteers**

AARP TaxAide service is looking for volunteers to work to help retired and low- to moderate-income taxpayers avoid preparation fees, electronic filing fees and pitches for high-interest tax credit or refund loans. They train and IRS-certify volunteers each year to ensure they are

knowledgeable about revisions to the U.S. tax code and ethical standards. Next year, from February 1 to April 15, AARP Tax-Aide will be serving in this area at these locations: Winchester War Memorial, Sterling: Cascades and Falcons Landing, Leesburg, Purcellville, Luray, Front Royal and Edinburg. If you are interested, register at <a href="https://www.aarp.org/taxaide">www.aarp.org/taxaide</a> to get started. Please call 703-791-9147 if you have any questions.

## Joint Board of Supervisors/School Board Committee's Volunteer Citizens Work Group

The Joint Board of Supervisors/School Board Committee's Volunteer Citizens Work Group is an advisory board tasked with providing recommendations based on community input to the Joint Committee on issues that affect the Board and the School Board. The Committee also communicates action taken by the Joint Committee to the community as well. Current terms expire at the end of the year. If you are interested in serving, please visit the County's website <a href="here">here</a> for more information on serving on advisory boards and committees.

## **Dulles South Food Pantry**

The Dulles South Food Pantry is a multi-faith emergency food pantry. They provide nutritious food, personal supplies and other services to those in need in Dulles South and the surrounding area that come to them regardless of income, faith or other criteria. They are an all-volunteer organization focused both on feeding the hungry and promoting the self-sufficiency of those they serve. Donations to the Dulles South Food Pantry are tax deductible.

The Dulles South Food Pantry needs canned chicken & tuna; soups and stews with protein; 2 or 5 lbs. bags of rice or rice mixes; pasta; boxed potatoes; breakfast cereal and pancake mix; granola bars; fruit (in cans, plastic or dried); canned beans; pasta sauce (no glass please); seasoning packets; toothpaste; shampoo; and grocery store gift cards in any amount. They are now able to accept food donations at Dulles South Multipurpose Center located at 24950 Riding Center Drive in South Riding, Virginia during business hours.

The Dulles South Food Pantry is open to distribute food the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of the month from 5 pm to 8 pm located at 24757 Evergreen Mill Road, Dulles VA 20166. For additional information please visit their website at <a href="https://www.dsfp.org">www.dsfp.org</a>.

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