



COVID-19 Updates & Important Information
~FEBRUARY 23, 2021~

**SBA Announces Exclusive PPP Application
Period for Small Businesses**



Beginning on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 9 a.m., the U.S. Small Business Administration will establish a 14-day, exclusive PPP loan application period for businesses and nonprofits with fewer than 20 employees. This

will give lenders and community partners more time to work with the smallest businesses to submit their applications, while also ensuring that larger PPP-eligible businesses will still have plenty of time to apply for and receive support before the program expires on March 31, 2021.

SBA also announced four additional changes to open the PPP to more underserved small businesses than ever before. While these changes are being implemented, SBA will work with community partners to improve the emergency relief “digital front door” and conduct extensive stakeholder outreach. And, SBA will strengthen its relationships with lender partners to advance equity goals, deliver funding efficiently, and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.

[Read More](#)

More Sites in Virginia Join Federal Retail Pharmacy Program

According to the CDC, additional retail locations in Virginia are receiving limited amounts of vaccine, as part of the [Federal Retail Pharmacy Program](#), for eligible individuals based on state and local guidelines.

Details on when participating locations in Loudoun will start administering vaccinations or how much of the doses or what type they will receive is currently unknown. Whether these sites will use the Commonwealth's centralized vaccine sign-up system is also unknown at this time. The Governor is expected to make

a formal announcement Tuesday, February 23. This program is optional for retailers. There may be some participating retail chains whose locations are not participating in Loudoun but could be participating in a neighboring jurisdiction.

In addition to the CVS Pharmacy at Lansdowne Town Center in Leesburg, the following retailers have opted to join the program:

- Giant, 43760 Greenway Corporate Drive, Ashburn
- Safeway, 12. W. Washington Street, Middleburg
- Safeway, 22350 S. Sterling Boulevard, Sterling Park
- Safeway, 30 Pidgeon Hill, Sterling
- Safeway, 437 S. King Street, Leesburg



Loudoun Hosts Free COVID-19 Mass Testing Event February 24; Schedules Smaller Events through March

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Wednesday, February 24
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park
42405 Claudia Drive
Leesburg, 20175

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

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loudoun.gov/COVID19testing

Loudoun County's schedule of free, drive thru COVID-19 testing events includes a large-scale event February 24 and smaller, twice-weekly testing events through March.

The testing events are open to all. There are no age or residency requirements. No prescriptions or appointments are necessary. A person does

not have to exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 in order to be tested. A PCR test (nasal swab) will be administered, which tests for the novel coronavirus. No antibody or rapid tests will be offered.

No COVID-19 vaccine will be available at these events.

[Learn More](#)

Loudoun Health Director to Answer Questions about COVID-19 Vaccine on Facebook February 24

Loudoun County will host a live question-and-answer session about the county's COVID-19 vaccination efforts with Loudoun County Health Department Director Dr. David Goodfriend through Facebook Live Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The question-and-answer session will be streamed live on the [Loudoun County Government page on Facebook](#) beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Questions may be submitted in advance now through the [scheduled event on Facebook](#) or live during the event by commenting on the Facebook Live broadcast. Anyone will be able to view the question-and-answer session at the

Virtual LIVE Q&A
with Loudoun County
Health Department Director
Dr. David Goodfriend
Wednesday, February 24
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

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time of the event; a Facebook account is not required. Video of the conversation will be posted on the county's Facebook page following the event.

[Event Details](#)

Catch A Meal Community Giveaway This Weekend



The Catch A Meal Program is excited to announce that to host a FREE Community Giveaway.

The Catch a Meal Program was created to support those in need with the support of community organizations. Through the continued support of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors we have selected Sugarland Elementary School as the host location where we will provide families with food, children coats, blankets, diapers, and toys.

In accordance with local CDC guidelines, all items will be available to people in vehicles via a drive-through system and monitored walk-up designated area that allows for strict social

distancing. People will need to remain in their vehicles as volunteers load the items into their vehicles.

For Media Inquiries and Partnering with The Catch A Meal Program contact April Taylor at team@catchameal.org.

Event Details

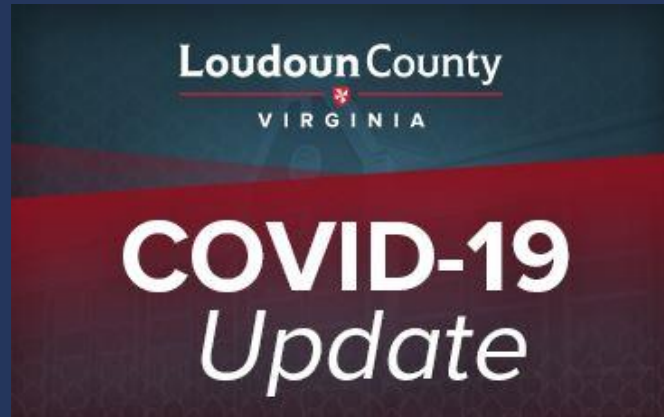
Date: Saturday, February 27, 2021

Location: Sugarland Elementary School | 65 Sugarland Run Dr, Sterling, VA 20164

Time: 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Data Migration Continues on Statewide Registration System

As we reported over the weekend, the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) continues to work to improve the new statewide system for COVID-19 vaccine pre-registration and to migrate the pre-registration data from health districts across the state, including Loudoun.



Many people who submitted a Loudoun County pre-screening survey prior to 5:00 p.m., February 12, have not been able find themselves in the statewide system because the "Check the List" feature is not yet working correctly.

Please note that anyone who previously submitted a pre-screening survey to Loudoun County is still on the county's waitlist and we are working to schedule vaccination appointments for those on the list.

[Find out more in our earlier update](#)

Loudoun Seeks Public Input on Proposed Bus Routes to Metrorail Silver Line Stations

**Proposed Silver Line Bus Routes
Public Information Meeting**

February 25, 2021
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.



loudoun.gov/silverlinebusroutes

Members of the public have an opportunity to shape future routes and schedules for Loudoun County Transit's Metro Connection Bus service. The county is seeking feedback on 10 proposed new and modified routes that will provide service to and from Metrorail Silver Line stations in Loudoun County through an

online public information meeting and comment period. All responses to the proposed routes will be taken into consideration before final decisions are made on the routes and schedules.

The public is invited to join the online public information meeting for the proposed Silver Line Bus Routes on **Thursday, February 25, 2021, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.** to ask questions, provide input and learn more about the proposed routes.

Login information and meeting materials are available for review at loudoun.gov/silverlinebusroutes and loudoun.gov/remoteparticipation.

Meeting materials include detailed route graphics and a speaker sign-up form. Members of the public must sign up in advance to ask questions during the event by 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

[Get More Information](#)

Free Tax Preparation Assistance Available for Seniors in Leesburg and Sterling

This year to keep you safe, all AARP Tax-Aide services are virtual.

You must complete all required forms in advance and bring those along with your tax documents, photo ID's and social security cards (taxpayer, spouse and dependents) to your intake appointment.

Certified volunteers will review your documents, conduct a brief interview and scan your documents into secure cloud storage for later preparation. Once your return is complete, you will make another appointment to return to the intake site to review and sign your return and receive a copy to keep. All scanned tax documents will be deleted once the return has been successfully e-filed.

For more information and to download required forms, please go to: <http://www.taxaideloudoun.org/> or call the individual sites at:



Cascades Library

21030 Whitfield Place Sterling, VA

703-429-0085

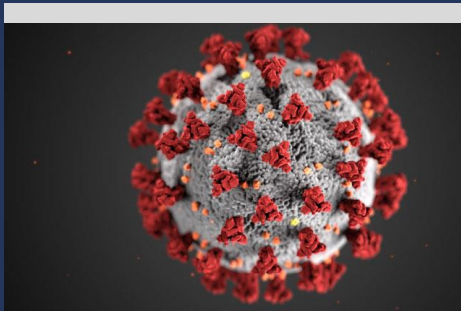
HealthWorks for Northern VA

163 Fort Evans Road NE, Leesburg, VA

703-829-0394

Appointment availability is limited. If you are able to prepare your own taxes or access help elsewhere, you are encouraged to do so and reserve appointments for those who need them most.

Stay Informed!



The county continues to encourage everyone in the community to take steps to limit the spread of COVID-19, which include:

- Wear a mask/face covering ([see requirements](#))
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-

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Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about COVID-19

- To receive email updates on COVID-19, visit loudoun.gov/coronavirus.
- Text **LCCOVID19** to **888777** to receive text alerts from Loudoun County about COVID-19.
- Envíe un mensaje de texto con **LCCOVIDESP** al **888777** para actualizaciones diaras relacionadas con el coronavirus (COVID-19) en el condado de Loudoun.

based hand sanitizer only if soap and water are not available.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid non-essential travel.

Residents with questions about COVID-19 may call the Loudoun County Health Department's information line, 703-737-8300, or email health@loudoun.gov.

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