



COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~JULY 1, 2021~

Sterling Independence Day Celebrations

STAR SPANGLED STERLING

Friday July 2, 2021 7PM-9:30PM

STERLING MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK FIELD

Join your fellow Sterlingites for an evening of fireworks, food trucks, music, balloon animals, outdoor movie and an obstacle course for kids.

PRCS
Hosted by Sterling Community Center

Star Spangled Sterling

Sterling Community Center hosts the annual "Star Spangled Sterling" **Friday, July 2, 2021, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.** at the Sterling Middle School track field. The evening features food trucks, a DJ, children's activities, including an obstacle course, and a family-friendly movie followed by fireworks. Attendees are urged to park in the school's lot and make their way to the track field. Sterling Middle School is located at 201 W. Holly Avenue in Sterling Park. The event is free.

The Sterling Golf Club will host the fireworks display alongside the County; viewers can watch from the Sterling

Middle School track and surrounding areas outside of club grounds. The club itself will be closed for the day.

Call [703-430-9480](tel:703-430-9480) for more information.

Old-Time Fourth of July Celebration

On Sunday, July 4, Claude Moore Park hosts the annual "Old-time Fourth of July Celebration" **from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.** featuring live music, crafts, nature exhibits, historic tours and carnival games. Food will be available for purchase. Attendees should use the Loudoun Park Lane entrance into the park.

Tickets are \$5 for ages five and older and can be purchased in advance at loudoun.gov/webtrac or purchased at the event by cash or check. Claude Moore Park is located at 21544 Old Vestal's Gap Road in Sterling.

Call [571-258-3700](tel:571-258-3700) for more information.

Recreational Marijuana Becomes Legal in Virginia July 1

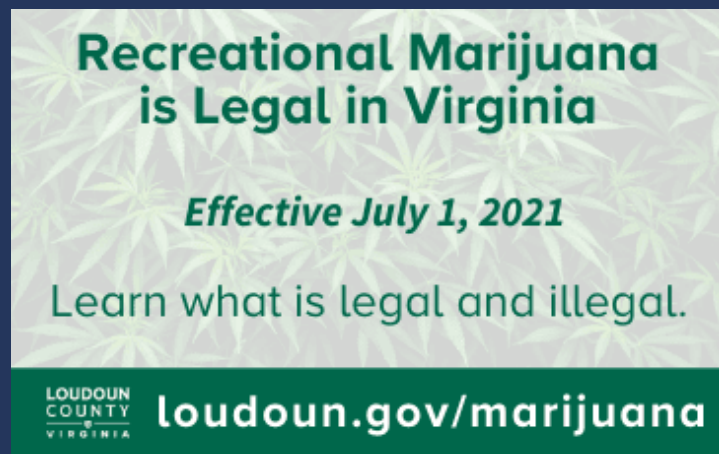
As of July 1, 2021, the cultivation and possession of recreational marijuana, or cannabis, is legal in Virginia, within limits.

Loudoun County has posted information online to help residents understand what is allowed and what is not under the [new law passed by the General Assembly \(PDF\)](#) in February 2021.

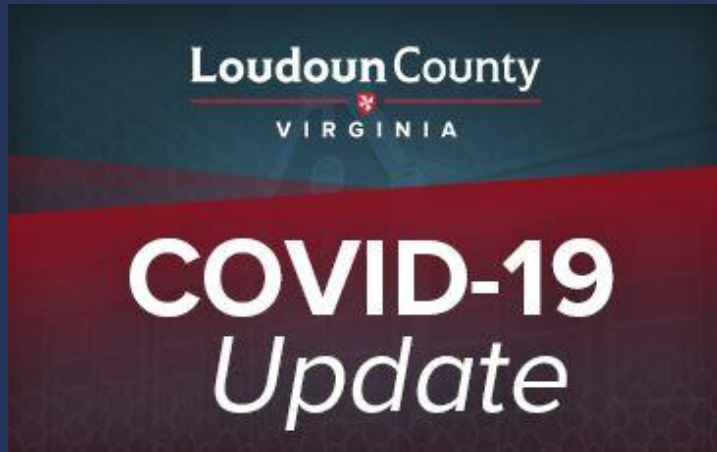
Loudoun County encourages residents who may plan to use marijuana to visit the county's website to learn about details of the new law, which will help residents avoid inadvertently breaking the law.

More information about the legalization of recreational marijuana is online at loudoun.gov/marijuana.

[Read the Full Press Release](#)



Loudoun COVID-19 Updates



COVID-19 Testing Program Ends

Loudoun County has discontinued our weekly COVID-19 testing events. Demand for testing has declined since the county began sponsoring the events last year. In June, the weekly average of people who were tested at

the events was 47, with a low of 20 people at one event and a high of 60 at another.

Testing is now widely available in the community, including at doctors' offices and pharmacies. You can find information on COVID-19 testing as well as testing locations in Loudoun at loudoun.gov/covid19testing.

PPE Program Ending

Loudoun County will no longer be accepting donations of personal protective equipment (PPE) beginning July 1, 2021.

The [PPE donation program](#) was created in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to distribute PPE to health care providers and facilities in need. Over the last 15 months, Loudoun County distributed over 15,000 items of PPE to nearly 30 different health care providers and collected over \$20,000 in monetary donations for the purchase of PPE.

From Daily Report to Weekly Report

This is the last week this COVID-19 Summary Report is published daily. Next week, Loudoun County's daily COVID-19 Summary Report will transition to a weekly report, with spot reports published any time as needed.

Beginning July 12, the weekly COVID-19 Summary Report will be published on Mondays.

The latest COVID-19 data is available on the Virginia Department of Health's [website](#) any time.

New Bicycle Laws Take Effect in Virginia July 1st

The Virginia Legislature recently passed House Bill 2262, the Bicyclist Safety Act, which requires the driver of a motor vehicle to change lanes when overtaking a bicycle or certain other vehicles when the lane of travel is not wide enough for the overtaking motor vehicle to pass at least three feet to the left of the overtaken vehicle.

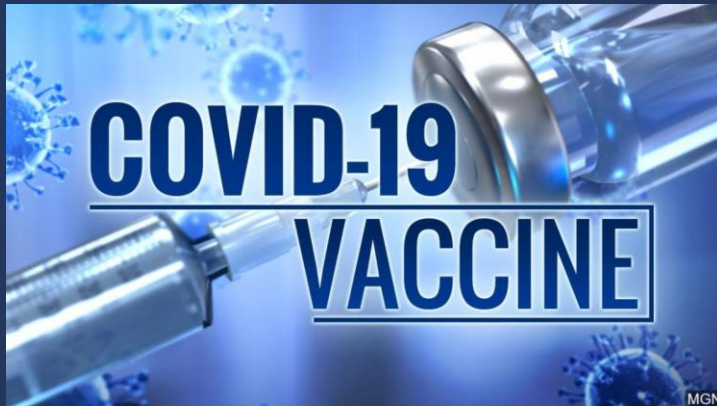


The bill also removes the limitations on riding bicycles and certain other vehicles two abreast. So, two bike riders are allowed to travel side-by-side without having to form single line when a vehicle approaches. Currently, they may ride side by side but must go into a single file line to allow cars to pass.

The Bicyclist Safety Act also convenes a work group to review issues related to allowing bicyclists to treat stop signs as yield signs – and to report any other roadway safety issues to the chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on Transportation.

[Learn More](#)

Upcoming Vaccination Opportunities



Free COVID-19 Vaccine Available

The next opportunity for anyone 12 and older to receive a COVID-19 vaccine from Loudoun County is **Friday, July 2, 2021**, when the clinic at Dulles Town Center will be open from **9:30 a.m. –**

3:30 p.m.

NOTE: The vaccine clinic will be closed Saturday, July 3, and will reopen Tuesday, July 6, from 3:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Sterling Community Vaccination Clinic

The next Sterling community COVID-19 vaccination clinic is scheduled **Sunday, July 11, 2021, 11:00 am–6:00 pm**, at Meadowland Elementary School, 729 Sugarland Run, Sterling.

The event will offer the 2-dose Pfizer vaccine to anyone 12 and older. A second dose event will be held on **Sunday, August 1st at Meadowland Elementary School.**

If you would like to make an appointment, follow the instructions below:

1. Visit the [Medspack appointment website](#)
2. Enter your email address in the email field.
3. Under "For which dose of COVID-19 vaccine do you want to sign up?" select "First and second dose."
4. Under "Choose Location," select your preferred location.
5. Select a first and second dose time slot.
6. Fill out the required information on the form.
7. In the insurance information fields please enter insurance information such as BIN number, PCN, Group and/or ID number. If insurance information is unavailable, please type NA in the box.
8. Once you complete the immunization questionnaire, you will be asked to sign twice.

9. Press the submit button at the bottom, wait for the success message page to appear and check your email provided in the form to view your confirmation.
10. Please bring or show your confirmation email on the day of your vaccination.

Details about this clinic and other community vaccination events are online at loudoun.gov/vaccineevents.

REMINDER: Virginia Employment Commission Phone Appointments

The Virginia Employment Commission is pleased to offer claimants the option to schedule appointments to speak directly to a representative from the Virginia Employment Commission regarding their claim.



Appointments are very limited and are not guaranteed to lead to any resolution or payment of claims.

Virginia Career Works Centers are available to provide job seeker assistance on-site but will not be able to provide in-person assistance with your unemployment insurance claim, it will only be provided by phone appointments.

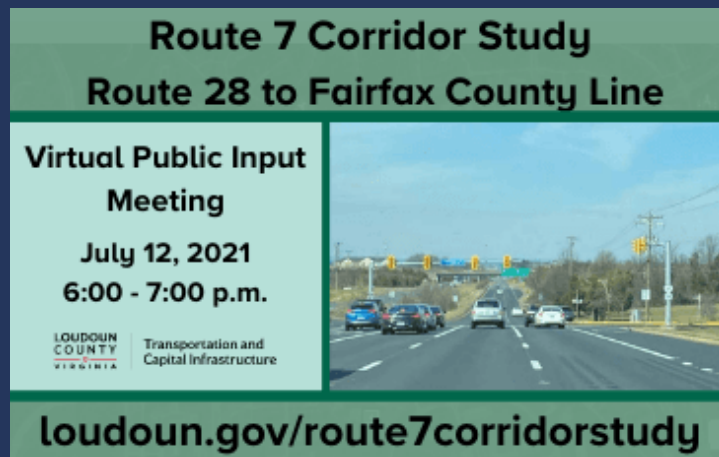
You can schedule an appointment based on your permanent residence at <https://vaunemploymenthelp.as.me/schedule.php>

Note: PLEASE DO NOT SCHEDULE MORE THAN ONE APPOINTMENT AND ONLY SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT THAT IS APPLICABLE TO YOUR PERMANENT RESIDENCE.

A VEC representative will be calling based on your appointment time/day. Please be sure to answer your phone, as the number may show up on caller identification as "restricted" or "unknown". Staff will attempt to call one time and if there is no answer, they will try one additional time and then will move onto other appointments.

Alternatively, you may also call the customer contact center at 1 (866) 832-2363. *Please note, wait times in the customer contact center may be long due to high call volumes.*

Loudoun to Hold Virtual Public Meeting July 12th on Route 7 Corridor Study



The graphic features a green header with the text "Route 7 Corridor Study" and "Route 28 to Fairfax County Line". Below this is a white box with the text "Virtual Public Input Meeting", "July 12, 2021", and "6:00 - 7:00 p.m.". To the right of the text is a photograph of a multi-lane highway with traffic. At the bottom left of the graphic is the Loudoun County Virginia logo and the text "Transportation and Capital Infrastructure". At the bottom of the graphic is the URL "loudoun.gov/route7corridorstudy".

Loudoun County is hosting an online meeting to gain input from the public on the Route 7 corridor study on **Monday, July 12, 2021, from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.** The limits of the draft study, completed in February 2021, were from Route 28 to the Fairfax County line.

The public meeting will examine current safety and traffic operations as well as travel forecasting and traffic operations for proposed future alternatives to the existing conditions on the Route 7 corridor. Members of the public are invited to join the virtual meeting to learn about the proposed alternatives and areas along the corridor that need attention and to ask questions about the corridor.

Login information and meeting materials are available for review at loudoun.gov/route7corridorstudy and loudoun.gov/remoteparticipation.

NOTE: Members of the public must sign up in advance **by 12:00 p.m., Friday, July 9, 2021,** to ask questions during the meeting. Online participants may also send questions to the project team as chat messages, which will be answered during the meeting as time allows.

[Get More Details](#)

Novel Expressions Teen Art Contest

Take part in an epic virtual summer reading art contest for rising sixth- through 12th-graders.

Entering the contest is simple: Select a book from your summer reading and create a piece of artwork that expresses your feelings about any part of the story. For example, it could be a character that you feel a connection to or a scene that inspires you. The art can be a sketch or drawing, a painting, or mixed media.



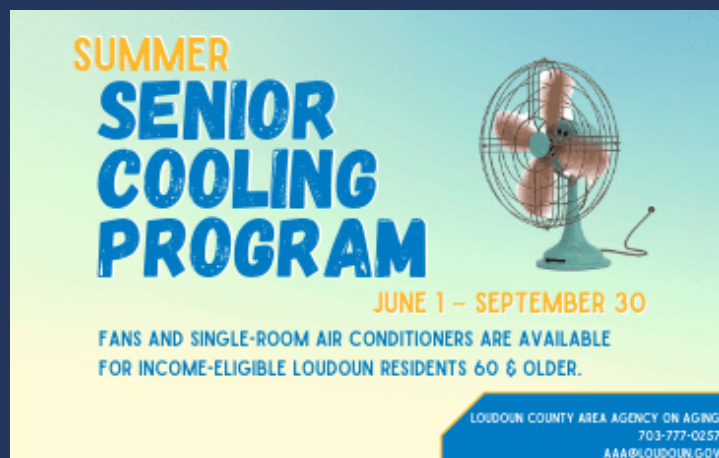
Take part in an epic virtual summer reading art contest for rising sixth- through 12th-graders.
Submit your work from June 16 to Aug. 16.

The top three artists in both middle and high school divisions will be awarded gift cards and art supplies.

Submissions are accepted through 5:00 pm on Monday, August 16, 2021 by emailing it to artcontest@library.loudoun.gov.

[Get More Information](#)

REMINDER: County Program Provides Summer Cooling Assistance for Seniors



The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging, Virginia Department for the Aging, and Dominion Virginia Power are offering a program to provide fans and single-room air conditioners to eligible county residents 60 and older.

The program runs June 1 through Sept. 30, 2021.

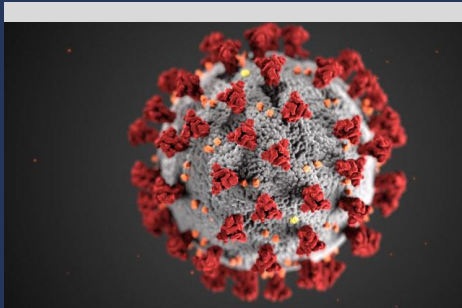
For more information and income eligibility guidelines, please call [703-777-0257](tel:703-777-0257) or visit www.loudoun.gov/aaa.

More Information

[Sign up for text and email alerts](#) about PRCS news and events.

Follow @loudounprcs on [Facebook](#) and other social media.

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-based hand sanitizer only if soap and

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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.

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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