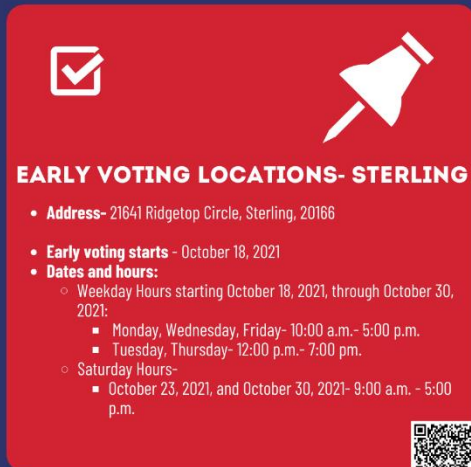




COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~OCTOBER 14, 2021~

Additional Early Voting Sites for November Election Open October 18



EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS- STERLING

- **Address-** 21641 Ridgetop Circle, Sterling, 20166
- **Early voting starts -** October 18, 2021
- **Dates and hours:**
 - Weekday Hours starting October 18, 2021, through October 30, 2021:
 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday- 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
 - Tuesday, Thursday- 12:00 p.m.- 7:00 pm.
 - Saturday Hours-
 - October 23, 2021, and October 30, 2021- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Circle, Sterling, 20166

- *Dulles South Recreation Center - 24950 Riding Center Drive, Chantilly, 20152*

A General Election will be held in Loudoun County on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Offices on the ballot will include Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and House of Delegates.

In addition to the ongoing early voting at the Office of Elections and Voter Registration in Leesburg, **additional early voting sites will open Monday, October 18, 2021:**

- *Loudoun County Government Office at Ridgetop - 21641 Ridgetop*

Early voting will begin on **Saturday, October 23rd:**

- *Carver Senior Center* - 200 E Willie Palmer Way, Purcellville, 20132

Weekend hours for early voting will be offered beginning Saturday, October 23, at all early voting sites and will include the Carver Center, 200 E. Willie Palmer Way, Purcellville.

The deadline to vote early in person is Saturday, October 30.

More information, including hours of operation at voting sites and directions, is available at loudoun.gov/voteearly.

COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Halloween

To have a safe Halloween celebration amid the COVID-19 pandemic, health officials recommend outdoor trick-or-treating in small groups and discourage any indoor parties.

Loudoun County Health Director Dr. Goodfriend recommends:



- Trick-or-treating outdoors in small groups or hosting a small outdoor gathering.
- Incorporating a face covering into a child's costume (over the age of 2).
- If giving out candy, consider individual bags to hand out or a contactless option such as a candy chute.
- Washing your hands before going trick-or-treating or handing out candy. Hand sanitizer should be used while trick-or-treating or handing out candy when soap and water aren't available.
- Maintaining physical distancing from people not in your household or who have not been vaccinated.

Read the complete guidance at loudoun.gov/safehalloween.

Loudoun County Weekly COVID-19 Testing Events

The graphic features a yellow header with the text "COVID-19 TESTING". Below this, a dark blue circle on the left contains the text "Multiple Locations". To the right of the circle, the text "October & November" is in yellow, "Tuesdays" is in dark blue, and "10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m." is in dark blue. A yellow bar at the bottom of the graphic contains the text "Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone." Below the graphic is the Loudoun County Virginia logo and the URL "loudoun.gov/COVID19testing".

Loudoun County is expanding its twice-a-month COVID-19 testing events to weekly, as of Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

The additional testing events will give residents more options for free testing as the county continues to experience a high level of community

transmission of COVID-19.

Testing Schedule

The weekly schedule of COVID-19 testing events begins October 12. They will be held on **Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

- **October 19:** Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive, Leesburg (Enter the park on Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road.)
- **October 26:** Franklin Park, 17501, Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville
- **November 2:** Claude Moore Park, 46150 Loudoun Park Lane in Sterling
- **November 9:** Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive, Leesburg (Enter the park on Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road.)
- **November 16:** Franklin Park, 17501, Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville
- **November 23:** Claude Moore Park, 46150 Loudoun Park Lane in Sterling
- **November 30:** Franklin Park, 17501, Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville

The testing events are free and 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 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.

[Get More Information](#)

Loudoun County Launches Local Redistricting Hub, Providing Public Access to Maps and Data

Loudoun County has launched its [Local Redistricting Hub](#), which provides access to interactive maps and geographic data important for public participation in the redistricting process.

The redistricting hub will be updated on a rolling basis to include additional interactive maps, data, and training materials for the public.

Redistricting is the process of redrawing the boundaries of districts that elect representatives who serve specific geographic areas. The local redistricting process determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped together into a district for purposes of electing board members to the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors and School Board.

By making sure districts have approximately the same number of people, redistricting can help to ensure residents have equal representation on the Board of Supervisors and School Board. It also affects for whom residents vote and where they vote, based on how the local electoral boundaries are drawn.

[Get More Information](#)

Loudoun County Redistricting Hub

- Geographic Data
- Interactive Maps
- Updates



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loudoun.gov/redistrictinghub

Workforce Resource Center to Host Job Fair Tailgate with Local Employers October 21



Loudoun Job Fair Tailgate

Meet 50+ local employers hiring for open positions in multiple industries.

October 21, 2021
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park
42405 Claudia Drive,
Leesburg

loudoun.gov/jobfairtailgate

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PRINCIPAL PARTNER

The Loudoun Workforce Resource Center will host a Loudoun Job Fair Tailgate with local employers **Thursday, October 21, 2021, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive, Leesburg**, in the parking lots adjacent to fields 12 and 13.

The Loudoun Job Fair Tailgate will feature local employers with full-time, part-time and temporary job openings in Loudoun County and the region. Hiring employers will be on-site in their vehicles, where they will meet with job candidates. Job seekers will be provided parking near the venue and will be encouraged to enter the tailgate lot to share resumes with employers.

Employers attending include ABM Aviation, Amazon, At Home Decor, FEBA Security Services, Loudoun County Juvenile Detention Center, Loudoun County Public Schools, Manpower, Marriott Hotels, Outback Steakhouse, Paul Davis Restoration, Royal Farms, Salamander Resort & Spa, Sight and Sound Systems, The Medical Team, and Tribute at One Loudoun.

Some of the industries represented include staffing, management, warehouse, office and health care.

Individuals planning to attend the job fair are encouraged to [pre-register to receive updates and reminders, the latest on participating employers and possible rain dates.](#)

Teen Performers Sought for Loudoun's Battle of Bands

The 2021 Loudoun Battle of the Bands is open to middle and high school students, including soloists, vocalists, instrumentalists and DJs/producers.

The competition is a joint venture among the Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, Loudoun Youth Inc. and the Loudoun County Youth Advisory Council.



Performers interested in competing should apply online at loudoun.gov/teens by Oct. 31, 2021. There is no entry fee.

The decade-long competition provides a free platform for teen musicians to play for a live audience with professional sound mixing and constructive criticism by a panel of industry professionals serving as judges.

Students younger than 11 or older than 19 will not be permitted to compete.

Preliminary battles will be held Dec. 3, 2021, Jan. 21, 2022, and Feb. 25, 2022, at the Franklin Park Performing and Visual Arts Center in Purcellville. Winners from the preliminary rounds will compete in the final battle April 1, 2022 at the Tally Ho in Leesburg. Prizes are awarded to the winning acts.

Event organizers will follow COVID-19 mandates by the Commonwealth of Virginia and Loudoun County Health Department. The competition is planned as a live streaming event with limited in-person capacity, which is subject to change based on evolving safety guidelines for participants, audience and staff.

For more information, visit loudoun.gov/teens or call [703-737-8335](tel:703-737-8335).

REMINDER: October Classes Scheduled for Mental Health & Substance Abuse Programs

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Prevention Education Programs

New Classes Scheduled for October 2021

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Question, Persuade and Refer: Suicide Prevention
- REVIVE!: Opioid Overdose Reversal



loudoun.gov/mhsadsprevention

New class dates have been scheduled in October 2021 for Loudoun County's ongoing mental health and substance abuse prevention trainings efforts. All programs are free, but registration is required, and seats are limited.

Adverse Childhood Experiences Training

The Adverse Childhood Experiences training is a one-hour educational program that aims to raise awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences, or ACEs. ACEs are potentially traumatic events that occur in childhood (0-17 years). ACEs are linked to chronic health problems, mental illness, and substance use problems in adulthood. The training teaches that ACE prevention is the greatest opportunity for improving the well-being of communities. The virtual training presentation lasts about one hour. Discussion and a question-and-answer session will follow the presentation.

The next class will be held:

- October 19, 6:00 p.m.
- October 28, 6:00 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit loudoun.gov/childhoodadversitytraining.

Opioid Overdose Reversal

Loudoun County offers local training sessions of REVIVE!, the opioid overdose and naloxone education program for the Commonwealth of Virginia. Anyone who uses opioids or knows someone who is using opioids is encouraged to attend. The virtual sessions last about one hour.

Upcoming classes are:

- Friday, October 15, 2021, 12:00 p.m.
- Monday, October 18, 2021, 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, October 22, 2021, 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, October 29, 2021, 12:00 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit loudoun.gov/revive.

Suicide Prevention Training

The Question Persuade and Refer program offers training to help people recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to refer someone for professional help. The suicide prevention training teaches three simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide; question, persuade and refer. The virtual training presentation lasts about one hour. Discussion and practice opportunities will follow the presentation.

Upcoming classes will be held:

- October 28, 7:00 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit loudoun.gov/suicidepreventiontraining.

Governor Northam Announces App That Makes Small, Women-Owned, and Minority-Owned Businesses More Accessible

Governor Ralph Northam recently announced the launch of the Start Small app to connect app users and state government agencies with nearby vendors. [Start Small](#) is free, mobile-friendly, and can be used by anyone.

Keyword searches will match users with nearby businesses from the approximately 100,000 registered vendors. Searches can be further refined to only small businesses, including those owned by women, minorities (SWaM) or service-disabled veterans certified through the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity.



Dozens of businesses register in [eVA](#) each day. Registering is free and helps businesses – particularly small businesses – get noticed by government purchasers. There are nearly 13,000 small, women-owned, and minority-owned

certified vendors registered in eVA. More than 191,000 purchase orders, worth more than \$1.5 billion, were issued through eVA to small, women-owned and minority-owned businesses in fiscal year 2020.

To learn more, visit viriniadot.org and eva.virginia.gov.

Food Pantry Inventory and Using a Grocery List – Quick Tips



The Virginia Cooperative Extension Family Nutrition Program, "Eat Smart, Move More," empowers you to take charge of your health by eating healthy and living an active lifestyle. Our nutrition educators work

with Virginians to teach essential life skills like cooking, managing a food budget, using SNAP/EBT, being physically active, handling food safely, and planning meals.

Food Pantry Inventory and Using a Grocery List – Quick Tips

- Take inventory of your pantry list often by going through your pantry items and making a list of what you currently have, what is expiring soon, and what you are running low on
- Label food items with their expiration dates so you can keep track of which items need to be eaten first
- Keep the basic supplies your family uses most on hand
- When making a grocery list, refer to your inventory list to quickly see what you need to buy
- Organize your grocery list by putting items in the order that you expect to put them in your cart.
 - Use the Family Nutrition Program's Weekly Shopping Planner as a guide.

To learn more information, read a recipe, and to use the Weekly Shopping Planner, [view the flyer \(PDF\)](#).

2021 Loudoun County Fall Farm Tour

Make plans to visit your favorite farms on the family-friendly 2021 Loudoun Fall Farm Tour!

This year marks the 28th annual Loudoun Fall Farm Tour, which began in 1993 as the Loudoun Fall Colors Tour. Since then, the emphasis has shifted to encourage shopping for top-quality, local products during Loudoun's harvest season.

This year's tour features more than two dozen locations that offer everything from pumpkin patches to alpacas and vineyards to farmers markets. The featured farmers are among the most demographically inclusive in Virginia, including seventh-generation family farmers and former financial professionals that started farming in 2020.

All locations provide an educational component for visitors and commit to being open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Most farms are also part of the [Loudoun Made Loudoun Grown Marketplace](#), an e-commerce platform launched during the pandemic to help connect consumers with products sourced directly from local farms.

Interested in getting updates? You can also [sign up for email updates](#) to stay connected with Loudoun Farms.



[Learn More](#)

REMINDER: Firefighters Team Up with Mobile Hope and One Warm Coat® for Annual Coat Drive



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 to collect winter apparel for local residents in need.

This year LCCFRS will be collecting coats and winter apparel at all Loudoun County Fire and Rescue stations to include fire and rescue headquarters in Leesburg which will offer a contactless drop-off option.

This year LCCFRS will be collecting coats and winter

The process is simple!

- Collect your new or gently used and clean coats, jackets, scarves, winter hats, gloves, and mittens.
- Drop-off your items from October 1 through November 7, 2021.
- All donated items will be given to Mobile Hope Loudoun for distribution to local people in need.

For an interactive map of our drop-off locations and more information about this annual campaign, please visit <https://www.loudoun.gov/5624/LC-CFRS-Annual-Coat-Drive>.

REMINDER: 2022 Step Up Loudoun Youth Competition

The Registration for Loudoun Youth Inc.'s 2022 Step Up Loudoun Youth Competition is now open!

Loudoun Youth, Inc. was created to help teens in Loudoun County gain exposure to leadership in action and build up confidence.



The Step Up competition Encourages middle and high school youth, across the county to identify an issue in their school, neighborhood or community, create a plan to address that issue, and implement the plan. The goal is to encourage, support and reward the youth of Loudoun County for making positive changes in their own lives and the lives of others.

Key Dates

- Registration Closes: December 17, 2021
- Team Videos Due: March 3, 2022
- Main Competition: March 24, 2022
- Top 10 Finals and Awards: April 7, 2022

[Learn More and Register Today](#)

REMINDER: Loudoun County Landfill Fees to Increase October 18, 2021

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**Landfill
User Fees
Increasing**

**Effective
Oct. 18, 2021**

loudoun.gov/landfill

Fees at the Loudoun County Solid Waste Management Facility are set to increase beginning Monday, October 18, 2021, by about 10%. The Board of Supervisors approved the updated fee schedule after a [recent financial analysis of facility operations \(PDF\)](#) concluded that a fee increase was needed so that the landfill will remain financially sound.

The fee at the gate will increase from \$62 per ton to \$68 per ton, and the minimum charge per customer for disposal will be raised from \$6 to \$7. A complete list of landfill fees, including surcharges for specific items including tires, propane tanks and refrigerated appliances is available at loudoun.gov/landfill.

In addition to household waste, the landfill also handles scrap metal, waste paint, tires, many automotive fluids and serves as one of the county's most popular recycling drop-off centers for collecting bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.

More information about the county's recycling and waste management programs, including services at the landfill, is available by calling [703-771-5500](tel:703-771-5500) or visiting loudoun.gov/wastemanagement.

TONIGHT: Loudoun Clerk of the Circuit Court Offers Virtual History Program Oct. 14

Loudoun County Clerk of the Circuit Court Gary Clemens is pleased to announce the next historic records virtual program offered by the Clerk's Historic Records Division. The next program, entitled "The Ground Holds Secrets: Courthouse Archaeology," will be offered **Thursday, October 14, 2021, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

*The Ground Holds Secrets:
Courthouse Archaeology*

**October 14, 2021
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

Virtual
History Program

loudoun.gov/clerk-archives



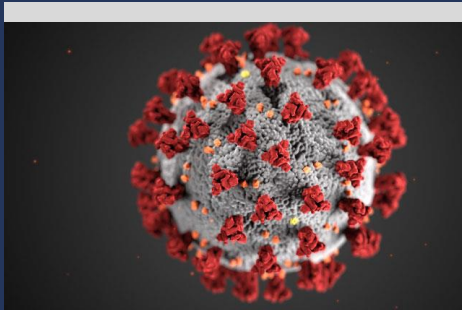
The Clerk's Historic Records team, in partnership with the Loudoun County Department of Planning and Zoning will offer this virtual program. Joining Historic Records Manager Eric Larson will be Loudoun County Archaeologist Stephen Thompson and Principal Planner Heidi Siebentritt from the Department of Planning

and Zoning. This program will discuss the history of the courthouse complex and the role of archaeology in county development.

Pictured at right are items found on the Loudoun County Courthouse grounds during past archaeological explorations, including a brick from the site of a jail, a bottle, pottery shards, a Civil War era belt buckle, pipe stems and an oyster shell.

Information on how to access the virtual meeting will be posted at loudoun.gov/clerk-archives.

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

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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.

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.

Supervisor Koran T. Saines

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