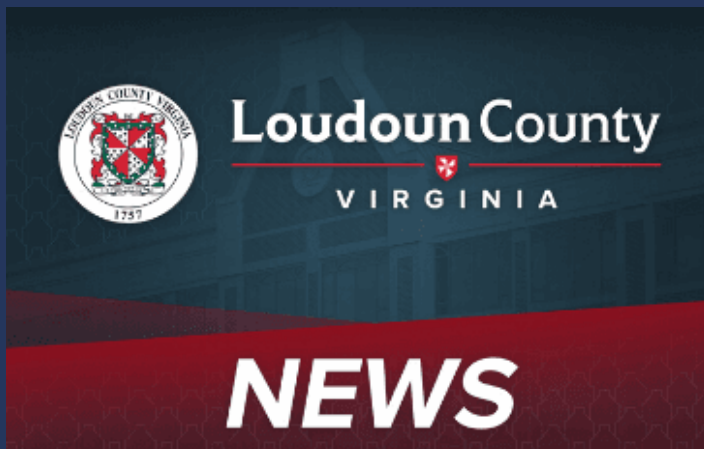




## COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~NOVEMBER 3, 2021~

### Loudoun Redistricting Tool Now Active



An online mapping tool is now available for public use in Loudoun County's local redistricting process. **From November 1 through November 30, 2021**, the public can use this tool to develop and submit their own plans for consideration.

The tool is available on the [Redistricting Hub](#).

Seven examples of local redistricting plans are posted on the online tool; these examples serve as preliminary "starting points" for the Board and the public to consider how the county's current population can be balanced among election districts. The examples, prepared by county staff, are based on adjusted 2020 census data provided by the Virginia Division of Legislative Services, as well as on the Board's adopted 2021 Redistricting Guidelines

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.

To submit general comments about the redistricting process, residents are encouraged to [use this comment form](#).

[Visit the Redistricting Hub](#)

## UPDATE: Sterling Park Safety Center

Loudoun County held a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate the start of construction on Saturday, October 30, 2021.

Demolition of the old fire station is complete and crews have begun installing concrete foundations to support the new building.

This project provides funding to design and construct a new 22,000 square foot replacement station for the Sterling Volunteer Fire and Rescue Companies at the corner of East Holly Avenue and Commerce Street in Sterling.

The new station will replace the current 8,772-square-foot building on this site dating from 1970, and provide more storage and parking. The one-acre property will also expand by a third of an acre. Features of the facility will include a reception area, meeting and training rooms, bunk rooms, a kitchen, an exercise room, offices, apparatus bays, and storage space for equipment and gear. Funding for this project uses general obligation bonds and cash proffers.

Construction is currently estimated for completion in fall 2022, weather permitting.

[Watch the Recorded Groundbreaking Ceremony Videostream](#)



# HealthCare.gov Insurance Open Enrollment Period Now Through January 15



**Get Health Insurance for 2022**

Put your health and well-being first in 2022 with Marketplace health insurance. You can compare plans and find out what your costs will be before you enroll. You'll likely qualify for savings, even if you haven't before — most people do! Learn more at [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov).

**OPEN ENROLLMENT RUNS**

**NOV 1 2021** TO **JAN 15 2022**

Health Insurance Marketplace

CMS Product No. 11920  
September 2021

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HealthCare.gov

The HealthCare.gov Open Enrollment Period is now underway! This year, on top of providing health care plans at record-low costs, the Biden-Harris Administration has extended the Marketplace Open Enrollment Period by 30 days **through January 15** to ensure everyone possible has enough time to get covered.

To help communities with disproportionately high uninsurance rates, the Biden-Harris Administration has quadrupled its Navigator footprint of people who can assist with the process of getting covered. With 1500 Navigators, the Administration has made assistance available in nearly every county in the country.

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan (ARP), coverage is also critically more affordable than ever. Four out of five

people can find a plan for \$10 or less per month with this newly expanded financial assistance. Additionally, there are more coverage options this season than last, with the average consumer being able to choose between six and seven insurance companies with plan options.

All consumers shopping for health insurance coverage on [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov) — even those who currently have coverage through the Marketplace — should enroll or re-enroll starting today by logging in to [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov) and [CuidadodeSalud.gov](https://www.CuidadodeSalud.gov) or call [1-800-318-2596](tel:1-800-318-2596) to fill out an application.

If you would like local assistance with this process, HealthWorks for Northern Virginia is here to assist with answering your questions and finding you coverage at one of three locations in the area! Call [703-840-4699](tel:703-840-4699) or visit [www.hwnova.org](https://www.hwnova.org) to speak with an associate today

## Loudoun Workforce Resource Center Relocating, Temporarily Pausing In-Person Services

The Loudoun Workforce Resource Center will be relocating to the AutoZone Shopping Center, 705 E Market Street, Suite E, in Leesburg next month. The last day for in-person services at the current location in the Shenandoah Office Building will be Monday, November 8, 2021. In-person services

will resume at the new location on Monday, November 29, 2021. Online services continue to be available throughout the relocation.

The Loudoun Workforce Resource Center  
is moving to:  
**AutoZone Shopping Center**  
*705 E Market St, Suite E, Leesburg*

Last day for in-person services in  
the Shenandoah Office Building:  
**Monday, November 8, 2021**

In-person services resume at the  
AutoZone Shopping Center:  
**Monday, November 29, 2021**

**Online services  
continue to be  
available  
at any time.**

**loudoun.gov/wrc**

### Assistance During the Relocation

**Online:** Online services continue to be available at any time and include:

- Weekly job postings.
- Online workshops.
- LinkedIn Learning.
- Online job and career resources.
- Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) program eligibility screenings.

**Email & Phone:** For additional questions and support during the relocation, email or call the Loudoun Workforce Resource Center; messages will be returned with one business day:

- For job search assistance, [email the Workforce Resource Center](#).
- For employer services, [email the Workforce Resource Center](#).
- All other inquiries, call [703-777-0150](tel:703-777-0150) / Virginia Relay 711.

[Subscribe to the Workforce Resource Center newsletter](#)

## Project Lifesaver with LCSO



November is National #Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. Throughout the year the LCSO is dedicated to locating individuals with Alzheimer's disease through the Project Lifesaver program.

The primary mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide a timely response

to save lives and reduce potential injury for adults and children with the propensity to wander due to a cognitive condition.

The program allows Loudoun Deputies certified as Electronic Search Specialists to fit clients with a wristband transmitter that emits an automatic locating signal. If the client becomes lost, the specially trained deputies will use a mobile antenna and hand-held directional device to help locate the client.

The LCSO fully implemented Project Lifesaver in 2010 and has been 100% successful in locating missing clients over the past ten years with many being rescued in under 30 minutes.

[Donate to or Participate in Project Lifesaver](#)

## Loudoun County Weekly COVID-19 Testing Events



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.

## COVID-19 TESTING

October & November

Multiple  
Locations

Tuesdays

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

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[loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](https://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing)

### Testing Schedule

They will be held on **Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

- **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 Fire and Rescue to Present Update to  
Emergency Response Improvements Following  
2020 Drowning**



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## NEWS

Tonight, during the November 3, 2021, Board of Supervisors meeting, the Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System (LC-CFRS) will present an update on its progress toward implementing emergency response improvements that strengthen multi-jurisdictional emergency communications and incident response in and around

the Potomac River. The update stems from the [Perdido Bay Terrace Significant Incident Review \(PDF\)](#), which was conducted following the tragic drowning of 16-year-old Fitz Thomas at Confluence Park on June 4, 2020.

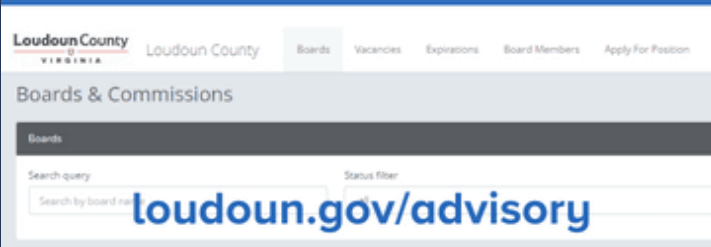
The Board meeting is scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. on November 3 at the Loudoun County Government Center (1 Harrison St. SE, in Leesburg). The meeting can be viewed on the county's cable channel (Comcast Channel 23 or Verizon Fios Channel 40), or online at [loudoun.gov/meetings](https://loudoun.gov/meetings).

The Board's meeting documents, including LC-CFRS's staff report, are published at [loudoun.gov/bosdocuments](https://loudoun.gov/bosdocuments).

[Get More Information](#)

## Loudoun Launches New Online System for Advisory Boards, Commissions & Committees

### Loudoun Launches New Advisory Boards, Commissions & Committees Portal



Loudoun County has launched an improved online portal for advisory boards, commissions and committees, OnBoard. Through the portal, residents can view board details, membership rosters, vacancies and term expiration dates, as well as apply for an advisory board, commission or committee online.

In addition to a better presentation for users of the Loudoun County website, the new system also creates application management and tracking membership efficiencies.

Members of the public are encouraged to apply to serve on the many advisory boards, commissions, and committees which provide opportunities for direct involvement in local government by residents of Loudoun County. There are currently more than 40 advisory boards, commissions and committees, covering topics ranging from animals to zoning. The Board of Supervisors appoints citizens to fill vacancies on most advisory boards, commissions and committees.

To access the portal, visit [loudoun.gov/advisory](https://loudoun.gov/advisory).

## Loudoun Workforce Resource Center Offers Saturday Seminars in November



The Loudoun Workforce Resource Center will host virtual workshops on three Saturdays in November for Loudoun County job seekers as well as current workers seeking to upgrade their skills.

“We are delighted to once again offer ‘Saturday

Seminars in November’ to support individuals seeking educational opportunities outside the normal business week,” said Loudoun County Workforce Team Leader Shelly Rodriguez. “We will be hosting sessions on some of our most frequently requested topics.”

Visit [loudoun.gov/wrcworkshops](https://loudoun.gov/wrcworkshops) for detailed information about each event and how to register.



Events will include:

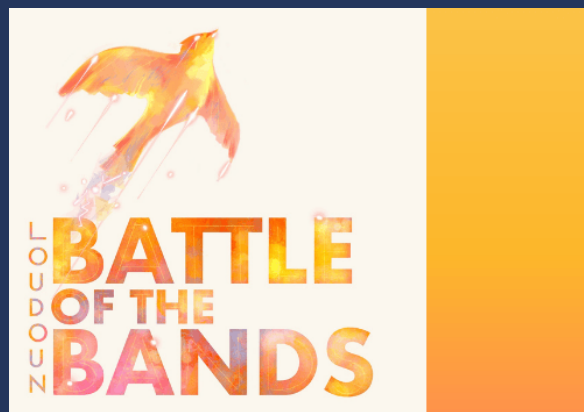
- Coffee with a Career Counselor:\* November 6, 2021, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. \*For details and to register, visit: [loudoun.gov/virtualcoffee](https://loudoun.gov/virtualcoffee).
- Navigating LinkedIn for New Users: November 6, 2021, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- Loudoun County Employment Information Session: November 13, 2021, 10:00 - 11:15 a.m.
- The Mystery of Applicant Tracking Systems: November 20, 2021, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
- Avoiding Job Scams: November 20, 2021, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Loudoun Workforce Resource Center provides no-cost resources and equipment to both job seekers and businesses and connects businesses and job seekers to help them achieve their employment goals.

More information about the services provided by the Loudoun Workforce Resource Center may be found online at [loudoun.gov/wrc](https://loudoun.gov/wrc).

## Final Call for Teen Bands and Solo Acts!

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. Interested individuals and ensembles should apply online at [loudoun.gov/teens](https://loudoun.gov/teens). 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. At least 71% of performers in ensemble acts must be in middle or high school. At least 25% of performers in

ensemble acts must be Loudoun County residents. 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](http://loudoun.gov/teens) or call 703-737-8335.

## Sterling Playmakers Present: "Catch Me If You Can"



**Sterling Playmakers**  
Presents

**CATCH ME IF YOU CAN**

Produced By: Lauren Baker & Angela Hepola  
Directed By: Shanna Christian

Based on the DreamWorks Motion Picture

Book By: Terrence McNally  
Music By: Marc Shaiman  
Lyrics By: Scott Wittman  
Marc Shaiman

**NOVEMBER 12-14 & 19-21, 2021**  
Fridays & Saturdays at 7:30pm | Sundays at 2:00pm

The Theatre at Seneca Ridge Middle School | 98 Seneca Ridge Drive, Sterling, VA  
ASL interpretation provided by HIS Sign on Saturday, November 20

**General Admission \$15 | Group Rates Available**  
[www.sterlingplaymakers.org/tickets](http://www.sterlingplaymakers.org/tickets)

COVID-19 safety precautions will be in place  
Please visit our website for our most up-to-date policies and procedures

For more information, visit our website at [www.sterlingplaymakers.org](http://www.sterlingplaymakers.org),  
call (703) 437-5117, or email [catchme@sterlingplaymakers.org](mailto:catchme@sterlingplaymakers.org)

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).  
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. [www.mtishows.com](http://www.mtishows.com)  
Sterling Playmakers is a non-profit community theatre group in partnership with LCPRCS - Sterling Community Center.

*CATCH ME IF YOU CAN* opens on the Sterling Playmakers stage **Friday, November 12th.**

Based on the hit film and the incredible true story, *CATCH ME IF YOU CAN* is the high-flying musical comedy about chasing your dreams and not getting caught. Nominated for four Tony Awards, including Best Musical, this big and bright spectacle with high-energy dance numbers and a riveting story, tells the story of precocious teenager, Frank Abagnale, Jr., who runs away from home seeking fame and fortune. With nothing more than his boyish charm, a big imagination and millions of dollars in forged checks, Frank successfully poses as a pilot, a doctor, and a lawyer - living the high life and

winning the girl of his dreams. When Frank's lies catch the attention of FBI agent, Carl Hanratty, though, Carl pursues Frank across the country to make him pay for his crimes.

Sterling Playmakers will perform *CATCH ME IF YOU CAN* Fridays & Saturdays, November 12, 13, 19, 20 at 7:30pm, and Sundays, November 14 and 21 at 2pm in the **theatre at Seneca Ridge Middle School**. The theatre is located at 98 Seneca Ridge Drive, Sterling, VA 20164.

Tickets are \$15 for general admission and are available at [SterlingPlaymakers.org](http://SterlingPlaymakers.org) or can be purchased at the door. Saturday, November 20 performance will be sign interpreted by HISsign.

For more information about this delightfully entertaining production of *CATCH ME IF YOU CAN* visit [SterlingPlaymakers.org](http://SterlingPlaymakers.org).

## November Mental Health Education & Substance Abuse Prevention Programs

Loudoun County offers ongoing mental health education and substance abuse prevention programs. All programs are free, but registration is required, and seats are limited.

The schedule of upcoming classes for November 2021 is as follows:

### Mental Health Education & Substance Abuse Prevention

#### New Classes Scheduled for November 2021

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Mental Health First Aid
- Opioid Overdose Reversal
- Suicide Prevention

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[loudoun.gov/mhsadsprevention](http://loudoun.gov/mhsadsprevention)

### 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. ACEs are linked to chronic health problems, mental illness, and substance use problems in adulthood. The training teaches that ACE prevention is a key to improving a community's well-being. 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:

- November 16, 6:00 p.m.

### **Mental Health First Aid**

[Mental Health First Aid](#) offers training that teaches people how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. The training also teaches the skills that someone needs to reach out and provide initial help and support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem or experiencing a crisis. There are two versions of the program, a general adult program and a program for adults who interact with youth. The virtual trainings are usually held over a two-day period, with the class lasting for about three hours each day.

The next trainings are:

- Youth Mental Health First Aid: November 3 & 4, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. each day.
- Adult Mental Health First Aid: November 17 & 18, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. each day.

### **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:

- November 5, 12:00 p.m.
- November 8, 5:30 p.m.
- November 12, 12:00 p.m.
- November 15, 5:30 p.m.
- November 19, 12:00 p.m.
- November 22, 5:30 p.m.

### **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.

The next class will be held:

- November 15, 12:00 p.m.

[Learn More and Register for Classes](#)

## Human Service Nonprofit Grant Application Process for Fiscal Year 2023 Opens November 8th

### Loudoun Human Service Nonprofit Grant Funding

Nonprofit organizations serving vulnerable & disadvantaged residents of Loudoun are encouraged to apply.

Applications available November 8, 2021



[loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants](https://loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants)

Loudoun County's nonprofit grant application process for community nonprofit organizations will open on **November 8, 2021**, when the Fiscal Year 2023 (FY 2023) Human Service Nonprofit Grant Application will be made available

at [loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants](https://loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants).

Nonprofits certified as 501(c)3 organizations that provide human services to Loudoun County residents in the areas of need identified and approved by the Board of Supervisors for FY 2023 are eligible to apply for funding.

The areas of need are:

- **Prevention and Self-Sufficiency:** Services focused on assisting individuals and families in becoming and/or remaining independent and stable, and providing tools, skills, strategies, and resources to individuals and families.
- **Crisis Intervention and Diversion:** Services provided to individuals and families in crisis to overcome immediate problems and reduce or prevent the need for more restrictive and expensive higher-level services.



- **Long-Term Support:** Services that focus on assisting individuals who have continuing, long-term support needs to remain healthy, safe and independent in the community.
- **Improved Quality of Human Services:** Services and opportunities provided to individuals, organizations and communities that enhance the quality, accessibility, accountability and coordination of services provided by community organizations.

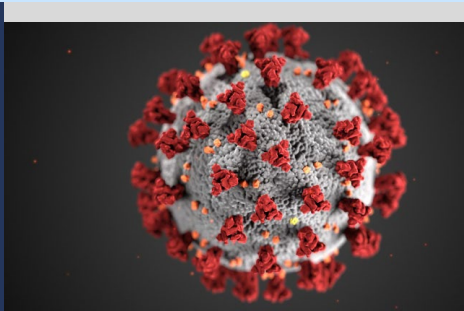
The online grant application and related documents are scheduled to be posted by 3:00 p.m., November 8, 2021, at [loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants](https://loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants). **Applications must be submitted by 4:00 p.m., December 21, 2021.** The amount of funding for FY 2023 will be determined by the Board of Supervisors as part of the county's adopted FY 2023 budget. In FY 2022, the budget for human service nonprofit grant funding was \$1.8 million.

### **Pre-Application Information Webinar on November 9, 2021**

Prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to participate in a pre-application information webinar hosted by the county scheduled for **November 9, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Information on how to access the webinar is available at [loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants](https://loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants) as well as at [loudoun.gov/remoteparticipation](https://loudoun.gov/remoteparticipation). The webinar will be recorded and will be available to access at [loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants](https://loudoun.gov/nonprofitgrants).

[Learn More](#)

## **Stay Informed!**



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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
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-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.

Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about COVID-19

- To receive email updates on COVID-19, visit [loudoun.gov/coronavirus](https://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.

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

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid non-essential travel.

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