

Inside Sterling: March News & Updates

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As you know, the Board and I are in full swing of the budget season. Now is your time to express any thoughts and ideas about this year's (FY 19) budget. I encourage you to email me directly at Koran.Saines@loudoun.gov and/or the entire Board at bos@loudoun.gov. Additionally, you can provide your input in person at our last budget-specific public hearing:

- Saturday, March 3, 2018, 9:00 a.m., Loudoun County Public Schools Administration Building, [21000 Education Court, Ashburn](#).

Anyone who wishes to speak at the public hearings may sign up in advance for one speaking slot, by calling 703-777-0204.

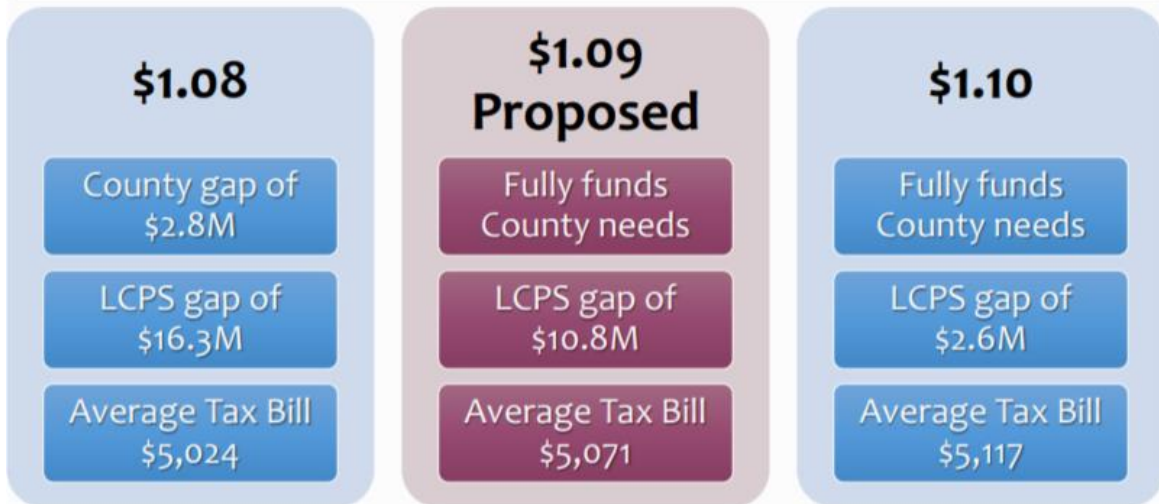
The County Administrator, Tim Hemstreet has advertised a real property tax rate of \$1.105 to provide the Board with options to fund the Loudoun County Public Schools' full budget request and the county's budget requests in the proposed budget.

The proposed budget is balanced at the equalized tax rate of \$1.09. The Board also directed the County Administrator to prepare two additional tax rate scenarios, including one at \$1.10 and one at \$1.08. At the \$1.10 rate, LCPS could receive an additional \$8.2 million. At the \$1.08 rate, the Board would have to consider reductions to the funding transfer to LCPS and to county government expenditures in the proposed budget.

The Board of Supervisors will determine the final real property tax rate and related budget policy decisions during March budget work sessions with adoption of the FY 2019 budget expected on April 3, 2018.

Detailed information about the FY 19 Proposed Budget is posted online at www.loudoun.gov/budget.

Three Tax Rate Options



Sterling BMI Updates

Update on the Route 7 Signalized Crossings Project

Funding for Signalized crossings at three intersections have been included in the FY19 year of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). This funding would allow these signalized crossings to be installed some time in late 2018 or early 2019.

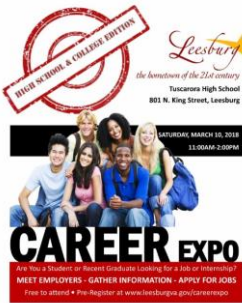
Crossing 1: Route 7 at Bartholomew Fair Drive (Route 1732)/Campus Drive

Crossing 2: Route 7 at Lakeland Drive (Route 821)

Crossing 3: Route 7 at Potomac View Drive (Route 637)

Update on Jennings Farm Drive and Maple Leaf Place

County staff has informed me that they will be coming forward with a motion at the March 22 Board Business Meeting to fund a slurry/restriping project for these two roads. This project would remove all parking along these two roads. If the Board is supportive of this motion, the project could be completed as early as summer 2018.



Leesburg Career Expo for High School & College Students on March 10

Are you a student or recent graduate looking for a job or internship? Come to Tuscarora High School (801 N. King Street) in Leesburg from 11 am to 2 pm and meet employers, gather information and apply for jobs. The event is free to attend. Pre-register at www.leesburg.gov/careerexpo.

Save the Dates - Help Spread the Word!

2018 Spring Job Fair is Coming Up on April 21st!

This year, I am partnering with INMED nonprofit to host our Spring Job Fair. We will have 40+ employers from various industries in the area as well as organizations that help with job training and resources. Candidates should bring identification, resume and dress to impress. If you would like to become a vendor or have questions, please contact Cecilia Capece, INMED Executive Director at ccapece@inmed.org or 571-465-2032. [View the flyer](#) for more details.

Date/Time: Saturday, April 21 from 10 am - 12 pm
Location: Claude Moore Recreation Center



2018 Health & Wellness Expo Takes Place April 28th!

This year's Health & Wellness Expo is happening on Saturday, April 28th from 10 am to 12 pm at the Sterling Community Center. FREE health screenings and information about services in the surrounding community will be offered. This year, the Ashburn Rotary has partnered with the Y, which will host its annual YMCA's Healthy Kids Day at the event. There will be lots of fun activities, including arts and crafts, face painting and relay games for kids. Admission is free. [View the flyer here](#).

Date/Time: Saturday, April 28 from 10 am - 12 pm
Location: Sterling Community Center





Donate Your Used Sneakers for a Good Cause!

In the spirit of environmental and economic sustainability, the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) has partnered with GotSneakers to help raise funds for Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) of Loudoun. The request is simple: Clean out your closets of all unwanted adult and children's paired sneakers and other footwear and bring them tied together before March 31, 2018 to one of the LCSO stations. More information [here](#).

Nearest LCSO Station: Eastern Loudoun Station, 46620 E. Frederick Rd.

LCSO Citizens' Police Academy Now Open

Participate in the Citizens' Police Academy and get an overview of all the aspects of law enforcement within the agency. The free classes will be held from April 5 through June 14 on Thursday evenings. Enrollment is limited to 25 participants and you must be at least 18 years old. For more information, contact Emir Bekric at 703-737-8238.



GMU Offers Free Speakers to Community Organizations



Is your club or organization interested in having a speaker? The George Mason University Mason Speakers program is comprised of over 100 faculty and staff who provide lectures and guest presentations on hundreds of topics to organizations and businesses free of charge. Rotary clubs, retirement communities and businesses that offer "lunch and learns" have been using this service for over 20 years. Favorite topics range from "Joint Health: You Rest, You Rust" to "Forty Years of Exploration of the Surface of

Mars." For more information, visit: <https://masonspeakers.gmu.edu/> or contact Sarah Gallagher at 703-993-8761; sgallag5@gmu.edu.

Easter Festivities!

March 24 - Egg Stravaganza at YMCA in Sterling!

Join the Y at their Egg Stravaganza community event Saturday, March 24th at their Youth Development Center in Sterling. There will be an egg hunt, easter bunny crafts, games and refreshments. Bring your kids ages 2 and up with their own basket.

Date/Time: Saturday, March 24, 11 am - 12:30 pm
Location: 624 W Church Rd, Sterling.



March 28 - Bunny Bonanza at Heritage Farm Museum

Join the Heritage Farm Museum for Bunny Bonanza on Wednesday, March 28. Interact with live rabbits, meet the Easter Bunny, and enjoy hands-on exhibits and crafts for all ages. Discover opportunities to volunteer to work with animals in our area. A "must-see" for anyone who owns a rabbit or is thinking about becoming a rabbit owner. Bunny Bonanza is free with paid Museum admission.

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 28, 10 am - 2 pm.
Location: 21668 Heritage Farm Ln, Sterling.



March 31 - Egg Hunt & Fuzzy Bunnies at Sterling Community Center

Bring your kids (ages 2-10) to the Sterling Community Center for an extraordinary egg hunt with springtime petting zoo! Kids can pet bunnies, chicks, ducks, miniature goats, and more! Parents, don't forget your cameras. \$6 per child. Pre-registration is required and space is limited.

Egg hunting times are as follows:
Ages 2-3: 11:30 am
Ages 4-6: 11:40 am
Ages 7-10: 12:00 pm

Date/Time: Saturday, March 31, 11 am - 12:30 pm.
Location: 120 Enterprise St, Sterling.



March 28 - Eggcellent Adventures at Claude Moore Park!

Hop around our many stations focusing on egg laying animals. Hunt for eggs, roast marshmallows, and enjoy other activities. Rain date is March 29. Register at Loudoun.gov/webtrac for activity #361719.

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 28, 10 am - 12 pm.
Location: 46105 Loudoun Park Ln, Sterling.

Opportunities, Programs, Scholarships & More!

Pathway of Hope Program Accepting Families

The Pathway of Hope is a program of the Salvation Army Loudoun Chapter that seeks to build a sustainable future for families suffering from poverty. It provides parents and children the tools they need to help them reach a place of greater stability. If you or someone you know could benefit from the program, please call 703-771-3371.

Inova Loudoun Nursing Scholarship Open

The Ladies Board of Inova Loudoun Hospital is accepting applications for nursing school tuition assistance. Scholarship are available to eligible students in various programs of study, including degrees at the associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels. Application and additional information available at www.ladiesboard.org or by calling 703-777-6357. Applications are due April 10.

Loudoun County Public Schools

FREE
Preschool Programs
Serving low-income families



ENROLLING NOW!
For 2018-2019 School Year



Preschool program for children 4 years old
Children 3 years old can apply if they live in Sterling
Transportation is provided
Families must reside in Loudoun County

Apply online
www.lcps.org/headstart
Or call us 571-252-2110

FREE 2018-2019 Preschool/Headstart Programs

LCPS is offering free preschool programs to children of low-income families in Loudoun County. Children must be four years old; children 3 years old can apply if they live in Sterling. Transportation is provided. Apply online at www.lcps.org/headstart or calling 571-252-2110.

Loudoun NAACP Offers College Scholarships

The Loudoun NAACP is offering \$1000 scholarships to four graduating Loudoun HS seniors from historically disadvantaged backgrounds who plan to attend a four-year college or community college for a two-year associate degree. Deadline to apply is March 30. Email scholarshipnaacploudoun@gmail.com.

Young Entrepreneurs Academy 2nd Annual Investor Panel

Join the Loudoun Chamber for their 2nd Annual Investor Panel for the Young Entrepreneurs Academy. Come see YEA! students pitch their business for the first time. Students will be eligible for seed money for their companies and a shot at traveling to the National Saunders Competition in Rochester, NY. The event is on April 10th from 5-8 pm at Belmont Country Club. [Register here.](#)

Upcoming Events

March 2 & 3: Build and Bounce at Sterling Community Center. The gym will be filled with building blocks and moonbounce galore for varying age groups. \$5 per child. Parent must accompany child.

March 3: Chocolate & Port Pairing in support of Loudoun Caregivers! 12-6 pm at Leesburg Vintner (corner of Loudoun & King Streets)

March 7: Chasing the Dragon Free Screening & Panel Discussion. The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the DEA, LCPS and LCPL to hold a panel discussion and special screening of the 45-min documentary, Chasing the Dragon: The Life of an Opiate Addict on March 7 at Gum Spring Library from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Event is free and open to the public.

March 7, 14, 21, 28: Charity Bingo at Crooked Run Brewery every Wednesday evening from 7-9 pm in support of local nonprofits. Enjoy some beer, taco and bingo while supporting your local community!

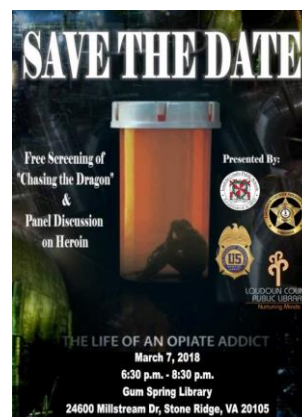
March 9: Yoga Tots - On the second Friday of the month (3/9), tap into your toddler's energy and flexibility in a mommy and me class. 11-11:45 am at the Sterling Community Center. \$6 a class.

March 10: Kids Night at the Museum. Drop the kids off (ages 3-10) at the Museum for dinner and supervised play while you enjoy a well deserved break. Kids Night includes pizza dinner, farm-themed craft activities, stories & games, plus playtime in our hands-on kids interactive area! \$16 per child. Registration required.

March 15: Luck of the Irish Moonbounce - Leap like a leprechaun and celebrate St. Paddy's Day at the Sterling Community Center (ages 5 and under). Wear green, and enjoy games, activities, moon bouncing and more at the Sterling Community Center. Call 703-430-9480 to pre-register.

March 18: Family Archery from 1-3 pm at Claude Moore Park. Register at Loudoun.gov/webtrac for activity #361715.

March 23: Spring Campfire at Claude Moore Park from 7-8:15 pm. Register at Loudoun.gov/webtrac for activity 361713.



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