

## Moving Sterling Forward

July was another eventful month for my office and the Board of Supervisors! I wanted to update you on a couple of initiatives.

On July 12, a community meeting was held to discuss proposed improvements to West Poplar Road. These changes would reduce congestion on West Poplar Road, increase safety for children crossing the road, and allow easy access to the road by emergency vehicles. A broad consensus emerged at the meeting on the proposed changes and that project is moving forward. For a copy of the presentation on the proposed changes, visit my [website](#) or my [Facebook](#) page.

On July 17, another community meeting focused on proposed improvements to Augusta Drive. These changes would improve safety for both motorists and pedestrians. A copy of the presentation on the proposed changes is available at my [website](#) and my [Facebook](#) page.

Finally, I wanted to address the initiative for Maple Leaf Place/Jennings Farm Drive. The Board of Supervisors approved my initiative, which will make this road safer and eliminate the eyesore created by parked commercial vehicles, in March. However, implementation has been delayed due to procurement issues. I am just as frustrated as you are over this delay and my office is working to accelerate the project. When there is news to report about this initiative we will share it in the newsletter, the website and on Facebook.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns about these or other matters feel free to reach out to me at [Koran.Saines@loudoun.gov](mailto:Koran.Saines@loudoun.gov) or by calling 703-777-0204. We love to hear from constituents and working with you to make Sterling a better place.



## School Supplies Drives

Women Giving Back is leading a drive to collect school supplies for needy children. This drive is collecting a wide range of supplies for both elementary school students and students in middle or high school. Items can be delivered to Women Giving Back at 20 Export Drive in Sterling. For more information visit [Womengivingback.org](http://Womengivingback.org), email [info@womengivingback.org](mailto:info@womengivingback.org), or call 703-554-9386.

Another school supplies drive is being led by Local Rotary Clubs and Giant Food, which will help economically disadvantaged children in local schools by filling 1,250 backpacks with school supplies. Volunteers are needed to encourage people to donate to this drive. Loudoun residents can sign up to volunteer [here](#).

All volunteers will be invited to the grand finale where supplies will be sorted and packed into backpacks on August 9th in the Loudoun County Public Schools Board Meeting Room from 8AM-3PM.

## Loudoun County Vehicle Decal Requirement Eliminated

Effective July 1, 2018, Loudoun County residents no longer will have to display a Loudoun County decal on their windshield. The Board of Supervisors eliminated this requirement by replacing the decal with a \$25 annual vehicle license fee. Billing will begin in 2019.



## Loudoun Workforce Center Job Search Resources

The Loudoun County Workforce Center provides a range of resources to help you move forward with your career. These include help fine tuning your resume, career counseling, workshops to learn important skills, mock interviews, meet the employer events and much more! For more information, and a calendar of events, visit [this page](#) or call 703-777-0150. Job seekers can email [wrc@loudoun.gov](mailto:wrc@loudoun.gov) while employers can email [wrcjobs@loudoun.gov](mailto:wrcjobs@loudoun.gov).

## Mason Enterprise Center Can Help Businesses



The Mason Enterprise Center is focused on providing direct business assistance services while working to accelerate the culture of entrepreneurship and innovation within the region. Mason Enterprise Center, Leesburg/Loudoun County is located in historic downtown Leesburg at 202 Church Street, SE. The small business incubator fosters the evolution of existing companies that are scalable and want to grow. The center provides office space and business services in a shared-cost, peer-to-peer, entrepreneurial environment. In addition, companies are connected to expertise, resources and business coaching from the Small Business Development Center at MEC-Leesburg. For more information call 703-466-0466 or visit [here](#).



## Loudoun United Launches

On July 18, Loudoun United officially launched, making history as the first professional sports team to play in Loudoun County. Loudoun United will play in the USL, the top level of minor league soccer, as an affiliate of D.C. United. Supervisor Saines supported the county's work in convincing the team to come to Loudoun County, seeing it as a good economic development tool and a good opportunity for Loudoun youth who play soccer. Loudoun United will begin playing in 2019 in a 5,000 seat stadium in Leesburg. The complex will include two fields for recreational soccer and a soccer academy.

## INMED's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Barn Blast Event in September

SAVE THE DATE  
TICKETS NOW ON SALE



*Come Support Us*

Sunday, September 9, 2018  
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Murray Hill Estate  
Leesburg, Virginia

Featuring Live Music by Juliana MacDowell & Her Band | ResQ BBQ | Libations | Dancing | Live & Silent Auction | Family Fun  
All proceeds will benefit INMED Family & Youth Opportunity Center

INMED will hold its annual Barn Blast event on September 9 from 2:00-6:00 pm at the Murray Hill Estate in Leesburg. Tickets are on sale. Proceeds will go to the INMED Family & Youth Opportunity Center and support programs that help at-risk children and poor adults. These programs are Healthy Families Loudoun, after-school enrichment, a summer camp, and workforce development.



## Loudoun Human Services Network Luncheon

The Loudoun Human Services Network will have its annual awards luncheon on October 19 from 11:00-1:00 in Leesburg. The Loudoun Human Services Network is accepting nominations for awards to recognize those who have done great work in the nonprofit community.

### August Activities at Claude Moore Park

- Sat., Aug. 4 Free Open Houses at Historic 1779 Lanesville, Frogshackle Nature Cabin, and Bridge's One Room Schoolhouse 1:00 pm – 3 pm
- Tues., Aug. 21 Free Open House at Frogshackle Nature Cabin 1:00 pm – 3 pm
- Fri., Aug. 24 Back to School Campfire (\$5 each, 3 and under free with a registered adult) 7:00-8:15 pm
- Sat., August 25 Life in Colonial Lanesville (free) 10-2 pm



Please call 571-258-3700 for more information. To register for the August 24 event visit [here](#).



### Free Pet Adoption Event

Loudoun County's Department of Animal Services will be participating in the 4<sup>th</sup> annual nationwide Clear the Shelters pet adoption event on Saturday, August 18 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Adoption fees will be waived. Available pets can be viewed [here](#).

In lieu of adoption, those wishing to help needy pets can bring donated items. LCAS is always in need of cat and dog toys, cat safety collars, dog collars and leashes, chew toys, puzzle feeders and tasty treats for all types of pets.

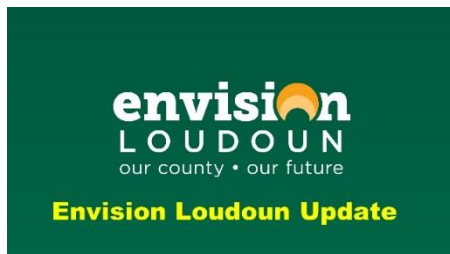
All dogs, cats, and rabbits adopted from LCAS are spayed or neutered, have age appropriate vaccinations, and receive a microchip which is registered to their adopter. The shelter

frequently has many pets available for adoption including hamsters, guinea pigs, reptiles, rabbits, and other small pets and livestock. For more information visit [this](#) website or call 703-777-0406.

## Edwin Washington Project



The Edwin Washington Project, which is researching education in Loudoun County from 1865-1968, with a focus on the effects of segregation will have a free event on Saturday, November 10 from 12:30 to 4:00 at the Old Douglass School on 407 E. Market Street in Leesburg. Several speakers will present on the work, findings of the project and the civil rights effort in Loudoun County as it pertained to education. For more information visit [edwinwashingtonproject.org](http://edwinwashingtonproject.org).



## Envision Loudoun Moves to Planning Commission

The Board of Supervisors voted to advance the draft Loudoun 2040 Comprehensive Plan to the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission will hold its first work session on August 9 and a special session on

August 11. You can read the draft plan at [envision-Loudoun.org](http://envision-Loudoun.org).

The draft plan was developed by a 26 member working group consisting of stakeholders representing citizens or specific groups. The Planning Commission is expected to forward a recommended plan to the Board of Supervisors early next year.

## Family Emergency Imposter Scams Warning

This scam is spreading across the country, and has reached Loudoun County. The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office advises the following if someone contacts you claiming to be a loved one desperate for money:



- Resist the urge to act immediately, no matter how dramatic the story is.
- Verify the person's identity by asking questions that a stranger couldn't possibly answer.
- Call a phone number for your family member or friend that you know to be genuine.
- Check the story out with someone else in your family or circle of friends, even if you've been told to keep it a secret.
- Don't wire money — or send a check or money order by overnight delivery or courier.

For more information see the FTC's [webpage](#) on this type of scam.



## Upcoming Events

**August 3-5, August 10-12: Sterling Playmakers presents Beauty & the Beast** at Potomac Falls High School in Sterling. The Friday and Saturday shows will begin at 7:30 pm and the Sunday show at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 per person and \$12 per ticket for a group of 10 or more. To purchase tickets online or for more information call 703-437-6117 or visit [www.sterlingplaymakers.org](http://www.sterlingplaymakers.org).

**August 14: Sterling Foundation Monthly Meeting** 7:00-9:00 pm at the Sterling Community Center. The public is invited to attend and learn about the Sterling Foundation's upcoming efforts and activities.

**August 25: Washington Redskins/Inova Blood Drive** 7:00 am to 5:00 pm at Inova Blood Donor Services located at 45745 Nokes Blvd., #160 in Sterling. Each presenting donor will receive a ticket to a Redskins regular season home game, a Redskins t-shirt, a chance to meet Redskins alumni, and a chance to win hourly drawing prizes. For more information visit the Redskins [page](#), [inovablood.org](http://inovablood.org) or call 1-866-BLOODSAVES.

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