



COVID-19 UPDATES ~JUNE 1, 2020~

Business Interruption Fund Application to Open June 3, 2020



Last month, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved \$5.7 million in additional grant funding for the COVID-19 Business Interruption Fund, to support small businesses adversely impacted by the pandemic.

This funding follows an initial round of applications for the Business Interruption Fund that distributed \$1.4 million in grants to randomly selected applicant businesses. The second round of funding will devote \$3.7 million to fully fund the first round, distributing grants of \$7,500 to the remaining 485 eligible businesses that were not randomly selected in a drawing on May 8.

Additionally, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$2 million for a third round of funding, which will be opened to provide 400 randomly selected applicant businesses with a \$5,000 grant.

The fund will open for applications at noon on June 3, 2020, and remain open for 72 hours, closing at noon on June 6, 2020.

More information can be found at LoudounBusinessFund.org.

Guide to Face Coverings

We all play a role in slowing the spread of coronavirus in our community. Wearing cloth face coverings that cover your nose and mouth and keeping a safe distance, 6 feet or more, from others are two ways to help slow the spread of COVID-19.



Effective May 29, 2020, [Executive Order 63](#) requires Virginians to wear face coverings in public indoor settings to help contain the spread of COVID-19. A face covering includes anything that covers your nose and mouth, such as a mask, scarf or bandana.

A cloth face covering can help prevent individuals who do not know they are carrying COVID-19 from transmitting the virus to others. The cloth is intended to catch droplets from your nose and mouth that may be projected when you talk, sneeze, cough and breathe. By limiting the potential of these droplets from landing on others and on surfaces, you can reduce the spread of the coronavirus and other germs even when you do not have symptoms.

[Learn About the Requirement, Exceptions, and More](#)

'Loudoun Is Ready' Pledge Launched to Show Consumers that Loudoun's Businesses are Ready to Reopen



Loudoun Economic Development has partnered with the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce and Visit Loudoun to launch a marketing campaign targeted at bolstering consumer confidence called “[Loudoun Is Ready](#)”. While opening the businesses is a great first step, our economy won’t really rebound until customers feel confident in returning to the marketplace.

By confirming that they are “ready” and displaying the distinctive red and gold logo, participants will be confirming that they are prioritizing the health and safety of their customers and employees. Businesses of all types in Loudoun will be encouraged to take a pledge that they will meet the latest safety guidelines outlined by the VDH and CDC.

Participating companies will range from restaurants, farms and craft beverage providers to offices, gyms, hotels and any other business that serves residents and visitors.

[Visit the Site to Learn More](#)

Loudoun PRCS Athletic Fields Available for Limited Use; County Postpones Licensed Summer Camp Start

As Loudoun County enters [Phase One of the Forward Virginia reopening plan](#), the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) is outlining a process for a limited use of the county’s athletic fields by the public.

PRCS is also postponing the start of licensed, weekly summer camp until July 6, 2020, or later. Families registered in camp FEST and DAZE camp sessions scheduled to run before July 6 will receive a refund. Refund notices will be emailed directly to registered households starting this week.



[Learn More About What's Open During Phase One](#)

Message for Faith Leaders About Phase One Requirements



Loudoun County, along with the Northern Virginia region, has moved into Phase 1 of the Forward Virginia “reopening” plan effective today, May 29, 2020.

Members of faith communities in Loudoun will find many of their traditions and practices dramatically changed as they resume in-person worship. Due

to the COVID-19 pandemic, the experience of going to church, the synagogue or the mosque will be distinctly different from what it was prior to the outbreak of the novel coronavirus.

Here’s what you should expect as you return to religious services during Phase 1 of the Forward Virginia Plan:

- There will be fewer people in the congregation.
- Physical distancing will continue to be practiced.
 - [Get clarification about Executive Order 63 in list of FAQs \(PDF\)](#)
- People attending indoor religious services will be required to wear face coverings.
- There will be no passing of items between those who are not family members.
- Religious services may be provided in alternate formats.

[Find Out More](#)

[Direct link to the info on religious services on the Forward Virginia website.](#)

Online Initiative to Develop Fatherhood Skills Begins June 25, 2020

A free, 12-week, virtual program sponsored by the [Loudoun County Department of Family Services](#) will help fathers build skills to become an even stronger dad. All fathers are welcome.



Area fathers are invited to register for the National Fatherhood Initiative's 24/7 Dad® program to strengthen their relationships with their children. The virtual workshops will take place weekly on Thursdays, beginning June 25, 2020, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

For questions and more information, [email Program Manager Stefanie Moreno](#) or call [571-258-3071](tel:571-258-3071).

[Learn More](#)

CVS Opens 39 New Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing Sites in Virginia



CVS Health will open 39 new drive-thru coronavirus testing sites Friday across Virginia.

Self-swab tests will be available for people who meet the criteria issued by the CDC and the state. To get a test you must register in advance at [CVS.com](https://www.cvs.com) and schedule an appointment.

New Virginia testing sites in our area include:

- CVS Pharmacy, 10090 Fairfax Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22030
- CVS Pharmacy, 3921 Prosperity Avenue, Fairfax, VA 22031
- CVS Pharmacy, 9009 Silverbrook Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22079
- CVS Pharmacy, 1020 Seneca Road, Great Falls, VA 22066
- CVS Pharmacy, 616 East Market Street, Leesburg, VA 20176
- CVS Pharmacy, 19305 Ruby Drive, Leesburg, VA 20176

People will be required to stay in their cars during the duration of the test. At the pharmacy drive-thru window, patients will be given the test and specific instructions. A CVS Pharmacy member will make sure the test is done properly. Test results will be available in approximately three days.

[More Information](#)

Loudoun County Public Library Launches Curbside Pickup Service

The contact-less service allows customers to pick up items they have placed on hold outside at their local branch. Customers will receive notifications by email, text or phone once their items are available.



All patrons are strongly encouraged to call their branch to arrange a pickup time.

With the exception of the Law Library, Curbside Pickup will operate at all LCPL branches Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

[Find Out More](#)

Opportunity Center Selected as COVID-19 Test Site



May 28.

We are excited to announce a new partnership with HealthWorks for Northern Virginia to convert a portion of INMED's Family & Youth Opportunity Center in Sterling into a testing site for COVID-19, beginning on Thursday,

HealthWorks provides high-quality and affordable medical, dental and behavioral health care for patients of all backgrounds, ages and income level. It was recently awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to expand testing, particularly for low-income individuals.

Testing at the Opportunity Center will be by appointment only for both symptomatic and asymptomatic individuals and will be performed in a sealed-off area with a separate entrance.

For more information on testing days and times, please contact the HealthWorks Leesburg office at [703-443-2000](tel:703-443-2000).

Rent and Basic Needs Assistance

We understand that there are members in our community who continue to be financially impacted by the COVID-19 crisis. If you or someone you know are having difficulty with rent payments or need assistance with other basic needs, please see the information below.



Rent Assistance Program:

The Loudoun County government has expanded its rent assistance program for Loudoun County households economically impacted by COVID-19. The Board of Supervisors has approved re-allocating \$480,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds to expand the rent assistance program. The goal is to help ensure housing stability for low-income workers who have been furloughed, lost jobs or had work hours reduced due to the pandemic.

[Learn More](#)

How to Get Assistance with Basic Needs During the Pandemic:

The economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has been widespread and is likely to continue for some time. The financial fallout from the pandemic is affecting many Loudoun families, who find themselves in need of help.

[More Details](#)

Loudoun County Museums and Historic Sites Offer Educational Programs During the Pandemic Shutdown



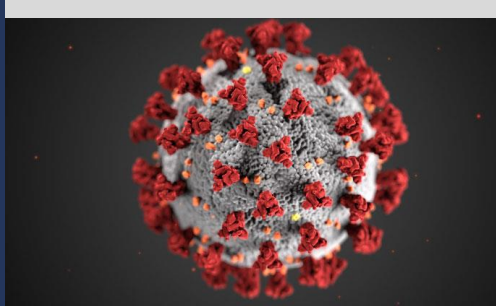
Normally at this time of year, museums and historic sites in Loudoun County would be busy with school field trips, visitors enjoying exhibits and festivals, and people taking tours of historic properties. None of that is taking place this year as cultural sites, like most other businesses, have been shuttered since March due to the Covid-19 pandemic. However, the closures have not prevented the organizations from staying connected to the community. In fact, many sites have ramped up their virtual presence as a result of the shutdown and don't plan to stop when the stay-at-home order is lifted.

Check their Facebook and Instagram pages as well as their web sites to learn more.

- [Aldie Mill Historic Park](#)
- [The Black History Committee of the Friends of the Thomas Balch Library](#)
- [The Clerk of Circuit Court Historic Records Room](#)
- [The George C. Marshall International Center](#)
- [The Loudoun Freedom Center](#)
- [Loudoun County Public Library](#)
- [The Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum](#)
- [The Lovettsville Historical Society & Museum](#)
- [The Loudoun Museum](#)
- [Morven Park in Leesburg](#)
- [The Mosby Heritage Area Association](#)
- [The Thomas Balch Library](#)
- [Oatlands Historic House and Gardens](#)
- [The Waterford Foundation](#)

Stay Informed!

Keeping with the Board of Supervisors' policy, regularly scheduled meetings of the Board's [advisory boards, commissions and committees](#) are canceled while Loudoun County Public Schools are closed. The county will provide updated information on meeting status as this rapidly evolving situation continues. For the most current schedule, please visit loudoun.gov/calendar.



The county continues to encourage everyone in the community to take steps to limit the spread of COVID-19, which include:

- 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.
- 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.

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

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