



COVID-19 UPDATES
~AUGUST 31, 2020~

Governor Northam Announces \$4 Million to Expand Legal Aid Services for Virginians Facing Eviction



Governor Ralph Northam today announced \$4 million in funding for the Legal Services Corporation of Virginia, which will support 20 Legal Aid attorneys in providing services to Virginia tenants facing eviction for the next two years. This critical investment comes as thousands of Virginians continue to be at risk of eviction and is supported in part by a \$2 million donation from IKEA U.S. Community Foundation.

[Read the Full Press Release](#)

Sterling DMV to Relocate to Sterling Plaza Shopping Center

See Press Release from DMV below:



The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will relocate its Sterling Customer Service Center (CSC) to the Sterling Plaza Shopping Center, 22360 South Sterling Boulevard, Koran Saines, Vice Chair of the Loudoun Board of Supervisors, announced today.

The new facility, which is tentatively set to open in January, is 10,971 square feet allowing DMV to increase customer service windows from 15 to 23 and cameras from 13 to 20. The new office will be outfitted with plastic partitions on the front counters to provide safe separation between customers and employees.

"We are pleased that DMV will be opening this newer, larger facility to serve Loudoun County residents and is doing so in a way that will enable the agency to safely serve customers by installing plastic partitions and putting social distancing protocols in place," Vice Chair Saines said. *"DMV is a great partner within our county and our residents benefit from its service."*

The current Sterling CSC, which is 6,836 square feet, reopens for specific services by appointment only on Monday, August 31. This office will focus on driver's license, ID and CDL transactions, knowledge and road skills testing, and "New to Virginia" transactions (for new residents who need to obtain their Virginia license and title and register their vehicle).

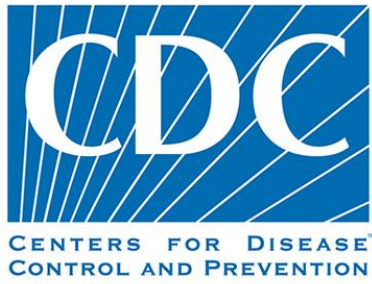
Appointments can be booked now at dmvNOW.com/appt.

The current Sterling office will remain open into 2021 after the grand opening of the new location to assist, in part, with the increase in customer demand expected due to the October 1, 2021 REAL ID deadline.

For vehicle transactions, customers can also visit a DMV Select partner. Currently, the Fairfax City, Purcellville, and Springfield DMV Selects are open. Customers are always also encouraged to conduct transactions online at dmvNOW.com or by mail when possible.

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Updates from the Centers for Disease Control



How to Select, Wear, and Clean Your Mask

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that you wear [masks](#) in public settings around people who don't live in your household and when you can't stay 6 feet away from others. Masks help stop the spread of COVID-19 to others.

[Explore the new CDC webpage for additional guidance on masks](#)

Considerations for People with Moderate to Severe Asthma

The CDC provides information for people with moderate to severe asthma based on what we currently know about the spread and severity of COVID-19. People with moderate to severe asthma may be at higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. COVID-19 can affect your nose, throat, lungs (respiratory tract); cause an asthma attack; and possibly lead to pneumonia and acute respiratory disease.

[Read more on the CDC website](#)

Voting 2020: Check Your Voter Registration

The first step in ensuring your right to vote on Election Day is to register to vote. Every election season, you should check your voter registration to make sure your information is accurate and up to date.

Have you moved?

Have you married or divorced and changed your name?

It only takes a few minutes to check; don't delay and check today on the [Virginia Citizen Portal](#).

If you have questions about your voter registration or the 2020 General Election, visit loudoun.gov/vote or email Loudoun County Elections & Voter Registration at vote@loudoun.gov.



LCPS Virtual First Day Website is Now Available



The Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) Virtual First Day website is now available.

The Virtual First Day website contains a number of resources families need to start the new school year, covering topics like:

- Parent access to and training in Schoology
- COVID Mitigation Documents
- Parent Resources
- Free and Reduced Lunch Application
- Insurance Information
- LCPS Mobile App Details

Families also will be able to login to ParentVUE on the Loudoun County Public Schools website (not the mobile app) to complete the Online Verification process as part of LCPS' Virtual First Day initiative.

This process is required for families to review and update important information about their students as we begin the 2020-21 school year. LCPS requires families complete the Online Verification process for their students no later than Friday, September 25.

For more information about the Online Verification process, please visit www.lcps.org/Page/229648. Once families complete the Online Verification process, they will be able to view student schedules in ParentVUE. If families have questions about this process, they can reach out to school support staff or to parentvuesupport@lcps.org.

[Access Virtual First Day](#)

FEMA Announces Lost Wages Grant for Virginia

Virginia has been approved for a FEMA grant under the Lost Wages Assistance Program. FEMA's grant funding will allow Virginia to provide \$300 per week, on top of regular unemployment benefits, to residents unemployed due to COVID-19. FEMA will work with Governor Ralph Northam to implement a system to make this funding available.

Up to \$44 billion from FEMA's Disaster Relief Fund is available to provide financial assistance to Americans who have lost wages due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Today, the state of Virginia agreed to administer a lost wages program for its citizens who are unemployed due to COVID-19.

FEMA looks forward to working with the governors of additional states who agree to administer a lost wages program to bring financial relief to unemployed Americans.



[Learn More About Lost Wages Assistance](#)

Complete the 2020 Census Today



The Census Bureau is working to complete data collection as quickly and safely as possible, while ensuring a complete and accurate count as it strives to comply with the law and statutory deadlines. All offices are schedule to complete their work by September 30, 2020.

Data from the U.S. Census Bureau helps inform planning efforts for all of these important community resources. Census takers are now visiting every household that has not already responded to the 2020 Census to make sure they are counted.

You can still submit your responses by completing and mailing back the paper questionnaire you received, by responding online, or by phone at [844-330-2020](tel:844-330-2020).

[Complete the Census](#)

PPE Donations for HealthWorks for Northern Virginia

Looking for a way to give back to our community? Please consider a donation of personal protective equipment, or PPE, to support the HealthWorks clinical teams and patients as they continue to test and treat patients for COVID-19.

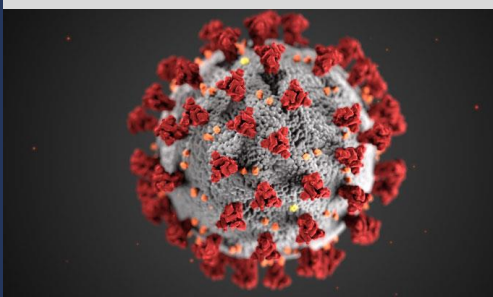
HealthWorks provides high-quality and affordable health care for patients of all backgrounds, ages and incomes.

Throughout the course of the coronavirus pandemic, HealthWorks expanded their services to include free COVID-19 testing and care for patients in Sterling, as well as Leesburg and Herndon. Their services have been crucial to our community's health during these challenging times and your PPE donation would be greatly appreciated.



[Make Purchases Through the HealthWorks Amazon Wish List](#)

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 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.

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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.

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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