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COVID-19 UPDATES ~NOVEMBER 19, 2020~

Governor Northam Signs Revised State Budget, Provides Critical Relief During COVID-19 Pandemic



Governor Ralph Northam recently signed House Bill 5005, Virginia's revised biennial budget.

The signed budget finalizes previously announced funding allocations that Virginia received under the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act including includes eviction moratorium and support for utility customers.

[Read the Full Press Release](#)

Recognizing Local Business: Crooked Run Brewing

Crooked Run Brewing is a brewery and taproom located off Route 28 on Davis Drive in Sterling. Crooked Run offers pints of beer, tacos from Senor Ramon Taqueria, and brunch and cocktails from Daybreak Biscuit Company for patrons to enjoy in our lively taproom, as well as weekly beer release four packs and bottles to-go.

Crooked Run is an active member of the Sterling business community. They participate in many charitable initiatives, such as weekly charity bingo, special beer releases such as our recent Friends Giving collaboration to raise money for Loudoun Hunger Relief, and our Veterans Day brunch buffet. They also provide a local meeting place for Sterling residents, with live music on Saturdays.

COVID-19 has affected Crooked Run's business and the entire restaurant and bar industry heavily. In mid-March, when lockdowns went into place, Crooked Run transitioned to 100% to-go sales and were able to retain their staff with no layoffs and full wages. Once we entered Phase II, Crooked Run worked with Virginia ABC to create an additional 72 outdoor covered seats, allowing patrons to enjoy beer and food in a safe manner outside. In addition, Crooked Run offers beer for shipping statewide for customers who would prefer to limit contact. Crooked Run has been very happy at the support and cooperation with mask-wearing and social distancing from our customers, and will continue to look for ways to offer the safest experience possible for everyone.

For more information on Crooked Run Brewing, visit their [website](#) and follow them on social media pages at under the handle: crookedrunbrew.



Update: Sterling Park Safety Center



At the November 17, 2020 Board of Supervisors Business Meeting, the Board authorized the award of a contract for the construction of the Sterling Park Safety Center to Kinsley Construction, Inc. in the estimated amount of \$12,845,000.

The authorization comes after a unanimous vote of approval from the Finance, Government Operations, and Economic Development Committee (FGOEDC) at the November 10, 2020 FGOEDC Meeting.

The new Sterling Park Safety Center will be located at the current site of the Sterling Volunteer Fire and Rescue Station at 104 Commerce Street. Demolition of the existing station and the construction of the new safety

center will occur in multiple phases and include an approximately 22,000 square foot building and brand new vehicle bays for apparatuses.

For more information, read the Safety Center [item](#) from the November 17, 2020 Business Meeting.

Loudoun Is Ready Outdoor Seating Grant

As part of Loudoun County's efforts to help our business community through the pandemic, we have created a \$250,000 fund to support restaurants, wineries, breweries, distilleries and others who are permitted for outdoor seating.



The new **Loudoun Is Ready Outdoor Seating Grant** program, which will open at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, is designed to provide up to \$5,000 in funding to approximately 50 businesses.

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis and the application window will close once it becomes apparent that the funds have been awarded. Learn more and apply at LoudounBusinessFund.org.

REMINDER: Free COVID-19 Testing November 21st



COVID-19 TESTING
Saturday, November 21, 2020
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Two Locations

Franklin Park 17501 Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville, 20132	Freedom High School 25450 Riding Center Drive Chantilly, 20152
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Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

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loudoun.gov/COVID19testing

Loudoun County will host two free drive-thru testing events for COVID-19 on Saturday, November 21, 2020, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The testing events are open to all. There are no age or residency requirements. No prescriptions or appointments are necessary.

To help reduce wait times, people who plan to attend the testing event are strongly encouraged to complete a registration form for each person who will be receiving a test prior to arriving at the testing site. Registration Form: [English \(PDF\)](#) | [Spanish \(PDF\)](#)

Testing Locations

NOTE: The two testing locations are using two different registration forms because they are being operated by different contractors. Please complete the form that corresponds to the location you plan to attend for testing. Forms will also be available at the testing site.

- Franklin Park
 - 17501, Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville.
- Freedom High School
 - 25450 Riding Center Drive, Chantilly (South Riding)

Information about the testing events and links to the forms also are available at loudoun.gov/covid19testing.

"Catch A Meal" Meal Giveaway

Former NFL Seattle Seahawks legend player Darrell Jackson founder of The Sterling Youth Foundation is hosting another Catch a Meal Event Bill Allen Field this Saturday, November 21st from 10:00 am-12:00 pm while supplies last. Mr. Jackson wants everyone to feel supported during this difficult time and no ID will be required.

The fresh produce boxes will include over 25lbs of an array of fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, and dairy. In addition, Catch A Meal will provide holiday non-perishable boxes and associated breads.

The event will take place in the heart of Sterling, VA at the home of The Lower Loudoun Boy's Football League: 22281 S. Sterling Blvd.

In accordance with local CDC guidelines, all food will be available to people in vehicles via a drive-through system that allows for social distancing. People will need to remain in their vehicles as volunteers load the boxes into vehicles.

For Media and Partnering with The Catch A Meal Program contact April Taylor at thesvefirm@gmail.com.



Loudoun Health Officials Offer Guidance on College Students Returning Home for the Holidays

Returning Home from Campus for Holidays or Extended Breaks?



Loudoun County health officials recommend college students and their families take precautions as students return home for the holidays or extended breaks to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

As college students travel home, many communities across the country are

experiencing an increase in the number of COVID-19 cases. The combination of events presents an increased risk for COVID-19 transmission and for bringing the virus into homes. Students should use extra caution if they will interact with older family members and individuals in the household who have underlying medical conditions.

Following the steps in the link below from the Virginia Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will help minimize the risk to families and the greater Loudoun community.

[Get More Information](#)

Next Loudoun Household Hazardous Waste Event is November 21 in Sterling

The next Loudoun County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection event is scheduled for **Saturday, November 21, 2020, from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm** at Claude Moore Park, 46150 Loudoun Park Lane in Sterling.

This is the last scheduled HHW event in 2020. The first HHW event in 2021 is scheduled for March.



Loudoun residents are welcome to bring HHW from their homes free of charge.

HHW Contact Information

For more information about the Household Hazardous Waste Program, call [703-771-5500](tel:703-771-5500) or visit loudoun.gov/hhw.

[Get More Information on What's Accepted](#)

Open Enrollment and Medicare Enrollment Assistance



The 2021 Open Enrollment season for the Federal Health Insurance Marketplace is here. If you [do not qualify for Virginia Medicaid](#) but are still looking for health coverage, you can check out other options through the [Federal Marketplace](#).

Depending on your income, you may also be eligible for an insurance plan with tax credits. Through CoverVA you can [learn about the Marketplace prior to applying](#) and find a local assister who can help you apply for coverage.

The deadline to enroll on the Federal Marketplace is December 15, 2020 for plans that begin January 1, 2021. Looking for more information? Here are some tips through the [Marketplace quick start guide](#).

Medicare Open Enrollment Assistance

Need help during Medicare Open Enrollment? The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging VICAP counselors are here to help (virtually)! Agency staff trained in the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program will work with you to help you find better coverage with lower premiums and copays.

Open enrollment runs from October 15 to December 7, 2020.

The deadline to submit your Part D worksheet to VICAP counselors is November 8. Part D worksheets are available at Loudoun County senior centers, online at loudoun.gov/aaa or by calling 703-737-8036.

2021 Spring/Summer Overnight Trips for Seniors

Loudoun Parks, Recreation, and Community Services is offering new day & overnight trips for seniors. Destinations include coastal and Southern towns and Nova Scotia, and safety precautions will be in place!

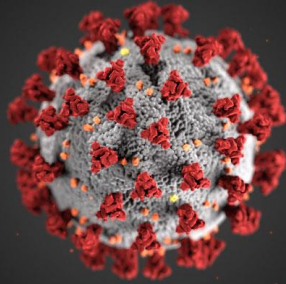


The Senior Trips Program is designed for independent adults 55 years of age or over. All transportation is provided by Senior Center buses unless otherwise noted.

Registration is required for all trips and may be done at any Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) facility with access to RecTrac (an automated data base system used by PRCS). Early registration is suggested since trips are very popular and may fill quickly.

[Learn More](#)

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

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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.

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