

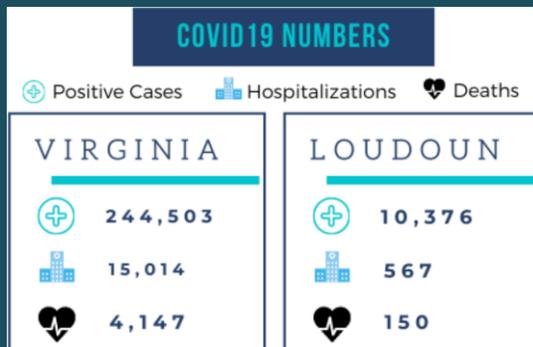


# All About Algonkian

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## COVID-19 Update



### Local and State COVID-19 Trends

Loudoun's seven-day test positivity rate has steadily increased since late November, with the latest number standing at 8.1%. Recent days have reported seven-day positivity rates in the double digits. For example, November 27 saw a rate of 14.2% and

December 1 reported a positivity rate of 12%. Loudoun has also seen an increase in its seven-day moving average of daily cases since November 23. Starting at 64.4 daily cases, Loudoun's data dashboard shows that the seven-day moving average has increased to 79.9 daily cases. Loudoun Health Department Director Dr. David Goodfriend stated at the [December 1 Board Business Meeting](#) that he expects to see a post-Thanksgiving surge and reminded residents to stay home for the holidays.

[At a press conference](#) earlier this week, Governor Ralph Northam stated that while cases are increasing, Virginia has a lower rate of cases per 100,000 residents than 45 other states. Travel to and from neighboring states like Tennessee, North Carolina, and West Virginia have contributed to a surge in cases in southwestern Virginia.

Data resources provided by Loudoun County can be accessed [here](#).

View Comprehensive Data on the Virginia Department of Health Website:

- [Cases, demographics, localities, outbreaks, testing, and more](#)
- [Virginia's Key COVID-19 Measures](#)
- [COVID-19 Data Insights](#)

## COVID-19 TESTING

**Tuesday, December 8**  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Philip A. Bolen Park**  
42405 Claudia Drive  
Leesburg 20175

**Sunday, December 13**  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Potomac Falls High School**  
46400 Algonkian Parkway  
Potomac Falls 20165

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

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[loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](https://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing)

## Loudoun Offers Free COVID-19 Testing at Potomac Falls High School

I'd like to thank County Administration for quickly responding to my request for an event in eastern Loudoun so that

Algonkian and Sterling residents have access to free COVID-19 testing closer to home. The scheduled testing events will be at the following locations:

- Tuesday, December 8, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at [Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive in Leesburg](#). (Those attending the testing must enter Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park from Sycolin Road onto Crosstrail Boulevard.)
- Sunday, December 13, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at [Potomac Falls High School, 46400 Algonkian Parkway, Potomac Falls](#).

The December 8 and December 13 testing events are open to all. There are no age or residency requirements. No prescriptions or appointments are necessary. A person does not have to exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 in order to be tested. A PCR test (nasal swab) will be administered, which tests for the novel coronavirus. No antibody or rapid tests will be offered.

### Registration Form

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. The registration form is required and asks for general demographics and contact information, including name, date of birth, address, phone number and current symptoms, if any.

- Registration Form: [English \(PDF\)](#) | [Spanish \(PDF\)](#)

The fillable form may be downloaded, filled out, and printed. Completed forms should be brought with you to the testing site. Forms will also be available at the testing site for individuals who do not have access to a printer or otherwise are unable to complete the forms in advance. The forms are also available at [loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](https://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing).

- [View, print or download a flyer about the COVID-19 testing event \(English\) \(PDF\)](#)

- [View, print or download a flyer about the COVID-19 testing event \(Spanish\) \(PDF\)](#)



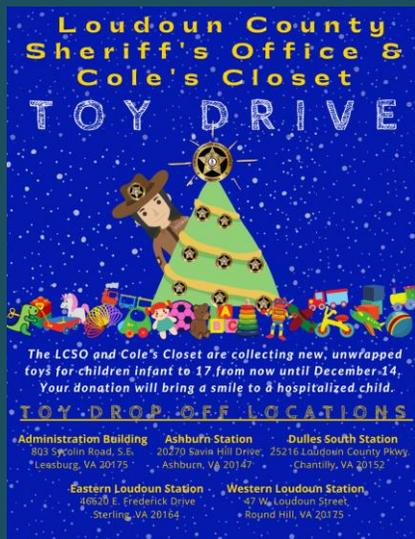
## Upcoming Virtual Workshops for Job Seekers

**So, You Think You Can Interview? - Thursday, December 3, 2020, 2-3:00 p.m.** The perfect workshop for those who have little

experience with interviewing or have not interviewed in a long time. Topics covered are: before the interview preparation, proper dress, what to take, during the interview body language, common interview questions, do's & don'ts, closing the interview asking questions, next steps in the process, follow up practices. Then, be prepared to practice interview questions and get useful feedback from other participants and the trainer.

**Strategize Your Job Search - Friday, December 4, 2020, 10-11:00 a.m.** Today's job search has changed tremendously. There is lots of advice out there -some good, some typical, some practical and some creative. There are no magic bullets to finding a job, but one thing is clear, you must search with a plan -intelligently and strategically. Learn some of the valuable tips for strategizing and succeeding in your job search.

Register online at [loudoun.gov/wrcworkshops](https://loudoun.gov/wrcworkshops):



## LCSO & Cole's Closet Kick-Off Annual Toy Drive

The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office has once again partnered with Cole's Closet, a non-profit organization, to help donate toys to fill "closets" with toys for children while they are at the hospital.

Last year, Loudoun County residents helped the LCSO collect over 2,000 toys for our annual Santa Ride for Cole's Closet. "We are blessed to live in such a giving, caring, and supportive community, and we are asking our residents to help again this year by donating new, unwrapped toys to bring holiday cheer to

hospitalized children," said Loudoun County Sheriff Mike Chapman.

Donations of toys for children aged infant to 17-years-old will be accepted from now through December 14, 2020. The toys can be dropped off at any LCSO Station, Monday through Friday (excluding Holidays), from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. You can also make a donation directly to Cole's Closet here: <https://www.colescloset.org/programs>

### The drop-off locations are:

Eastern Loudoun Station - 46620 East Frederick Drive, Sterling, VA

Ashburn Station - 20272 Savin Hill Drive, Ashburn, VA

Dulles South Public Safety Center - 25216 Loudoun County Parkway, Chantilly, VA

Western Loudoun Station - 47 W. Loudoun Street, Round Hill, VA

LCSO Headquarters- 803 Sycolin Road SE, Leesburg, VA

Cole's Closet was created in 2002 by Ellen and Steve Tomczyk after they lost their six-month-old son to an undiagnosed brain disease. The Tomczyks spent four months in and out of area hospitals where they experienced first-hand the anxiety and fear families face when a child is hospitalized. Ellen and Steve began a toy drive at a family holiday party one year after Cole passed away and since then they have donated thousands of new toys to area hospitals. For more information about Cole's Closet please visit [www.colescloset.org](http://www.colescloset.org).



## LC-CFRS Blood Drive December 11, 2020

Loudoun County Fire and Rescue is joining Inova Blood Donor Services to host a blood drive at the Oliver Robert "O.R." Dubé Fire and Rescue Training Academy in Leesburg on Friday, December 11, 2020

and encourages all Loudoun residents to participate.

- [Sign Up Online Now!](#) or
- Call 1-866-BLOODSAVES (1-866-256-6372) CODE: 5245

Appointments are required. Walk-in donors will be offered next available appointment if available. Photo ID and face covering are required. Inova Blood Donor Services will be testing all successful blood donations for the COVID-19 antibody. This test will be performed in addition to the standard testing on all blood donations received.

### Electronics Recycling Event

Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020

751 Miller Dr. SE  
Leesburg

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



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[loudoun.gov/electronics](http://loudoun.gov/electronics)

## Loudoun Hosts Electronics Recycling Event December 5

Loudoun County will host an electronics recycling event Saturday, December 5, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 751 Miller

Drive SE in Leesburg. There is a limit of five items per vehicle; a one-cubic-foot size box or equivalent size container for smaller items will be considered one item. Fees will be charged for televisions/monitors and hard drive destruction services. Only credit cards will be accepted: no cash, no checks.

### What's Accepted

- Typical electronics that will be accepted: Televisions, desktop computers, computer monitors, laptops, servers, mainframes, circuit boards, hard drives, modems, printers, fax machines, scanners, copiers, network cables, power cables, extension cords, electrical wire, uninterruptible power supply (UPS), surge protectors, answering machines, microwave ovens, calculators, smartphones, desk phones, pagers, stereo and video receivers, DVR/CD/DVD/VHS players, video game consoles, cables, stereo speakers, radios, small household appliances such as toaster ovens, coffee makers, blenders, hair dryers, curling irons, clothes irons and holiday lights.

### **What's Not Accepted**

- Electronics that will not be accepted include household appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners, stoves, washers and dryers, fluorescent light bulbs, smoke alarms, mercury thermostats, household batteries and vehicle batteries, ballasts, light bulbs, smoke detectors, equipment that contains chemicals, asbestos, radioactive components, or liquid fuels, microwave glass plates, PCBs, aerosols and equipment that contains mercury.

### **Hard Drive Destruction**

- On-site hard drive destruction will be provided upon request for \$4 per hard drive if removed from a computer prior to the event. Destruction services for intact hard drives, or those that have not already been removed from the computer, will cost \$20 each.

### **Fees: Only Credit Card Payment will be Accepted: No Cash, No Checks**

- \$10 per TV or computer monitor.
- \$4 per pre-removed hard drive destroyed on-site, if hard drive is removed from computer prior to bringing to the event.
- \$20 per intact hard drive destroyed on-site, if hard drive is not removed from computer prior to bringing to the event.

### **Social Distancing and Other Procedures**

- The electronics recycling event will include social distancing measures that help mitigate the spread of COVID-19. In accordance with Governor Northam's Executive Order 63, members of the public will be required to wear face coverings at the point of service. The event will feature a drive-through process in which residents will be instructed to remain in their vehicles and allow event staff to unload any items accepted for recycling. In order to achieve adequate social distancing between event staff and customers, items must be placed in the rear of the vehicle, such as the trunk of a car, the bed of a pickup truck or the very back of an SUV. Items will not be accepted if in the front seat, back seat or if the driver attempts to hand an item to staff.

For more information about the electronics recycling event, call 703-771-5514 or send an [email](#). More information also is online at [loudoun.gov/electronics](http://loudoun.gov/electronics).

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## Governor's Updates

At a press conference on December 2, Governor Ralph Northam described how Virginia plans to give residents access to a potential COVID-19 vaccine. Individuals that will receive the vaccine in Phase I include frontline health care workers, long-term care home residents, and critical infrastructure staff. Once vaccine availability increases to a certain amount, Virginia will enter Phase II of its vaccination program. In addition to the groups described in

Phase II, Virginia will increase vaccine access to "medical vulnerable" individuals during this period. The general public can expect to receive a COVID-19 vaccination once availability allows for Virginia to enter Phase III.

More information about Virginia's COVID-19 vaccination response is available [here](#).



## How to Receive Updates or get Questions Answered

Loudoun County staff continues to coordinate answering your COVID-19 health related constituent questions. Please call the Health Department COVID-19 Information Hotline at 703-

737-8300 for a quick response (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or [Email the Health Department](#).

Please visit the [County's COVID-19 webpage](#). The [questions and answers](#) page is continually updated.

Please encourage your constituents to view and sign up for updates from Loudoun

- Text LCCOVID19 to 888777 to receive text alerts from Loudoun County about COVID-19
- [Sign up for email and text updates on COVID-19 in Notify Me, Blogs category](#)
- Follow the [Loudoun County Government Facebook Page](#) and Twitter [@LoudounCoGovt](#)

Seen any message of hope and inspiration? Do you know someone making a difference in your community? Share with us at [zachary.borits@loudoun.gov](mailto:zachary.borits@loudoun.gov) and we'll put them in our updates and newsletter.

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If you are having trouble paying your utilities because of COVID-19, visit the County's webpage on [COVID-19 Utilities](#). You will find program information on:

Columbia Gas  
Dominion Power  
Loudoun Water  
NOVEC  
Washington Gas  
Wi-fi Connectivity

### **For More Current COVID-19 Information**

Visit: [www.loudoun.gov/CoronaVirus](http://www.loudoun.gov/CoronaVirus)

Call: (703) 737-8300

Email: [Health@Loudoun.gov](mailto:Health@Loudoun.gov)

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