



## COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~JANUARY 5, 2021~

### Returning from Holiday Travel?



You may have been exposed to COVID-19 on your travels. You may feel well and not have any symptoms, but you can still spread the virus to others. You and your travel companions (including children) may pose a risk to your family, friends, and community after your travel.

Consider getting tested with a viral test 3–5 days after your

trip and reduce non-essential activities for a full 7 days after travel, even if your test is negative.

- Find local testing locations from the [Virginia Department of Health](#)

If you don't get tested, consider reducing non-essential activities for 10 days. Also take these actions for 14 days after you return from travel to protect others from getting COVID-19:

- Stay at least 6 feet away from anyone who did not travel with you.
- Wear a mask when you are in shared spaces outside of your home.

- Wash your hands often or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid being around people who are at increased risk for severe illness.

[Get more tips and guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

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## Grant Opportunities for Loudoun Businesses

Here are two grant updates for Loudoun businesses!

Do you have a pending Rebuild VA application? Last week's \$20 million allocation from Governor Northam means an additional round of funding is available. Check your email for a notification!



The Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties is accepting applications for its Minority Owned Small Business Grant Program through January 19. The program will award grants of \$5,000 to \$10,000 to eligible businesses that have been impacted by COVID-19.

[Details on both grants and other opportunities are here](#)

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## Inova Extending Free Flu Shot Program for Uninsured

Free Flu Shot Clinic Schedule – Dec. 2020			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23
Annandale			3 – 5 p.m.
	Dec. 28	Dec. 29	Dec. 30
Alexandria			3 – 5 p.m.
Annandale			3 – 5 p.m.
Manassas	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	
Free Flu Shot Clinic Schedule – Jan. 2021			
	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Jan. 6	Jan. 7	Jan. 8
Alexandria	3 – 5 p.m.	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	
Annandale	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
Manassas			1 – 5 p.m.
	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 15
Annandale	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
Sterling	3 – 5 p.m.		
	Jan. 20	Jan. 21	Jan. 22
Alexandria	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
Annandale	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
Sterling	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
	Jan. 27	Jan. 28	Jan. 29
Alexandria	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
Annandale	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.
Sterling	3 – 5 p.m.		3 – 5 p.m.

Inova Cares Clinics for Families (ICCF) is *extending* its **free** flu vaccine program for the uninsured for an additional three weeks, *through the end of January*.

ICCF locations in Alexandria, Annandale, Manassas, and Sterling provide comprehensive primary care services to patients who reflect the culturally diverse

community for whom we care, serving as medical homes for patients of all ages who qualify for Medicaid, FAMIS, Inova’s Financial Assistance Program or are uninsured.

Attached is a flyer that provides flu clinic hours, locations, and contact information for ICCF. A Spanish language flyer will be at [www.inova.org/iccf](http://www.inova.org/iccf). **Flu shots are by appointment only** and can be scheduled by calling the ICCF office.

An annual flu vaccine is the best way to protect against the flu – the CDC recommends that adults and children six months and older get an annual flu shot.

To schedule your flu shot appointment, please call one of the four ICCF locations below:

**Inova Cares Clinic for Families – Sterling**  
46440 Benedict Dr., Suite 208 – [571.665.6526](tel:571.665.6526)

**Inova Cares Clinic for Families – Alexandria**  
4700 King St., Suite 100 – [571.665.6599](tel:571.665.6599)

**Inova Cares Clinic for Families – Manassas**  
8051 Sudley Rd. – [571.719.4180](tel:571.719.4180)

**Inova Cares Clinic for Families – Annandale**  
7617 Little River Tpke., Suite 850 – [571.665.6636](tel:571.665.6636)

## **SBA Extends COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan Application Deadline through Dec. 31, 2021**

The U.S. Small Business Administration announced that the deadline to apply for the [Economic Injury Disaster Loan \(EIDL\)](#) program for the COVID-19 Pandemic disaster declaration is extended to Dec. 31, 2021.

The deadline extension comes as a result of the recent bipartisan COVID-19 relief bill passed by Congress and enacted by President Trump on Dec. 27, 2020.

To date, the SBA has approved \$197 billion in low-interest loans which provides working capital funds to small businesses, non-profits and agricultural businesses make it through this challenging time.

EIDL loan applications will continue to be accepted through December 2021, pending the availability of funds. Loans are offered at very affordable terms, with a 3.75% interest rate for small businesses and 2.75% interest rate for nonprofit organizations, a 30-year maturity, and an automatic deferment of one year before monthly payments begin.

Every eligible small business and nonprofit are [encouraged to apply](#) to get the resources they need.



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## **PRCS Master Plan (Virtual) Public Meeting January 14**



The second in a series of (virtual) public meetings regarding the Master Plan for the Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services will be held **Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.** The department has contracted for a strategic master planning process with the goal of creating an environment for providing exceptional facilities,

recreational opportunities and community services that enhance the health and well-being of Loudoun residents.

The meeting held September 29, 2020, included an overview of the process that will be taken to create the strategic master plan and an opportunity for input on the current use of PRCS resources and where opportunities for improvement should be focused in the next 10 years.

The January meeting will include a presentation of the key findings from the recent community needs assessment surveys. Details about the master planning project and how to join virtual meetings and submit comments can be found at [www.loudoun.gov/prcsmasterplan](http://www.loudoun.gov/prcsmasterplan).

## **REMINDER: Dulles Toll Road Permanent Cashless Operation**

The Dulles Toll Road has gone permanently cashless as of January 1, 2021.

Loose change is no longer accepted and tollbooth change baskets are to be removed.

All lanes on the Dulles Toll Road are equipped with



electronic tolling, which accept the following forms of payment:

- Any lane can be used with a valid E-ZPass account or other form of electronic tolling. Customers can visit [E-ZPass Virginia](#) for information on how to obtain an E-ZPass. If toll-lane cameras identify a license plate associated with an E-ZPass account, that account will be charged for the transaction even if an E-ZPass is not present in the vehicle. To make it easier to get an E-ZPass, the minimum opening account balance has been temporarily reduced to \$20.00 per transponder (from \$35.00) for online and phone applications. E-Z Pass also offers a reloadable Virginia E-Z Pass Card, these can be purchased your local CVS Pharmacy and 7-11 Convenience Stores.
- The [GoToll](#), [Slora](#) and [Peasey Drive On](#) smartphone apps are also accepted as payment.
- Motorists passing through all toll plaza lanes without electronic payment will be sent a payment notice by mail. Missed tolls which are paid within **six days of the violation** will not be charged an administrative fee. Customers are encouraged to visit the [Virginia Department of Transportation's online toll violation payment website](#) for information on proactively paying missed tolls.

Customers should contact the Virginia Department of Transportation's Customer Service Center at [1-888-860-9361](tel:1-888-860-9361) for additional information on toll roads in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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**College Students Encouraged to Get Tested if  
Returning to Campus in January**





The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) encourages college students who are planning to return to campus in January to get tested for COVID-19 before and after they return to school.

Visit the Virginia Department of Health's website to find [COVID-19 testing](#)

[locations](#) in Loudoun County and Northern Virginia, including one-day testing events. Enter your locality in the search field to find locations near you.

If you have questions about testing or need help finding testing, call the Health Department information line at [703-737-8300](tel:703-737-8300), Monday-Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or send an [email](#).

[Find more safe travel tips from the CDC](#)

## Virtual Northern Virginia Housing Expo Features Resources for Homebuyers and Renters

The 2021 Northern Virginia Housing Expo launched on January 1st as a free virtual event.

The online expo, geared to first-time homebuyers and renters, will feature the three key aspects of the annual regional housing expo in a virtual format: an exhibit hall with dozens of exhibitors, free workshops for first-time homebuyers and renters, and personal financial counseling sessions.

Need to Buy or Rent in Northern Virginia?



Log on to the virtual  
2021 Northern Virginia  
Housing Expo!  
Starts Jan.1, 2021.

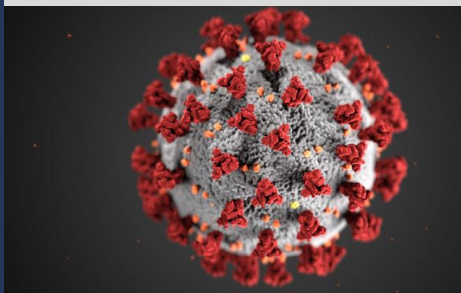
[novahousingexpo.org](http://novahousingexpo.org)

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The [2021 Northern Virginia Housing Expo](#) opened the virtual exhibit hall as well as online registration for workshops and financial counseling sessions that will be held throughout the year.

[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.

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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](https://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](mailto:health@loudoun.gov).



- 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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