



COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~JANUARY 21, 2021~

Use Your Smartphone to Tell CDC About Any Side Effects After Getting the COVID-19 Vaccine

An advertisement for the v-safe health checker. It features a green header with 'CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)'. Below, it says 'Get vaccinated. Get your smartphone. Get started with v-safe.' and shows a hand holding a smartphone displaying the v-safe app. The CDC logo is in the bottom left, and the URL 'cdc.gov/coronavirus' is in a yellow box at the bottom right.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have introduced V-safe, an after-vaccination health checker.

V-safe is a smartphone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to provide personalized health check-ins after you

receive a COVID-19 vaccination.

Through v-safe, you can quickly tell the CDC if you have any side effects after getting the COVID-19 vaccine. It will also remind you to get a second vaccine dose if you need one.

[Read more about the new tool from the CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

REMINDER: Loudoun Economic Development Sponsors 15 Scholarships for FireUp Business Mentoring and Coaching Program

Loudoun County small business owners are encouraged to apply for the upcoming cohort of the FireUp Business Mentoring and Coaching Program, a program designed to set your business up for success in the digital era.



The cohort brings together businesses from the region in partnership with Loudoun County, Prince William County, the City of Alexandria, Fairfax County and the Community Foundation of Northern Virginia.

Participants in the program will gain access to expertise across business strategy, marketing and finance, which may not typically be available to businesses of this size.

The open application period runs from January 12-26, and applications will be considered in the order that they are submitted online.

[Find Out If You Are Eligible and Apply Today](#)

COVID-19 Vaccination Registration Continues

COVID-19 Vaccine Update: Limited Supply; Limited Appointments



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Loudoun County health officials continue to ask those seeking vaccination against COVID-19 to be patient. Once more vaccine arrives, the county can schedule more appointments. If you are in either the [Phase 1a \(PDF\)](#) or [Phase 1b \(PDF\)](#) priority group and have not submitted your

information to the Health Department, please complete the [online pre-screening survey](#), which is the most efficient method for obtaining an appointment for a COVID-19 vaccination. If you have submitted the survey, there is no need to contact the Health Department. There has been no change in the vaccine supply situation in Loudoun since yesterday's report. In case you missed it, [here is our latest update on the current vaccination efforts](#).

Loudoun Health Director Briefs Board of Supervisors

Loudoun County Health Director Dr. David Goodfriend provided an update to the Board of Supervisors Tuesday night about the ongoing vaccination efforts and the county's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Watch the video discussion](#)

Loudoun County Hosts Free COVID-19 Testing Event January 27

Loudoun County has scheduled another free drive-thru COVID-19 testing event:

Wednesday, January 27, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at [Claude Moore Park](#), 46150 Loudoun Park Lane, [Sterling](#).

COVID-19 TESTING

Wednesday, January 27
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Claude Moore Park
46150 Loudoun Park Lane
Sterling, 20164

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

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The January 27 testing event is 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. **No COVID-19 vaccine will be available at this event.**

[Register Ahead of Time to Reduce Wait Times](#)

#LoveLoudounFood Restaurant Sweepstakes



I support Loudoun restaurants and know that you do, too. Show your favorite Loudoun restaurant some love by participating in the #LoveLoudounFood campaign — dine in or carryout, it's up to you.

Simply post a picture of your meal on Instagram or Facebook, tag the restaurant and use the hashtag #LoveLoudounFood. Every post enters you to win a dinner for 6 for Super Bowl Sunday, a dinner for 2 for

Valentine's Day or a St. Patrick's Day dinner for 6.

Each post is one entry, so you can post multiple dining experiences for more entries! Three winners will be randomly chosen. Winners will be direct messaged on Instagram when they have won.

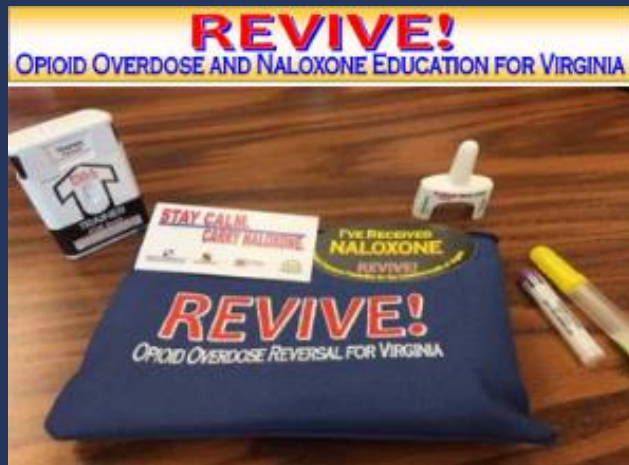
[Learn More About the Campaign](#)

Opioid Overdose Reversal Virtual Training

Loudoun County has scheduled several virtual training sessions for January 2021 on how to recognize and respond to an opioid overdose.

The next REVIVE! sessions are scheduled for:

- Friday, January 22nd at 12:00 pm
- Monday, January 25th at 5:30 pm



The free, one-hour training covers signs of opioid overdose and how to respond to an opioid overdose with the administration of naloxone, a drug that can be used to treat narcotic overdoses in emergency situations.

Any registered participant completing the training will be eligible to receive free naloxone nasal spray. Anyone who uses opioids or knows someone who is using opioids is encouraged to sign up for the training.

Pre-registration is required and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Register at loudoun.gov/revive.

New Virginia Dashboard Tracks COVID-19 Outbreaks in Higher Education



The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) has launched a new COVID-19 Outbreaks in Virginia Higher Education dashboard.

This dashboard includes confirmed outbreaks reported to VDH among public and private colleges and universities since August 1, 2020.

This dashboard helps to provide awareness of the spread of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, in colleges and universities statewide.

[View the Dashboard](#)

Workforce Resource Center to Host Virtual Job Fair with Local Employers January 27

The Loudoun Workforce Resource Center will host a Virtual Job Fair on Wednesday, January 27, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Virtual Job Fair will feature local employers with full-time, part-time and flex-schedule job openings in Loudoun County and the region. Over 30 employers from various industries will be attending. Those planning to attend the job fair must register in advance online.

To help job seekers get the most out of the virtual job fair, the Loudoun Workforce Resource Center encourages job seekers to attend the webinar, "Ask an HR Pro: Resumes & Recruitment," on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

[Get More Info and Register Online](#)

A graphic for the Virtual Job Fair. It features a woman with curly hair, wearing a light-colored shirt, sitting at a desk and smiling while looking at a laptop. Above her are several circular icons representing different professions: a chef, a construction worker, a person in a hard hat, a person in a lab coat, and a person in a uniform. The text on the graphic reads: "Virtual Job Fair", "Wed., January 27, 2021", "10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.", "Virtually meet dozens of employers with open positions. Featuring full-time, part-time and flex-schedule job opportunities in Loudoun and the region.", and "Register: loudoun.gov/januaryjobfair".

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Online Communitywide Survey Now Open to All Loudoun County Residents



An online version of the Loudoun County 2021 Community Survey is now open to all Loudoun County residents. Loudoun County surveys its residents periodically to get their feedback on government services, the county's quality of life and priorities for government initiatives. Residents may take the

survey online by visiting loudoun.gov/survey through February 1, 2021.

The online version of the survey allows all residents to provide their feedback. In addition, surveys were mailed to a statistically representative sampling of Loudoun County households in December. Responses are anonymous and will be analyzed to provide a full picture of the Loudoun County community.

Loudoun is one of many communities across the United States that use this tool to help improve governmental performance, guide policy decisions, strengthen communications with community stakeholders and identify clear priorities for use in goal and budget setting.

[Learn More](#)

LCSO Reminds Residents to Be Wary of Business Employee Scams

In light of recent scams targeting local businesses the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office is reminding members of the community to be wary of imposter email scams.

Recently the LCSO has received several reports of businesses receiving email messages that appear to come from a known source

such as a supervisor or client. The emails are from impersonators who use similar email addresses to scam an employee or your company out of money. The emails include slight variations of the actual contact's address.

In some cases, the email may appear to be from a supervisor requesting you to purchase gift cards to send to employees as rewards or from a vendor your company regularly deals with sending an invoice with an updated address for payment.

BUSINESS EMPLOYEE SCAM

Impersonators send a text or email message that appears to come from a known source. The message requests you to:

1. Purchase gift cards to send to employees as rewards. After you purchase them the person asks for the card numbers, which are used immediately by the scammer.
2. A vendor your company regularly deals with sends an invoice with an updated address for payment.

How to protect yourself.

- Never open an email attachment from someone you do not know.
- Never click on any links in an unsolicited email or text.
- Carefully examine the email address, URL, and spelling used in any correspondence.

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office
Emergency 9-1-1 / Non-Emergency 703-777-1021
As always, call us if you need us - we will be here!

How this Works

from our friends at the FBI

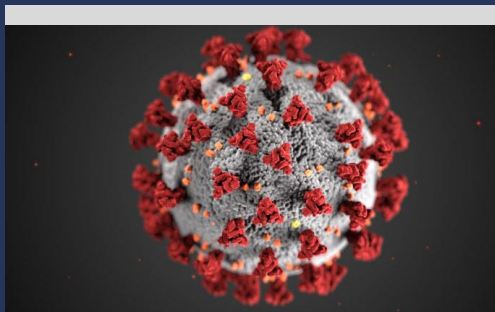
- Spoof an email account or website. Slight variations on legitimate addresses fool victims into thinking fake accounts are authentic. Example: JohnDoe@company.com versus John.Doe@company.com.
- Send phishing emails. These messages look like they're from a trusted sender to trick victims into revealing confidential information.
- Use malware. Malicious software can infiltrate company networks and gain access to billing and invoice information.

For more information please visit fbi.gov/scams-and-safety



[Learn More](#)

Stay Informed!



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

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Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about 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.

- 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** p ara 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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