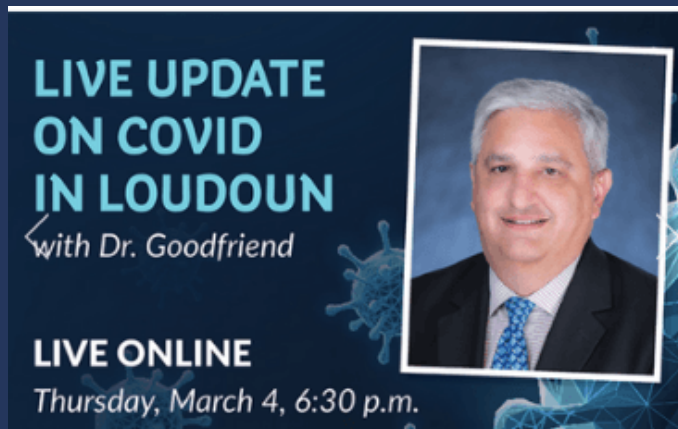




COVID-19 Updates & Important Information
~MARCH 4, 2021~

**TONIGHT: Loudoun County Public Library
Hosts County Health Director for Live Update
on COVID-19**



Loudoun County Health Director Dr. David Goodfriend will provide an update about COVID-19 in the county during a live presentation hosted by Loudoun County Public Library.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the virtual event on Webex at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4.

A link can be found on [LCPL's virtual events calendar](#).

The program is free to attend and registration is not required.

Dr. Goodfriend will talk about the status of COVID-19 in Loudoun County; the vaccine's safety, supply and schedule; and the latest news about virus variants. Afterward, attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions via chat.

[More Details](#)

COVID-19 Free Testing Events

Loudoun County is hosting free drive-thru testing events in March 2021.

Twice-weekly Testing Events

The events will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please note, these are not mass testing events; a limited number of tests will be available based on the capacity of each location.

March 9 and 11, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- [Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive, Leesburg](#) (Enter the park from Sycolin Road onto Crosstrail Boulevard).

March 16 and 18, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- [Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls](#)

March 23 and 25, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- [Dulles South Recreation & Community Center, 24950 Riding Center Drive, South Riding](#)

[Learn more about testing events and fill out the pre-registration form](#)

The graphic features a blue background with a white and orange banner at the top. The banner contains the text 'COVID-19 TESTING' in white. Below the banner, the text 'March 2021' is centered. To the left of the text is a blue circle with the words 'Multiple Locations' in white. To the right of the circle, the text 'Tuesdays & Thursdays' and '10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.' is displayed. Below this, a white banner with orange text reads 'Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.' At the bottom, the Loudoun County logo is on the left and the website 'loudoun.gov/COVID19testing' is on the right.

Where to Register for a Vaccine



Statewide Vaccine Pre-Registration System

Last month, the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) launched a Statewide Vaccine Pre-Registration System to provide a unified and comprehensive process for people in Virginia to pre-register for the COVID-19

vaccine.

As a result, local health districts closed their pre-registration forms and residents became able to register for a COVID-19 vaccine via the new system on Tuesday, February 16th.

Register in the statewide system at [Vaccinate.Virginia.gov](https://vaccinate.virginia.gov).

You may also call the Virginia Department of Health's COVID-19 hotline to register at 877-VAX-IN-VA (877-829-4682) every day from 8:00 am-8:00 pm.

Please note: The pre-registration form **is not** for an appointment. When it is your turn for a vaccine based on the mandated prioritization for vaccination, you will be contacted. After submitting the form or completing the pre-screen by phone, it may several weeks before you receive a response due to the high volume of vaccination appointment requests.

Register Through Retail Locations

Additional retail locations in Virginia are receiving limited amounts of vaccine, as part of the [Federal Retail Pharmacy Program](#), for eligible individuals based on state and local guidelines.

In addition to the CVS Pharmacy at Lansdowne Town Center in Leesburg, the following retailers have opted to join the program:

- [Giant](#), 43760 Greenway Corporate Drive, Ashburn
- [Safeway](#), 12. W. Washington Street, Middleburg
- [Safeway](#), 22350 S. Sterling Boulevard, Sterling Park
- [Safeway](#), 30 Pidgeon Hill, Sterling

- [Safeway](#), 437 S. King Street, Leesburg

ACA Marketplace Special Enrollment Period

The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency has affected millions of people throughout the country, and many Americans remain uninsured or underinsured and need access to affordable health coverage. The Affordable Care Act Marketplace Special Enrollment Period (SEP) allows individuals and families to enroll in the health coverage they need.

The Marketplace Special Enrollment Period (SEP) is open through May 15th.



Consumers who want to access the SEP to enroll in coverage and see if they qualify for financial help to reduce the cost of monthly premiums, can visit [HealthCare.gov](#) or [CuidadoDeSalud.gov](#) to view 2021 plans and prices and enroll in a plan that best meets their needs. Additionally, consumers can call the Marketplace Call Center at [1-800-318-2596](tel:1-800-318-2596), which provides assistance in over 150 languages.

Consumers can also find a local assister or agent/broker in their area by visiting: <https://localhelp.healthcare.gov>.

Free Tax Preparation Assistance Available for Seniors in Leesburg and Sterling



This year to keep you safe, all AARP Tax-Aide services are virtual.

You must complete all required forms in advance and bring those along with your tax documents, photo ID's and social security cards (taxpayer, spouse and dependents) to your intake appointment.

For more information and to download required forms, please go to: <http://www.taxaideloudoun.org/> or call the individual sites at:

Cascades Library

21030 Whitfield Place Sterling, VA
703-429-0085

HealthWorks for Northern VA

163 Fort Evans Road NE, Leesburg, VA
703-829-0394

Appointment availability is limited and waitlist requests are being accepted. If you are able to prepare your own taxes or access help elsewhere, you are encouraged to do so and reserve appointments for those who need them most.

Loudoun County Financing Opportunity for First-Time Homebuyers Available



Loudoun County continues to accept applications from first-time homebuyers for funds made available through the Virginia Housing (VH) Sponsoring Partnerships and Revitalizing Communities Program (SPARC).

The program provides lower interest rates on homeownership loans in the county.

Homebuyers do not have to participate in Loudoun County's homeownership programs, such as the Affordable Dwelling Unit Program, to participate in the SPARC program. Program participation is subject to availability and approval.

For full program information and eligibility requirements, visit loudoun.gov/HomeLoanPrograms or contact Hannah Choi by [email](#) or 703-777-0353.

[Learn More](#)

REMINDER: SBA PPP Application Period for Small Businesses



The U.S. Small Business Administration has established an exclusive PPP loan application period for businesses and nonprofits with fewer than 20 employees. This period will give lenders and community partners

more time to work with the smallest businesses to submit their applications, while also ensuring that larger PPP-eligible businesses will still have plenty of time to apply for and receive support before the program expires on March 31, 2021.

SBA also recently announced four additional changes to open the PPP to more underserved small businesses than ever before. While these changes are being implemented, SBA will work with community partners to improve the emergency relief "digital front door" and conduct extensive stakeholder outreach. And, SBA will strengthen its relationships with lender partners to advance equity goals, deliver funding efficiently, and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.

[Read More](#)

County Launches Online Map of Loudoun's Unpaved Roads

Loudoun County's network of unpaved roads is a treasure for outdoor enthusiasts, attracting cyclists, runners and equestrians from throughout the country.

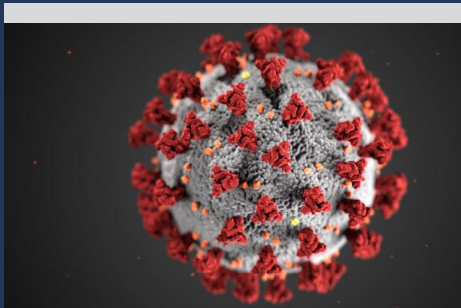


To assist visitors and residents, the Loudoun County Office of Mapping and Geographic Information has launched a [new mobile-friendly online map](#) of the county's unpaved roads.

Loudoun County road surfaces can change quickly from asphalt to gravel, so the map will help travelers plan their bike, riding or running paths. The online map also allows users to provide information on roads they travel, which will help staff keep the map updated to current conditions. The map also indicates whether unpaved roads are public or private, and who is responsible for maintenance.

[View the map and learn more about the project](#)

Stay Informed!



The county continues to encourage everyone in the

**LOUDOUN
COUNTY**
—  —
VIRGINIA

Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about COVID-19

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.

- 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.

- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid non-essential travel.

Supervisor Koran T. Saines

Sterling District Supervisor
Loudoun County Board of Supervisors
[703-777-0204](tel:703-777-0204)

[Loudoun County Government](#)

[Sterling District Supervisor Page](#)

[Email Koran T. Saines](#)

STAY CONNECTED



Sterling District | 1 Harrison Street, S.E., 5th Floor, Leesburg, VA 20177

[Customer Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by koran.saines@loudoun.gov powered by



Try email marketing for free today!