



## COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~JUNE 17, 2021~

### **SATURDAY: Loudoun's First Juneteenth Celebration at Claude Moore Park**



The Loudoun County Juneteenth Committee has announced plans for its first Juneteenth Celebration at Claude Moore Park in Sterling on Saturday, June 19th beginning at 11:00 am! Activities begin at 12:00 pm with the traditional flag raising ceremony by the legendary Buffalo Soldiers.

Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. Today Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement.

This family-friendly celebration will include a host of activities, entertainment, food vendors and more. Entry and parking are free. Bringing your own blanket and/or chair is encouraged.

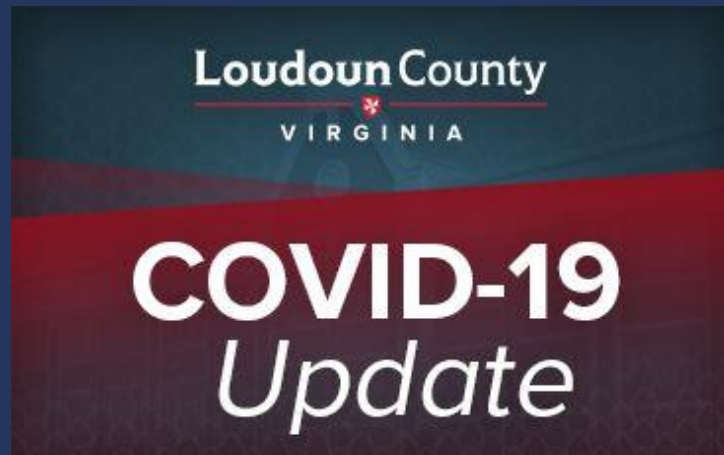
To volunteer, email [info@juneteenthloudoun.org](mailto:info@juneteenthloudoun.org) or call 571-207-5528.

[Learn more about Juneteenth and the upcoming event](#)

## How to Get a COVID-19 Vaccine

There are many convenient options available to people in Loudoun County who would like to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Vaccinations are free of charge for everyone regardless of immigration or health insurance status.

Residents may receive a COVID-19 vaccine in one of the following ways:



### **Walk in to the county's vaccination clinic at Dulles Town Center:**

Anyone age 12 and older may walk in without an appointment to receive a COVID-19 vaccine [during the clinic's scheduled hours](#). Please note that adolescents ages 12 to 17 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

### **Make an appointment at the county's vaccination clinic at Dulles Town Center:**

You can [schedule an appointment online](#). Anyone who does not have access to the internet may call the COVID-19 Information Line at [703-737-8300](tel:703-737-8300) to schedule an appointment.

### **Find vaccine online from another provider in the community:**

A number of providers, such as local pharmacies and grocery stores also offer COVID-19 vaccine and many of them welcome walk-ins. Find vaccine near you by visiting [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov).

### **Attend a community clinic:**

Several community events offering COVID-19 vaccinations are scheduled in Loudoun County over the next several weeks. The events will offer the 2-dose Pfizer vaccine to anyone 12 and older.

- **The next event is Sunday, June 27, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., at Rolling Ridge Elementary School, 500 E. Frederick Drive,**

Sterling. More details, including the complete schedule of events, is online at [loudoun.gov/vaccineevents](https://loudoun.gov/vaccineevents).

## Free COVID-19 Testing June 22



**COVID-19 TESTING**

Multiple Locations

June 2021  
Tuesdays  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

LOUDOUN COUNTY VIRGINIA [loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](https://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing)

The next Loudoun County-sponsored COVID-19 testing event is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 22, 2021, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**, at Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls (Access the testing location in the back parking lot, near the senior center.)

Loudoun County will continue to hold free, drive thru COVID-19 testing events through June. The drive-thru testing events are free and open to all. Details are online at [loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](https://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing).

The events are scheduled for **Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, at the following locations:

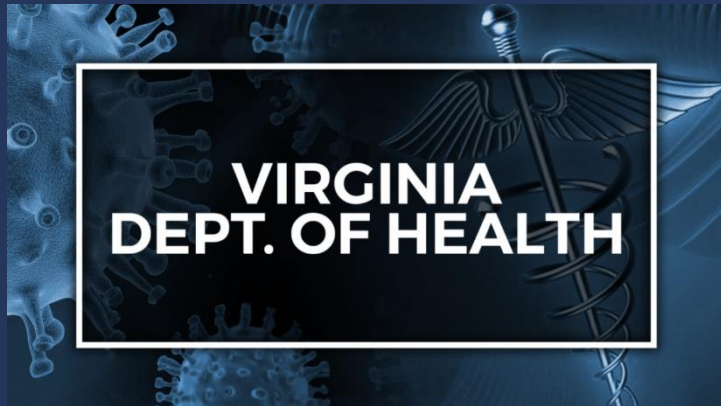
- **June 29:** Dulles South Recreation & Community Center, 24950 Riding Center Drive, South Riding

The testing events are free and 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 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 these events.**

[Registration Forms and More Information](#)

## Virginia Receives Grant to Address Health Inequities During Pandemic

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has awarded \$30.6 million to Virginia to address health inequities created and exacerbated in high-risk and underserved communities by the COVID-19 pandemic.

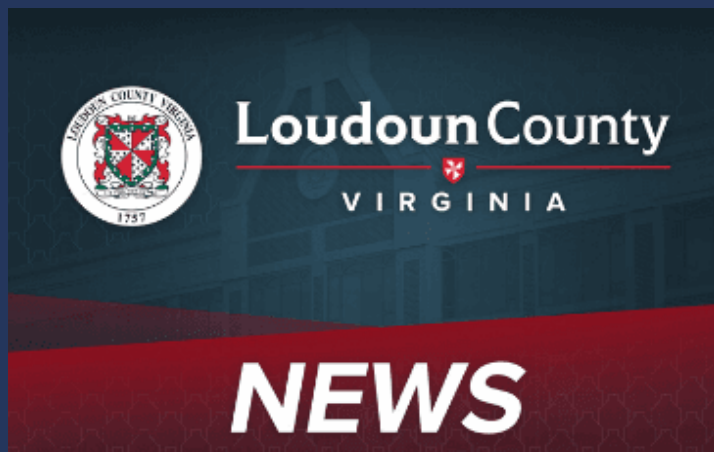


The funds are part of a \$2.5 billion investment across the U.S. to provide funding to address COVID-19 and advance health equity for racial and ethnic minority groups and rural populations.

The CDC's overarching goals for the grant are to address COVID-19-related health disparities; improve and increase testing and contact tracing among underserved populations and those at higher risk, including racial and ethnic minority groups and people living in rural communities; and to improve state, local, U.S. territorial and freely associated state health department capacity and services to prevent and control COVID-19 infection (or transmission) among those populations.

[Learn More](#)

## **REMINDER: Board of Supervisors Adds Special Meeting to June Calendar**



### **Monday, June 21**

The Board will hold a special meeting **Monday, June 21, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m.** to consider revised guidelines for the 2021 redistricting process. Redistricting occurs every 10 years following the United States decennial census.

The meetings will take place in the Board Room in the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street, SE in Leesburg and will be televised on Comcast Government Channel 23 and Verizon FiOS Channel 40 and livestreamed at [loudoun.gov/meetings](https://loudoun.gov/meetings). Documents for the meeting will be posted at [loudoun.gov/bosdocuments](https://loudoun.gov/bosdocuments).

Dates and times of Board of Supervisors meetings are posted at [loudoun.gov/calendar](https://loudoun.gov/calendar).

## Loudoun Fire Officials Offer Critical Fireworks Safety Tips and 2021 Fireworks Event Schedule

As COVID-19 restrictions across the region are being lifted, many Fourth of July fireworks displays around Loudoun County are back on the calendar.

Loudoun County's Combined Fire and Rescue System (LC-CFRS) encourages residents to attend professionally coordinated fireworks

shows instead of using consumer fireworks on your own. Fireworks cause thousands of serious injuries every year that send adults and children to the emergency room.

If you choose to use fireworks, know the risks, **PROCEED WITH CAUTION** and follow these safety tips!

- DON'T use illegal fireworks!
- NEVER use fireworks while impaired by drugs or alcohol!
- DON'T light fireworks indoors!
- NEVER allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks and maintain constant adult supervision.
- DON'T light fireworks in your hand!
- NEVER point or throw fireworks at anyone!
- DON'T try to re-light "a dud" or malfunctioning firework!



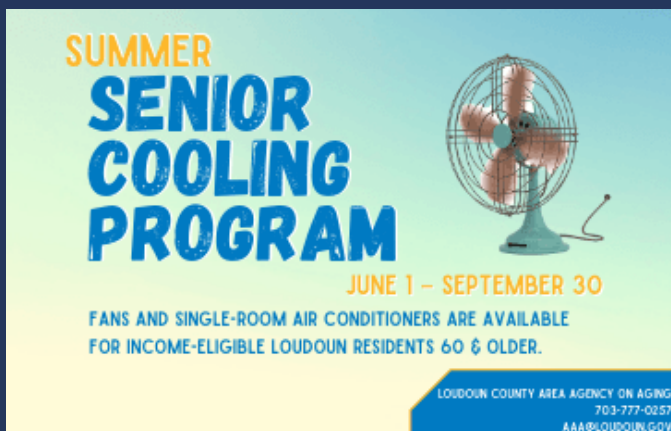
Remember that fireworks can disrupt those sleeping, scare pets, and can be traumatic for veterans. Be a good neighbor and be considerate of those around you.

[Click here for more safety tips](#)

Sterling's public fireworks display will be held on **Friday, July 2nd** at Sterling Park Golf (333 South Sterling Blvd). More information will be released soon.

For a list of upcoming shows, permissible fireworks, and approved retail stands visit [Loudoun.gov/fireworks](http://Loudoun.gov/fireworks).

## REMINDER: County Program Provides Summer Cooling Assistance for Seniors



The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging, Virginia Department for the Aging, and Dominion Virginia Power are offering a program to provide fans and single-room air conditioners to eligible county residents 60 and older.

The program runs June 1 through Sept. 30, 2021.

For more information and income eligibility guidelines, please call [703-777-0257](tel:703-777-0257) or visit [www.loudoun.gov/aaa](http://www.loudoun.gov/aaa).

### More Information

[Sign up for text and email alerts](#) about PRCS news and events.

Follow @loudounprcs on [Facebook](#) and other social media.

## Loudoun County Parks and Recreation Master Plan Moves Forward

The Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) is moving ahead with its master plan following approval of the plan by the Board of Supervisors at its business meeting on June 15, 2021.



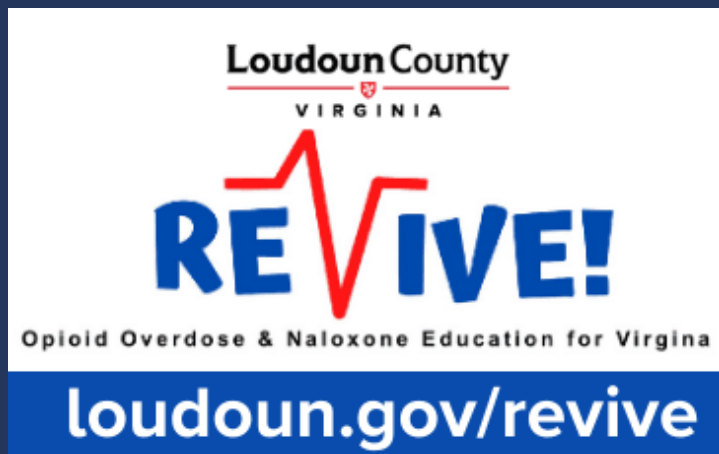
PRCS contracted with PROS Consulting, Inc. in 2020 for a master plan with the goal of creating an environment for providing exceptional facilities, recreational opportunities and community services that enhance the health and well-being of Loudoun residents. Approval of the plan followed public input sessions, stakeholder meetings and presentations to the Board's Finance/Government and Economic Development Committee.

"Our brand of creating community through people, parks and programs has been elevated to the next level as a result of the master planning process," stated PRCS Director Steve Torpy. "A renewed focus on the type of parks, centers, recreational amenities and services that the community needs has resulted in a blueprint for meeting the expectations of residents for years to come. A critical component to the success of this plan was including input from residents and businesses and we are grateful to all who shared their input."

Details about the master plan project are available at [loudoun.gov/prcsmasterplan](https://loudoun.gov/prcsmasterplan), or email [prcs@loudoun.gov](mailto:prcs@loudoun.gov) for more information.

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**Learn How to Reverse an Opioid Overdose June 21**



Space is available in an upcoming Revive! class, Loudoun County's virtual opioid overdose reversal training.

"REVIVE!" is the Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Education program for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse

and Developmental Services (MHSADS), the Loudoun County Community Services Board and the Virginia Department of Health sponsor the local training sessions.

Anyone who uses opioids or knows someone who does is encouraged to take the class to learn how to recognize and respond to an opioid overdose.

The next training is scheduled for:  
**Monday, June 21, 2021, 5:30 p.m.**

Details and a link to register for the free, one-hour class can be found at [loudoun.gov/revive](https://loudoun.gov/revive).

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## **The Sterling Playmakers Present: The Laramie Project**



The Sterling Playmakers present their production of:

THE LARAMIE PROJECT

Written by Moisés Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater Project

Directed by John Geddie

Produced by Kathy Bleutge

In-person Performances:

**Friday & Saturday June 18, 19, 25, 26**

7:30 pm

Sterling Middle School, 201 W. Holly Ave. Sterling, VA

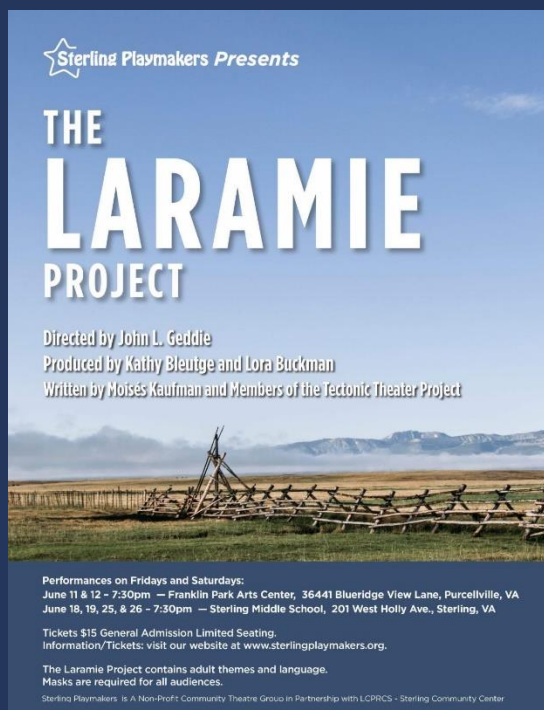
Tickets are \$15 for General Admission. This production is recommended for Mature Audiences only due to subject matter & language.

*NOTE: Masks are required for all audience members.*

**About the Laramie Project**

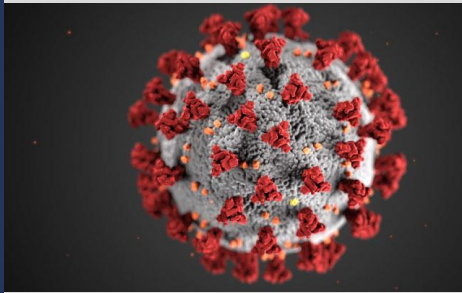
In 1998, Matthew Shepard was found tied to a barbed-wire fence outside Laramie, Wyoming. He had been robbed, beaten, and tortured. Six days later, he died at the hospital having never regained consciousness. During the trial of the two murderers, it became clear that Shepard being gay was a factor in him being targeted--with one of the defense attorneys suggesting the "gay panic defense" and alleging that Shepard had made advances causing one of the perpetrators to go temporarily insane. Shepard's murder prompted a number of hate crime laws across the country and highlighted anti-gay violence.

Following the murder and trial, Moisés Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater Project traveled to Laramie, Wyoming, and completed hundred of interviews with residents of the town--with the play "The Laramie Project" being the result. The play focuses on how a town rife with prejudices comes to terms with the murder of one of their own. Using residents' own words, The Laramie Project--presented by the Sterling Playmakers--highlights not only the need to face our own hate, but also the potential to heal and to hope.



[Get More Information and Purchase Tickets](#)

## 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.

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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).

- 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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