



## Weekly Newsflash

November 9, 2022

### Overnight Lane Closures on Route 7 Scheduled to begin November 10 in Sterling



Beginning Thursday, November 10, 2022, Loudoun County is planning overnight lane closures on Route 7 at the Lakeland Drive and Potomac View Road intersections in Sterling as part of the Route 7 Pedestrian Improvement Project.

Single- and double-lane closures, as required, are set to begin at 9:00 p.m. and end by 5:00 a.m. the following morning. The closures are necessary to install permanent crosswalks at these locations.

Work will continue nightly for several days, weather permitting. A complete closure of Route 7 in either direction is not anticipated. However, if a full closure becomes necessary for the safety of the travelling public, complete road closures will only occur for a maximum of 15 minutes.

Drivers should use extra caution when travelling through the area and follow all directions from the posted signs and road crews.

Stay Informed! [Sign up to receive news and updates.](#)

## LCPS Community Information Meeting for Eastern Area Schools November 10th

Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) Department of Support Services has scheduled a community meeting for **Thursday, November 10, 2022**, to preview school project information that will be included in the

Superintendent's Recommended Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget— including for Park View High School.

Following the meeting, the presentation will be posted on the LCPS website, at [www.lcps.org/Page/81470](http://www.lcps.org/Page/81470).

The CIP budget will be presented to the Loudoun County School Board at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

The Sterling community is encouraged to continue making their voices heard by attending the Community Information Meeting on November 10, 2022, as well as by signing up to speak during Public Comment periods at upcoming School Board meetings and expressing your opinions and concerns to the full School Board in writing.

### **Public Participation at School Board Meetings**

The public comment period will open at 9 a.m. on the Friday prior to the School Board meeting and close at noon on the day of the meeting. Access to register for virtual and in-person public comment is available [on this page of the LCPS website](#) when it is active for an upcoming meeting.



## Contact the Loudoun County School Board in Writing

Written comments can be sent to the full School Board by submitting the online contact form located at <https://webinter.lcps.org/contactschoolboard/>.

For those who wish to voice their concerns through email, I recommend emailing the full School Board at [lcsb@lcps.org](mailto:lcsb@lcps.org) and copying Superintendent, Dr. Scott Ziegler, at [scott.ziegler@lcps.org](mailto:scott.ziegler@lcps.org).

## Loudoun County Hypothermia Prevention Shelter Opens November 15

### LOUDOUN COUNTY HYPOTHERMIA SHELTER

**November 15, 2022 - March 31, 2023**

Loudoun Homeless Services Center  
19520 Meadowview Court, Leesburg

For adults age 18 or older

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

The Loudoun County Hypothermia Prevention Shelter will open Tuesday, November 15, 2022, for single adults aged 18 and older in the community who are experiencing a housing crisis resulting in homelessness. The

shelter, which provides a warm indoor sleeping environment, meals, laundry and shower facilities, will be open from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., seven nights a week through March 31, 2023. The shelter also provides information on other community resources, such as food, clothing, medical care, mental health care, public benefits, obtaining an ID and employment opportunities.

The Hypothermia Prevention Shelter is located at the Loudoun Homeless Services Center, 19520 Meadowview Court in Leesburg. Due to limited space, all guests will be asked to store personal belongings (outside of limited essential items) in secure storage on site. Note that the Loudoun County firearms ordinance prohibits firearms and ammunition in county facilities.

Additionally, the following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for COVID-19 safety are required to be followed by everyone in the shelter:

- Temperature checks and COVID-19 symptom screenings will be conducted by shelter staff prior to entry.

- Masks are always required unless actively eating, drinking or sleeping. Masks will be provided for anyone who does not have one.
- Frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitizer.

Free bus transportation will be provided daily at the times and locations listed below:

- Leesburg: The front of the Shenandoah Office Building, 102 Heritage Way, NE in Leesburg. Pickup time is 6:30 p.m.
- Sterling: Loudoun County Transit Bus Route 82 bus stop across the street from the William Watters House, 22365 Enterprise St. in Sterling. Pickup time is 5:30 p.m.
- For more information about transportation, call [703-771-5429](tel:703-771-5429).

The county will provide limited morning transportation from the shelter, if needed.

The Hypothermia Prevention Shelter is operated by Loudoun County in partnership with Shelter House and the Loudoun County Continuum of Care (CoC). The CoC is a coalition of public, nonprofit and faith-based organizations that provide a variety of shelter and support services to those experiencing homelessness or people at risk of becoming homeless. Staff support for the CoC is provided by the Loudoun County Department of Family Services.

More information about services available to those experiencing homelessness in Loudoun County may be found at [loudoun.gov/homelesservices](https://loudoun.gov/homelesservices) or by calling [703-777-0420](tel:703-777-0420).

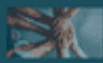
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**Loudoun County Human Services Nonprofit  
Grant Application Process is Now Open**

Loudoun County's grant application process for community nonprofit organizations is now open with the Fiscal Year 2024 (FY 2024) Human Services Nonprofit Grant Application available

## Loudoun Human Services Nonprofit Grant Funding Available

Nonprofits providing core human services to vulnerable & disadvantaged residents of Loudoun County are encouraged to apply.



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



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Nonprofits certified as 501(c)3 organizations that provide human services to Loudoun County residents in the areas of need identified and approved by the Board of Supervisors for FY 2024 are eligible to apply for funding. The areas of need are:

- **Crisis Intervention and Diversion:** Services provided to individuals and families in crisis to overcome immediate problems and reduce or prevent the need for more restrictive and expensive higher-level services.
- **Improved Quality of Human Services:** Services and opportunities provided to individuals, organizations and communities that enhance the quality, accessibility, accountability, and coordination of services provided by community organizations.
- **Long-Term Support:** Services that focus on assisting individuals who have continuing, long-term support needs to remain healthy, safe, and independent in the community.
- **Prevention and Self-Sufficiency:** Services focused on assisting individuals and families in becoming and/or remaining independent and stable, and providing tools, skills, strategies and resources to individuals and families.

**Applications must be submitted by 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 22, 2022.** The amount of funding for FY 2024 will be determined by the Board of Supervisors as part of the county's adopted FY 2024 budget. In FY 2023, the budget for human services nonprofit grant funding was \$1.8 million.

[Learn More](#)

## REMINDER: Sterling Offices of Loudoun Commissioner of the Revenue, Treasurer Moving



**WE ARE  
MOVING** 

**Monday, November 14, 2022**

The Loudoun County **Offices of the Treasurer and  
Commissioner of the Revenue** locations in  
Sterling are moving.

**NEW ADDRESS**  
46000 CENTER OAK PLAZA, STERLING

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The Sterling offices of the Loudoun County Commissioner of the Revenue and Treasurer are moving out of the county's Eastern Loudoun Service Center to another building that is located approximately one-half mile away in the same Sterling office park.

Beginning **Monday, November 14, 2022**, the two offices will provide services at **46000 Center Oak Plaza in Sterling**.

The offices of the Commissioner of the Revenue and Treasurer will offer the same in-person services at the new location as they offer at the current location, including — but not limited to — accepting tax payments and issuing business licenses.

Contact information for the offices will remain the same:

- Commissioner of the Revenue: Phone: [703-777-0260](tel:703-777-0260); [Email](#)
- Treasurer: Phone: [703-777-0280](tel:703-777-0280); [Email](#)

The county's other services in the Eastern Loudoun Service Center, which includes services provided by the Departments of [Family Services](#) and [Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services](#), will continue at their current location.

**[About the Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue](#)**

The Commissioner of the Revenue's Office is responsible for assessing real estate and personal property and administering business license taxes. The office also administers the county's land use assessment program, tax relief for persons 65 or older or with disabilities, and tax exemptions for revitalized real estate, solar equipment, and surviving spouses of members of the armed forces killed in action. More information is online at [loudoun.gov/cor](http://loudoun.gov/cor).

### **About the Office of Treasurer**

The duties of the Treasurer's Office include the billing and collecting of taxes for real and personal property and business licenses. The Treasurer's office is the depository of revenue for all Loudoun County agencies and invests and safeguards county funds. More information is online at [loudoun.gov/treasurer](http://loudoun.gov/treasurer).

### **Government Center Offices**

In addition to the Sterling location, both the Commissioner of the Revenue and the Treasurer have customer service counters on the first floor of the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison St., SE, in Leesburg.

### **Online Services**

Loudoun County offers many services online, including the ability to [pay taxes](#), [register a business](#) and look up [information about real estate parcels](#), including assessment values.

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## **Preparing for Opening Day: Silver Line Metro Resources**

Opening day is set for the Silver Line Extension - Tuesday, November 15 - connecting Metrorail customers to Washington Dulles International Airport and Loudoun County for the first time.

The extension completes the final phase of the full 23-mile expansion that began construction in 2009, opening the first segment five years

later. This final segment provides a long-awaited connection to Washington Dulles International Airport giving visitors a direct connection to destinations around the region and will be a short walk from the baggage claim via an underground tunnel in less than five minutes.

In preparation for opening day, Loudoun County Transit has compiled a webpage of resources to assist riders with learning more about the Silver Line to Loudoun at <http://www.loudoun.gov/silverline>. On this page, you will find information about the new Silver Line, new bus routes, new garages, and more.

**November 15, 2022, is the opening day for the Silver Line Extension.**

- Loudoun County's three stations - [Washington Dulles International Airport, Loudoun Gateway and Ashburn](#) - will open to passenger service.
- Loudoun County's [parking garages](#) at the Loudoun Gateway and Ashburn Stations will open.
- On November 16, Loudoun County's [new bus routes](#) will begin.

For more information or answers to questions about Metrorail service or stations, please visit [loudoun.gov/silverline](http://loudoun.gov/silverline).



**'All About Medicare' With Loudoun County Public Library**





Jane Bretzin, with Loudoun County's VICAP Medicare Counseling Program, will host an informational event to discuss how to enroll, the different options and parts of Medicare, and upcoming changes to the program.

The event is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 16, 2022 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Sterling Library**, located at 22330 S. Sterling Blvd., Suite A117, Sterling, VA.

### **About Medicare Open Enrollment**

Medicare Open Enrollment is now open and will continue through Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

If you want free, unbiased, confidential counseling and assistance for Medicare, Loudoun has you covered with with VICAP, the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program!

Ways Loudoun VICAP can help:

- Better coverage
- Lower copays
- Lower plan premiums

Counseling topics include:

- Medicare Enrollment and Coverage
- Medicare Part D Prescription Insurance
- Medigap Insurance (Supplemental Insurance)
- Medicare Advantage Plans
- Medicare Financial Assistance Programs

VICAP counselors are not licensed to sell insurance. VICAP counselors can help all Medicare beneficiaries, including those with disabilities and younger than 65, explore options that best fit their needs. Working collaboratively with the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP), VICAP counselors will help educate and empower

beneficiaries to take an active role in detecting and preventing health care fraud and abuse.

VICAP counselors can help all Medicare beneficiaries compare and understand their prescription insurance options when first enrolling in Medicare, when moving or retiring from work, and during the Annual Enrollment Period every year between October 15 and December 7.

For assistance please submit a completed Part D worksheet.

### **Obtaining Medicare Part D**

[The Medicare Part D Worksheet \(PDF\) is online here](#) or get it at:

- Any Loudoun County Senior Center.
- By calling the Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging Medicare Part D helpline at [703-737-8036](tel:703-737-8036).

[Get More Information](#)

## **REMINDER: Loudoun to Host Agricultural Technology Field Day November 16**

Virginia Cooperative Extension - Loudoun (VCE Loudoun), along with its partners, will host an Agricultural Technology Field Day **Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** at the Middleburg Agricultural Research & Extension (MARE) Center, 5527 Sullivans Mill Road in Middleburg.

The graphic is a vertical rectangular invitation with a maroon top and bottom border. The top border contains the text "You're Invited! Ag-Tech Field Day is Open to All" in white. The main body is white with a maroon background for the event title. The event title "Ag-Tech Field Day" is in large, bold, orange letters. Below it, in smaller black text, is "A Exhibition and Networking Event". The date and time "Wednesday, November 16, 2022 - 10:00am - 3:00pm" and the location "Middleburg Agriculture Research & Extension Center 5527 Sullivans Mill Road, Middleburg, VA" are listed. There are two main promotional sections: one with a circular icon of people and the text "Get to know your local & regional agriculture community." accompanied by a cow icon; and another with a smartphone icon showing a horse and the text "Get a first-hand look at latest digital tools, apps, and services." The bottom maroon border contains the text "Get details: loudoun.gov/extension" in white. Logos for Loudoun County and Virginia Cooperative Extension are in the bottom left corner.

People of all ages who are interested in agriculture are invited to attend the free event. The field day will feature information about off-the-shelf digital tools apps

and other services that help horse owners, livestock producers and row crop farmers complete everyday farm tasks and improve ongoing farm operations. Attendees can speak with technology industry representatives, extension agents, university faculty and administrators, and local farm/stable owners.

Those planning to attend the event are encouraged to sign up for event reminders at [loudoun.gov/agtechfieldday](https://loudoun.gov/agtechfieldday).

VCE Loudoun is collaborating with Virginia Tech's College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, Virginia Agriculture Experiment Station, Center for Advanced Innovation in Agriculture, Commonwealth Cyber Initiative Southwest Virginia, Loudoun County Department of Economic Development, and VCE Fauquier to host the event.

As one of the eleven Agricultural Research and Extension Centers in Virginia, the [MARE Center](#) collaborates with academic and industry partners around the world to conduct leading-edge research in the animal sciences. The MARE Center specializes in equine nutrition and exercise physiology, equine health and disease, animal behavior and psychology, ecosystem management, & biodevice design. Throughout the year, the MARE Center offers a variety of programs on animal sciences and farming operations to the public.

Anyone who requires a reasonable accommodation for any type of disability or needs language assistance to participate in this activity, may contact VCE Loudoun at [703-777-0373](tel:703-777-0373)/TDD 800-828-1120 during business hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Five business days' notice is requested.

For more information, contact VCE Loudoun at [703-777-0373](tel:703-777-0373) or visit [loudoun.gov/extension](https://loudoun.gov/extension).

[View, print or download a flyer about the event \(PDF\).](#)

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**REMINDER: Loudoun Mental Health Education  
& Substance Abuse Prevention Programs for  
November & December**

## Mental Health Education & Substance Abuse Prevention Programs

### New Classes in Nov & Dec 2022

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Mental Health First Aid
- Opioid Overdose Reversal
- Suicide Prevention



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

Loudoun County offers ongoing mental health education and substance abuse prevention programs. All programs are free, but registration is required, and seats are limited.

The schedule of upcoming classes for November and December 2022 is as

follows:

### Adverse Childhood Experiences Training

The [Adverse Childhood Experiences](#) training is a one-hour educational program that aims to raise awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences, or ACEs. ACEs are potentially traumatic events that occur in childhood. ACEs are linked to chronic health problems, mental illness and substance use problems in adulthood.

The next classes will be held:

- November 16, 2022, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- December 7, 2022, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/childhoodadversitytraining](https://loudoun.gov/childhoodadversitytraining).

### Mental Health First Aid

[Mental Health First Aid](#) offers training that teaches people how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders. The training also teaches the skills that someone needs to reach out and provide initial help and support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem or experiencing a crisis. There are two versions of the program, a general adult program and a program for adults who interact with youth. The trainings are usually held over a two-day period, with the class lasting for about three hours each day.

The next training of Adult Mental Health First Aid will be held:

- November 14 & 15, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. each day. The in-person training will be at the Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services office at 21641 Ridgetop Circle, Sterling, Lucketts Room.
- December 15 & 16, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. each day. The in-person training will be at the Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services office at 906 Trailview Boulevard SE, Leesburg, Aspen Room.

The next training of Youth Mental Health First Aid will be held:

- December 8 & 9, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. each day. The in-person training will be at the Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services office at 21641 Ridgetop Circle, Sterling, Lucketts Room.

For details about the training and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/mhfirstaid](https://loudoun.gov/mhfirstaid).

### **Opioid Overdose Reversal**

[REVIVE!](#) is the opioid overdose and naloxone education program for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The training is free and anyone who uses opioids or knows someone who is using opioids is encouraged to attend a training. Loudoun County offers two versions of the program - Rapid REVIVE! and Virtual REVIVE!

The next scheduled trainings will be held:

- November 18, 2022, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
- December 12, 2022, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/revive](https://loudoun.gov/revive).

### **Suicide Prevention Training**

The [Question Persuade Refer](#) program offers training to help people recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to refer someone for professional help. The suicide prevention training teaches three simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide; question, persuade and refer. The virtual training presentation lasts about one hour. Discussion and practice opportunities will follow the presentation.

The next classes will be held:

- November 17, 2022, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
- December 13, 2022, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/suicidepreventiontraining](https://loudoun.gov/suicidepreventiontraining).

### **For More Information**

For more information on the prevention and intervention services offered by the Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services, visit [loudoun.gov/mhsadsprevention](https://loudoun.gov/mhsadsprevention) or [send an email](#).

### **Supervisor Koran T. Saines**

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