



COVID-19 UPDATES ~MAY 18, 2020~

State of the County Address 2020



Chair Phyllis Randall will give this year's State of the County Address virtually this Wednesday, May 20th at 6:00 pm.

Viewers can watch [online](#), on television, or the Loudoun County [Facebook Page](#). The text of the address will be available at loudoun.gov/chair following the address.

[Event Details](#)

Loudoun County Hosts Free COVID-19 Testing for All Ages May 20th

Loudoun County will host free, drive-through testing for COVID-19 at Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive in Leesburg, Wednesday, May 20, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The testing is open to all and will occur rain or shine.

No appointments are necessary. There are no age or residency requirements. A person does not have to exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 in order to be tested. No prescription is necessary.

COVID-19 TESTING

May 20, 2020

Philip A. Bolen
Memorial Park

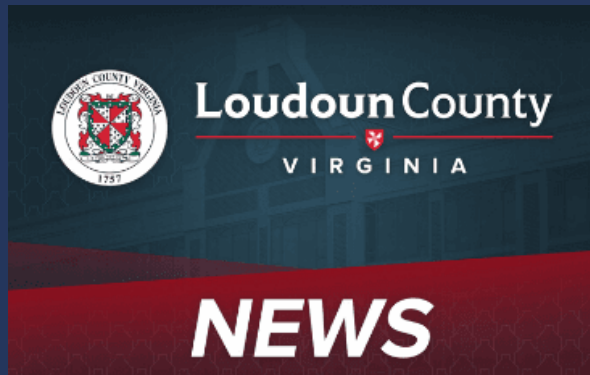
Enter testing site on Crosstrail Blvd.

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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Loudoun County Expands Rent Assistance Program



The Loudoun County government has expanded its rent assistance program for Loudoun County households economically impacted by COVID-19.

The Board of Supervisors has approved re-allocating \$480,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds to expand the rent assistance program. The goal is to

help ensure housing stability for low-income workers who have been furloughed, lost jobs or had work hours reduced due to the pandemic.

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Loudoun County First Responders Celebrate National Emergency Medical Services Week 2020

Each year National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week honors the dedication of those who provide day-to-day lifesaving services on medicine's "front line." The Loudoun County Combined Fire and Rescue System will join fire and rescue agencies across the Country to celebrate National EMS Week from May 17th – 23rd, 2020.



This year's EMS Week theme is "Ready Today. Preparing for Tomorrow". First responders take pride in always being ready. Ready to go. Ready to help. Ready to face whatever situation awaits us on the scene. This intrinsic preparedness has never been more critical than during the COVID-19 health pandemic.

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Loudoun County Initiates COVID-19 Impact Fund Project



On May 13, 2020, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors approved the COVID-19 Impact Fund program, which will provide funding for eligible nonprofit organizations to address the needs of low- to moderate-income households.

The county will be distributing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to support projects or activities that help families and individuals prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

The program will be funded using approximately \$310,000 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act CDBG allocation through an online competitive application process.

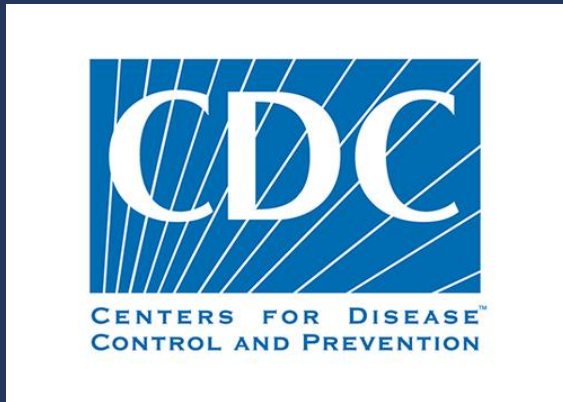
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Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) Associated with COVID-19

The CDC issued a health advisory on an inflammatory condition seen primarily in children and associated with COVID-19 called multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C).

It is currently unknown if multisystem inflammatory syndrome is specific to children or if it also occurs in adults. There is limited information currently available about risk factors, pathogenesis, clinical course, and treatment for MIS-C. The CDC recommends healthcare providers report suspected cases to their state, local and territorial health departments to enhance knowledge of the syndrome.

The COVID-19 crisis continues to present new developments and challenges for our communities. Please continue to wear a face covering, wash your hands regularly, exercise caution when entering public spaces, and follow CDC safety guidelines.



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Virginia Department of Health Now Hiring Contact Tracers



The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) is now recruiting 1,300 contractors for various positions to support COVID-19 efforts, including COVID-19 case investigator, COVID-19 contact tracer, COVID-19 testing coordinator, COVID-19 contact tracing supervisor, COVID-19 data manager, and COVID-19 analytics coordinator.

If you are interested in any of these positions, [visit this list of staffing agencies where you can apply.](#)

You should indicate that you want to apply for a COVID-19 position through the [Virginia Department of Health](#).

How to Become a Certified Contact Tracer in a Matter of Hours

Johns Hopkins University has launched a new online course to make anyone a certified contact tracer in a matter of just hours. Contact tracing is a critical part to getting our economies back open safely and right now, state health departments are scrambling to hire.

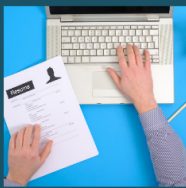


Johns Hopkins University is offering this 5.5 hour course for free and it covers the basics of contact tracing: How to interview people who've been diagnosed, how to identify their close contacts and the public health knowledge you need to support these folks in often emotional phone conversations.

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Virtual Meet the Employer Events for May

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Local employers are still hiring and seeking applicants for key positions. Sign up for a virtual interview for open positions with these employers:

- [The Medical Team, May 20, 10 a.m.](#)
- [Sunrise Senior Living, May 21, 3 p.m.](#)
- [Potomac Falls Health & Rehab, May 22, 9 a.m.](#)
- [Homewatch CareGivers of Loudoun, May 26, 1 p.m.](#)

For more information:
loudoun.gov/MeetTheEmployer

Due to COVID-19, the Loudoun Workforce Resource Center LWRC has discontinued public access to the center. However, they are still hosting Meet the Employer events virtually.

Job seekers are invited to sign up for any Virtual Meet the

Employer event and connect with the employer representatives during the dates and times listed in May.

[Find the Schedule and More Details](#)

COVID-19 Online Information Updates

The county's COVID-19 website has been updated again to reflect the evolving needs for information by the public.

You may notice a slight reorganization on the homepage, loudoun.gov/coronavirus. The site now includes a "reopening" page, loudoun.gov/reopening, where the county's current status is posted. This page also serves as a resource to the business, the faith community, and others, by providing convenient links to the [Forward Virginia Guidelines](#) that will assist the various sectors of the community in meeting the mandates for reopening in Phase One of the Governor's plan, as well as subsequent phases when that information becomes available.



Need Health Care Coverage?



If you got laid off and lost your employer-sponsored health care coverage, you may be qualified to apply for 2020 coverage during a Special Enrollment Period.

The deadline to get health insurance on the federal government's insurance marketplace is 60 days

following the qualifying event. If you were laid off on March 17, for example, your deadline is May 16.

If you miss your 60-day deadline, you'll have to wait until November when you can apply for a 2021 health plan. Keep in mind the 60-day deadline from your layoff date.

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County Postpones Summer Registration

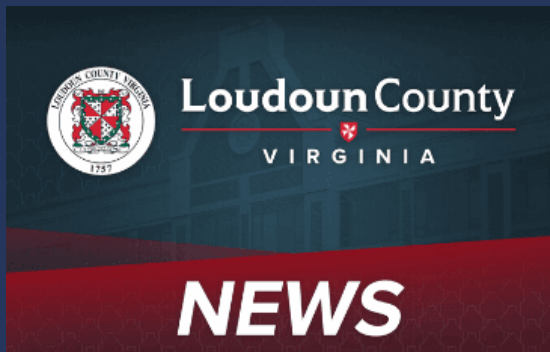
The Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) will forego a printed summer activity guide and postpone registration for summer activities.

Senior and general registration, previously scheduled May 20 and May 21, 2020, are postponed while centers remain closed and programs canceled in response to the pandemic.



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Two Loudoun Courts Reopening on Limited Basis Monday, May 18



Beginning today, the Loudoun County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court and General District Court will resume hearing non-emergency matters in person.

The two Loudoun courts are reopening on a limited basis to handle cases that have been continued as well as new cases coming into the court system.

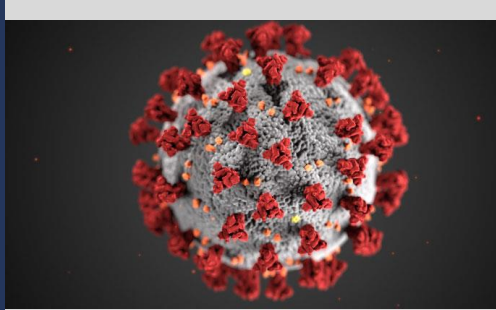
The dockets were limited only to emergency cases over the past weeks, which has resulted in a growing backlog in the courts.

Steps will also be taken in order to ensure recommended physical distancing throughout the courts facilities. Courthouse visitors must comply with social distancing requirements.

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Stay Informed!

Keeping with the Board of Supervisors' policy, regularly scheduled meetings of the Board's [advisory boards, commissions and committees](#) are canceled while Loudoun County Public Schools are closed. The county will provide updated information on meeting status as this rapidly evolving situation continues. For the most current schedule, please visit loudoun.gov/calendar.



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

- 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.

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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.
- 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 non-essential travel.

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