



COVID- 19 Updates

Schedule your vaccine appointment via [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov). For the latest on the vaccine, information can be found on the websites of the [Center for Disease Control](https://www.cdc.gov), [the Virginia Department of Health](https://www.vdh.virginia.gov), and the [Fairfax County Health Department](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health). Fairfax County's vaccine progress can be seen [here](#).

An FAQ for the public can be found [here](#) and an FAQ for healthcare providers can be found [here](#). Call FCHD's vaccine hotline at 703-324-7404 (Monday-Friday, 9am-7pm, Saturday and Sunday, 9:30am-5pm).

[What You Need to Know About the Omicron BA.2 Sub-Variant](#)

Health and Wellness

Pathways to Wellness Conference

The CSB's Wellness and Recovery Committee is hosting their annual [Pathways to Wellness Conference](#) virtually on May 13 from 10am– 1pm.

Live Healthy Fairfax

The Spring 2022 Meeting of the Partnership for a Healthier Fairfax is set for Thursday, May 12, 2022, 9:30 am – 11:30 am. To attend meeting, register here: [Partnership for a Healthier Fairfax 2022 Spring Meeting Tickets, Thu, May 12, 2022 at 9:30 AM | Eventbrite](#) The program begins with a PFHF business meeting including the Community Health Improvement Plan Year 3 Annual Report, presentation of awards, then a conversation about Food Equity: Lifting the Community Voice.

Together We Rise Resilience Week: May 1-7

The third annual Resilience Week Virginia! Click the link to find out more about how you can celebrate and build resilience: [Resilience Week Virginia \(grscan.com\)](https://grscan.com)

Survey For New Children's Behavioral Health Plan

[Healthy Minds Fairfax](#), We want to understand more about your experiences with mental health, for children, youth and their families. Surveys for youth and young adults, caregivers, family members, community leaders, and providers are located in [HERE](#) in English, Spanish, and Korean. Contact: Peter Steinberg at Peter.Steinberg@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Disparities Grant

The Virginia Department of Health, Office of Health Equity is now accepting applications for the **Virginia Partners in Prayer & Prevention Disparities Grant** funded through the *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)*. The purpose of the program is to advance health equity and address COVID-19 related health disparities. Visit eva.virginia.gov to review [RFA 2022-02-OHE](#) and find additional guidance for applicants.

Bridging Minds Art Gallery– call for submissions

The Healthy Minds Fairfax Youth Advisory Council is hosting their first event! The first "Bridging Our Minds Art Gallery" will be happening on May 26th between 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm at Providence Community Center. This event will showcase artwork about experiences with mental health needs and treatment from young people around Fairfax County. Additional guidelines can be found [here](#). All art submissions are due by May 18th

Turning Point

Turning Point offers wraparound care for youth with first episode or clinical high-risk psychosis. Turning Point's services include peer recovery support, individual and group therapy, case management, family education, psychiatry and medication management, and education and employment support. For more information, please call 703-559-3000 and ask for the Turning Point program, email CSBTurningPointCSC@fairfaxcounty.gov, or visit our [website](#).

Community Engagement

New Community Center

Join Supervisor Rodney Lusk and the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the **Opening of the Community Center in the Lee District** Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 11 a.m. 7950 Audubon Ave, Alexandria, VA 22306.

Camp Fairfax

Join us for a Summer of Fun! Serving rising 1st - 7th grade children residing in Fairfax County or the City of Fairfax. Programs meet weekly in June, July and August from 7:30 a.m.– 6 p.m at sites all across Fairfax County. Sliding fee scale available for income-eligible families. Breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack provided. Current health and safety guidelines will be implemented. **Registration Coming Soon.** For More Information, [click here](#) or call: 703-449-8989 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Girls Fire and Rescue Academy Summer Camp

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department is excited to announce its Girls Fire and Rescue Academy summer camp from June 21 -24. The Academy is open to rising 7th through 12th grade female students for the upcoming 2022 - 2023 school year. Participants must be a Fairfax County resident. The program is completely free of charge. The Academy will be limited to 24 applicants. To apply, please click on the link below and follow the instructions. All applications must be received by close of business on Friday, May 20, 2022. [Girls Fire & Rescue Academy 2022 Application Packet \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](#)

Virtual Reality Check

The registration for our Virtual Reality Check is now open! The program is free and open to the public. This free three-session webinar series is designed for teen drivers and their parents or guardians. Reality Check begins on **Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7PM** and is a three part series: Sessions are progressive, building upon each other. The series concludes with a debrief at the end of the third session. Here is the link for more information and to sign up: www.surveymonkey.com/r/RealityCheckMay2022

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Northern Virginia Transportation Authority is seeking public comment on the list of 26 candidate projects submitted for regional funding through the FY2022-2027 Six Year Program (SYP). The NVTA is seeking public comment from now through May 22 and a public hearing is scheduled for May 12, 2022. Find more information on the SYP update and how to provide public comment [here](#).

Supporting Afghan Refugees

If you are supporting or have an interest in supporting Afghan families please email Afghanhelp@fairfaxcounty.gov. You can share about a resource or donation that you would like to offer. You can also share about a need that you have helping a family. Thank you for continued support for members of our community.



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Common Ground

A Newsletter for the Interfaith Community

Community Bulletin Board

The following public announcements are for interfaith meetings and activities sponsored by organizations within the community and are not specifically endorsed or sponsored by Fairfax County. These announcements are provided as a public service in the interest of expanding interfaith dialogue and goodwill. If you have an announcement you would like to share, please contact NCsinterfaith@fairfaxcounty.gov

FEMA Non-Profit Security Grant (NSPG) Update

Participate in upcoming NSGP 2022 webinars to learn about the program, priorities, eligibility and the application process. Register [here](#) for the next session. Additional information related to the NSGP can be found [here](#). If you have any questions regarding these webinars please contact FEMA-NSGP@fema.dhs.gov

Security Webinar

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency invites **Faith Based Organizations** to join a two-hour security webinar on May 5 at 5- 7pm to enhance awareness of and response to an active shooter event. Register [here](#).

Spring Blood Drive

Sun., May 22, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., INOVA Bloodmobile in UUCF parking lot
Blood donations save lives! Book your appointment today: Visit [INOVA Blood Donor Services website](#).
Call 1-866-256-6372 and use sponsor code 0686. Contact [Laura Mack](#), 707-396-8659. Photo ID and face masks required. Surgical face masks will be provided if needed. Allow 1 hour for your donation.

Dental Health Event for our Afghan Neighbors

Sunday, May 22, Tysons Interfaith will be supporting a dental health event for our Afghan neighbors at the dental office of Dr. Maqsood Chaudhry, 3400 Payne Street, #101, Falls Church, VA 22041. **Ways to help: Donate toward gift bags for the patients** <https://tysonsinterfaith.org/donate/> **Volunteer on site on May 22nd** **Email Susan Posey** tsposey@verizon.net.

Interfaith Council of Metropolitan Washington

Days of Unity May 2022-For a listing of Days of Unity events, click [here](#). For more information, please click [here](#) or reach out to Symi Rom-Rymer at: symirr@ifcmw.org.

IFC Days of Unity Event #Breaking Stereotypes

Join us for small, moderated group discussions between members of different faith communities and law enforcement. Space for this program is limited. We invite you to indicate your interest in participating in this event by filling out a [short survey](#) and we will be in touch with you soon! Thursday, May 12th 6:30-8:30pm In-Person location, TBD

Building Vibrant Communities

All are invited to participate in a May 13-15, 2022, conference on the theme of "Building Vibrant Communities" hosted by the Bahá'í Faith communities of Fairfax and Vienna. Please kindly register by May 6 at <https://tinyurl.com/FXWorldConference> and email fxbahaiconf2022@gmail.com with any questions.

Nova East Community Building Conference 2022: Love in Action: Building Vibrant Communities

Join us for once in a lifetime opportunity to be part of a global effort to engage in community building and transformation. Held at Westlawn Elementary School, 3200 Westley Road, Falls Church 22042. Saturday, May 14, 9:00 a.m. (for breakfast/registration/socialization)-4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 15, 9:30 a.m. (for breakfast/registration/socialization)-12:30 p.m.
[Register here](#).

SAVE THE DATE on June 18th the Poor People's Campaign will have a **POOR PEOPLE'S AND LOW-WAGE WORKERS' ASSEMBLY AND MORAL MARCH ON WASHINGTON AND TO THE POLLS**. To Learn more about this event and to register visit the [Poor People's Campaign](#) for more information.