

News from Fairfax County Supervisor Kathy Smith, representing Sully District.

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A Message from Kathy Smith

There is a significant increase in [daily reported COVID-19 cases](#) in the Fairfax Health District. The new cases reported for this week are: 400 on Monday, November 16; 196 on Tuesday, November 17; 254 on Wednesday, November 18; 207 on Thursday, November 19; and 261 today.

These past few months have been difficult, and I understand the desire to see our family and friends this holiday season, but it is important to fight COVID fatigue, and continue mask-wearing, social distancing, and staying home whenever possible. These are proven methods that will keep COVID-19 cases from increasing further in our community. The Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention (CDC) [does not recommend traveling for Thanksgiving](#). The safest way to celebrate Thanksgiving is to celebrate at home with the people you live with.

If you are asked to quarantine, you should stay home for 14 days after your last close contact with a person who has COVID-19. **A negative test for COVID-19 during quarantine does not mean you can end quarantine early.** Fairfax County has many resources to help people safely isolate and quarantine and meet other basic needs. Visit, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/covid19 or call 703-267-3511. More information is below in the "Coronavirus Column."

Help Wanted - Fairfax Health District Hiring Weekend Contact Interviewers:

- The Fairfax Health District is expanding its pool of contact tracing staff and is actively [seeking weekend contact interviewers](#). As COVID-19 cases increase in the Fairfax Health District, the additional staff will be needed in the efforts to effectively slow the spread of illness and ensure the health and safety of our community. [Details](#)

Park Maintenance Alert - Ellanor C. Lawrence Park:

- The Fairfax County Park Authority is currently repaving the parking lot on the field side of [Ellanor C. Lawrence Park](#). Weather permitting, the work is anticipated to be complete by early December.
- About half of the spaces in the parking lot will remain open to the public throughout the repaving project, and no weekend work is anticipated.
- For more information, contact project manager Melissa Emory at 703-324-8752, or email Melissa.emory@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Meals for Students During Thanksgiving Week:

- Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) is committed to providing all students access to meals during the entire week of Thanksgiving. Meals will be served on the normal schedule on Monday, November 23 at all [Grab & Go sites and bus routes](#).
- All school sites and bus routes will serve additional meals on Tuesday, November 24, as there will be no meal service between November 25 – 27, 2020. See [details here](#).
- Visit the [Return to School/Food](#) page for more information or call the Office of Food and Nutrition Services at 703-813-4800.

Healthy Minds Fairfax Needs Your Feedback:

- Healthy Minds Fairfax, a Fairfax County Initiative to increase equitable access to quality behavioral health (to include mental health and

substance use) services for children, youth, and their families wants to find out how you pay for behavioral health services and wants to know if you have had any issues using your child's health insurance to pay for services. [Complete the short survey](#) no later than **Monday, November 30, 2020**.

Sincerely,

Kathy

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Save the Date! Sully District Town Hall on the Zoning Ordinance Modernization (zMOD) Project

Join [Sully District Supervisor Kathy Smith](#) and Fairfax County [Department of Planning and Development](#) staff, **on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** for a virtual presentation and Q & A session on zMOD, Fairfax County's initiative to modernize its Zoning Ordinance that was first established over 40 years ago. For more information on zMOD, visit: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/zmod>.

[Click here to register for the event!](#)

Join us for a

SULLY DISTRICT TOWN HALL

Join Sully District Supervisor Kathy Smith for a conversation about the Zoning Ordinance Modernization Project in Fairfax County!

December 9, 2020, 7pm
Virtual Meeting

ZMOD

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Coronavirus Column

Important reminders to keep yourself and others safe:



Five Things You Need to Know About COVID-19 Today:

1. COVID-19 cases continue to climb in our health district. **We are now averaging more than 200 cases per day, more than any time since early June.**
2. If you are identified as someone who has COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who does, a Health Department staff member will contact you. **It is important to answer the phone, listen to the voicemail, and/or return the call if asked to do so.**
3. Fairfax County has many resources to help people safely isolate and quarantine and meet other basic needs.

Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/covid-19 or call 703-267-3511.

4. **Wearing a cloth face covering can protect you from COVID-19, not just others.** The protective benefits of masks are stronger the more people wear masks consistently and correctly, the CDC says.
5. **One thing each of us can do right now, to protect ourselves and our loved ones from getting the flu is to get a flu shot.** It is recommended for everyone six months or older. Go to www.staywellnova.com to find out where to get your flu vaccine.

Recent Headlines:

- [What to Know About Tenant-Landlord Rights During COVID-19](#)
- [Governor Northam Announces New Statewide Measures to Contain COVID-19](#)
- [Video: Update on COVID-19 in Our Community and Key Tips to Stay Healthy This Holiday Season](#)
- [Don't Bring Coronavirus Home for the Holidays: Plan Now for Safe Return from College](#)

Download Virginia's FREE COVIDWISE Exposure Notifications App:

- COVIDWISE uses Bluetooth Low Energy technology to quickly notify users who have likely been exposed to COVID-19 so you can reduce the risk of infection for your friends and family.
- **Download the free app** [iPhone App Store](#) or [Android Google Play Store](#).
- For more information about COVIDWISE, visit: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/covidwise/>.

FREE COVID-19 Testing Offered Every Tuesday:

- In partnership with the Centreville Labor Resource Center, Healthworks for Northern Virginia is offering FREE COVID-19 testing **every Tuesday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for walk-ins and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. by appointment only.** Location: 5944 Centreville Crest Lane, Centreville, VA.
- **COVID-19 testing is free for uninsured patients.**
- To make an appointment call 703-443-2000, select option #1.

Inova COVID-19 Update:

- Inova Blood Donor Services is currently experiencing a critically low supply of O+ blood and is asking the community to help. All successful blood donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies. For more information, and to make an appointment, please visit www.inovablood.org.

Ways to Stay Informed:

- Call our Health Department Call Center at 703-267-3511 with Coronavirus questions; open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends.
 - Text FFXCOVID to 888777 to receive updates from Fairfax County about COVID-19.
 - Email questions or concerns to ffxcovid@fairfaxcounty.gov. This email account is staffed Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 6 p.m.
 - Visit a [web portal for coronavirus](#) that serves as a one-stop online resource for information.
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FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd

1:30 PM

***Dulles Center Apartments,
2410 Little Current Dr, Herndon, VA 20171
Bent Tree Apartments,
13630 Bent Tree Circle, Centreville, VA 20121
Lee Overlook Apartments,
6406 Paddington Court Centreville, VA 20121***

**Contact-Free Distribution!
Please wear a mask when
picking up food items!**

**Each box contains dairy, fresh
produce and protein!
No eligibility required!**

**Brought to you courtesy of the Office of Kathy Smith
Sully District Supervisor**



IN COLLABORATION WITH



DISTRIBUCION DE ALIMENTOS GRATIS
LUNES, NOVIEMBRE 23, 1:30PM
MUCHOS SITIOS DE DISTRIBUCION

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Distribucion Sin Contacto!
Por Favor Usar Una
Máscara Cuando Recojas
Artículos!

Cada Caja Contiene Queso,
Productos Lácteos y Proteínas!
No Se Requiere Elegibilidad!

Presentado Por Cortesía De La Oficina De Kathy Smith
Supervisor Del Distrito Sully



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Transportation News



(Pictured Above: Supervisor Kathy Smith on the new Poplar Tree Road Bridge. The bridge should open by next Wednesday, November 25.)

VDOT: New Ramp from Route 28 North to I-66 East Opening to Traffic Beginning on or about Friday, November 20:

- **UPDATE:** Ramp closure hours have been expanded -- Route 29 South to Route 28 North will close from 10 p.m. until 4:30 a.m.; Route 28 North to I-66 East will close from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m.
- A new, permanent ramp from Route 28 North to I-66 East will open on or about Friday morning, November 20. Drivers on Route 28 North will stay to the right to access I-66 East using the new ramp. [Details](#)
- Opening the new ramp will end use of the current, temporary ramp accessed from the left-most lanes of northbound Route 28. The temporary detour for Route 29 (Lee Highway) South drivers heading to I-66 East will also be lifted.
- Drivers should always use caution and pay attention to lane markings and roadway signs in construction work zones. All work is weather dependent and will be rescheduled if inclement conditions occur.

VDOT/Commonwealth Transportation Board - Public Meetings on Funding the Right Transportation Projects:

- You are invited to share comments on transportation projects that have been recommended for funding in the FY2021-2026 Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP). **Submit comments through the [online form](#), by email, or by mail by December 3, 2020.**
- The public can provide feedback on the FY2021-2026 SYIP Update at the **virtual fall meeting on November 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** The public can view the meeting [via live stream](#). **When announced, public comments can be made by calling 470-285-4495, followed by PIN 392 182 855#.**
- [Loudoun County has a project that is under consideration](#) for addition to the FY2021-2026 SYIP, the Route 50 Northern Collector Road from Tall

Cedars Parkway to Route 28 (a limited access road connecting Route 50 to Route 28 in the vicinity of the Air and Space Museum Parkway).

- For more information, and to view meeting materials, visit: <http://www.ctb.virginia.gov/planning/fallmeetings/default.asp>.

Reminders!

FCDOT - Survey on How to Improve Fairfax Connector Service in Centreville, Chantilly, Vienna, and Tysons areas.

[Fairfax County Department of Transportation \(FCDOT\)](#) seeks your input on how to improve local bus service provided by [Fairfax Connector in the Centreville, Chantilly, Vienna and Tysons areas](#). Members of the public are encouraged to [provide input on the service alternatives by reviewing them](#) and completing an online survey. **The survey is open thru Friday, December 9, 2020.**

- Take the online survey in English [here](#)
- Realice la encuesta en línea en [español aquí](#)

VDOT - Comment Period on the I-495 NEXT Project Extended to December 4, 2020 -

Comments on the environmental assessment and proposed design **must be received by no later than December 4, 2020**, to be included in the public record. For more information about the I-495 NEXT Project, visit the project website at http://www.495northernextension.org/about_the_study/. Comments can be submitted in the following ways:

- Completing the [online comment form](#)
- Emailing 495NorthernExtension@VDOT.virginia.gov (Comments should reference “495 Express Lanes Northern Extension Project” in the subject line)
- Mailing to: VDOT Northern Virginia District Office, Attn: Abi Lerner, P.E., 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

Shop Local For The Holidays



In an effort to foster small business growth and to encourage more

entrepreneurial activity, Fairfax County has created a Made in Fairfax directory to connect local small-production manufacturers to networking groups, marketing opportunities and potential customers. [Click here](#) to see the "Made In Fairfax" business directory, and shop local for the holidays!

Holiday Donation Drives



Presented by the Fairfax County Police Motor Squad - Santa's Ride 2020:

- Donate NEW unwrapped toys, games, books, and gifts to be distributed to children at Fairfax Hospital, Georgetown Lombardi Cancer Center, and to the children in the community who might not otherwise have a cheerful holiday season. Bring your items to any Fairfax County Police Station, Oakwood School, St. Veronica Catholic School, Holy Spirit Catholic School, Trinity Christian School, St. Timothy's Catholic School, the Lobby of the Pennino and Herry Office Buildings, or the Government Center, **no later than 9:00 a.m. on Monday, December 7, 2020.** [Details](#)

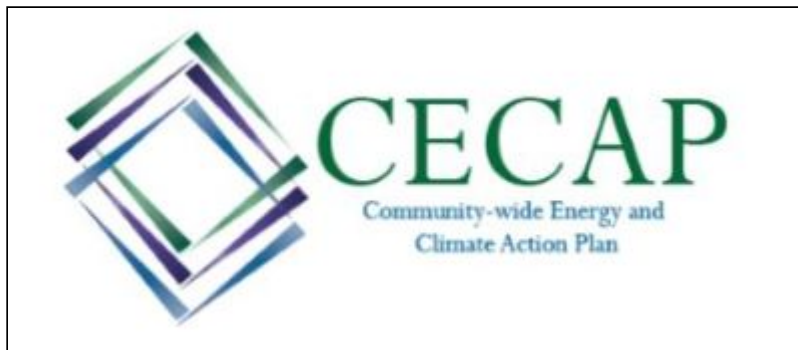
Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Participating in TOYS FOR TOTS Campaign:

- The Fire and Rescue Department will be participating in the Annual National Capital Region Fire and EMS Departments' 2020 TOYS FOR TOTS Campaign. **Stations will accept donations now through Sunday, December 13, 2020.**
- **Due to the pandemic, collection boxes will be placed outside the front door of each [fire and rescue station](#) every morning.** This will make it easier for the public to drop off toys while minimizing contact with our firefighters and paramedics. Residents will be able to drop off toys until 8:00 p.m., each evening.
- The campaign will only accept new, unwrapped toys. Toys used as weapons or considered to be weapons (i.e., toy guns or knives of any kind) will not be accepted. Checks or money orders for donations must be made payable to TOYS FOR TOTS. [Details](#)

Fairfax County Police Department Victim Services Division - 7th Annual Holiday Gift Card Drive:

- Please help us support our families in need by donating gift cards to give the parents the joy of purchasing food, clothing, and gifts for their children. In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, the need to help is even greater this year. **Now through Friday, December 18, 2020 gift cards can be dropped off or mailed to: Saly Fayez, Director; Victim Services Division; 12099 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035.**
- For more information, contact Saly Fayez at 703-246-2465 or email saly.fayez@fairfaxcounty.gov.

The Green Column



CECAP Process Update

Since its inception, development of the Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan (CECAP) has been driven by the county's interest in having community representatives bring their expertise, experience, and perspective to discussions about goal-setting and greenhouse gas mitigation strategies.

The COVID-19 pandemic required the planning process to move online. This unexpected change introduced new challenges to the development of the CECAP and led county staff and the CECAP consultants to reimagine the planning process.

As of October 24, the CECAP Focus Groups and Task Force were merged into a single, new group – the CECAP Working Group. In this new model, all members have an identical role and can participate in discussion and decision making.

To read the full article, [click here](#).

Animal Shelter Corner



Meet Kitty!

Kitty is a nice quiet cat, who is very low key and not demanding. She is not one to be all up in your business, but she does miss her people when they are gone. Do you need a cat roommate, who will listen to music with you, enjoy nature from the comfort of a warm perch, and just be a nice quiet friend? She needs you, and maybe at the end of the day you need her, too.

If you are interested in adopting Kitty, send in a completed adoption questionnaire! All adoption info, steps, and forms can be found [online](#).

Reminders!

Low-Cost Rabies Clinics:

The Department of Animal Sheltering will host three curbside, no contact, [low-cost rabies vaccination clinics](#):

- **Cats and Ferrets:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on all dates at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter (4500 West Ox Road, Fairfax, VA 22030).
- **Dogs:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on all dates at Pender Veterinary Centre (4001 Legato Road, Fairfax, VA 22033).

Pre-registration is required! Cost is \$20 per vaccination, exact cash or check only. This is a drive through clinic, and pet owners must remain in their car. Pet owners must wear a mask to receive services. For more info, [click here](#).

Contacts

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