



CHAIR PHYLLIS J. RANDALL NEWSLETTER



Hello, Loudoun

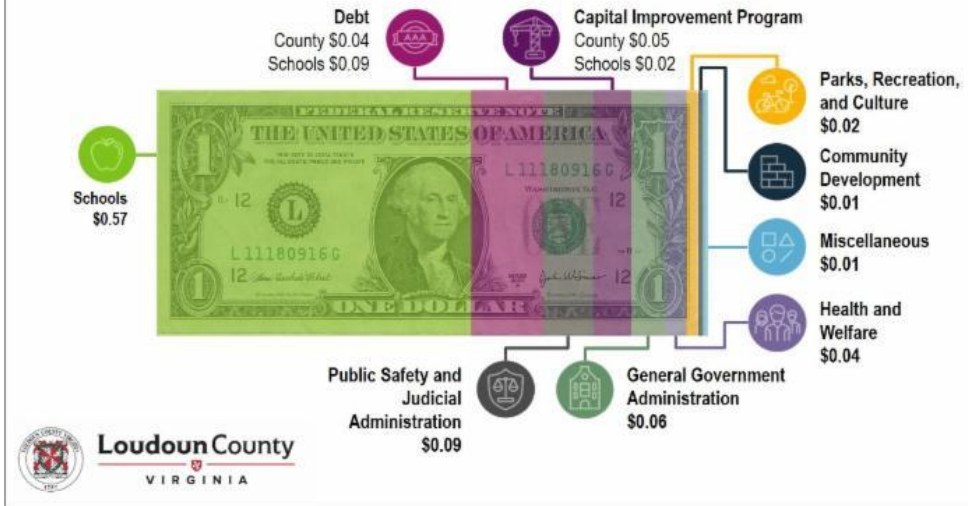
Loudoun, it's my great honor to sponsor an item that will allow our County to be a V3 employer. The Virginia Values Veterans (V3) program seeks to identify and retrain Veterans to ensure the skills they gained in the military can transfer to a civilian job. I'm proud that the three Veterans on the Board joined me in this effort. I want to thank Loudoun's Veteran community for supporting my V3 initiative that was approved by the Board on February 21st.

Budget

On Wednesday, February 13th, the County Administrator Tim Hemstreet presented a proposed budget for FY 2020, which totals \$3.2 billion in appropriations for the County government and Loudoun County Public Schools. The proposed budget is based on our guidance to prepare a budget at the equalized real property tax rate, the rate at which the average homeowner's tax bill does not change. Based on the final assessment portfolio from the Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue, the equalized homeowner's tax rate is \$1.045, which is 4 cents lower than the current tax rate of \$1.085, and the equalized commercial tax rate is \$1.05. The graphic below shows where tax dollars are used under the proposed FY 2020 budget.

Your Tax Dollar at Work

FY 2020 Proposed Budget



For the first time in years, the Loudoun County School Board's adopted budget request meets the Board's guidance and as a result, is fully funded at the equalized tax rate (see table below). I am pleased that the School Board's budget came in at guidance this year. When asked why this happened for the first time, we were told the actual enrollment of LCPS students was below the projected enrollment of LCPS students.

Scenarios	Fiscal Guidance from BOS to Co. Administrator December 11, 2018	County Transfer Increase per Guidance	School Board Adopted County Transfer Increase	(Gap)
1 (Equalized Rate)	@\$1.05 (66% of real estate tax revenue)	\$76.3	\$76.3	\$0.0
2 (Equalized <i>plus</i> 2¢)	@\$1.07 (66% of real estate tax revenue)	\$87.6	\$76.3	\$11.3
3 (Equalized <i>minus</i> 2¢)	@\$1.03 (66% of real estate tax revenue)	\$64.9	\$76.3	(\$11.4)

The current tax rate is \$1.085 per \$100 of assessed value.

The fact that we can fully fund the County budget and the school budget at \$1.045 is very good news. I wish to thank Loudoun County staff and employees. Our staff is hardworking, dedicated and committed to working for you.

FY 2020 budget public hearings are scheduled for:

- Wednesday, February 27th, 3:00 pm, Board Room, Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street, S.E., Leesburg.
- Wednesday, February 27th, 6:00 pm, Board Room, Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street, S.E., Leesburg.
- Saturday, March 2nd, 9:00 am, Loudoun County Public Schools Administration Building, 21000 Education Court, Ashburn.

Anyone who wishes to speak at the public hearings may sign up in advance for one speaking slot by calling 703-777-0204.

[Loudoun 2040](#)

The Board's schedule for the completion of the [Loudoun 2040 Comprehensive Plan](#) has been released and is detailed in the table below. All meetings will be held at the Government Center, 1 Harrison Street, SE, in Leesburg (work session dates are subject to change).

March <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday, March 21st, 5:00 pm 	Planning Commission Recommendation, Board Business Meeting
April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday, April 3rd, 6:00 pm Wednesday, April 24th, 6:00 pm Saturday, April 27th, 9:00 am 	Work Session, Board Room Public Hearing, Board Room Public Hearing, Board Room
May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday, May 8th, 6:30 pm Monday, May 20th, 6:00 pm Wednesday, May 29th, 6:00 pm 	Work Session, Board Room Work Session, Board Room Work Session, Board Room
June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday, June 5th, 6:00 pm Wednesday, June 19th, 6:00 pm 	Work Session, Board Room Work Session, Board Room
July <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday, July 2nd, 5:00 pm 	Tentative Adoption, Board Business Meeting

There will be no limit on the number of speakers at the April 24th and April 27th public hearings, but no resident can speak at both hearings. Please sign up in advance by calling the Clerk at 703-777-0200 in early April. The time limit for each member of the public to speak will probably be 2 to 2 1/2 minutes.

Residents can also speak about Loudoun 2040 at the Board business meetings on the 1st Tuesday and 3rd Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm. The 6:30 pm public input session is limited to 60 minutes total. At the second business meeting of the month, an additional public input session is included at the beginning of the agenda at 5:00 pm, which is limited to 8 speakers who must sign up in advance by calling the Clerk.

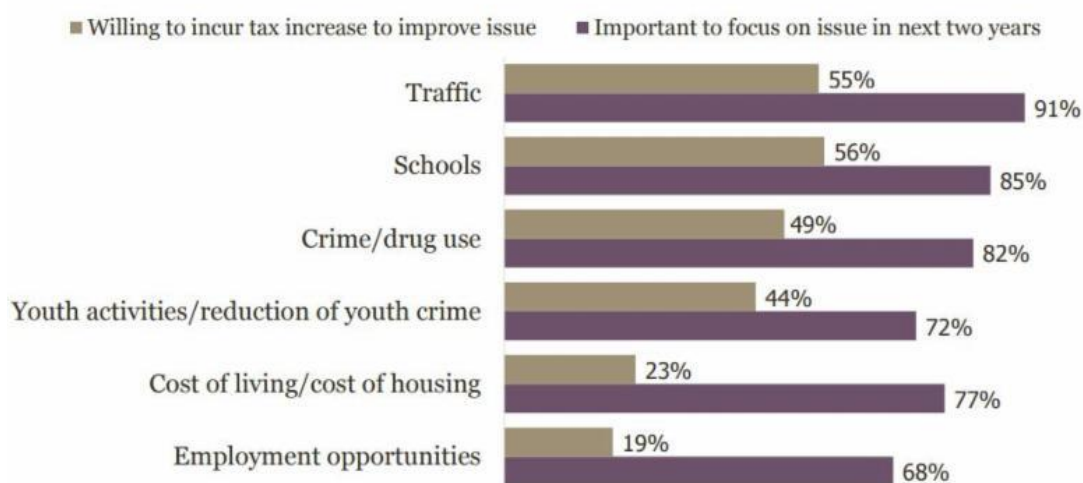
We have not revised the comprehensive plan in 16 years. This plan will be our guide for land use and transportation until 2040. For the most up to date information about the plan, please see the [fiscal impact analysis and travel demand model](#) results from the February 7th Planning Commission work session. I hope you will speak to the Board at one of the two Loudoun 2040 budget public hearings because your voice is very important to me. You are also welcome to speak at the Board business meeting public input sessions.

[2018 Survey of Residents](#)

Loudoun County periodically conducts surveys of its residents to update demographic information, determine residents' level of satisfaction with county services, and obtain residents' opinions on key issues of importance to the community. Some of the key results are residents enjoy a positive quality of life, feel safe in their communities and rate the overall value of County

government services highly. Below is a table showing the importance of issues and residents' willingness to pay to improve the issue. Traffic, schools and crime/drug use rated the highest in both categories. This information is really helpful and interesting. It is not what we heard from residents who participated in Envision Loudoun but the consultant who conducted the survey explained this sample is more representative of all demographics.

Importance of Issues and Willingness to Pay



Silver Line West

At the February 21st Board business meeting, the Silver District West application was considered to develop a 158-acre, mixed-use urban community located south and west of the Dulles Greenway at Loudoun County Parkway. The proposal includes 3,706 residences (381 townhouses and 3,325 multi-family units) and up to a million square feet of non-residential uses, including an elementary school and a Broad Run Stream Valley linear park.



The point of this application is to put needed housing near mass transit (Ashburn and Loudoun Gateway metro stations). I have said many times that transit oriented development should be dense and vertical. I know residents will be concerned about the number of residential units being proposed and want to give the full story about this application.

1. Infrastructure will be up front or in parallel with residential build-out
2. Majority of units are multi-family near the metro
3. Build out will not be until 2040
4. Proffered road improvements like Shellhorn Road, Loudoun County Parkway widening (4 to 6 lanes) and Barrister Street will be constructed ahead of schedule at no cost to County taxpayers
5. Some of the unmet housing need will be fulfilled

One issue that needs to be addressed is the access to metro from the South side of the development. The applicant is offering a shuttle service to the Loudoun Gateway metro station until the County can provide this service. However, I would like a pedestrian trail or path to the station if possible. We need to fix this issue because the whole point of residents living here is to use metro and it is important to get people to metro without using their cars.

We have been working on this application since I came in office three years ago. Staff is doing a fantastic job working with the applicant to get it right. The Board forwarded the application to the March 21st business meeting for action giving staff and the applicant time to work through the issues and complete the proffer statement.

At the March 5th Board business meeting, the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority will give an update to the Board about the new Dulles Airport noise contour study. The residential units in the Silver District West application south of Loudoun County Parkway are between the 60 Ldn and 65 Ldn noise contour. The applicant will provide protections for all residential units in this area including noise attenuation and disclosures.

C-PACE

The Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Financing Program ordinance was approved on consent at the February 21st Board business meeting. Thanks again to Gerry Gurgick and staff who helped make this happen.

As always, thank you for allowing me to serve as your Chair.

Best Regards,

Phyllis Randall
Chair, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors
phyllis.randall@loudoun.gov

Bo Machayo
Chief of Staff
bo.machayo@loudoun.gov

Laura TeKrony
Legislative Aide
laura.tekrony@loudoun.gov

Elizabeth Bennis
Executive Assistant
elizabeth.bennis@loudoun.gov

[Rural Summit Information](#)

At the Rural Summit in November, residents asked for local, state and federal programs and resources that can help preserve farmland.

County:

Department of Economic Development (DED) Agriculture and Related Business [website](#)

DED's Consumer [website](#)

DED's Small Business [website](#)

An associated action that followed the Rural Summit is a Virginia Tech proposal to explore a Loudoun east-west interface initiative. Virginia Tech's Department of Agricultural, Leadership, and Community Education recently invited the County Government's Department of Extension Services to participate in a grant funded, partnership with the Harwood Institute for Public Innovation. The focus of that partnership would be fostering stronger relationships among all County residents by better understanding the aspects of complementing rural and suburban communities.

Upcoming events:

[Forum for Sustaining Agriculture](#), March 8th at Clarion Inn and Conference Center in Winchester. The purpose of the annual forum is to showcase new and exciting projects and programs that enhance farm or rural business profitability. Register [here](#).

[Ag Bio 2019](#), March 27th, the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research in Danville, VA. Virginia and North Carolina are uniting to transform the agricultural industry. We are combining strengths for an exceptional one-day conference to bring forth innovative bioscience and technology to the farms! Providing a toolkit of essential tools and proactive solutions to increase efficiency and yields - creating healthier plant crops, animals and bringing full circle to the health of the human.

State:

Governor's Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development (AFID) incentive program [website](#)

[Governor's Investment to Accelerate Virginia's Progress Towards Universal Broadband Access](#)

Federal:

[USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service](#)

Voice for a Cause



Summit Dog is a woman owned/veteran non-profit organization whose mission is to help people achieve their physical and intellectual goals. Summit Dog trains, mentors and evaluates each animal/handler team for a specific community. For example, not everyone is suited to work with children who have special needs, so to ensure that both dog and handler are properly prepared, Summit Dog requires specific training and mentoring and volunteer time. Our clients appreciate our policy and attention to detail, which helps to minimize risk for both the children and the animal.



Summit Dog serves schools, churches, nursing homes, homeless shelters, juvenile detention centers, hospitals, and respite centers. They have been serving Loudoun County for several years, at the Paxton Campus, Falcons Landing, and the Ryan Bartel Foundation's The FORT. Chair Randall is pictured with the therapy dog, Nicodemus.

Bo's Corner

On January 25th, the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce announced the winners for the 2019 Community Leadership Awards. Bo was a finalist in the Young Professionals category. Congratulations Bo! All of the impressive candidates were chosen by a panel of Loudoun's top business and nonprofit leaders. Bo is pictured below with Lisa Kimball from The Arc of Loudoun and Amy Owen from the Community Foundation of Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties.



Community Events and Information

Visit Loudoun Survey: Visit Loudoun is seeking feedback from Loudoun business owners, residents, and visitors. This survey is a key opportunity for you to share your thoughts and vision for tourism in Loudoun county. Please click [here](#) to complete a short 5-minute survey by end of day February 27th. Thanks in advance for your participation.

Human Trafficking Round Table Discussion: Thursday, February 28th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Brambleton Library, 22850 Brambleton Plaza in Ashburn. Free and open to the public. Register [here](#).



HUMAN TRAFFICKING: THE SURPRISING REALITY

→ **Thursday, February 28, 2019 • 6pm - 8pm**
Brambleton Library 22850 Brambleton Plaza Brambleton, VA 20148

Human trafficking is the fastest-growing organized crime activity in the US, making \$32 billion a year while destroying the lives of tens of thousands of innocent children. 70% of these transactions happen online. Join us to learn the surprising reality of what human trafficking looks like here in Loudoun County and how you can help.

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
REGISTER HERE - [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/Y9JRP5CW](https://tinyurl.com/Y9JRP5CW)
Copy and paste link into your browser



HUMAN TRAFFICKING ROUNDTABLE PANEL INCLUDES:

- Barbara Amaya, CDA
- Jeremy Nusbaum, Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Initiative (NOVA-HTI)
- Nicole Wittmann, Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney
- John M. Hetey, M.Ed., Loudoun County Gang Response and Intervention Team (GRIT)
- Mary Hale, Inova Forensic Assessment & Consultation Team (FACT)
- Howie Levin, OneHeartDC (*Moderator*)

*The English American Dictionary is a project of the American Heritage Dictionary Company, Inc. The English American Dictionary is published by the American Heritage Dictionary Company, Inc. © 2011. All rights reserved.

LCWAG
SPONSORS



EDUCATE • COLLABORATE • EMPOWER • WWW.LCWAG.ORG

Loudoun 2040 Community Meetings: A number of community organizations are reaching out to the public to share information and encourage participation in the comprehensive plan process called Loudoun 2040. These meetings are not part of the **County's official process** for revising the comprehensive plan. Contact Jane Covington at JCovington@pecva.org with questions. Below are the list of meetings that are open to the public:

- **Feb 27 -- Loudoun Museum, 6:30-8:30 pm. Sponsored by the Town of Leesburg, Mayor Kelly Burk. Address: 16 Loudoun St, SW in Leesburg. This meeting was rescheduled from Feb. 20 due to snow.**
- **Feb 28 -- Cascades Senior Center, 6:30-8:30 pm. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters. Address: 21060 Whitfield Place in Sterling.**
- **March 6 -- Sterling Library, 6:30-8:30 pm. Sponsored by the Sterling Foundation and Save Old Sterling. Address: 22330 South Sterling Blvd A117 in Sterling.**

- **March 19 -- Gum Springs Library, 6:30-8:30 pm. Sponsored by Piedmont Environmental Council. Address: 24600 Millstream Dr in Stone Ridge.**
- **March 25 -- Sycolin Creek Elementary School, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Sponsored by Keep Evergreen Mills Green community group. Address: 21100 Evergreen Mills Rd in Leesburg.**
- **March 27 -- Middleburg Community Center, 6:30-8:30 pm. Sponsored by Mayor Bridge Littleton and the Middleburg Town Council. Address: 300 W Washington St in Middleburg.**

YMCA Chocolates Galore: Friday, March 1st at 6:30 pm to 11:00 pm at the Lansdowne Resort and Spa in Leesburg. Buy tickets and find out about sponsorship opportunities [here](#).

Read-A-Thon: Make a resolution to read more while supporting a great cause! Join All Ages Read Together's Read-A-Thon. Calling all book clubs, sports teams, and families to participate by reading from February 14 - March 2 and making a donation in honor of the commitment to read.



AART Read-A-Thon
February 14 (Valentine's Day) through
March 2 (National Read Across America Day)

Celebrate the love of reading and support AART to provide free school readiness programs to 4-5 year olds in need!

www.allagesreadtogether.org

Ohana Childhelp Benefit Concert: Saturday, March 9th from 6:00 to 10:00 pm at the Ohana Equestrian Preserve, 24240 James Monroe Hwy in Aldie. Please join us for a night of musical entertainment - featuring Wil Gravatt Band // Toni Clare + food & beverage at Ohana Equestrian Preserve - to raise funds in support of Childhelp's Alice C. Tyler Village equine therapy program. The Village is a nonprofit psychiatric residential treatment center located in Northern Virginia. The Village provides a clinically sophisticated therapeutic program utilizing an interdisciplinary approach specializing in the treatment of children and adolescents with mild to severe trauma or neglect, psychiatric disorders, and neurodevelopmental disorders.

Ashburn Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department Martini Matters: Saturday, March 9th from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the River Creek Club. There will be raffles, a silent auction,

giveaways and a door prize! The bar will be pouring two special cocktails - the "Too Hot to Handle" and the "Liquid Defibrillator" in honor of the lifesaving work our volunteers do in your community. You do not have to be club member to attend - simply tell the gate attendant that you are going to Martini Matters!



The flyer features a central image of a pink martini glass with a red cherry and a yellow olive. Lines radiate from the glass to the names of the two special cocktails: "Too hot to handle" and "Liquid Defibrillator". To the right of the glass, the text reads: "A Fundraiser for Ashburn Volunteer Fire Rescue Department". Below this, it lists activities: "Raffles, a Silent Auction, Giveaways and a spectacular door prize". The title "MARTINI MATTERS" is written vertically on the right side. At the bottom left, a white box contains the date and time: "Date: 03/09/2019 5 PM till 8 PM". Below that, it provides the location: "*River Creek Club 43730 Olympic BLVD. Leesburg, VA 20176" and a note: "* Need Not be a member to attend". On the bottom right, there is a logo for "ASHBURN VOLUNTEER FIRE RESCUE" featuring a fire helmet, a ladder, and a fire hydrant, with the year "1944" below it.

MARTINI MATTERS

"Too hot to handle"
"Liquid Defibrillator"

A Fundraiser for
**Ashburn Volunteer
Fire Rescue
Department**

Raffles, a Silent
Auction, Giveaways and
a spectacular door prize

Date: 03/09/2019
5 PM till 8 PM

*River Creek Club 43730 Olympic
BLVD. Leesburg, VA 20176
* Need Not be a member to attend

**ASHBURN
VOLUNTEER
FIRE RESCUE**
1944

Loudoun County, VA, 1 Harrison St., S.E., 5th Floor,
P.O. Box 7000, Leesburg, VA 20177

[Forward this email](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [About our service provider](#)

Sent by phyllis.randall@loudoun.gov in collaboration with

Constant Contact 

Try it free today