

All About Algonkian



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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The chief executives of the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia held a joint call to discuss the coronavirus (COVID-19) response throughout the region. The call included a push for concerted effort on testing in the region, a regional framework on business impacts, and ongoing coordinated messaging to encourage residents to be good neighbors by staying at home. The Mayor and the Governors agreed to continue to advocate for more resources and leadership from the federal government to meet immediate needs like testing supplies and direct financial assistance to cities, counties and states. You can read the entire statement [here](#).



METRO TO CLOSE ADDITIONAL 17 STATIONS

Metro's Pandemic Task Force announced it is closing 17 additional stations, beginning Thursday, March 26, 2020, in an effort to conserve critical resources and protect the health and safety of Metro employees and the public. This follows drastic measures already taken to reduce travel on Metro to essential trips only, leading to a Metrorail ridership decline of 90 percent.

The following stations will be closed until further notice and trains will pass through without stopping:

- Federal Center SW - use L'Enfant Plaza or Capitol South
- Federal Triangle – use Metro Center
- Mt Vernon Sq, Judiciary Sq, Archives – use Gallery Place-Chinatown

- Greensboro – use Spring Hill or Tysons Corner
- Eisenhower Ave – use King St-Old Town
- Virginia Square – use Clarendon or Ballston
- Cleveland Park – use Woodley Park or Van Ness
- Grosvenor-Strathmore
- Cheverly
- Clarendon
- East Falls Church
- College Park
- McLean
- Morgan Boulevard
- Van Dorn St
- Smithsonian
- Arlington

Metro is asking passengers not to travel unless absolutely necessary.
[COVID-19 Updates on Metro](#)

Changes to Transit

The Board voted to adjust Loudoun's bus schedule. These changes will go into effect March 30.

- Commuter Bus Service: Temporarily suspend all commuter bus routes to and from Washington DC, Rosslyn, Crystal City and the Pentagon.
- Metro-Connection: Reduce or suspend service on all routes.
- Metro Connection and Local Fixed Routes: Waive fare collection for up to 60 days with the ability for an extension.
- Metro Connection: Passenger loading through the rear door, where available, to meet social distancing protocols.

There are no service changes recommended for the Local Fixed Route service at this time. Future changes may be recommended as more ridership data is collected and analyzed.

BOARD UPDATES

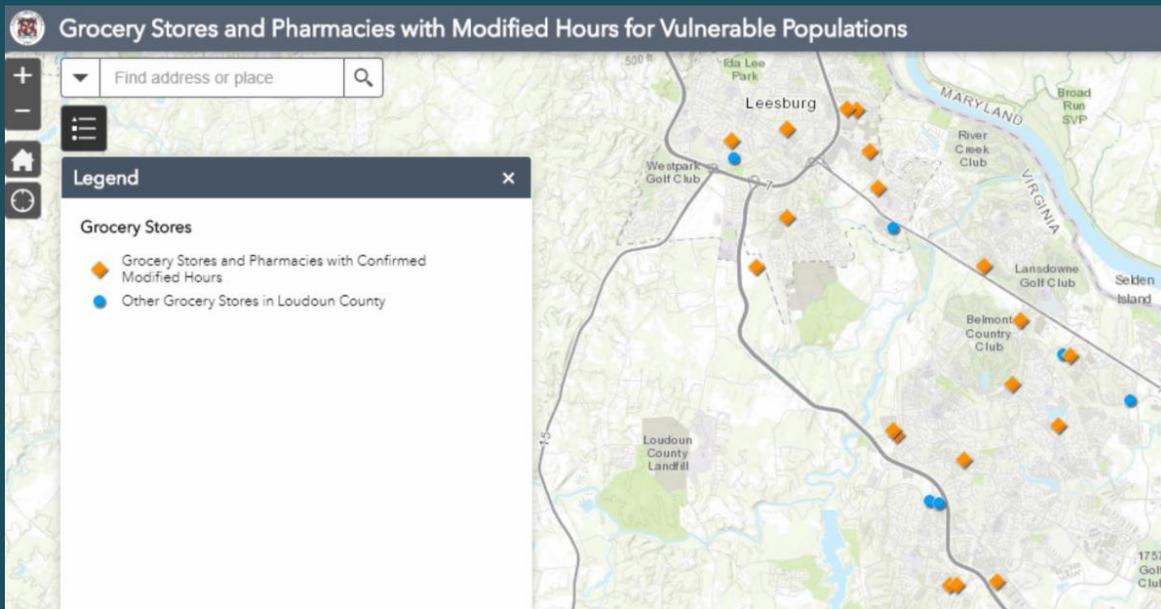
Today, the board received briefings from the Loudoun County Health Department, the Loudoun County Office of Emergency Management, and other stakeholder and community partners related to the ongoing COVID-19 (Coronavirus) emergency. Quite a bit of information was shared on hospital capacity, resources, testing, and infection. The Action Report of the meeting is usually available on-line at www.loudoun.gov/bosdocuments by close of business two days following the Business Meeting. You can email the county health department for specific

information or with questions at health@loudoun.gov or call the information line at 703-737-8300, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The meeting can be viewed via webcast at www.loudoun.gov/meetings.

SHOPPING HOURS FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Loudoun County has launched an interactive map to help residents find grocery stores and pharmacies with designated hours for vulnerable individuals. These shopping hours are designated for older adults, as well as individuals with underlying health issues or compromised immune systems, who are at greater risk of complications from COVID-19. You can access the map [here](#).



SUPPORT LOUDOUN'S FRONT-LINE HEALTHCARE WORKERS DONATE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TODAY

The coronavirus/COVID 19 crisis is taxing Loudoun's health care providers and several have reached out to the Loudoun Chamber for assistance. If your company uses any of the following supplies and would be willing to donate them to support Loudoun's health care workers who are the front lines battling the coronavirus/COVID 19, please contact Chamber President Tony Howard at thoward@loudouchamber.org.

- Mask - all types
- Respirators
- Sanitizers
- Bleach wipes
- Goggles/Face shields
- Gowns, Coverall
- Gloves

If you have colleagues or contacts in the local construction industry, particularly the trades, and think they can help by donating personal protective equipment, please share this message with them. Thank you!

CENSUS 2020

Don't forget to fill out your census form. If you need more information, visit [Census 2020](#)

The census results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year.

The results determine how many seats in Congress each state gets.

Your response matters.



WHERE TO GO FOR UPDATES, NEWS, AND INFORMATION

View past and current news conferences televised live on Comcast Government Channel 23, Open Band Channel 40 and Verizon FiOS Channel 40, in addition to being live-streamed at loudoun.gov/webcast.

News releases from the Virginia Governor's Office regarding statewide COVID-19 information, updates, measures, and responses can be [found here](#).

Loudoun County website at loudoun.gov/coronavirus which also includes a link to sign up for updates

Text LCCOVID19 to 888777 receive text alerts from Loudoun County

County News Releases through [Alert Loudoun](#)

[Mobile Hope: Listen for the Honk Bus Schedule](#)

[Loudoun County Government - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

[Loudoun County Government - Pandemic Preparedness in Loudoun County](#)

[Loudoun County Public Schools \(LCPS\) – Preparedness at LCPS](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

[Virginia Department of Health \(VDH\)](#)

For Current COVID-19 Information:
Visit: www.loudoun.gov/CoronaVirus
Call: (703) 737-8300
Email: Health@Loudoun.gov

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