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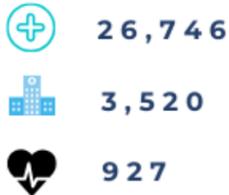
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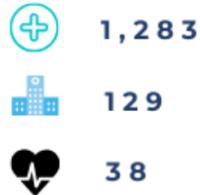
COVID-19 Update

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Governor's Update

Loudoun County Board of Supervisors Chair Phyllis Randall spoke today at the Governor's press conference and reiterated the importance of having a regional approach to the COVID-19 pandemic since Northern Virginia is so interconnected.

Gov. Ralph Northam has granted the region's request to delay reopening. Data provided in connection with that request reveals that with respect to hospitalizations, percent positivity, and case numbers, the Northern Virginia Region faces unique challenges when compared to the rest of the Commonwealth. The Northern Virginia Region is substantially higher than the rest of the Commonwealth in percentage of positive tests for COVID-19. The Northern Virginia Region has about a 25% positivity rate, while the rest of the

Commonwealth is closer to 10%. Further, in the last 24 hours, the Northern Virginia Region reported over 700 cases, while the rest of the Commonwealth reported approximately 270. On any given day, 70% of the Commonwealth's positive cases are attributable to the Northern Virginia Region.

Supervisor Briskman supported the delay in a [statement](#). You can also read the [joint regional letter](#) of the Mayors and Chairs of Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William and the City of Alexandria. Loudoun County will continue its communications between the Governor's office and various health departments throughout Northern Virginia.

Starting next Monday, a few DMV customer service locations will be open for a select number of activities. However, no DMV customer service centers located in Northern Virginia will be open. Available services will include only those requiring face-to-face interaction such as obtaining a drivers license, vehicle registration, and parking permits. All other services are highly encouraged to be conducted online.

Child care facilities will continue to provide services while following social distancing and cleaning requirements. Individuals who have questions regarding child care services may call 866-KIDS-TLC.



State Corporation Commission Extends Utilities Cutoff Ban

The State Corporation Commission has extended an order barring utilities from cutting off electricity, natural gas, water or sewer service to non-paying customers during the coronavirus pandemic. The ban, which had

been set to expire May 15, has been pushed back to June 14. The County's web page has a direct link to local utilities' COVID-19 pages. Visit loudoun.gov/utilitiesCOVID19.



WMATA Releases Details on COVID-19 Recovery Plan

Metro today released preliminary details of its COVID-19 pandemic recovery plan, outlining a flexible blueprint for ramping up service, while protecting customers and employees, as the region prepares for recovery from the public health crisis. The recovery strategy will be discussed at Metro's Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, May 14.

Metro's plan is closely aligned with steps planned by local governments and employers, including the federal government. Its success depends on a sustained downward trajectory in infections and a gradual ramp-up in service and ridership. The phases of the plan coincide with the relaxing of stay-at-home policies, return to workplaces, and the widespread availability of testing, treatment and a vaccine, among other variables.

Metro has been in a 'crisis response' posture since moving into stage 3 of its Pandemic Response Plan on March 13. (Metro activated its Pandemic Response Plan on January 29, 2020.) The next phase of Metro's pandemic response includes:

- **Stabilization:** As stay-at-home orders are expected to be lifted this summer, Metro will continue to ask customers to use the system only for essential trips, and to protect themselves and others through hand hygiene and by wearing face masks or coverings when using the Metro system.
 - **Managed Re-entry:** As regional businesses and governments scale back teleworking and schools reopen, Metro will aim to ramp up service ahead of demand to allow for proper social distancing for those who need to travel. In this phase, all Metrorail stations currently closed as part of the covid-19 response will reopen. All Metrobus routes will operate, with some service limitations such as reduced intervals between bus departures. The tentative managed re-entry period is this fall when schools reopen.
 - **Recovery:** When a treatment and /or vaccine is widely available, Metro will continue to ramp up service to meet ridership demand as economic activity increases. The system will return to post-pandemic hours of service.
 - **Resilience:** Post-pandemic, Metro will analyze the response to COVID-19 to make the system safer and more resilient to future pandemics.
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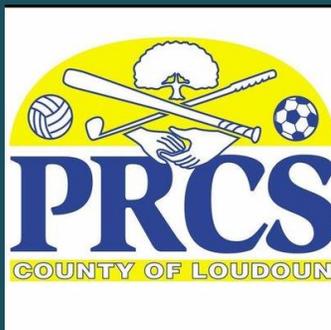


Northern Virginia Housing Expo Going Virtual

The 2020 Northern Virginia Housing Expo launches June 1, 2020, as a free, virtual event for the entire month of June. The event was originally scheduled for one day

in April in Sterling, but was rescheduled and reimagined due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The virtual experience, geared to first-time homebuyers and renters, will replicate the three key aspects of the housing expo: an exhibit hall with dozens of exhibitors, free online workshops for first-time homebuyers and renters and personal financial counseling sessions. Beginning June 1, 2020, the 2020 Northern Virginia Housing Expo will open the virtual exhibit hall as well as the online registration for workshops and the financial counseling sessions.

The virtual workshops will be held Saturdays throughout the month of June, beginning June 6, 2020, and continuing every Saturday through June 27, 2020. They will be live-streamed at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and replayed on Facebook at 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. The workshops will focus on first-time homebuyer programs in Loudoun and the other jurisdictions, market overviews, being ready to buy, rental assistance programs, and understanding and improving credit scores. The financial counseling sessions will also be available throughout the month of June.



Loudoun PRCS Helps with Cabin Fever

Helping You Cope with Cabin Fever: It's no surprise that many of us are experiencing cabin fever as Loudoun County residents continue to practice social distancing and comply with the governor's stay-at-home order. Some family members are feeling cooped up as we all stay home together. To help everyone cope, the Loudoun County Department of

Parks, Recreation and Community Services has introduced an array of online resources to help us get through the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read this post for details: Loudoun PRCS Helps You Cope with Cabin Fever.](#)

Enjoy these inspirational scenes spotted in Algonkian. Please share any messages of hope you see. Submissions may be sent to Zachary Harris at zachary.harris@loudoun.gov and we'll share them in our updates and newsletter.



The Mobile Hope van was spotted today in Sugarland. You can learn more about Mobile Hope and their efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic [here](#).



If you are having trouble paying your utilities because of COVID-19, visit the County's webpage on [COVID-19 Utilities](#). You will find program information on:

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