

Shreveport Ridge Community News

Week of April 17, 2020



Hello Friends;

Our hearts go out to everyone affected by COVID-19. We believe creativity and connection will help us heal and grow stronger together through this. I am continuing to work from home to follow the Virginia "Stay at Home" order that runs through June 10. Essential services throughout Loudoun County are still in place and I am available by email to assist in answering questions and to connect you to services you may need or you can call Claire Louis, Windy Hill Foundation's Director of Programs, at (540) 326-2636.

This week, the Federal Government began mailing **Economic Impact checks** to most households. This includes people who do not usually file taxes because they receive Social Security or Social Security Disability payments. Adults who earn less than \$75,000 a year will receive \$1,200, plus \$500 per dependent child. If your annual tax refund and/or monthly SSI/SSDI checks are direct deposited, your Economic Impact check will be too. If you receive paper checks or have changed banking information recently, visit <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/non-filers-enter-payment-info-here> or call **800-829-1040**. IRS will mail a letter about the payment to the taxpayer's last known address within 15 days after the payment is paid. The letter will provide information on how the payment was made and how to report any failure to receive the payment. If a taxpayer is unsure they're receiving a legitimate letter, the IRS urges taxpayers to visit IRS.gov.

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COVID-19 Updates

- **Area Agency on Aging** : Meals on Wheels is still delivering. If you are 60 years or older and need food delivered, contact Debra Mobley, Home Delivered Meals Program Coordinator, at debra.mobley@loudoun.gov or 703-771-5012.
- **Dulles South Food Pantry**: Regular food distribution hours are Monday 10:00am-11:30am and 10:00am-11:30am Wednesday. Schedule an appointment to receive food on Wednesdays by contacting 703-507-2795 or info@dsfp.org
- **Loudoun Hunger Relief**: Individuals must make appointment to receive food and you must arrive at your appointment time! Call Monday – Friday between 9am-1pm or between 2pm and 4pm for an appointment . Call 703-777-5911.
- **Women Giving Back** is offering a Free Food Drive Thru every Saturday from 9am to 11am. 20 Export Drive, Sterling. Visit womengivingback.org or call (703) 554-9386 for more information.
- **Salvation Army Loudoun Corps** Continues to schedule appointments for rent, clothing and utility assistance, but is reducing one-on-one interactions with clients. Current hours are: 8:00 AM through 4:30 PM Mon-Fri; Store hours: Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm; Donation Center hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 2pm - Closed Monday for donation processing.

Staying Home Information



Respond to the 2020 Census online and keep your community safe.

YOUR 2020 Census response funds healthcare, school meals, and public safety programs during COVID-19 and for the next 10 years.

Respond Today and avoid a visit from a Census employee in May.

Ways to Respond >



For more information, visit:
loudoun.gov/census2020

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As of this week, only 64.5% of Loudoun households have returned their 2020 Census Forms.

- Census results help determine how money is allocated for the Head Start program and for grants that support teachers and special education.
- The list goes on, including programs to support rural areas, to restore wildlife, to prevent child abuse, to prepare for wildfires, and to provide housing assistance for older adults.

Return your paper form, call 844-330-2020 to complete your response today or visit <https://my2020census.gov/>



Absentee Ballot Information

For your safety and to minimize risk of exposure to COVID-19 (Corona Virus), you are encouraged to request and vote an absentee ballot by mail. Any qualified voter may request an absentee ballot using **Reason Code 2A**, due to COVID-19.

To request an absentee ballot be sent by mail:

1. **APPLY ONLINE** using the Va Dept. of Elections secure Portal: www.elections.virginia.gov/absentee
2. **CALL or EMAIL** the Office of Elections and Voter Registration (telephone (703) 777-0380 / email vote@loudoun.gov)

IMPORTANT DEADLINE

- **April 28, 2020 by 5 pm:** Last day to request that an absentee ballot be mailed to you

Office of Elections and Voter Registration

750 Miller Drive, Suite C, Leesburg, Virginia 20175-8910 703/777-0380 V/TDD ~ FAX 703/777-0622 ~

New COVID-19 Emergency Fund and Helpline

Loudoun residents who need help paying rent as a result of lost wages from the COVID-19 crisis can call the newly established **COVID-19 Emergency Fund and Helpline at 703-669-5040**. Trained staff from Catholic Charities and Loudoun Cares will work together to complete an intake process and assess the needs of each caller. Eligibility requirements to receive financial assistance from the COVID-19 Emergency Fund and Helpline may be found at <https://www.cdda.net/need-help/rent,-utility-assistance,-and-basic-household-needs/>. Eligible callers may be able to receive up to \$500 in financial assistance. In addition to providing financial assistance to callers using the relief funds, Catholic Charities and Loudoun Cares also will help callers identify additional government, nonprofit, and faith-based resources.

Latest from the State:

- **DMV Closures** - All DMV offices and mobile units are closed while essential services remain available online. Anyone who cannot renew online is granted a 60-day extension.
- **Utilities** - The State Corporation Commission (SCC) issued an order directing utilities it regulates, such as electric, natural gas, and water companies in Virginia, to suspend service disconnections for 60 days to provide immediate relief for any customer, residential and business, who may be financially impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak.

Just for Fun!

The Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum has a whole selection of online activities for the family.

Visit discoverymuseum.net

