



Parks & Recreation

Live Life Connected

Important Dates

November 2nd
ArtScreen at Sherwood,
"Amadeus, 7pm

November 3rd
Historic Blenheim 10th
Anniversary Celebration,
11am-2pm

November 5, 19, 26
Funday Monday, 10:30am
at Old Town Hall

November 6
Election Day

November 9
Bonita Lestina
The Hot Lanes with Bobby
Jasinski, 8pm at Old Town
Hall

November 11th
Veteran's Day Ceremony,
10am at City Hall front
steps

November 14
Talk/Discussion—Post-
Election Analysis of the
Midterm Election, 7pm at
Old Town Hall

November 15
Friday Morning Music
Club, Noon, Old Town Hall

November 16
Reception for Chief
Pardiny, 6-8pm at Old
Town Hall

Sherwood Family Movie
Night, 7pm, Sherwood
Food donations accepted
for Britepaths

November 17 and 18
Holiday Craft Show, 10a-5p
Saturday, 10a-3p Sunday
Fairfax High School

November 30
Holiday Market Begins!

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November 2018 PRAB Report

Fairfax City and Lamb Center Launch Day-Work Program to Employ Those Experiencing Homelessness

It's a refrain heard in countless municipalities across America: How can we help those experiencing homelessness and provide a financial step-up?

Enter an innovative pilot program — launching later this month in Fairfax City — that will address both homelessness and an individual's financial viability and dignity.

Managed by the staff at the [Lamb Center](#) — a nonprofit that serves the poor and those experiencing homelessness in Fairfax and Northern Virginia — in coordination with the city's Parks and Recreation Department, the program will run for 16 weeks. Here's how it works:

- The day-work program will enable eight to 10 Lamb Center guests to work two days per week for four-hour shifts at city-designated work sites.
- The Lamb Center will register program participants, provide transportation, supervise job sites and pay workers in cash at the end of each shift (workers will earn \$10 per hour).
- Fairfax City will provide the Lamb Center clients learning opportunities and a pathway back into the work force.

The new day-work program is funded by a \$15,000 grant from Fairfax City to the Lamb Center. The pilot is modeled after "There's a Better Way," a successful initiative in Albuquerque, N.M.

The program will begin on November 8th. Details have been finalized with the Lamb Center and our Parks Division. We are looking forward to helping provide an opportunity to serve our community while getting service at the same time.

City/County Willard/Sherwood Community Center Update

City and County officials met on October 24th to discuss the continued Willard/Sherwood partnership. Both agreed to a shared goal of working toward a new Willard Center that will include 34,000 square feet of community center space attached to the Sherwood Center. Underground and surface parking would be included. Specific goals for the next six months is to:

- Determine financing model and agreement for the capital expense
- Determine operational and maintenance responsibilities
- Prepare interior space plan
- Develop the joined site plan in more detail.

\$100,000 has been earmarked in the FY20 CIP for this work.

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Merry Go Round at Van Dyck Dies

The favorite piece of playground equipment at Van Dyck, the red merry go round, has finally twirled it's last time. A fixture at the parks for over twenty years, we were sad to see it leave. The gear mechanism broke and can no longer be replaced. Therefore a new merry go round has been ordered. We think the children will love the double decker Spinami!



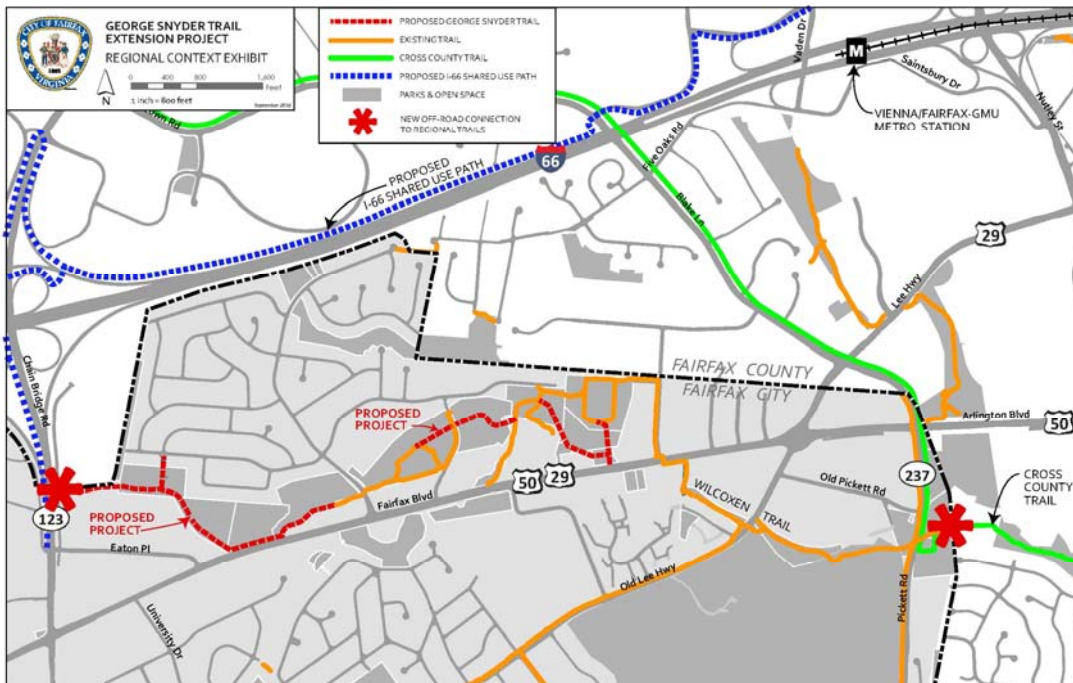
Dog Park Construction Started!

The dog park at Westmore School Site is under construction. In order to keep the cost down, Utilities Unlimited has graciously agreed to supply some of the cost as a donation to the City. Our Parks Division will be planting the bio retention area. Finley Asphalt will be repaving the northern parking lot, a portion of Berry Street and the circle. We anticipate the opening to be in mid December.

Comstock Trail Location



Regional Context Map for George Snyder Trail



The next trail project to be worked on for grant funding is the Comstock Trail which will connect Daniels' Run Park to Pickett Rd and Rt 236.