

cityscene

What's happening in the City of Fairfax

JULY 2020

Residents Make Their Voices Heard

The City of Fairfax Police Department is deeply saddened by the events in Minneapolis which resulted in the tragic death of George Floyd while in police custody. We recognize that events involving law enforcement impact the reputation of all law enforcement officers, regardless of where the event occurs.

Protests and demonstrations have raised legitimate concerns about policing policies and practices that include police use of force, bias in policing, police accountability, and transparency. These issues are at the heart of a community's relationship with its police department.

The City of Fairfax Police Department is committed to serving and protecting all members of our community with the utmost respect for each person, and with the mandate of ensuring the sanctity of life. We strive to protect the safety of everyone in a respectful manner, while upholding and enforcing the law.

We know maintaining our community's trust and support will take honest and open dialogue, unconventional partnerships, commitment, dedication and a willingness to learn from the past. We must work together to build a future that strives for fairness, respect, dignity, security, and justice for all.

Our agency continues to focus on hiring and recruiting officers who reflect the community they serve, reducing use of force by training officers in de-escalation techniques, and ensuring there is a robust and thorough review of all complaints of police misconduct. I encourage you learn more about our hiring process, training programs, ongoing accreditation efforts, and how our policies and tactics align with policy suggestions outlined on 8cantwait.org. *Information: Fairfaxva.gov/police, click on "About Our Department"*

Police Chief
Erin F. Schaible



More than 1,600 people attend a peaceful Black Lives Matter rally in Fairfax City on Sunday, June 7. The event was organized by two George Mason University students and featured six speakers, including a friend of the late George Floyd and Deputy Chief Dan Grimm of the City of Fairfax Police Department. *Photo courtesy of Kevin Kriska/ ImagesforGood.org.*



HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM COVID-19

Information and graphics courtesy of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Wear a face covering in public spaces.



Clean your hands often with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer. Avoid touching your face.



Practice social distancing: stay at least six feet away from others.



Safer at home: continue physical distancing, teleworking, and limiting in-person gatherings.



Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, or use the inside of your elbow. Throw away the tissue, then wash your hands.



Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.

CITY NEWS



Holiday Closure and Service Information

Thursday, July 2

UPDATED: Regular refuse & recycling service

Friday, July 3 (Independence Day, observed)

Closed: City government offices, General District Court

CUE Bus: regular schedule

UPDATED: Regular refuse & recycling service

Saturday, July 4 (Independence Day)

CUE Bus: Saturday schedule

Questions about refuse and recycling services: RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov, 703.385.7837

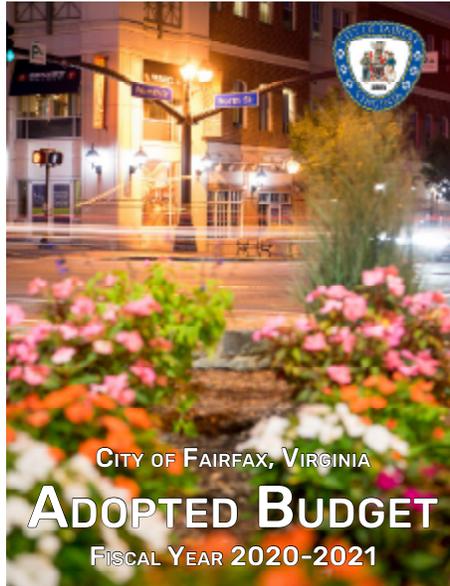
Bicycle Transportation Plan and Survey, July

The city is developing a Bicycle Transportation Plan to identify projects to connect the city's trails and on-street bike network. This will help connect neighborhoods and key destinations with the "Green Ribbon" envisioned in the 2035 Comprehensive Plan. Even if you don't bike yourself, this plan may help improve the network for everyone by providing more options to walk and bike.

The city will be asking for your input in July with an online survey and interactive map: check the website for details. *Information: fairfaxva.gov/bikeplan, 703.273.5652*

Mayor's Message, Weekly

Watch Cityscreen-12 and social media for a new weekly program: *The Mayor's Message*, which focuses on current events and topics of interest. Videos premiere on Cityscreen-12, the city website, and social media: @CityofFairfaxVA on YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter.



City's Annual Budget Available, July 1

Read and download the city's annual operating budget and Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for fiscal year 2020-21, available online at fairfax.gov/budget. A limited number of printed copies are available. *Information: 703.385.7870*



Living History: Tell Your Story to Fairfax Museum

History is happening right now, and Fairfax City's Historic Resources Office wants your COVID-19 stories and public activism stories, photos, and artifacts (signs). Visit fairfaxva.gov (search "stories") or use the hashtag #fairfaxcitymuseums on Instagram and Facebook. *Information: 703.385.8414*



Solarize NOVA, through August 31

Installing solar power has never been easier, thanks to a partnership between the City of

Fairfax, Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP), and the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC). Find out if solar works for you with a free solar assessment — and take advantage of discounted prices on solar panels.

The 2020 Solarize NOVA campaign runs through August 31. *Information: Solarizenova.org*



Election Officers Sought; Earn \$150

Registered voters may earn \$150 serving as Fairfax City officers of election for the November 3, 2020 Presidential Election. Duties include checking in voters, issuing ballots and monitoring voting equipment. Apply online: visit fairfaxva.gov/vote

Request an Absentee Ballot Now for November

It's not too early to apply for your absentee ballot for the November 3, 2020 Presidential Election. Apply online today at Vote.Elections.Virginia.gov or download the application at fairfaxva.gov/vote. Complete your application today and receive your ballot in late September. *Information: 703.385.7891*

COVID-19 INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

City of Fairfax

fairfaxva.gov/coronavirus

WeCare@fairfaxva.gov

703.385.7800

Text FXCCOVID19 to 888-777 for

City of Fairfax-related information

and updates (visit fairfaxva.gov/coronavirus for email option)

Fairfax County Health Department

(City's public health services provider)

fairfaxcounty.gov/covid19

703.267.3511

Text FFXCOVID to 888-777 for

Fairfax Health District information

and updates (visit fairfaxcounty.gov/covid19 for email option)

Virginia Department of Health

vdh.virginia.gov

877.ASK.VDH3

CDC, Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention

cdc.gov

In case of emergency, dial 911



There's no place like home



HOMETOWN WAVE PARADE

This year the 4th of July celebration is coming to you with a Hometown Wave Parade through Fairfax City neighborhoods on Saturday, July 4th, rain or shine! Uncle Sam will appear with some of our local superheroes as well as Captain America, Black Panther, Spiderman and Wonder Woman. Hear the roar of the motorcycles of the Patriot Harley - Owners Group and the Flying Circus plane engine from above - along with a few other patriotic surprises!

The parade will step off from the City Hall with the traditional flyover of the parade route by the **Flying Circus Airshow**. The parade - with 10 entries - will visit all six city precincts (but not all streets) and will end at City Hall. A Hometown Wave Parade Tracker will be active at 5 p.m. on July 4th (see fairfax.va.gov/parksrec for details) -all times are approximate. Please practice social distancing guidelines - and refrain from standing in the street or sitting on the street curbs. We can't wait to see everyone!

Want more? Cityscreen-12 will be airing the very first parade at 8 a.m., followed by highlights of each anniversary parade and closing with 2017's Evening Show and Fireworks at 8 p.m. For the full schedule, go to fairfaxva.gov, search "Cityscreen-12 Program Schedule"

- 1** Decorate your lawn!
- 2** Track the route on your phone
- 3** Come outside in your **Red, White and Blue**
- 4** Wave your flags & cheer as the parade comes by



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Fairfax City Businesses Take the Pledge



Let's Get ReConnected!

The Economic Development Office (EDO) has created an opportunity for Fairfax City businesses to demonstrate their commitment to upholding public health requirements during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Business owners can take the Fairfax City *ReConnected* Pledge, a voluntary public pledge to adhere to the latest COVID-19 safety precautions. Participants receive a "Let's Get *ReConnected*" decal to display.

The pledge encourages actions that have become everyday habits in Fairfax City, including:

- Requiring face coverings by employees and customers
- Communicating safety protocols and

training to managers and staff

- Working only when healthy
- Promoting social distancing and limiting capacity
- Cleaning and disinfecting frequently
- Adhering to specific business sector health and safety requirements

Customers can look for the pledge decal in their favorite city businesses.

Merchants can take the pledge in minutes: visit fairfaxcityconnected.com/pledge and scroll down to the pledge.

EDO has many resources and programs to help city businesses *ReConnect* during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Information:* fairfaxcityconnected.com/pledge, 703.385.7944

HELPING HANDS

The city needs people LIKE YOU

to fill the following vacancies on these boards and commissions: Board of Building Code of Appeals (one mechanical or plumbing vacancy); Board of Zoning Appeals (two vacancies for city residents); Commission on the Arts (one vacancy for a city resident); Community Appearance Committee (two vacancies for city residents); Economic Development Authority (two vacancies; for information, email EconomicDevelopment@fairfaxva.gov); Environmental Sustainability Committee (two vacancies for city residents); Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board (one vacancy for a city resident); Personnel Advisory Board (one vacancy for a city resident and one vacancy for an alternate member), Historic Fairfax City, Inc. (two vacancies for city residents); Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (one vacancy for a city resident). Unless otherwise noted, applicants must have lived in the city for at least one year and be a registered voter at their current address.

To apply, visit fairfaxva.gov and search "boards and vacancies," or call 703.385.7935. **Deadline: July 14**