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In Virginia, more people die from heroin overdoses than car crashes each year. Our office is partnering with the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD), Community Service Board (CSB), Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County (UPC), an addict in long term recovery, Congresswoman Comstock, and Delegate Hugo to bring you a town hall discussion on the epidemic and updates on what is being done and what needs to be done to address this crisis. Please join us on **Tuesday, May 3 at 7:30 pm in the Board Auditorium at the Fairfax County Government Center**. See below for more information.

Operation: Medicine Cabinet Cleanout

More than 70% of those who abuse prescription drugs obtain them from a friend or relative, typically without their knowledge. On **Saturday, April 30 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**, you may drop off unused or expired medications at **any Fairfax County Police district station**. See below for more information.

Project REVIVE! Opioid Overdose Reversal Training Program

This program makes naloxone (Narcan®) available to lay rescuers to reverse opioid overdoses. See below for upcoming REVIVE! Training Program dates and times.

Traveling DEA Museum in Leesburg

The DEA has opened a museum in called "Drugs: Costs and Consequences". Admission is FREE and is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. at 750 Miller Drive, SE, Suite F-1 in Leesburg, Virginia. See below for more info.

Living Well, Aging Summit 2016

Come to the Living Well, Aging Well Summit 2016 on **Saturday, April 16**. The event is **FREE** and is from **9:00 am to 3:00 pm** at the **Fairfax County Government Center**. See below for more information.

Teen Job Fair - Chantilly High School

I am co-hosting the Western Fairfax Teen Job Fair and Resume Building Workshop on **Saturday, April 23rd from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm** in the **Chantilly High School cafeteria**. Employers and students are encouraged to register; see below for more information.

Consider Signing Up for the New MyFairfax Web Portal

There's a new way to access all of your County tax information, See below for more information.

Rolling Rd Weekend Lane Closures at Fairfax Co. Pkwy

The Virginia Department of Transportation will close both southbound turn lanes, one southbound through lane and two northbound lanes of Rolling Road at the Fairfax County Parkway interchange the nights of Friday, April 15 and Saturday, April 16 for bridge work. See below for more information.

First Tee Life Skills Experience

The Fairfax County Park Authority is partnering with The First Tee of Greater Washington, DC, to offer The First Tee Life Skills Experience Certifying Experience Program, designed for young people ages 7-18. See below for more information.

Heroin & Prescription Drug Abuse Town Hall - Addressing a Public Health Crisis in our Community and the Nation.

Heroin and prescription drug abuse is a very real problem in our community. In Virginia, more people die from heroin overdoses than car crashes each year. In Fairfax County, we all are receiving the numerous reports of overdoses, including four overdoses in one day earlier this year. Heroin is a public health crisis in our community and around the nation and Fairfax County is working to address it.



The problem is in your neighborhood - it is occurring across the county, not just in "bad" neighborhoods. Typically young adults - including many athletes. Education and public awareness are important parts of combating this growing crisis. **Seventy percent of heroin addicts reportedly start with prescription drugs.**

My **Heroin and Prescription Drug Abuse Town Hall** will be held on **Tuesday, May 3 at 7:30 pm**, in the **Board Auditorium of the Fairfax County Government Center** (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA). The town hall will raise awareness of the dangers of heroin and prescription drug abuse, discuss the steps being taken to address the crisis, and the practical steps that can be taken by our citizens and their families to reduce the growing epidemic.

There will be presentations by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) on what they are seeing at the national level including warning signs, the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) on what we are seeing in our community and their response, Community Services Board (CSB) on how to get help, including their life saving REVIVE! Program, and Substance Abuse & Addiction Recovery Alliance's (SAARA) Nick Yacoub on the perspectives of a person in long term recovery from addiction, as well as brief updates from myself, the Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County, Delegate Tim Hugo, and Congresswoman Barbara Comstock and a discussion period where the audience can ask questions.

Operation: Medicine Cabinet Cleanout

"Operation: Medicine Cabinet Cleanout" will be held on Saturday, April 30th from 8 am to 2 pm. Any person may drop off any unused or expired medications at any Fairfax County Police Station where the disposal is free, confidential, and safe.

Safe handling of unused or expired medication prevents accidental poisoning, protects the environment, and prevents prescription medications from falling into the wrong hands. Seventy percent of those that abuse prescription drugs obtain them from a relative or friend, typically without their knowledge.

Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout is sponsored by the Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County in partnership with local businesses and in collaboration with the following Fairfax County government departments: Police, Health, Public and Private Partnerships, Neighborhood and Community Services, Public Works and Environmental Services, and the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board.

[Click here](#) for a listing of Police Stations participating in the operation.

Project REVIVE! Opioid Overdose Reversal Training Program

The Community Services Board has partnered with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and the Chris Atwood Foundation to launch Project REVIVE! in our community. This program makes naloxone (Narcan®) available to lay rescuers to reverse opioid overdoses. Opioids include licit medications like hydrocodone and oxycodone, in addition to illicit drugs like heroin. See below for upcoming REVIVE! Training Program dates and times. [Click here](#) for more information.

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Sign Up for the New MyFairfax Web Portal

There's a new way to access all of your tax information - real estate, business property and personal property (vehicles) - securely online, and that's through the MyFairfax portal at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/myfairfax>. Sign up today and with one login you'll be able to:

- View current and past real estate assessment and payment information.
- Access personal property (vehicle) tax information
- Register new vehicle purchases, update vehicles moved in or out of the county, report sold vehicles, and update your address
- Sign up for paperless billing (coming soon).

This is an ongoing customer service initiative to provide residents with faster and easier access to county information in a secure environment. Get set up now and enjoy the ease of finding vital county information all in one place - with additional features coming in the future. For more information, visit

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/myfairfax or email MyFairfaxHelp@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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The closures will occur from midnight Friday to 3 p.m. Saturday and from midnight Saturday to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 17. One lane in each direction will be open at all times.

The work is part of the \$14 million [North Loop at Fairfax County Parkway/Rolling Road interchange project](#), which is scheduled for completion in May 2016.



First Tee Life Skills Experience Comes to Laurel Hill Golf Club

The Fairfax County Park Authority is partnering with The First Tee of Greater Washington, DC, to offer The First Tee Life Skills Experience Certifying Experience Program, designed for young people ages 7-18.

In addition to learning and being introduced to playing the game of golf and appreciating the rules and etiquette of the game, participants will learn how to manage emotions, set goals, resolve conflict and effectively communicate with others.

Registration is now in progress for the six-week spring session. The spring session will be held Tuesdays, May 10 through June 21, from 5 to 6:30pm at Laurel Hill Golf Club located at 8701 Laurel Crest Drive in Lorton, VA. Full scholarships are available to participants who qualify for federal free or reduced lunches at school or who have a parent who is an active member of the armed services.

To learn more about The First Tee of Greater Washington, DC visit www.thefirstteedc.org. [Click here](#) to view the registration page.