



# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



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## FCPA Sets Public Meeting on Bruin Park Draft Master Plan Revision

The Fairfax County Park Authority is holding a Public Comment Meeting to gather public input on the draft master plan revision for Bruin Park located at 415 Van Buren St. in Herndon, Va. The meeting will be held on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 7 p.m. in Herndon Middle School located at 901 Locust Street, Herndon.

Bruin Park is a well-established landmark in the heart of Herndon. This park is owned by the Town of Herndon but operated by the Fairfax County Park Authority. It was originally master planned in 1966. Tennis courts, a basketball court, an open play area, a picnic shelter, on-site parking and a playground serve the active recreational needs of the community. A trail network connects the park with adjacent communities at Virginia Avenue.

Herndon Environmental Network (HEN), a non-profit group based in Herndon, has proposed creating a community garden at Bruin Park. The group represents varying interests and levels of support, ranging from those who want to secure a garden plot to community garden experts who are willing to offer garden knowledge and workshops when the project is in operation. HEN has proposed building and maintaining a community garden operation at the park adjacent to the existing tennis courts. The area is currently open space. The proposal requires a park master plan amendment and public input.

The draft park master plan is available online at: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/bruin-park.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/bruin-park.htm) or in hardcopy from the Fairfax County Park Authority in the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406, Fairfax, Va.

The meeting will feature a presentation about the site's current conditions and draft master plan. Following the presentation, the meeting will continue with a moderated public comment session to allow input on the draft plan. If you would like to speak at the meeting or would like more information, please contact Public Information Officer Judy Pedersen at 703-324-8662 or via email at [parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov). Speakers may also sign up at the meeting. Individuals may speak for three minutes; representatives from organizations may speak for five minutes.

Comments on the plan will be received by the Park Authority for 30 days after the meeting. The public comment period will close on Friday, January 2, 2015. All comments must be received by this date in order to be included in the official public record. Written comments should be directed to Project Manager Pat Rosend, Planning & Development Division, Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 421, Fairfax, VA 22035. Email comments should be sent to: [Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov). After all comments have been considered, the plan will be presented to the Park Authority Board for final consideration and approval.

For more information contact the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662.

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