



The Braddock Beacon

Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Proposal and Town Hall Meeting

County Executive Bryan Hill presented his proposed fiscal year 2021 budget and strategic plan to the Board of Supervisors on February 25. This proposal is the starting point in a months-long budget process, culminating in adoption of a budget on May 5, 2020. Throughout the process, I will be engaging in a dialogue with Braddock District residents to hear your thoughts, concerns, and ideas.

To that end, I'll be hosting a Braddock District Budget Town Hall Meeting at the Kings Park Library Meeting Room (9002 Burke Lake Rd, Burke, VA 22015) at 7:30 p.m. on March 11. The meeting will also be livestreamed and available for later viewing on my [Facebook page](#). In addition, the Board of Supervisors will hold public hearings to hear from you on April 14, 15, and 16. You can also share your thoughts by contacting my office at (703) 425-9300 or Braddock@FairfaxCounty.gov. If you would like to learn more about the FY 2021 proposed budget and budget process, you can do so [here](#).

The proposed budget reflects several important Braddock District priorities. It increases funding for our schools by \$85.72 million, ensuring we continue to attract and retain the best teachers. It allocates an additional \$.01 on the real estate tax rate to the preservation and acquisition of affordable housing, funds that will be leveraged to make it easier for our teachers, fire fighters, police officers, and working families to live in Fairfax County. This is a restoration and increase of the initial Penny for Affordable Housing fund started under former Chairman Gerry Connolly.

The proposed budget also funds our employee pay plan, comprised of relatively modest market rate, performance, and longevity increases for the front-line employees who make our County government the best in the nation. The Budget also makes investments in environmental priorities, early childhood education, human services, parks, and public safety priorities including the Diversion First program, spearheaded by my predecessor Supervisor John Cook. Of particular note is library funding that would allow us to extend the hours at the Kings Park Library and put us on a path to expand the hours of operation at the Burke Centre Library. Both are important Braddock District priorities, as we are one of just two districts in the County without a regional library operating on full hours.

Unfortunately, due to relatively low revenue growth and state law forcing an over-reliance on the real estate tax, this proposal does include a \$.03 increase in the real estate tax. Additionally, there is a new 4% admissions tax on movie, theatre, and concert tickets. As Chairman of our Board's Legislative Committee, I'm working closely with Chairman Jeff McKay to pass legislation in the General Assembly that would allow us to diversify our revenue base and reduce our reliance on real estate taxes. If we secure those tools, future budgets will look quite different. I have also asked the County Executive to outline for me and for the community the efforts we're undertaking to achieve cost savings and efficiencies in our operations. If we ask our taxpayers to fund these investments, we have a responsibility to demonstrate that we are always looking for ways to improve the returns on those investments.

-Supervisor James Walkinshaw

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Community News

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

The coronavirus disease outbreak continues to evolve rapidly. Currently, there are no identified cases of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Fairfax County but our health department is monitoring the situation closely. During the week of Feb. 23, the first possible instances of community spread occurred in California, Washington, and Oregon. Community spread means people have been infected with the virus but are not sure how or where they became infected. While the immediate risk of this new virus for most of the American public is now believed to be low, everyone can do their part by taking actions to prevent the spread of germs. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Fairfax County Begins Transition from Plastic Yard Waste Bags

This spring Fairfax County will begin phasing out the use of plastic bags for yard waste collection. Plastic bags tear during collection and processing causing shreds and microparticles of plastic to enter our food and water sources. Please consider switching to paper bags or reusable containers in order to protect our environment. The change applies to private collection companies' customers (90 percent of the county) as well as residents living in the county's solid waste collection areas. With this change, Fairfax County joins seven neighboring jurisdictions in the Washington, D.C. Metro Area that already discourage or prohibit the use of plastic bags for yard waste. Click [here](#) to learn more.

2020 Braddock District Paving and Restriping Meeting

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) will hold a public meeting on proposed paving and restriping changes in the Braddock District on Tuesday, March 31, 6:30 p.m. in the Braddock Hall at the Braddock District Supervisor's Office, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015. Community members will have the opportunity to learn about VDOT's repaving program, proposed striping changes and give feedback. The comment period for Braddock District paving and restriping projects closes April 14.

Community Meeting Scheduled for March 31; Comment Period Closes April 14

Please note:

- **Paving-related comments** (e.g., drainage issues, missing signage, signal repair, walkway repair and sight distance issues due to vegetation overgrowth) should be submitted through the [myVDOT portal](#). If you would like to request road repairs, please follow the "I need a road repaired" link on the VDOT portal or call 1-800-FOR-ROAD (1-800-367-7623).
- Unfortunately, no additional roads can be added to the preliminary 2020 paving schedule at this point.
- **Striping-related comments** (e.g., marked parking lanes, crosswalks, and/or sight distance issues due to parked vehicles) can be submitted [electronically](#) to FCDOT.

Braddock District Information

Freds Oak Road between Oak Leather Drive and Fairfax County Parkway: VDOT and FCDOT are proposing to narrow the wide travel lanes by adding bike lanes. Existing legal on-street parking will be maintained on both sides of the road. Many of the roads selected for the Braddock District this year are in Burke Centre. Click [here](#) to see VDOT's Northern Virginia Paving Program website for more information on road-specific projects, status, maps, and contact information. This is updated weekly during the paving season.

Background



As part of its annual maintenance, VDOT repaves hundreds of roads in Fairfax County each year. FCDOT and VDOT collaborate during the repaving and restriping process to efficiently implement the [Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan](#) that seeks to improve traffic safety and provide transportation options to people around the County. Paving work is scheduled to begin in April and end in November. Exact work dates are available about ten days before the work begins, as contractors set schedules based on personnel and equipment availability. In subdivisions, "no parking" signs with precise date information will be posted at least three business days prior to work starting. Residents can expect

work vehicles in their neighborhood during the project. Motorists are asked to watch for temporary traffic patterns. Cars, basketball hoops, or garbage cans may need to be temporarily relocated while work is underway. Work hours are usually not during rush hours. Crews typically work on neighborhood streets weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. On roads such as interstates and some primaries, work may occur overnight.

Fairfax County Commuter Alert

Parking reductions at three Orange Line Metrorail Stations begin March 15. Surface parking lots at the East Falls Church, West Falls Church, and Vienna Metrorail stations will be closed for seven to nine months as construction contractors begin moving material and machines into place ahead of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority’s (WMATA) summer 2020 platform improvement project. Vehicles parked in the closed lots after 12:01 a.m. on March 15, 2020, may be subject to towing. This summer’s platform improvement project will rebuild the four outdoor Metrorail Orange Line stations in Virginia, all located in the median of I-66: Vienna, Dunn Loring, West Falls Church, and East Falls Church. Due to the stations’ locations and extreme space limitations, construction crews will need to use surface parking lots to stage heavy equipment and tons of material. Stay informed by subscribing to [MetroAlerts](#).

Metro Alert

EFFECTIVE MARCH 15, 2020

Parking Impacts During Platform Improvement Project

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| <p>East Falls Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NO daily parking available ■ Kiss & Ride open for pick-up and drop-off only | <p>West Falls Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parking spaces reduced by 50% ■ 1,100 daily spaces remaining in garage only ■ Expect garage to fill by 7 a.m. | <p>Vienna</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Parking spaces reduced by 10% ■ 4,200 daily spaces remaining <p>Dunn Loring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ No parking impacts ■ 1,964 daily spaces available |

 Platform Improvement Project

wmata.com/platforms

Teen Free Interview Skills and Resume Building Workshop for Fairfax County Teens

To help students in their search for employment; the Mott Community Center is hosting a free Interview Skills and Resume- Building Workshop on Friday, March 13, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Neighborhood and Community Services will be providing transportation from Lake Braddock Secondary School and Robinson Secondary School to the Mott Community Center. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs for 2020

These events will help student job seekers (approximately ages 16 to 18) find full-time employment, after-school employment, seasonal positions, internship opportunities, or volunteer experiences. It is open to all teens in Fairfax County looking for employment or wanting tips to build their resume. Volunteer opportunities and resume building workshops will be available for younger students looking to begin to build their resume. Businesses and organizations can showcase their companies, brand their businesses in the local community, and advertise the positions they have available. There is no cost to participate. Job fairs will be held on the following dates: Saturday, March 7, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Woodson High School (Co-sponsored by Supervisor James Walkinshaw) ; Saturday, March 7, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at South County High School; Saturday, March 14, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Chantilly High School; Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Mount Vernon High School, March 28, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at West Springfield High School (Co-sponsored by Supervisor Walkinshaw). Click [here](#) to register as a student job seeker. Click [here](#) to register as a business.

Fairfax County Police Department Volunteer Recruitment

With April being National Volunteer Month and Fairfax County Police Auxiliary Officers being volunteers, the FCPD’s Auxiliary Police Officer program is currently seeking new volunteers to join the police family and give back to the

community in this unique way. If you are interested in applying to this program or learning more about it, go to the new [Volunteer Management System](#) (VMS) system link. Email questions to AuxiliaryPolice@FairfaxCounty.gov.

George Mason University Employment Opportunities

Join George Mason's vibrant academic and professional community! You will be surrounded by people whose ideas are shaping tomorrow's workforce. George Mason University is the largest and most diverse public university in Virginia, reaching out beyond our campuses to create connections and forge partnerships across the region, the nation, and the world. Mason offers a competitive employee benefits package and is committed to providing flexibility, work/life options, and the opportunity for personal and professional development. Click [here](#) to learn more.

In addition to full-time employment opportunities, Mason invites qualified candidates to apply for campus-wide temporary positions via their Mason Talent Temp program. Positions range from a couple weeks to several months and serve as an exciting opportunity for personal growth and development. Click [here](#) to apply.

Fairfax Area Agency on Aging 2020 Webinar Series

The webinar on March 11, Nutrition for Healthy Aging – Considerations for Caregivers w/Maria Loh, RDN, LDN, Fairfax Area Agency on Aging. Webinars are for family caregivers of older adults and adults with disabilities. Speakers include local experts in law, care management, medicine, safety, finances, Medicare and community resources. All webinars are scheduled on Wednesdays from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Register and find out more by clicking [here](#) or call (703) 324-5484, TTY 711. If unable to join the live webinar, register anyway and a recording will be emailed to you if available. The webinar series is brought to you by the Fairfax Caregiver Seminar Consortium, a partnership that includes Fairfax County, AARP Virginia, ElderLink, the Insight Memory Care Center, and Signature Estate and Investment Advisors, LLC.

Volunteer Leaders Wanted: Volunteer Emergency Team (VET) Orientation

Learn skills to become a Leader of Volunteers. The leadership skills that you develop in this orientation will help you throughout your career. Details on how to lead, emotional intelligence, and public speaking a few of the skills that will be covered. This opportunity is ideal for those that want to lead volunteers and make a difference in their community. The orientation is Wednesday, March 11, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Volunteer Fairfax. Located at 10700 Page Avenue, Suite 101, Fairfax, Virginia 22030. Click [here](#) to register.

Census 2020

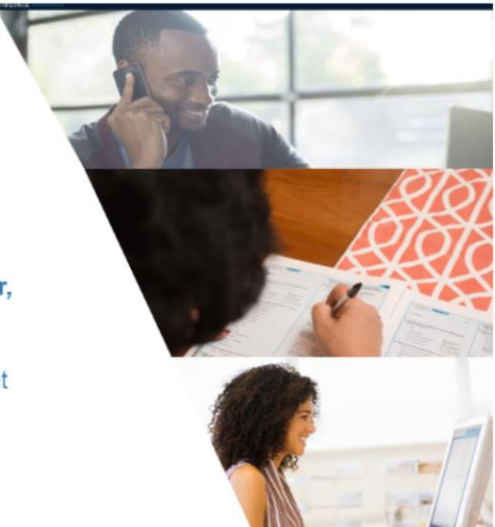
The U.S. constitution requires us to count America's population every decade. Every ten years communities work together to ensure every person living in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories are counted. This allows us to gather the necessary data needed for lawmakers to appropriate billions of dollars in federal funding.

The census is important for Fairfax County residents because it directly benefits every resident. It determines how our tax dollars are

distributed in Northern Virginia to better serve the community. It's estimated that Northern Virginia loses \$1,200 in potential

Completing Your Census

- In the past residents received the census form to fill out and return, however **for the first time in 2020, you will be instructed to fill your census out online using a computer, tablet or smartphone.**
- If you don't have access to the internet or don't feel comfortable filling the census out online, you can request a form by mail or respond to the census by phone as well.



annual funding for every resident who does not respond to the census. That is money that could be used for education, healthcare, housing, infrastructure, roads, and a host of other services that the government provides. Read the census timeline below. Click [here](#) for more census information.

What you will receive in the mail:

March 12-20: An invitation to respond to the census

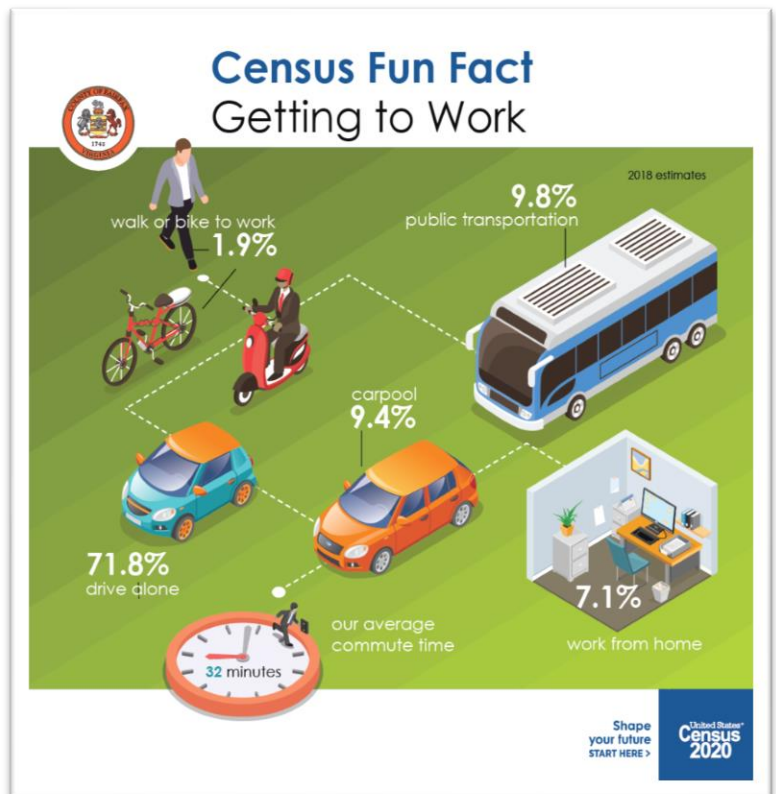
March 16-24: A reminder letter

If at that point you have not responded yet, you will receive additional notifications:

March 26-April 3: A reminder postcard

April 8-16: A reminder letter and paper questionnaire

April 20-27: A final reminder postcard before receiving a follow-up in person



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Why is the census so important?

The census is important for Fairfax County residents because it directly benefits every resident here. It determines how your tax dollars are distributed in Northern Virginia to better serve you and your neighborhood on a host of issues including:

- Education
- Healthcare
- Housing
- Infrastructure
- Roads

Icons: A doctor, three houses, and a winding road.

Walkinshaw in the Community



Supervisor Walkinshaw joined the Briarwood Homeowners Association to share an update on some local projects and hear the community's feedback.



Supervisor Walkinshaw met with Arnoldo Borja of the Legal Aid Justice Center to discuss improving conditions for day laborers in Annandale.



Supervisor Walkinshaw attended Chapel Square Civic Association's Winterfest. The association collected and donated goods to Food for Others.

Supervisor Walkinshaw also attended the following community events:

- North Springfield Civic Association's General Meeting on March 4.
- George Mason University's reception for new President Dr. Gregory Washington on February 27.
- Met with Cub Scout Pack 1968 on February 24.
- Lake Braddock's performance of "A piece of My Heart" on February 21.
- Fairfax Campus and Community Advisory Board on February 20.
- The NAACP's Black History Month General Membership Meeting on February 15.
- Lord of Life Lutheran's Hypothermia Service Project Event on February 15.
- Braddock District Open House on February 13.
- St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Hypothermia Shelter on February 7.
- First Baptist Church of Vienna's Justice and Legislative Brunch on February 2.

Human Services Corner

Department of Tax Administration Senior Tax Relief Workshop

Senior Citizens and Adults with Disabilities, March 11 and 17 in Braddock Hall, next to the Supervisor's office at 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, Virginia from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. No appointments are necessary. The workshop is first come, first served. Real estate and car tax relief is available for adults over 65 and people with disabilities who meet certain qualifications. Staff from the Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration will be on hand to assist with filling out application forms and to answer questions. Click [here](#) to learn more, or call (703) 222-8234 for details.

Braddock District Council Aging in Place Committee

Aging Services in Fairfax County: What Are They and How Do I Access Them? by Karen Hannigan, Fairfax County Department of Family Services, Wednesday, March 18, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in Braddock Hall located at 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, Virginia.

Fairfax Area Commission on Aging

The Fairfax Area Commission on Aging will meet March 18 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the West Springfield Government Center in the Community Room located at 6140 Rolling Road., Springfield, Virginia. The public is welcome. Each meeting begins with a comment period.

Updated Human Services Resource Guide

Fairfax County released its updated Human Services Resource Guide that includes information on thousands of nonprofit and government services available to Fairfax County residents, including detailed service descriptions, eligibility requirements, locations, and contact information. Click [here](#) to download.

AARP Taxaide Program

AARP provides free income tax service preparation is under way until April 15, 2020 at the Mason District Governmental Center located at 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, Virginia. Their hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Monday and Thursday, 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. By Appointment only on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please call (571) 281-8532.

The Mott Community Center, located at 12111 Braddock Road, Fairfax, Virginia hours are Thursdays 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. and Saturdays 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Please bring your ID(s), Social Security Card(s), tax documents, and prior year's tax returns to any location attended. AARP TAXAIDE is for taxpayers with low and middle income; all ages, with special attention to seniors; Free, quality, and confidential service; federal, VA & some MD and DC tax returns can be prepared and electronically filed; tax questions will be answered by dedicated IRS-certified volunteers; AARP TAXAIDE is a program of the AARP Foundation, offered in conjunction with the IRS. For additional AARP TAXAIDE locations, please contact our office (703) 425-9300 or Braddock@FairfaxCounty.gov.

Scam Jam, Paper Shredfest, and Prescription Disposal Event

On Saturday, April 18, Fairfax County will have its third annual Scam Jam, Paper Shredding, and Prescription Disposal Event—hosted by the county's Silver Shield Anti-Scam Task Force, and its partner, AARP. This free event, held at the Fairfax County Government Center (located at 12000 Government Pkwy, Fairfax, Virginia) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. provides useful information you can take home. Experts will provide stories about local scams and what you can do to be less vulnerable to fraud. You must [register to attend](#). The program features Susan Hogan, keynote speaker and consumer reporter for News4.

Shred trucks will also be on-site from 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. for you to shred sensitive material such as tax documents, financial records, etc. (Please recycle junk mail and magazines through your normal collection service.) Up to four medium-sized packing boxes per vehicle. Click [here](#) for more information. Staff will be on-site looking up unclaimed property and will help you fill out the form to retrieve the unclaimed property.

Police will be on hand with a Drug Take-Back box. Dispose your unused or unneeded medications in a safe, convenient, and responsible way at the Scam Jam. Accepted items include prescription medication (schedule II-V controlled and non-controlled), prescription ointments, over-the-counter medications, and medications for pets. Prohibited items include needles (sharps), liquids of any kind, illegal drugs, non-prescription ointments and lotions, aerosol cans, and inhalers.

Fairfax County Public Schools' Parent Resource Center Workshop Series

The FCPS Parent Resource Center will hold four parent workshops in March:

(1) Special Education: Understanding the Process and Collaborating with your school will be shown on the FCPS YouTube Channel for viewing.

(2) Drugs, Alcohol and Vaping, What Every Parent Needs to Know, March 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

(3) Launching Your Adolescent into Adulthood, March 27, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

(4) A Parent's Guide to Getting your Child Moving, March 31, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Click [here](#) to register for any of these workshops.

Fairfax Sheriff's Office Project Lifesaver Program

Do you have someone in your care who tends to wander away from home and become lost or confused due to Alzheimer's disease or other form of dementia? If so, it may be time to consider enrolling them in the Fairfax Sheriff's Office Project Lifesaver program. Project Lifesaver clients wear a wrist or ankle band that emits a silent tracking signal. When the Sheriff's Office is notified that someone is missing, a search-and-rescue team of specially trained sheriff's deputies responds. Using state-of-the-art locating equipment, they conduct a thorough search. Project Lifesaver has a 100% success rate in locating wandering adults who have been reported and bringing them safely home. Click [here](#) for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities

Fairfax County's Volunteer Solutions helps senior citizens and adults with disabilities. Click [here](#) to see a complete listing of opportunities to help. For questions, please call 703-324-5406 or email

VolunteerSolutions@FairfaxCounty.gov.

The Following Content is Provided by The Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burke

Adventures in Learning

Join the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) for its Spring session of Adventures in Learning, Mondays, April 6 – May 18, at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax; cost \$30.00. This program is open to all adults age 50 or older. Bring a brown bag lunch, and stay for a full day of classes, activities, and socializing, or pick and choose the classes that interest you the most. Click [here](#) for a registration form and the class schedule. You can also call the SCFB office at (703) 426-2824.

Lunch N' Life

Please attend the Lunch N' Life, sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke, on Thursday, March 19, 12:00-2:00 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax. Jim Radigan (U.S. Navy Retired) will discuss his experiences as the Commanding Officer for the U.S. Navy Antarctica Squadron. For reservations, call Bea Stephenson at (703) 273-5730, by March 13. The cost is \$10.00; checks payable to SCFB. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office (703) 323-4788. Click [here](#) for the Lunch N' Life flier or [here](#) to visit the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke website.

Winter 2020 Exercise Classes

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) offers exercise classes for older adults designed to build strength and improve balance and flexibility. All levels of ability are welcome. Call the SCFB office, (703) 426-2824, for class information.

Monday Exercise Classes

February 10 – March 30 (8 weeks, \$20)

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church located at 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax, Virginia.

Wednesday Exercise Classes

January 15 – May 27 (20 weeks @\$2.50/class = \$50)

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. at the Lutheran Church of the Abiding Presence located at 6304 Lee Chapel Road, Burke, Virginia.

Friday Exercise Classes

February 14 – April 3 (8 weeks, \$20)

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church located at 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax, Virginia.

Wednesday at the Movies

This event takes place on March 11, April 8, and May 13 at the Cinema Arts Theatre, 9650 Main Street, Fairfax.

Discounted tickets for seniors are \$5.50. The group will also meet after the movie for a short discussion of the film.

Transportation may be provided if you call the transportation office (703) 323-4788 a week prior to the movie date.

Contact Anne Allen, at (703) 978-5973 for movie selection and additional details.

Handy Helpers

This is a free service to help seniors in the Fairfax/Burke area. Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke volunteers will provide minor home repairs, small housekeeping jobs, and limited yard work. Actions include replacing light bulbs, filters, batteries, hanging pictures and curtains inside. Outside: trimming, planting, and raking the yard. Plumbing and electrical work cannot be offered. Materials and supplies should be provided by the client, and requests should be submitted well in advance of needed service. If you would like to receive assistance, contact Barry Wickersham at (703) 359-2918, or at aowbrw@verizon.net to make arrangements.

Transportation Program

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke serves seniors 50 and older who no longer drive through their transportation support programs. If you no longer drive and need transportation to a medical appointment (Monday – Friday) or an accompanied shopping drive (offered Tuesday evenings and Friday mornings), contact the SCFB transportation phone number (703) 323-4788 at least five days in advance to make arrangements for your driver.

Medical Transportation Services for Spanish Speaking Adults

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) offers free transportation for Spanish speaking adults in the Fairfax-Burke area. SCFB bilingual volunteers will provide free transportation for doctor, dental, physical therapy or other medically related appointments. If you would like to receive this service, call the Shepherd's Center office at (703) 323-4788 and leave a message on the Spanish line. A volunteer will return your call within one business day to arrange transportation.

Volunteers Needed for Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke Transportation Program

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke serves those seniors 50 and older who no longer drive, through their transportation support programs. Volunteer Drivers are needed for trips to medical appointments (Monday – Friday) and companion shopping (Tuesday – Friday) within the Fairfax-Burke area and to medical appointments (Monday – Friday) in the South County area. Office volunteers are also needed to schedule rides. Bilingual volunteers (English and Spanish) are especially needed as drivers and office volunteers. If you can volunteer your time, please email Jean Browne at recruiter@scfb.org or call Jean at (703) 715-7592.

Environmental

Friends of Accotink Creek

Braddock District Supervisor James Walkinshaw will join Friends of Accotink Creek during their pipeline walk on March 14, at 1:00 p.m. The Lake Accotink Master Plan and dredging plans will be the focus of the walk. The walk is estimated to last an hour and a half. The meeting location will be Community of Christ, 5610 Inverchapel Road, Springfield, Virginia. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan (CECAP) Focus Group Meeting

As the Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan is developed, each of the nine districts in Fairfax County will be represented by a Focus Group composed of community members nominated by their Supervisors who have demonstrated interest in energy and climate issues. These Focus Groups will support the development process by commenting on materials and proposals and providing input on behalf of their communities. Braddock District's CECAP Focus Group will meet March 23, at 7:00 p.m. in room 8 of the Fairfax Government Center.

Join the Friends of Lake Accotink Park (FLAP)

Volunteers are needed to help clean the park the second Sunday of every month. Join them on March 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. as they pick up trash in the park. Long sleeves, gloves, boots, and long pants are encouraged. The meeting locations are Lake Accotink Trail entrance – Ellet and Inverchapel Road; Lake Accotink Marina; Lake Accotink Trail entrance – End of Danbury Forest/Lonsdale Drive; Lake Accotink Trail entrance – Queensbury and Hatteras. Click [here](#) to register. For questions or to learn about additional volunteer opportunities, please email contact@flapaccotink.org. You can mail donations to FLAP P.O. Box 1203 Springfield VA.

Friends of Royal Lake

Friends of Royal Lake are committed to protecting and preserving Royal Lake Park. Join Friends of Royal Lake Park during their Trail Maintenance Workday, March 21, 2020, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. If possible, please bring shovels, rakes, tampers, and wheelbarrows. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Join Friends of Royal Lake during their April 1 meeting with Supervisor Walkinshaw. The meeting will take place at Laurel Ridge Elementary School (10110 Commonwealth Blvd, Fairfax, VA) from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Land Use



At its February meeting, the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee recognized Nell Hurley for her eight years of service as Braddock District Planning Commissioner. On behalf of the Committee, Vice Chairman John Rephlo noted Nell's in-depth knowledge of the land use process and thanked her for keeping the Committee updated on issues before the Planning Commission, explaining regulations and details that influence land use decisions, and listening to concerns and recommendations and expertly articulating them to the Planning Commissioners. We thank her and wish her well in her future endeavors.

Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes Affecting Accessory Dwelling Units

The county is considering changes to the standards for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as part of the Zoning Ordinance Modernization (zMOD) project. An ADU is a second, small, self-contained unit either located within a single-family dwelling or on the same site. An ADU has its own kitchen, living area, one or two bedrooms, and

bathroom. Examples are a mother-in-law suite or an apartment over the garage. Currently, all ADUs require Special Permit approval from the Board of Zoning Appeals and are limited to be occupied by persons 55 years of age or older or someone with a disability. Staff has proposed a more streamlined approval process that would allow administrative approval of an ADU when located within the principal dwelling. A Special Permit would continue to be required if the unit is detached. The maximum size would be 1,200 square feet for both interior and detached units rather than the existing size limit of 35 percent of the principal structure. One designated parking space would be required for the ADU. ADUs may not be used for short-term lodging.

At a recent Board Committee meeting, several members expressed interest in modifying the limitations on who may live in an ADU to, for example, allow ADUs for young adults. This is a particular concern as more young people either move back home or out of the area because they cannot afford to live in Fairfax County.

Changes to the requirements for ADUs are one of many issues under consideration in the zMOD process. A new consolidated draft Zoning Ordinance will be issued this spring, with public hearings before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in the summer or fall of 2020. Click [here](#) to review the proposed changes and get additional information. Our office welcomes your comments on the proposed changes to ADUs or any other topic in the Zoning Ordinance.

District Land Use and Environment Committee

The Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. in Braddock Hall. The agenda will include presentation of a proposal for Kenilworth II (see details below). Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee meetings are open to the public.

If you are interested in getting involved with others in the community to review and comment on land use, development, and environmental issues, including stormwater and tree preservation, the Land Use and Environment Committee is looking for new members. Click [here](#) to read more about the Committee's mission and download a membership form.

Project Updates

Erickson Living at Braddock Road

In July 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved a proposal from Erickson Living to allow a continuing care facility on the site of the former Northern Virginia Training Center on Braddock Road. Abatement and demolition has begun and Erickson Living has submitted site plans for county approval. Construction will begin once the plans have been approved. Erickson Living anticipates that construction of the first phase of the development will begin in 2021. This will include the first three independent living buildings with approximately 220 units. The target opening of the first building is approximately two years after the start of construction. However, weather and other factors may affect the timeline. Our office will continue to work with Erickson Living to communicate any updates. For any specific questions about Erickson Living and the new Braddock Road facility, please contact the Greenspring sales office at (800) 917-3049.

One University

In September 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved development of the One University site, located at the northwest corner of Ox Road and University Drive. The approved development will provide 120 multifamily affordable units, 120 age-restricted affordable units for adults age 62 and older, and 333 units with a maximum of 798 beds targeted to serve the student population of George Mason University. The Board of Supervisors approved a Housing Blueprint Loan for the project in December. The developers are currently putting together the financing package for the project, which includes Low-Income Housing Tax Credits. This process will continue into the summer. They are also working on the site plan for the property and expect to submit that soon. Assuming the project financing is in place and the site plan processing is completed, the developers anticipate breaking ground in the summer of 2021. This schedule would allow for the residents of Robinson Square who have school-age children to relocate after the school year ends. The targeted completion date is 2023.

Rezoning Proposals

Proposed Subdivision of 4028 Olley Lane

Conley Development, LLC has filed an application to rezone one acre of land at 4028 Olley Lane from the R-1 District to the R-2 District. The property is currently developed with a split-level single-family dwelling, and the developer would like to build two new single-family detached houses. Each house would be approximately 4,000 square feet and consist of two levels with a basement and a two-car garage. Although this property is zoned R-1, many of the surrounding properties to the north and west are half-acre lots. The property across Olley Lane is developed with the Braddock Glen assisted living facility. Access to the new houses would be provided through one new shared driveway located near the high point on Olley Lane to maximize sight distance.

The developer has proposed preserving a portion of the existing tree canopy along the southern boundary of the project. The plans include new landscaping in the front, side, and rear yards. Stormwater management would be provided through a micro-bioretenion facility on each lot in combination with shrubs and ground cover. The applicant would provide curb and gutter along the frontage of the property and has agreed to repair and reconstruct the existing 4-foot-wide asphalt trail to be 5 feet wide.

The Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee heard from the developer at its February meeting. Their questions focused on access to the property from Olley Lane and on tree save. A hearing before the Planning Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Government Center Auditorium. Click [here](#) to register to testify before the Planning Commission. A hearing before the Board of Supervisors has not yet been scheduled.

Second Phase of Kenilworth Development on Braddock Road is Proposed

Christopher Land, LLC has filed a rezoning application for approximately 4.43 acres of land located just south of the Kenilworth community at Caprino Court and Braddock Road. This property is currently developed with one single-family home built in 1955 that will continue to be occupied by the current owner and would be included in a second phase. The applicant is requesting to rezone this land from the R-1 District to the PDH-3 District to build 12 single-family detached dwelling units at a density of 2.71 dwelling units per acre. Nine houses would be constructed in phase one, and an additional three houses would be part of phase two, when the existing house is removed. Access would be provided by connecting Caprino Court and Banting Drive, as provided for in the proffers associated with the Kenilworth and Penns Crossing rezoning applications. If Fairfax County requests that access to Braddock Road be eliminated as noted in the Kenilworth proffers, then the applicant will install a cul-de-sac at Caprino Court and the community will be connected through Banting Drive. County staff has begun their review of this application.

Christopher Land will be presenting this application to the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee on March 17. The meeting will be held in Braddock Hall beginning at 7:30 p.m. Community members who wish to learn more about this proposal are invited to attend.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezoning Proposal

Consideration of Plan Amendment for NW Corner of Lee Highway and Waples Mill Road

The northwest corner of the intersection of Lee Highway and Waples Mill Road in Fairfax contains an older house single-family and an outbuilding that was formerly used as a contractor's office and workshop. An existing Public Storage facility surrounds the property on the north and west. There is also a small service drive that is being used for parking of commercial vehicles, including food trucks. The corner lot is for sale and Public Storage has expressed interest in expanding the storage use onto that property. This area is planned for office use with an option for office/mixed use should it be redeveloped. The intersection is also planned for a potential interchange after Shirley Gate Road is extended to the Fairfax County Parkway.

Supervisor Walkinshaw offered a motion, which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 28, asking staff to consider a Comprehensive Plan Amendment for both the corner lot and the surrounding Public Storage property to ensure that the plan for this corner remains in line with the vision for Fairfax Center and the recent developments around these

sites. The review will consider what options might be appropriate for that site, factoring in land use, design, park space, and transportation improvements.

Public Storage Southeast One, Inc. has filed a rezoning application for the property at 11332 Lee Highway. They are seeking to consolidate this parcel, which is zoned R-1, with their existing self-storage property, which is zoned to the I-5 District. Public Storage is proposing to demolish one strip of its existing single-story rows of self-storage bays and construct a modern climate-controlled five-story self-storage facility of approximately 149,050 square feet on the southeast corner of the property. To do this, the applicant is seeking to rezone both parcels to the Planned Development Commercial District. The proposed new self-storage building would feature office-like architecture. Access to the site would be provided through a modified and improved entrance along Lee Highway designed per VDOT standards, and the existing service drive would be removed. The existing overhead power lines along the Lee Highway frontage would be relocated underground. The applicant has also proposed to connect the existing asphalt paths along Waples Mill Road and Lee Highway. Consideration of this rezoning application will be deferred until the Comprehensive Plan review has been completed.

Public Facility Review and Plan Amendments

Monument Drive Commuter Parking Garage and Transit Center

Fairfax County's Building Design and Construction Division has proposed constructing a commuter parking garage and transit center on county-owned land bound by Random Hills Road to the north, Government Center Parkway to the east, and Monument Drive to the south. This property currently contains of approximately 300 parking spaces on the side adjacent to Fairfax Corner and a vacant undeveloped parcel on the west. The proposal would replace the existing surface parking lot with a nine-level structured commuter parking garage with approximately 820 parking spaces, a bus pavilion with eight bus bays, and related facilities including areas for kiss and ride, slug lines, and carpool/vanpool commuters on the I-66 corridor. The facility would also include bicycle parking and a bikeshare station. In addition, there would be a Fairfax County Department of Transportation office and support space. The garage would be open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Access to the property would be provided from Random Hills Road for commuter buses and from an existing entrance on Government Center Parkway for commuter, kiss-and-ride, and slug vehicles.

The I-66 Managed Lanes Project includes a direct express route to employment destinations in DC, a route that does not currently exist in either WMATA or Fairfax Connector bus service. This facility would be adjacent to the HOV exit off of I-66 and would provide access for a new commuter bus service that will be implemented as part of [Transform I-66](#). It would also serve carpooling commuters.

This application is tentatively scheduled for hearings before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in September.

Cases Filed with the Board of Zoning Appeals

The Fairfax County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) hears and makes decisions on requests for variances (relief from specific zoning regulations such as lot width, building height, or minimum yard requirements) and Special Use Permits. It meets on Wednesdays beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Auditorium of the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. BZA meetings are also aired live on the county government's cable TV Channel 16. Residents who have concerns about an application are encouraged to submit a letter for the record or testify at the hearing on the case. Click [here](#) to register to testify. These matters will not come before the Board of Supervisors but will be decided by the BZA. Staff reports are normally available two weeks before the scheduled hearing.

Ana Vargas – 7803 Harwood Place, Springfield

SPA 2014-BR-111

The applicant requested amendment of the previous approval for a home childcare facility to permit modifications to the development conditions. This application was approved by the BZA on February 12. Click [here](#) for information, including a map of the site and staff report.

Carmen Margaret Mandeville & Kyle B. Mandeville – 11921 Appling Valley Road, Fairfax

SP 2020-BR-005

The applicants are seeking to add an accessory dwelling unit for a family member to their current home. The addition would consist of a kitchen, living room, bedroom, and sewing room on the main level. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on April 1. Click [here](#) for information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available.

Max Avary – 5415 Freemont Street, North Springfield

SP 2020-BR-017

The applicant is seeking a reduction to yard requirements to permit construction of an addition 8.5 feet from a side lot line and enclosure of a carport to create a garage 10 feet from a side lot line. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on May 6. Click [here](#) for information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available.

If you have any further questions regarding these land use cases or any other issues of concern to you, please email braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov or call us at (703) 425-9300.