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# James R. Walkinshaw

## Braddock District Supervisor

# The Braddock Beacon

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Dear Neighbor,

Virginia entered Phase 3 of Governor Northam's reopening plan this week and it includes one significant change from the Phase 3 guidance shared in our previous Walkinshaw Advisory email. At this week's meeting of the Board of Supervisors Health and Human Services Committee, I expressed my hope that Governor Northam would reconsider his initial decision to allow restaurants and bar areas of restaurants to operate at 100% of their indoor capacity with six feet between tables. You can watch the video of the meeting [here](#), including an update on our COVID-19 response efforts from the Director of the Fairfax County Health Department.

While here in Virginia our COVID-19 data has improved, other states are seeing a dramatic increase in transmission of the virus and many have cited the decision to allow indoor dining and congregating in bar areas as a driver of those increases. Indoor dining and congregating in bars present a trifecta of unsafe circumstances -- they take place indoors with limited air circulation, patrons are not wearing masks while eating and drinking, and social distancing guidelines are often not observed.

I'm grateful that Governor Northam responded to the data we have from other states and adjusted his guidelines to maintain the closure of bar areas in restaurants. You can read more about that decision [here](#).



On a non-COVID topic, the Braddock District owes a debt of gratitude to the Girl Scouts of Troop 120. Thanks to their dogged advocacy, we now have a Purple Can glass recycling bin at Wakefield Park. In early March, I attended a meeting of the North Springfield Civic Association and was greeted by one of the more effective lobbying efforts I've

encountered. Troop 120 had reviewed [the map of existing Purple Can locations](#), surveyed their neighborhood to demonstrate the demand for glass recycling, and presented me with a petition demanding a bin at Wakefield Park. How could I say no?

After receiving their petition and hand-written letters, our office went to work. First, we got agreement from the Park Authority and identified a suitable location within the park. Then we worked with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services to stake a claim on the next available bin. Due to COVID-19, it took a bit longer than we had hoped. But the Purple Can is there now and ready for the long weekend!



There's a lot of cynicism about government these days -- some of it well-deserved -- but I hope this experience showed the Girl Scouts of Troop 120 that their voices matter and they can make a difference. Thank you to Scouts Molly Corcoran, Olivia Castellucci, Zara Alsaegh, Sarah Guy, Charlotte Holbrook, Charlotte Brown, Amalka Benavides, and Troop Leader Jennifer Ellis Corcoran.

Yours in service,

Supervisor James Walkinshaw

P.S. Please have a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

# Walkinshaw in the Community



Supervisor Walkinshaw at a food distribution event with Braddock Elementary student Juan Ramos, winner of the CodeVA award; and Ramos' coach Joyce Matthews, on June 20.



Supervisor Walkinshaw speaks with participants at a Black Lives Matter protest in Springfield on June 4.



Supervisor Walkinshaw recognizing Braddock Elementary Coders for winning a CodeVA competition on June 16.



Supervisor Walkinshaw meeting with Moms Demand Action of Burke-Fairfax on June 24.

In June, Supervisor Walkinshaw also:

- Distributed food in Annandale with the Second Story Food program on June 3.
- Met with Barry Wickersham of the Shepherd's Center of Burke-Fairfax on June 4.
- Met with Joe Underwood of the Small Business Commission on June 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Celebrated Ms. Laverne Brown's retirement with the Ravensworth Elementary School community on June 12.
- Joined the Fairfax NAACP's Town Hall on Law Enforcement and Reform on June 16.
- Attended Little Run Citizens' Association Virtual Annual Meeting on June 17.



# Citizen of the Month

## Jake Sizemore

Lake Braddock Secondary School student Jake Sizemore is a multi-instrumentalist who plays and sings as both a solo artist and in several groups. He performed over 50 times last year for charity events, weddings, for state and local politicians and at festivals and local venues.

Jake has always been an inspiration, for all that he has overcome and for bringing smiles to our faces with his excellent performances. Jake was diagnosed with autism at the age of two, but he has excelled thanks to his determination and his mother's early advocacy for the education he deserves. Jake has significant challenges communicating but his perfect pitch, astounding memory for music, and great stage presence have given him a path to a bright future. He is the ultimate example of [#abilityindisability](#) - the importance of looking at everyone for what they can do, not what they can't do. His story illustrates the importance of full inclusion of people with disabilities as valued members of every aspect of society.



During the pandemic, Jake has stepped up to help out. He's been holding regular performances in front of his house to raise funds for struggling local businesses that had to close, and nonprofits helping Fairfax County residents. Jake's recent efforts have supported Epicure Café, Caboose Commons, ECHO's Food Bank, Centreville Dance Academy, University Mall Theatres and Britepaths.

In addition, since school went virtual Jake has been writing letters and cards for his classmates and friends to help everyone stay connected. He has sent over 250 hand-written letters to send good wishes and happy birthdays to his friends who are also stuck at home. Thank you Jake, we can't wait to see what you do next!

# Boards, Authorities and Commissions

Supervisor Walkinshaw is seeking residents to represent the Braddock District on the following Boards, Authorities and Commissions. If you're interested in serving in one of these organizations, send your resume and a statement of interest to [braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov).

## **Health Care Advisory Board**

Purpose: To be responsible for a periodic review of a comprehensive health plan for the County; to initiate an on-going health care information process in coordination with local, regional, State and Federal agencies. [Click here](#) for details.

## **Newly Created: Young Adults Advisory Council**

Purpose: to advise the Fairfax County Government, as coordinated through the Fairfax County Department of Economic Initiatives, by contributing young adults' experiences, knowledge, and solutions to County issues.

Appointees must be 20-34 years old and would serve for 2-year terms. For details, read p. 21 of the March 10<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors meeting summary [here](#).

Interested in a different position? Several At-Large vacancies exist on additional Boards, Authorities and Commissions, or they may be coming up soon. Contact us at [braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov) for more information.

# Environmental News

## **Discounted Solar Installation Available**

The ever-popular [Solarize Fairfax County program](#) is back once again, providing county residents and businesses the chance to install solar arrays at a discount. From now until August 31, Solarize reduced rates will be available through a pre-qualified solar installer, Solar Energy World.

Over the past seven years, more than 370 solar contracts have been signed in Northern Virginia through the program, bringing solar energy to our community and advancing our commitment to clean energy. The Solarize program offers participants a streamlined process for exploring and pursuing solar power for their residences and places of business. The program is run by the Local Energy Alliance Program in partnership with the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and the Fairfax County Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination.

All county residents and business owners are eligible for a free, remote assessment to evaluate if solar is appropriate for their home or commercial building. Those who decide to pursue solar through the program receive a 10-15% discount off current consumer

rates for solar arrays and systems. This year, participants are eligible for a 26% federal tax credit, a rate that will fall to 22% in 2021. Fairfax County also has a solar energy equipment tax exemption that applies to program participants.

Additionally, residential Solarize 2020 participants are eligible for a complimentary, virtual home energy assessment to help improve their home energy performance holistically. Solarize participants can also bundle electric vehicle charging stations with their solar system purchase to realize additional savings.

If you are curious about Solarize, attend one of three [virtual information sessions](#).

- July 8 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- July 30 from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- August 18 from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## Community News

### **Governor Northam Prohibits Congregating in Bars, Stresses Caution as Virginia Moves to Phase Three** (June 30, 2020)

Governor Ralph Northam announced that bar seating will remain prohibited in restaurants as the Commonwealth moves into Phase Three...While key health indicators in Virginia are improving, the Governor made clear that he is taking a cautious approach and is prepared to implement tighter restrictions if needed.

To reduce the likelihood of patrons gathering in bar areas without observing social distancing guidelines, bar seating and congregating areas of restaurants will remain closed except for those passing through. Restaurants may use non-bar seating in the bar area, as long as a minimum of six feet between tables is provided.

"I am watching what is happening in other states—we are taking a cautious approach as we enter Phase Three and maintaining the current restrictions on bar areas," said Governor Northam. "In Virginia, our hospitalization rates have fallen, our percentage of positive tests continues to trend downward, and we are conducting more than 10,000 tests each day. We want these trends to continue, but if our public health metrics begin moving in the wrong direction, I will not hesitate to take action to protect the health and safety of our communities." Click [here](#) to read the full press release.

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### **Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) invites you to provide feedback on the [proposed update of its Title VI program](#).**

Title VI policies ensure equitable distribution of transit service changes and as part of the update process the public is encouraged to give input on:

- **Proposed Major Service Changes** – Service changes that are significant enough to require special analysis that ensure the proposed changes will not have discriminatory effects on minority or low-income areas.
- **Disparate Impacts** – Service changes that have discriminatory effects on minority areas.
- **Disproportionate Burdens** – Service changes that have discriminatory effects on low-income areas.

**Disparate Impacts** and **Disproportionate Burdens** are determined by comparing minority and low-income percentages of the population with non-minority and non-low-income percentages of the population affected by the proposed changes in Fairfax County.

### Ways to Provide Feedback Through Friday, July 31, 2020

1. Taking a brief survey available in the languages below:

- [English](#), [Amharic](#), [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [Farsi](#), [Hindi](#), [Korean](#), [Spanish](#), [Tagalog](#), [Urdu](#), [Vietnamese](#)

2. Emailing your comments to [dotinfo@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:dotinfo@fairfaxcounty.gov).

3. Calling (703) 877-5600, TTY 711.

4. Mailing your comments to: Fairfax County Department of Transportation, Attention: Title VI Plan Update/B. Atsem, [4050 Legato Road, Suite 400, Fairfax, VA 22033-2895](#)

If you have additional questions or would like material in another language, please contact FCDOT at (703) 877-5600, TTY 711.

### Swimming Prohibited in Area Lakes and Streams

With temperatures rising, some residents have turned to our local lakes and rivers to cool off. Swimming is prohibited in all county-owned and state-owned bodies of water in our area – please do not do it!

Tragically, a teenager drowned last weekend while swimming with friends in a lake in Reston.



### New Laws Taking Effect as of July 1

A number of laws passed by the Virginia General Assembly in the 2020 session are now in effect. [Click here](#) for a list of significant new laws.

New legislation includes:

- Stop for Pedestrians in marked and unmarked crosswalks
- Several firearms laws such as background checks, one handgun a month, extreme risk protective orders, and more

- Voting laws: No excuse absentee voting, Election Day holiday, and repeal of Photo ID requirement
  - Decriminalization of marijuana
  - Protections against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity
  - Cap on Insulin prices
  - Drivers Licenses – allows noncitizens to apply
  - Hands-Free driving regulations
  - Localities permitted to move or cover Confederate monuments on certain properties owned by the locality.
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### **Fairfax Police Publish Data on Arrests, Citations, and Use of Force**

The Fairfax County Police Department has published their annual reports with 2019 data on:

[Use of Force](#)

[Traffic Citations by Race and Gender](#)

[Arrests by Race and Gender](#)

Additionally, the School Resource Officer Annual Program Review is available [here](#).

### **Construction to Begin on Wakefield Chapel Road Bike Lane**

Starting July 13<sup>th</sup>, construction will be underway to build a bicycle lane on Wakefield Chapel Road between Pulley Court and the Northern Virginia Community College entrance. The project is expected to take approximately six months.

### **Statewide Transportation Agencies Seeking Input Through Commuter Survey**

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), in partnership with the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), has launched the Virginia Commuter Survey, a statewide effort to gauge COVID-19 impacts to commuting around the Commonwealth. Anyone who works or lives in Virginia is invited to participate.

This is the first in a series of surveys planned over the next several months. The data will be collected and analyzed by state agencies to assess and determine modifications to transit needs and infrastructure. The survey will be open for at least two weeks and can be accessed [here](#).

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### ***CAMP FAIRFAX, July 13 – August 7 for Rising 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Children Residing in Fairfax County***

Sponsored by the Fairfax County Office for Children & Neighborhood & Community Services

[Click here for the flyer](#)

**Registration begins Monday, July 6 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (703) 449-8989**



**Featuring exciting opportunities in: Outdoor Adventures; Performing Arts; Sports & Recreation; Visual Arts; Science Exploration; and Creative Writing from 7:30 am – 5:30 pm**

### **Additional Information**

Weekly fees based on family income.

Breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack provided.

Current CDC health and safety guidelines will be implemented.

### **Eligibility**

All adults living in the child's home must meet one or more of the criteria below, or an equivalent combination:

Work 30+ hours a week.

Attend school full time (at least 12 semester hours).

Attend a job training program 30+ hours a week.

Be unable to work due to a disability.

### **Locations**

Baileys Community Center • Braddock Elementary

Bucknell Elementary • Crestwood Elementary

Gum Springs Community Center • Herndon Elementary

James Lee Community Center • Key Center\*

Kilmer Center\* • London Towne Elementary

Mott Community Center • Oak View Elementary

Oakton Elementary • Providence Community Center

Southgate Community Center • Westgate Elementary

Willston Community Center • Woodburn Elementary

### **Space is limited.**

\*Sites serving individuals with multiple disabilities, ages 5-21.

### **Four-Week Virtual Summer Camp**

Fairfax County is excited to offer their new four-week Virtual Summer Camp to youth and teens! Register today by contacting your local [Teen](#) or [Community Center](#).

Alternatively, you also can download the registration packet [here](#) and drop it off at your local center or email it to [Maria.Franco-Nativi@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Maria.Franco-Nativi@fairfaxcounty.gov). For more information click [here](#). Virtual Summer Camp will be from July 6 through 31 on Monday – Friday. **Grades 1-6:** 9:00 a.m.-noon, **Grades 7-12:** 1:00-5:00 p.m.

### **Keep Your Game on Par with July Golf Events**

Swing into summer with upcoming tournaments hosted by Golf Fairfax. Get your practice rounds in and take your game to the next level!

- Join for the Red, White, and Blue Tournament at Burke Lake Golf Center, July 4, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. This tournament will consist of teams of two, playing in three divisions: adult/junior (ages 7-12), adult/junior (ages 13-17), and two adults.

Teams will play 18 holes and compete for prizes for first, second, and third place in all divisions. Tournament fee is \$55 per team. Click [here](#) to learn more and register.

- [Click here](#) for additional July golf events.

### **Community Services Board's Virtual Revive Training**

CSB is now offering virtual REVIVE! classes via Zoom. This 60-minute virtual REVIVE class on July 14 trains individuals on what to do and not do in an overdose situation, how to administer naloxone, and what to do afterwards. Click [here](#) to learn more and find future dates.

### **Park Authority Launches Outdoor Fitness Classes**

Get your fitness fix with the Park Authority's new Outdoor Group Fitness Classes. Classes are being offered seven days a week, with both morning and evening options. These are not free, drop-in classes. Participants must register in advance through Parktakes Online. Click [here](#) to find class and registration information on the RECenter Fitness and Wellness web page.



## **OUTDOOR FITNESS**

FCPA CLASSES HELD OUTDOORS

BOOT CAMP, AEROBICS, CYCLE SPIN,  
ZUMBA, TAI CHI, PIYO, YOGA, PILATES, HIIT,  
BODYCOMBAT, FITNESS FOR SENIORS

### **Libraries to Reopen for Limited Express Services**

All Fairfax County Public Library branches will open for express services beginning on Monday July 13th.

- Express services are focused on grab-and-go style activities, so daily visits are limited to 30 minutes;
- Each branch will have a capacity limit to support social distancing;
- Library users may browse the shelves, use a computer, and pick up holds;
- The library will continue to offer virtual programs, with only limited in-person programs provided;
- Social distancing features will include plexiglass shields at customer service desks, social distancing floor stickers, every other public PC disabled, and some furniture removed from the public floor or moved to support six feet of distance between users;
- Returned library materials will continue to be quarantined for 72 hours; and

- Meeting rooms will continue to be unavailable as the spaces are housing furniture removed from the public floor as well as quarantined library materials.

Contactless curbside pickup will continue to be offered as well. Express services are offered Monday-Tuesday 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. and Wednesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. while curbside pickup will continue with its normal hours of Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

### **Park Board Funds Grant Programs**

The Park Authority Board has approved a reallocation of funds to continue the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program and has also approved grants for projects at Frying Pan Farm Park and Observatory Park at The Turner Farm. Approval came at the Board's virtual meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2020.

Since 2002, the Mastenbrook Grant Program has awarded approximately \$1.8 million in matching grants for 192 projects valued at more than \$12.5 million. Grants ranging from a few hundred dollars to the maximum of \$20,000 have funded such projects as trail improvements, construction of gazebos and shelters, and athletic field improvements. Click [here](#) to learn more.

## **Human Services Corner**

### **Non-profits looking for COVID-19 donations – [Click here for map](#)**

Closest to the Braddock District are:

#### [FACETS Cares Inc](#)

Contact Info:

Joe Fay [jfay@facetscares.org](mailto:jfay@facetscares.org)

10700 Page Avenue, Building B

Fairfax, Virginia 22030

During COVID-19, FACETS has multiple needed donations. To find out all the items needed please visit their website [here](#). Make a Financial Contribution: Your gifts will help cover the unexpected costs of the extra measures that are being taken. Donate Non-Perishable Food Items or Gift Cards: The most-needed items include: • Snack donations for 60 ppl; Water, napkins, fruit, cookies for 100-140 ppl; Breakfast Foods: Oatmeal, Cereal, Breakfast Bars, Granola Bars; Canned Meats or Fish: Tuna and other canned meat, such as chicken, stew, chili.; Peanut Butter and Jelly; Pasta and Pasta Sauce; Soup; Canned Vegetables and Fruit; Packets of Peanut Butter Crackers; Bottled water Donate Non-Food Items: The most-needed items include: • Household Cleaning Supplies (Clorox wipes, Lysol, Bleach, Paper Towels); Hand Sanitizer; Antibacterial

Soap; Rubber gloves; Masks; Gift Cards Donations can be delivered to FACETS, 10700 Page Avenue, Building B, Fairfax, VA 22030.

#### Fairfax County Health Department and Neighborhood & Community Services

Contact Info:

Tejas Patel (703) 246-3553 [covid19@volunteerfairfax.org](mailto:covid19@volunteerfairfax.org)

3939 Oak St.

Fairfax, Virginia 22030

The Fairfax County Health Department is in need of any PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) that you may have as they are supporting the local hospitals and long-term care facilities in our community with these additional supplies. Items needed: • N95 masks - Original box/packaging for donation acceptance is preferred. • Medical gowns • Cleaning Supplies • Gloves Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services is in need of: • Homemade face shields • Diapers • Paper Towels • Wipes • Baby Formula • 3d Printed Masks • Non-Perishable food Donations can be dropped off at the American Legion located at 3939 Oak St, Fairfax, VA 22030 from 9 am to 4 pm Monday - Friday. If you have questions, please contact Tejas Patel at [covid19@volunteerfairfax.org](mailto:covid19@volunteerfairfax.org).

#### Children's Masks Needed

The Health Department is in need of Children's masks. Children's masks are 14" long and 6.5" wide with 6" elastic loops. However, sizing varies by design so anything designed for children would be accepted. You can drop off masks at any Fairfax County Police station.

#### ECHO (Ecumenical Community Helping Others)

Contact Info:

Anita King [admin@echo-inc.org](mailto:admin@echo-inc.org)

7205 Old Keene Mill Rd.

Springfield, Virginia 22150

During COVID-19, ECHO has multiple needed donations. To find out all the items needed please visit their website at: <https://www.echo-inc.org/> Monetary donations are needed, as well. A sample of the items they can accept are: Margarine, Eggs, Sliced Bread, Box Pasta, Canned Meat, Canned Tomatoes, Instant (Box) Potatoes, Flour, Vegetable Oil, Deodorant, Shaving Cream, Toilet Paper, Brown Paper Bags The above items may be dropped off at the ECHO donation door, Door #6, 7205 Old Keene Mill Rd. Springfield, VA, 22150. We are currently open Monday-Friday from 9:30 am- 12:30 pm or Tues, and Thurs evening from 7 pm - 9 pm. Note - they are closed on Wednesday Evenings until further notice.



## **Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes/Penalties**

On June 23, the Board of Supervisors approved changes that will apply only to tax year 2020. County leaders cut the penalty in half from 10% to 5% for late payment of real estate taxes. They also eliminated the additional 15% penalty for personal property taxes — better known as car taxes — that are more than 30 days overdue. REMEMBER – Real estate taxes are due August 28, not July 28 this year only. Residents and businesses are strongly encouraged to [pay their taxes online](#) because it is the safest, fastest and easiest way during the pandemic. E-check payments are easy, quick and free. Officials want to remind residents who normally pay with cash in person that they can do so by mailing a money order instead. For more information or questions, contact the Fairfax County [Department of Tax Administration](#) by [email](#) or by phone at (703) 222-8234, TTY 711.

## **Virtual Book Clubs this Summer**

Stay connected with virtual book clubs this summer!

[Click here for more info](#)

**Virtual Senior Centers have classes Live and On demand.** The live classes are available at designated times with live instructors. A nice benefit is that you can ask questions and talk with your peers. The senior centers are currently building an on-demand library which consists of pre-recorded classes that can be viewed at any time. The On demand classes can be paused if you would like to read instructions for a project, or if you need a break. To learn more, go to <https://bit.ly/NCSvcaa>.

**Medicare workshops are cancelled this summer.** If you have Medicare questions, call VICAP (Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program) at **(703) 324-5851**.

**Rebuilding Together** is working on plans to resume home repairs program for low-income homeowners. Rebuilding Together will start by using small teams of volunteers who will focus on correcting health and safety hazards. This type of repair includes installing grab bars, double stair rails, stair lifts, brighter lighting and exterior handrails. If you are interested in applying for free home repairs from Rebuilding Together, go to <https://rebuildingtogether-aff.org> or call **(703) 528-1999**.

Income caps for homeowners in Fairfax County are \$54,250 for one person and \$62,000 for a couple.

## **NV Rides in need of volunteer drivers to help vulnerable seniors**

If you have ever thought about becoming a volunteer driver, now is the time to give it a spin! As we start to re-emerge, our community's vulnerable seniors will need our extra support. Volunteer drivers are a life-line not only for the ride they give but for the companionship they offer.

We are offering three volunteer driver information sessions in July. Please help us spread word and encourage your networks to learn how they can make a big impact in a

neighbor's life. The Zoom sessions are brief, informative and easy to attend. (Zoom link included with RSVP)

- [July 7th at 5pm](#)
- [July 9th at 12pm](#)
- [July 14th at 7pm](#)

During the COVID-19 pandemic, NV Rides requires all drivers and riders to wear masks and observe physical distancing protocols. Learn more by visiting <http://www.nvrides.org>.

### Hot Cars Can Be Deadly

You may have heard the very sad news of an infant who died in a hot car in Springfield last weekend. We'd like to remind you to **never, ever** leave children unattended in parked cars. A child's body temperature can rise three to five times faster than an adults temperature. Here are some tips from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:



- Check for baby – remember to: Park. Look. Lock.
- Keep your doors locked to prevent children from entering your vehicle.
- Never leave your child alone.
- If you see a child alone in a vehicle, check to see if they are okay and responsive. If so, attempt to locate the parents. If not, call 911 immediately and attempt to get into the car to assist the child.

[Click here](#) for more information from the NHTSA.

### Eviction Resources

COVID-19 has left many families at risk for being homeless or evicted. Did you know there are new federal and state laws that help renters and homeowners unable to pay their rent because of COVID-19? If you are worried about being evicted because you cannot pay your rent, here are resources to help you.

- Click [here](#) to check if your residence is covered by the Federal Eviction Moratorium.
- Click [here](#) for resources provided by Stay Home Virginia.
- If you're a Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority Resident experiencing difficulties in meeting monthly rent payment, you should contact your assigned housing specialist to discuss circumstances. For help with utility, rental, or food assistance, contact Coordinated Services Planning at (703) 222-0880.

- **Virginia Poverty Law Center** helps renters understand what they can do to reach a solution with landlords to the benefit of both parties, helping to address problems or to avoid potential problems before they get out of hand. Contact their Eviction Helpline at (833)-NOEVICT (833-633-8428) in English or Spanish.
- Virginia Legal Services of Northern Virginia is a full service, nonprofit law firm that serves clients throughout Northern Virginia. Click [here](#) if you're at risk of homelessness as a result of eviction. (emphasis is put on cases where tenants are at risk of having their subsidized housing improperly terminated.) Call (703) 778-6800 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday.

## Land Use

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' ACTIONS**

On June 23, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing and approved the application by Conley Development, LLC to rezone one acre of land at 4028 Olley Lane, Fairfax, from R-1 to R-2 for the purpose of building two single-family detached houses. The Board of Supervisors received updates on affordable housing and Workforce Dwelling Units at its June 30 Housing Committee meeting. [Click here](#) for details.

### **UPDATE ON ZONING ORDINANCE MODERNIZATION (zMOD)**

The Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance Modernization (zMOD) Consolidated Draft has been posted. This represents a major milestone in the project and consolidates drafts created over the past two years. This Consolidated Draft includes a cover memo providing project background, an overview of the new structure and each of the new articles, and a summary of the proposed substantive changes from today's Zoning Ordinance. A link to this draft can be found on the zMOD website:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/zmod>.

Clarion Associates, the contractor assisting the county, and Fairfax County staff will be presenting an overview of these changes at the following upcoming public meetings:

- Tuesday, July 21 at 2:30 p.m. – Board of Supervisors Land Use Policy Committee (streamed live on Channel 16)
- Wednesday, July 22 at 7:00 p.m. – zMOD Community Outreach Meeting (electronic presentation, details TBA)
- Thursday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m. – Planning Commission Land Use Process Review Committee (streamed live on Channel 16)

Following these outreach meetings, staff will continue to present the Consolidated Draft throughout the different magisterial districts of the County. A presentation will be

scheduled before the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee this fall. Public hearings are anticipated in Winter 2021.

For more information, visit the [zMOD website](#) to view all presentations and documents for the project. Contact the Department of Planning and Development's [Zoning Administration Division](#) at (703) 324-1314, TTY 711, or [by email](#) with questions or to provide feedback.

### **UPCOMING PLANNING COMMISSION HEARINGS**

Monument Drive Commuter Parking Garage and Transit Center – September 16  
Proposal for Second Phase of Kenilworth Development – September 17  
Trinity Christian School boundary adjustment – October 14

### **BRADDOCK DISTRICT LAND USE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

The Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will be holding an electronic meeting on Tuesday, July 21, at 7:00 p.m. Details on how to connect via Microsoft Teams will be posted on the [Braddock District website](#) a couple days in advance. Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee meetings are open to the public and interested residents are encouraged to participate.

### **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. You may register to testify at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/bza/bzaspeaker.htm>. 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.

#### **Russell F. Ventimiglia Jr. & Kristen P. Ventimiglia – 9333 Raintree Road, Burke SP 2020-BR-034**

The applicants are seeking a reduction to yard requirements to permit construction of an addition 12.5 feet from the rear lot line and an increase in the fence height in a front yard. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on July 22. Information, including a map of the site and the staff report, when available, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4270344>.

#### **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 8.8 feet from the northern side lot line and a roof 8.1 feet from the northern side lot line. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on July 29. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4269005>.



**Calvary Hill Baptist Church – 9301 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax**  
**SP 2020-BR-039**

The applicant is seeking to operate a child care center within the church building. The child care center would provide both day care and preschool for up to 60 children from 3 months to 5 years of age. Hours of operation would be from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on September 16. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4268094>.

**Ayesha Sheikh – 9610 Braddock Road, Fairfax**  
**SP 2020-BR-043**

The applicant is seeking to expand a home child care facility. The applicant currently cares for 7 children and would like to expand to care for up to 12 children at any one time with one full-time assistant. The BZA hearing date for this application has not yet been scheduled. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4276312>.

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