

# ADVISOR



MOUNT  
VERNON  
DISTRICT

WINTER 2020



## DAN STORCK

Supervisor  
Mount Vernon District  
Fairfax County Board

Proudly serving 131,000 Mount Vernon District residents for the last 4 years. Previously represented Mount Vernon on the School Board for 12 years, including 3 terms as Chairman. It is an honor and privilege to represent you.



## TEAM MVD

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## Dear Neighbor,

**I invite you to join us for a Mount Vernon District (MVD) annual tradition – the 33rd Annual Town Meeting – on Saturday, February 1, 2020, from 7:45 a.m. – noon at Mount Vernon High School.** Started by my predecessor Gerry Hyland,

this community-wide event draws hundreds of people who are passionate about improving and engaging in our community. In addition to an Exhibit Hall with County and community service providers, special recognitions and Q & A's with your local leaders, you will have the opportunity to meet our new Board Chairman Jeff McKay. The highlight of the morning is taking a "virtual flying tour" of all that is happening in the District.

Another annual tradition of TEAM MVD is to compile this newsletter to inform you of our accomplishments of the past year and our focus for the coming year. Please take a moment to view our photo collection of all the exciting activities in the District and mark your calendars for our 2020 events! We also invite you to drop us a line (MtVernon@FairfaxCounty.gov) or give us a call (703-780-7518) and let us know what you think about this year's annual Advisor. Your feedback is important to us!

I am honored to serve you for another four years and thank you for your support! With the 2020 Board transitions, I will be the Environmental and Audit Committee Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Economic Advisory Commission. I am passionate, determined and engaged in fighting to ensure each and every Mount Vernon neighbor and business has the opportunity to reach their full potential. TEAM MVD and I are committed to working with you to address your individual concerns, while working proactively with you and others to deliver a better quality of life for all residents.

Respectfully yours in public service,

Supervisor, Mount Vernon District



2020: The Year of the Woman

## Connect with us in 2020! #ConnectMVD

**SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTER AT**

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/>

## DID YOU KNOW?

For questions regarding FCPS schools, you can connect directly with your Mount Vernon District School Board Member and Board Chair, **Karen Corbett Sanders** at [klcorbettsan@fcps.edu](mailto:klcorbettsan@fcps.edu).



**Don't Miss the Event  
of the Year!**

**33<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING**

**Saturday, February 1, 2020**

**7:45 a.m. – Noon**

**Mount Vernon High School**

# 2019 Major Accomplishments

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- Launched Lorton 2040 Visioning Task Force
- Initiated faith community outreach
- Connected with 1,000s of you and sent 100's of new residents welcome packets

## FY 2020 BUDGET

- Balanced budget with no tax rate increase
- Fully funded schools
- Increased funding for anti-opioid, anti-gang and environmental efforts
- Engaged in comprehensive County Strategic Planning

## PUBLIC SAFETY

- Reduced crime rate
- Completed design for new South County Police Station & Animal Shelter
- Hired 17 police officers for new station

## TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE

- Launched planning and design for Embark Richmond Highway and Corridor Revitalization
- Additional BRT funding secured and continued community input meetings

- Launched South County Comprehensive Plan Amendment Process
- Supported George Washington Parkway Safety Study
- Supported Hollin Meadows ES and Waynewood ES construction completions

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Actively led Strategic Economic Development Team in Corridor redevelopment
- Continued Master Planning for Original MVHS as a community, education, entertainment and human development hub

## HEALTH, HOUSING & HUMAN SERVICES

- Opened Local Artemis House Domestic Violence Shelter
- Completed zoning and design for new Lorton Community Center & Library renovation
- Adopted Embark Housing and Affordable Housing Committees recommendations
- Increased Diversion First mental health efforts
- Rededicated South County Center as Gerry Hyland Center

## ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS

- Completed the Huntington Levee
- Accelerated environmental efforts through Fairfax Green Initiatives
- Launched climate action initiatives CECAP and JET
- Secured new County Energy and Environment Department
- Kicked off Grist Mill Park master planning
- Advocated to decrease airplane noise

## HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

- Secured funding for increased Tourism Task Force collaboration
- Grew "Destination Mount Vernon" branding
- Continued activating Workhouse Arts Center campus
- Outdoor public art display at MVD office

## ACTIVELY ENGAGED WITH DISTRICT RESIDENTS

- Hosted or sponsored 50 events, plus countless community meetings
- Phone calls 15,000+
- Emails 28,000+
- Meetings 1,200+

Waynewood ES Revitalize, Restore, Replant



Tour de Mount Vernon



Public Safety Recruitment Event



## 2020 Focus & Investments

### COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- Develop Community Liaison Program
- Continue making connections with you
- Complete Lorton 2040 Visioning

### FY 2021 BUDGET

- Balanced budget and fully fund schools
- Increase investments in workforce housing, early childhood development and environment

### PUBLIC SAFETY

- Woodlawn fire station groundbreaking
- Complete new Lorton fire station
- Increase river safety responsiveness with new Gunston fire boat
- South County Police Station & Animal Shelter groundbreaking
- Hire 15 police officers for new station

### TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE

- Support renovation schedules for Belle View ES, Silverbrook ES, Washington Mill ES and West Potomac HS

- Secure funding for Richmond Highway undergrounding
- Continue BRT planning and Richmond Highway widening project
- Complete Urban Design Planning for Richmond Highway
- Advocate for George Washington Parkway Safety study completion
- Evaluate Fairfax Peak indoor ski facility proposal
- Huntington Club redevelopment kick-off
- Lorton Liberty Phase II completion





Artemis House DV Shelter Ribbon Cutting



Ides of Bark Dog Fest



UC Early Child Care Ribbon Cutting



Increase the Peace - Unite the Highway



Huntington Levee Ribbon Cutting



Environment Expo



Fairfax Connector Ribbon Cutting

# 2020 District Events

- Jan 1 First Hike
- Feb 1 Town Meeting
- Feb District County Budget Forums
- Mar 3 Tax Relief Forum
- Mar 10 Board Authorizes Maximum Real Estate Tax Rate for FY 2021
- Mar 21 Teen Job Fair at Mount Vernon HS
- Mar 21 Document Shredding Event at Gerry Hyland Center
- Mar 29 Ides of Bark Dog Festival
- Spring Senior Safety Summit
- Apr Rabies Clinic
- Apr Teen Job Fair at South County HS
- Apr 18 Potomac River Watershed Cleanup
- May 5 Board Adopts FY 2021 Budget
- May 9 Lucy Burns Museum Grand Opening
- May 23 Document Shredding Event at I-95 Landfill Complex
- Summer Mount Vernon Nights Summer Concert Series
- June 4 Army Museum Grand Opening
- June Workhouse Arts Center Fireworks
- Aug Deer Management Meeting
- Aug 4 National Night Out
- Aug 26 Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Dedication
- Sept Workhouse Brewfest
- Sept 16 District Boards, Authorities and Commissions Representatives Meeting
- Oct 3 Tour de Mount Vernon
- Nov 14 Environment Expo
- Dec 3 Holiday Open House

- Riverside/Washington REIT groundbreaking
- Improve trails, sidewalks and roads

### HEALTH, HOUSING & HUMAN SERVICES

- New Lorton Community Center & Library renovation groundbreaking
- Open Teen and Senior Center at Original MVHS
- The Arden and North Hill workforce housing groundbreakings

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Partner with EDA on market analysis of Richmond Highway Corridor

- Begin Original MVHS revitalization plan
- Support business development, retention and expansion
- Develop Fort Belvoir partnership/liasion

### ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS

- Accelerate community climate change actions
- Begin adaptation and resiliency planning
- Complete Laurel Hill Central Green Park
- Complete Grist Mill Master Plan
- Support bonding for Mount Vernon RECenter renovation

- Complete design and property acquisition for Mount Vernon Highway trail connection
- Continue advocating to decrease airplane noise

### HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

- Develop Cultural Corridor and Cultural Arts District strategic plan
- Army Museum ribbon cutting
- Support Woodlawn & Arcadia expansion
- Activate Workhouse Arts Center campus
- Turning Point Suffragist Memorial ribbon cutting
- Lucy Burns Museum grand opening



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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Thursday: 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm  
Second Saturday Each Month:  
Lorton Library: 9:00 am – 11:30 am  
MV District Office: 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm  
Walk-ins and by appointment

**Community Use Rooms Available**

To reserve: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/community-meeting-rooms>

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Go to <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/mount-vernon-town-meeting> to view this flyer in multiple languages.