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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Having trouble viewing this email? [View as Webpage](https://campaignlp.constantcontact.com/em/1125240456020/c94a905f-c98f-4355-b1cf-71659a7eb1a7) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **April 2024** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Text  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Plant Native** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Plant NOVA Natives**  Planting native is not just about fostering a **thriving ecosystem,** but did you know it can **create a beautiful landscape,** too? Plant [NOVA Natives](https://www.plantnovanatives.org/) is your **go-to local resource** for cultivating **beautiful native gardens.** Entirely volunteer-based, Plant NOVA Natives **works to reverse the decline of native plants and wildlife** in Northern Virginia. Its mission is to inspire residents and organizations to embrace native plants as the foundation for nurturing wildlife habitats and sustainable ecosystems on their properties. | | |  | | --- | | Diagram  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  |  | | --- | | Join us **TOMORROW**, Saturday, April 27 for the **Environment Expo.** Enjoy **FREE native plants**, live music and family-friendly fun! | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Diagram  Description automatically generated | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence |   **Planting native is as easy as 1,2,3!**   1. **Find the right plants.**Check out the [Native Plants for Northern Virginia guide](https://www.plantnovanatives.org/_files/ugd/9c55f5_1d2d3e0424f0420dacbfc78a48acfb41.pdf)! These plants are naturally beautiful, requiring less care while benefiting birds, butterflies and pollinators. 2. **Get help - Consult Audubon at Home.**If you are interested in creating a wildlife sanctuary, volunteers from [Audubon at Home](http://audubonva.org/wildlife-sanctuary-program/) will consult with you for no charge at your house, business, faith community or other property. 3. **Start planting!**Plant any time of year that the ground is not frozen or saturated. Spring and fall are great times, and fall is ideal. | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | A close up of purple flowers  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |   Want to learn more about native plantings? We have **two great events** right around the corner! This weekend on **Saturday, April 27** from **11 a.m. - 3 p.m.** at **Fort Hunt Park**come out for a day of fun at our [6th Annual Environment Expo](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/6th-annual-environment-expo). Join us for live music, reptile and raptor demonstrations, food, face painting, make & takes, giveaways, solar cooking, CCTV Robot Camera Demos, touch-a-truck opportunities, an EV Showcase and much more. For the very first time, the **first 200 attendees** have the chance to go home with a **free native perennial plant**. Stop by the **Plant NOVA Natives table** to pick up your plant and learn more about planting native. Also as part of the Expo, we will be recognizing Department of Public Works and Environmental Services retiree **Charles Smith for 26 years** of stellar service to the County and residents. I encourage you to **join us for these remarks at 12:50 p.m**. Charles has made **significant contributions to our community** through his wide plant knowledge, commitment to ecological restoration and natural resource management through projects like the **Fairchild/Quander and Hollin Hills Stream Restorations**.  Many of you have already **expressed interest in planting natives**and have asked about the gardens outside the **Mount Vernon Governmental Center**. Join us for a [Native Garden Tour and Open House](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/native-garden-tour-open-house) on **Saturday, May 4**from **10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**Stroll through our new **native perennial gardens**at the Mount Vernon Governmental Center, explore native plant gardening and**maintenance approaches**. Learn about **natural landscaping grant opportunities** and connect with local native plant organizations. | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Small Business Showcase** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Capital Chicken**  The recent **grand opening of**[**Capital Chicken**](https://www.facebook.com/capitalchickenDMV/) provides a perfect feature for our Small Business Showcase. Capital Chicken just recently reopened in their **new location** at 8339 Richmond Highway in the **red building**next to **Original Mount Vernon High School** (OMVHS) after **relocating** from Mount Vernon Plaza. Owned by long time Mount Vernon local, Carla Alvarado and her family, the restaurant is best known for its **pollo a la brasa.** Capital Chicken serves an assortment of Peruvian dishes and is **open everyday** from **11 a.m. - 9 p.m.** This is another great opportunity to **support our local businesses!** If you have a small business you would like to see **featured**, please email [mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov) and **tell us about it**. | | |  | | --- | | A group of people holding flags  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  |  | | --- | | Thank you to the Mount Vernon Springfield Chamber of Commerce for organizing the Capital Chicken ribbon cutting on March 28! | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Community Information & Events** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | A group of people walking on a trail in the woods  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |   **Start a New Hobby**  Find a new hobby or **rediscover favorite pastimes** with the many **programs**and **spaces**that the Park Authority offers. These opportunities allow you to **form connections** with others in the community that share your interests. Go **birding or hiking;** channel your creative side with various **crafts**or taking up **drawing, painting** or even quilting; treat yourself by enjoying afternoon tea; try out dog training or obedience classes; or find your people during **nature walks or garden tours**.[Search for Activities](https://fairfax.usedirect.com/FairfaxFCPAWeb/ACTIVITIES/Search.aspx).  The Park Authority boasts a network of more than **334 miles of trails** **to explore** as well as four large [waterfront parks](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fwaterfront-parks&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691600005%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=VE467Apw3JcGfWwD07Tw9kyOSeCOMy4VuQrA8pIPPVk%3D&reserved=0) to enjoy [boating](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fboating&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691607511%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=g8kotFMZEUd%2B5dokWONtSWzHROmvJDt5ul2qC%2FlxJJs%3D&reserved=0), [fishing](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Ffishing&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691613899%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ykk7cWwydpjSvuVtykRS1j9lqbu4y3nD3Ix921PCWYM%3D&reserved=0), [mountain biking](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/trails/bikes) or [scenic walks](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Ftrails&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691619332%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=jTYuKEf4IpQpFB%2BSgDPw8Uwo7P%2BXR9WK58TJNlHO4PA%3D&reserved=0). In addition, parks offer many **family-friendly activities** for older adults looking to get outside and enjoy nature or nature’s bounty through [camping](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fcampgrounds&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691624684%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=EsuOsGlW1QuIaZ7aKHBDkE0yH5RsyHo03NUR7L2v2Ik%3D&reserved=0), [picnics](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fpicnics&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691629985%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Lf%2FzFwGFOBtE%2Bc4K1Up5c0nwoyeKCWwTmz24ZUlDflc%3D&reserved=0), [mini golf,](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fminigolf&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691635163%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=M6DBPPclQY1kv%2FYuTPIWnT7FE1uehT29RCkVDtEKNqA%3D&reserved=0) [carousels](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fcarousels&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691640353%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=d189%2FvW7a7sTzLkEfwkFTzCwLGPrM4K3CSkTS6TnxxA%3D&reserved=0), [farmers markets](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Ffarmersmarkets&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691646351%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1xVnmP549MTQbVZWrn2Tw%2FR%2Fo%2FWBVyDmpxHRmgDilRk%3D&reserved=0), [gardens](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fgreen-spring&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691654234%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=5VRcsvJABQm995T8%2FVJ969QmDKBIUrc0BCQI%2FJBO7SM%3D&reserved=0) or even [star gazing](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fparks%2Fturner-farm&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691660486%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=8woTitMQnrtqyWDzJlsfYGGN%2B5r9jZziyg8dSsZl54g%3D&reserved=0). There's **fun for everyone** in the parks! | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence |   **VDOT Cautions People of Fraudulent Text Scams**  The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is encouraging people to be on **alert for a text message scam**, also known as smishing, that is sending requests for **payment of outstanding toll charges**. The FBI recently issued a warning about the scam, which has occurred in various states and **does not specifically target E-ZPass customers**. To date, VDOT is not aware of Virginia residents receiving these smishing messages. Those who believe they received a **smishing text**about tolls due can **file a complaint** with the [FBI’s Internet Crime Complaint Center](https://www.ic3.gov/) and include the phone number of the text message as well as the web link listed within the text. [Learn more.](https://www.ic3.gov/Media/Y2024/PSA240412?_cldee=CeW8qywnOThnWJFTskb4HcIs3hZSZcMLSJx0QrMS9C5ThWkpoYckDTrGJEO60OZP89WvM8Xq_7gZVx9MOfOczw&recipientid=contact-0469965e22a7ed11aad1000d3a575605-2fdc6a307b0640498b87571db020eb06&esid=2466b7e3-ab00-ef11-a1fd-6045bdeec2b6) |  |  | | --- | | **Health & Wellness Workshops for Family Caregivers of Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities**  The **Fairfax Area Agency on Aging’s Caregiver & Supportive Services Unit** invites you to register for upcoming **Health & Wellness Workshops** designed for **family caregivers** of older adults and/or adults with a disability. A new **virtual workshop** will be offered every Friday during the month of May. Topics include **crafting vision boards** to gain clarity on your goals and dreams, **gratitude journaling** to proactively support self-care, **resistance exercise training** for caregivers and a workshop on how to utilize affirmations to achieve desired outcomes. [Learn more](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fbit.ly%2FStayingWell-123&data=05%7C02%7CCamela.Speer%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7Cd094e78081e944ffc95608dc5f1111dc%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638489774126911503%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=f9R16nkoqbsXWa7%2BbSnF1XSHmY2OLAG%2BfSfglZwZut0%3D&reserved=0) including dates, times and registration. |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | Graphical user interface, diagram  Description automatically generated |   **Learn about and Provide Public Input on Potential Changes for Data Center Regulations**  The County is proposing**updates to regulations on data centers**, introducing new guidelines on noise, building design and setbacks. Beginning May 2, a **series of virtual community meetings**will be held to discuss the **proposed updates** that could impact how **proposed data centers** are reviewed. Each of the four virtual meetings will include the same content. The different dates and times offered provide flexibility for attendees. **No registration is required.** [Learn more.](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/changes-proposed-data-center-regulations)[.](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/data-centers)  **Save the date to join one of the following data center meetings:**   * Thursday, May 2, Noon * Thursday, May 2, 7:00 p.m. * Monday, May 6, 7:00 p.m. * Wednesday, May 8, Noon |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Text  Description automatically generated | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence |   **Patriots for Hire**  **﻿**  Is your business looking to **hire employees or interns**? George Mason University’s Career Services provides you access to **well-qualified applicants**. Mason students and alumni possess the latest industry knowledge and **in-demand transferrable and technical skills**. Post your job/internship, attend a career fair or interview students on campus.[Learn more.](https://careers.gmu.edu/) | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | Logo, company name  Description automatically generated |   **Charge Up Fairfax**  **Friday, May 3, 3 p.m.**  Starting May 1, the Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination (OEEC) will be **accepting applications** to the Charge Up Fairfax program. Community associations in Fairfax County interested in **installing electric vehicle charging stations** for their residents are encouraged to apply to **receive technical assistance** and **partial reimbursement** to cover the costs of installation. OEEC will host a **Charge Up Fairfax webinar** to address questions about the program and **how to apply**. [Learn more.](https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/d7d6b0b4-a67e-446a-a327-e3cddf6d5acf@a26156cb-5d6f-4172-9d7d-934eb0a7b275) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Icon  Description automatically generated | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence |   **Zero Waste Program Encourages Forward-Thinking Approach**  You may have heard the phrase **"zero waste,"** but what does it mean for Fairfax County? In 2018, the **Board of Supervisors** asked staff to identify ways to collaborate with **Fairfax County Public Schools** to **improve our collective environment**. From this, the **Joint Environmental Task Force (JET)**, comprised of County/school staff and community partners, was formed to proactively and equitably **address climate change** and **environmental sustainability**. A year later, the JET’s Waste Management and Recycling team set a bold goal for government and schools: **Zero Waste by 2030**.[Learn more.](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/zero-waste-program) |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | Text  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |   **Gains, Gaps & Goals: The Status of Women and Girls in Fairfax County**  Last month, the **Department of Family Services**hosted a presentation from the University of Virginia (UVA) on the **status of women and girls in Fairfax County**. The presentation was followed by a panel discussion and audience Q&A session centered around a **study recently completed**. The study examined factors related to **economics, health and work-life balance** in women and girls. It found that, **like national statistics**, women and girls in Fairfax County **face inequities related to pay, education and well-being indicators**. The goal is to use this data to **support policy and resource decisions** in the future. [Learn more.](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/gains-gaps-goals-status-women-and-girls-fairfax-county) |  |  | | --- | | [Text  Description automatically generated](https://potomac.enmotive.com/events/2024-run-the-greenway-5k-10k-and-fun-run) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Four More Things To Know**   * [Mount Vernon District High School Students Win Big in Peace, Arts, Science, Sports and more!](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/VAEDUFCPS/bulletins/39464e8) * [On the Road Together: Cyclist and Driver Safety Tips](https://fcpdnews.wordpress.com/2024/04/19/on-the-road-together-cyclist-and-driver-safety-tips/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) * [Participate in Survey on Awareness of Services for Older Adults, Adults with Disabilities and Family Caregivers](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fform.jotform.com%2F240995874925071&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C67fc12155e6643b314a108dc6474f578%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638495702691672119%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=RZgOTcct%2BpG4WMueu5HGdq0KqIC113cyfTkZCql8xgQ%3D&reserved=0) * [Experience the Magic of the Wetlands at Huntley Meadows Park](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Flinks.parks.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fels%2Fv2%2Fk_RpSVrN8dBy%2FWGFsRHRnMDlGcEdaN2czVFRpU2dvRE0zeWZleHM5NkNMdmhpOUhRMnZFVHFFVko2cTJpZCtnYjF3YnNaSFRENXo2OWtGbzBLaDB0eGd4UHJTMnQxSWk4VVowemhybGRrdEwwVXJscFg1Qmc9S0%2F&data=05%7C02%7CCassidy.Donaghy%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C9deaf674cb354728867f08dc6536114c%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C638496530096089075%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ThpBU3VuzViqR%2Bx0WtSSeStJIYJ%2FwYqkKVtC2nIDgVw%3D&reserved=0) | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | |  |  | | --- | | **MVD Project Updates** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Revitalizing Richmond Highway**  We are **revitalizing our Highway** in preparation for the upcoming**Bus Rapid Transit** **(BRT) system** - "**The One"**, here are some before/after photos of the **VDOT right of way demolitions** that are helping us clean up our community. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **3101 Collard Street** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing outdoor, road, tree, sky  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | Before demolition | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing tree, road, outdoor, street  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | After demolition | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Mount Vernon Rec Center Updates**  The Mount Vernon Rec Center renovation and expansion project is **continuing on schedule**. See below for photo updates of the **new water heaters** and pumps, sector 2 **framing and roof joists** and the **mezzanine wall**. [Learn more about the project.](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/planning-development/development/mount-vernon-reccenter) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing indoor  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | New Water Heaters and Pumps | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing sky, outdoor, building, several  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | Sector 2 Framing and Roof Joists | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Mezzanine Wall | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Substantial Completion of the Riverwood Force Main Rehabilitation Project**  The Riverwood Force Main Rehabilitation Project, located at **3700 Riverwood Road, Alexandria**, included the replacement of a **673 linear foot 4-inch diameter sanitary sewer force main**. Work included bypass pumping to tie-in the new force main to the pump station and**site restoration**. A **new permanent bypass vault** was installed to facilitate quick connection to an external bypass system in the event of failure of the pump station. This project was substantially **completed on December 12, 2023**. Total Project cost was **$1,290,747**. [Learn more.](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/sites/publicworks/files/Assets/Documents/projects/2024-02-14_Riverwood-Force-Main-Rehabilitation-Project-Sub-Completion.pdf) | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing text, outdoor, dirt  Description automatically generated |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | |  |  | | --- | | [Text  Description automatically generated](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/6th-annual-environment-expo) | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [A picture containing graphical user interface  Description automatically generated](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/native-garden-tour-open-house) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | |  |  | | --- | | [Text  Description automatically generated](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/6th-annual-senior-safety-summit) |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Shape  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Visit our Website](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Mount Vernon District Office | 703-780-7518  [MTVernon@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:MTVernon@fairfaxcounty.gov) | [FairfaxCounty.gov/MountVernon](http://fairfaxcounty.gov/MountVernon) | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | STAY CONNECTED |  |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SupervisorDanStorck/)  [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/fairfaxcounty/)  [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/in/dan-storck-262737276/) | | |