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Burke Lake Golf Course Powers Up with Solar Just in Time for Earth Month

Burke Lake Golf Course is going green in a big way this Earth Month with the activation of a new 55-kilowatt rooftop solar array, now generating clean, renewable energy atop its clubhouse. This installation is part of a broader solar initiative across Fairfax County facilities and marks the third solar array to date installed by the Fairfax County Park Authority FCPA.

The new array will offset an estimated 22% of the golf center's annual electricity needs. This is enough to power six homes per year and significantly reduce the site's environmental footprint.

With a lifespan of more than 20 years, rooftop-mounted solar panels are most efficient and cost-effective when installed early in a roof's life cycle — ideally within the first five years. Because the Burke Lake Golf Center clubhouse was recently rebuilt, it was an ideal candidate for solar installation. FCPA prioritized this site accordingly and continues to assess other facilities with newer roofs for similar upgrades.

"Sustainability starts with thoughtful choices — whether it's recycling, conserving energy, or investing in renewable infrastructure," said FCPA Executive Director Jai Cole. "At Burke Lake Golf Center, we saw an opportunity to make a smart, future-focused improvement that supports the environment, enhances the guest experience, and reduces long-term costs. It's a win all around."

This solar installation was completed in partnership with Fairfax County's Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination (OEEC) and supports the county's ambitious goals for carbon neutrality. These include powering at least 50 percent of county operations with renewable energy by 2040.

"By switching on this solar array at Burke Lake Golf Center, we are taking another step towards a greener and more sustainable future for Fairfax County" said John Morrill, director of the Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination. "This effort underscores the county's commitment to reduce reliance on fossil fuels, cut energy costs, protect the environment, and advance our county's Operational Energy Strategy goals."

Burke Lake Golf Course is located at 6915 Ox Road in Fairfax Station. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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Huntley Meadows To Host Open Hire Event To Fill Camp Positions

The Fairfax County Park Authority is hosting an open hire for camp positions at Huntley Meadows Park. Job seekers are invited to the open hire on Saturday, April 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Huntley Meadows Park in Alexandria. Stop by anytime to meet staff from Huntley Meadows Park, apply for a position, interview on site and potentially walk away with a job!

Huntley Meadows Park is home to a nationally significant historic house, majestic forests, wildflower-speckled meadows and vast wetlands bursting with life. Join our team as a camp counselor or director and work in a fun, upbeat atmosphere, surrounded by nature and scenic views.

Minimum Qualifications and Requirements for Camp Staff:

- Must be 18 years of age for camp counselor and camp director positions.
- Agree to a criminal background check and have **never** been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor related to abuse, neglect, exploitation or other barrier crimes.
- Attend all mandatory staff development and training.
- Be able to obtain first aid and CPR certifications.

Summer Benefits: Summer employees will have access to use any of FCPA's Rec Centers and may be eligible for a \$500 signing bonus*. Additional benefits include opportunities for advancement and a competitive salary ranging from \$16.87 to \$19.75 per hour, depending on position and experience.

Can't make it to the Open Hire? No worries! View job ads and apply now for camp positions at the Job website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/camps/jobs.

View all employment opportunities with FCPA on the Jobs website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/jobs.

For more information, contact the Park Authority at FCPAJOBS@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-324-8792.

*Terms, conditions, and applicable tax apply.

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Park Authority Welcomes Public Comment on Proposed Dual Use Basketball and Futsal Court at Dunn Loring Park

The Fairfax County Park Authority is exploring plans to resurface and expand the existing basketball court at Dunn Loring Park. The proposed redesign would transform the current court into a dual-purpose space, combining basketball and futsal to better serve the community.

The Fairfax County Park Authority is committed to meeting the diverse recreational needs of the community. Futsal is a fast-growing sport, gaining popularity throughout the county. Most recently, the Park Authority celebrated the opening of a dual-use basketball and futsal court at Stratton Woods Park in the Hunter Mill district. If the basketball court at Dunn Loring Park is converted, it would become the fourth futsal court in the Fairfax County park system.

The public is invited to share feedback on the proposed conversion of the basketball court at Dunn Loring Park into a dual-use basketball and futsal court. Comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. on May 10, 2025. To submit comments online, visit the [PublicInput](#) project page.

Dunn Loring Park is located at 2540 Gallows Road in Vienna. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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