



## A message from Kathy Smith

There are several community events and meetings coming up. The Fairfax County Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting on the Route 28 widening project on Tuesday, April 3 at 6:30 p.m. at Union Mill Elementary School. The proposed project is from the Prince William County line to Route 29. More information is below.

The 2018 Teen Job Fair at Chantilly High School will take place on Saturday, April 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is open to all teens in Fairfax County. This event is cosponsored by my office, Chantilly HS STEM Academy, and the Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce.

It is officially spring! Hopefully that means we will not see any more snow until winter. I hope you and your family have a restful and warm spring break.

Sincerely,

*Kathy*

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## Community Meeting on Route 28 Widening



The Fairfax County Department of Transportation will hold a [public meeting](#) on the [Route 28 widening project](#), **Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.**, in the cafeteria of **Union Mill Elementary School, (13611 Springstone Drive, Clifton, VA)**.

The Route 28 corridor has experienced increased congestion for many years. The proposed project calls for widening Route 28 in Fairfax County for a distance of approximately 2.3 miles from the bridge over Bull Run to the interchange at Route 29, including:

- Adding additional lanes on side streets to improve intersections

- Upgrading traffic signals
- Improving bicycle and pedestrian connections and crossings, including new 10-foot shared-use paths on both sides of Route 28

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m., with an Open House, a formal presentation at 7:00 p.m., followed by time for questions and answers.

For more information on the Route 28 widening project, visit the project webpage at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/projects/route28-widening>.

[Fairfax County Department of Transportation \(FCDOT\)](#) ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need this information in an alternate format or would like to request reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency for events, contact FCDOT at 703-877-5600, TTY 711. Requests for assistance must be received at least 7 business days in advance of an event.

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## 2018 Teen Job Fairs

You are invited to attend the 2018 Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs and Resume Building Workshops. First jobs are important and these events help connect teens and employers face to face and prepare our youth for the workforce.

These events will focus on student job seekers (approximately ages 16 to 18) looking for 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. We ask that students [click here](#) to register.

Businesses and organizations have the opportunity to showcase their companies, brand their business in the local community, and advertise the positions they have available. It does not cost to participate. Businesses and organizations seeking to secure space at the job fair should [click here](#) to fill out the application form.

During our four job fairs last year, over 2000 Fairfax County teenagers and 120 employers attended all events combined. These job fairs provided hundreds of teenagers the opportunity to get in front of employers and for employers and volunteer organizations to find talented, driven Fairfax County students to fill their positions.

**Sully District -**

**Date:** Saturday, April 7

**Time:** 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** Chantilly High School (4201 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly, VA 20151)



# 2018 FAIRFAX COUNTY TEEN JOB FAIRS

SPONSORED BY SUPERVISOR PAT HERRITY, CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS,  
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**Saturday, March 10th**  
**1 pm to 3 pm**

**Woodson High School**

*Co-sponsored by Supervisor Linda Smyth, Supervisor John Cook, Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, and Woodson High School*

**Saturday, March 17th**  
**1 pm to 3 pm**

**South County High School**

*Co-sponsored by Supervisor Dan Storck, South Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, South County Federation, and South County High School*

**Saturday, April 7th**  
**11 am to 1 pm**

**Chantilly High School**

*Co-sponsored by Supervisor Kathy Smith, Chantilly HS STEM Academy, and Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce*

**Saturday, April 14th**  
**11 am to 1 pm**

**Mount Vernon High School**

*Co-sponsored by Supervisor Dan Storck, Supervisor Jeff McKay, Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce, and Mount Vernon High School*

**Saturday, April 21st**  
**South Lakes High School**  
**11 am to 1 pm**

*Co-sponsored by Supervisor Cathy Hudgins and Reston Chamber of Commerce*

**Saturday, April 28th**  
**12 noon to 2 pm**

**West Springfield High School**

*Co-sponsored by West Springfield HS Student Government Association and Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce*

**Employers & Students  
Register Here:  
[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/  
springfield/teenjobfairs](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/teenjobfairs)**

- Full time employment
- After-school employment
- Seasonal positions
- Internship opportunities
- Volunteer experiences

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## Save the Date! Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout: Saturday, April 28



Take advantage of a free, convenient, confidential, and safe disposal of unused or expired medications during Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout on Saturday, April 28, 2018. Drop off medications at any of the eight [Fairfax County District Police Stations](#) (pills or liquids only, no pressurized canisters or needles) between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout is a partnership with local businesses in collaboration with the following Fairfax County government departments: [Police](#), [Health](#), [Public and Private Partnerships](#), [Neighborhood and Community Services](#), [Public Works and Environmental Services](#), and the [Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board](#).

Drug take back programs are important because they are a safe method for disposing of prescription drugs and are organized and closely monitored by local, state, and federal government agencies.

[Safe disposal](#) of unused or expired medications prevents drug abuse and misuse, accidental poisoning, and protects the environment. Learn more about the prescription

drug take-back programs.

**Saturday, April 28, 2018**

**10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

- Drop off unused or expired medications at a [Fairfax County Police district station](#) (pills or liquids only, no pressurized canisters or needles)
- Disposal is FREE, convenient, confidential, and safe
- Safe handling of unused or expired medications:
  - Prevents accidental poisoning
  - Protects the environment
  - Prevents drug abuse

#### Drop-Off Sites:

- [Fair Oaks District Station](#)  
12300 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax, VA 22033
- [Franconia District Station](#)  
6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310
- [Mason District Station](#)  
6507 Columbia Pike , Annandale, VA 22003
- [McLean District Station](#)  
1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean, VA 22101
- [Mount Vernon District Station](#)  
2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306
- [Reston District Station](#)  
12000 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston, VA 20190
- [Sully District Station](#)  
4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151
- [West Springfield District Station](#)  
6140 Rolling Road, Springfield, VA 22152

Need help with a substance abuse issue?:

Call the [Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board](#) -

- [Emergency Services](#) (24/7) – 703-573-5679 (TTY 711)
  - [Fairfax Detoxification Center](#) (24/7) – 703-502-7000 (TTY 703-322-9080)
  - CSB Entry & Referral Services – 703-383-8500
  - **Call 911 for life-threatening emergencies**
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## Events at E.C. Lawrence Park



### [Centreville Treasures Transcribe-a-Thon](#)

**Saturday, March 24**

**10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Help tell the story of our community's history as Ellanor C. Lawrence Park hosts its second transcribe-a-thon in partnership with Centreville Regional Library. Participants of all ages can try their hand at reading 19th century documents related to the Machen family who lived at Walney, and help Park staff transcribe these documents. Cost: Free.

### [Vernal Pools Campfire](#)

**Friday, March 30**

**7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

Vernal pools are one of our parks most fascinating and elusive ecosystem. Join us after



hours as we hike the trails and search for signs of new amphibian life. Learn about the life cycle and early development of local amphibians, hike the trails at night and end roasting s'mores over a campfire. Cost: \$30 (county resident); \$32 (non-resident).

### [Historic Survival Skills](#)

**Monday, April 16**

**9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

In this one-day workshop, learn how Centreville soldiers and civilians survived. Drill with a reenactor, play historic baseball and parlor games, and create a regimental flag. End your day by building a fire and cooking hardtack over an open hearth. Ages: 6 to adult. Cost: \$70 (county resident); \$85 (non-resident).

Ellanor C. Lawrence Park is located at 5040 Walney Road in Chantilly, VA. For more information, visit [Ellanor C. Lawrence Park](#) or call 703-631-0013.

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## Fairfax County Board, Authorities, and Commissions (BACs)

### **VOLUNTEER IN SULLY DISTRICT BOARDS, AUTHORITIES & COMMISSIONS**

[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bacs](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bacs)

Are you, or someone you know, interested in volunteering as a Sully district appointee? The Sully District currently has four vacancies for which we are considering candidates.

If you are interested in serving on a committee, please contact the Sully District office at [sully@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:sully@fairfaxcounty.gov), or by phone at 703-814-7100. Please be prepared to provide a current résumé.

#### **CURRENT VACANCIES INCLUDE**



**Animal  
Services  
Advisory  
Commission**



**Board of Building &  
Fire Prevention Code  
Appeals**  
(professional  
experience required)



**Barbara  
Varon  
Volunteer  
Award**



**Consumer  
Protection  
Commission**



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## Volunteer Opportunity in Sully



### Cub Run Stream Valley Park Volunteer

The Cub Run Stream Valley Park volunteers are a group of active local citizens with the intent to create a strong, more resilient community focused around the vibrant Cub Run Stream Valley Park. People who are consistently exposed to green spaces, live an active lifestyle, and have a solid "face-to-face" social network have less mental stress, are happier, healthier, and able to face the inevitable swings life will bring. Their motto is Preserve, Share, Connect. There are several volunteer opportunities available with this group.

Click on the links below for details about each position:

- [Deputy Team Lead](#)
- [Community Liaison](#)
- [Government Liaison](#)
- [Nature Journalist](#)
- [Site Lead](#)

- [Trail Liaison](#)

**Contact:**

Ann Shields

703-814-7788

[Ann.Shields@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Ann.Shields@fairfaxcounty.gov)

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## Video - Women's History Month Honoree, Laura Harris



For many years, Laura Harris has led collaborative and innovative efforts to eliminate domestic violence from Fairfax County and to make victims and their children safer.

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## Economic Indicators: County Unemployment 2.6%; Lowest Since 2008



The latest economic indicators report is out so you can see what's up and what's down in our economy. This new report shows positive news on jobs and home sales prices in Fairfax County.

These monthly [economic indicators](#) serve as one of the tools used by the Board of Supervisors, county executive and budget staff to make decisions on the county's budget. The county executive presented his [proposed FY 2019 budget](#) on Feb. 20 and residents are encouraged to [provide input to the Board of Supervisors](#) through mid-April.

[Read The Latest Report](#)

## What's Up in Economic News:

▲ **Jobs:** December's unemployment rate in the county decreased 0.4 percentage point to 2.6 percent, the lowest level since 2008. The number of unemployed residents decreased over the month from 18,780 to 16,677.

▲ **Home Prices:** The average sales price of all homes that sold in January in our county was \$560,919, an increase of 2.8 percent over the January 2017 average sales price of \$545,772.

▲ **Tax Receipts:** Sales tax receipts distributed to Fairfax County in February for retail purchases made in December were \$18.6 million, an increase of 0.9 percent over February 2017. Through the first seven months of FY 2018 (July 2017 – January 2018), sales tax receipts are up 3 percent over FY 2017.

## What's Down:

▼ **Inventory of Homes for Sale:** The number of active listings in the county in January was 1,515, a decrease of 23.4 percent from the 1,977 listings in January 2017.

▼ **Home Sales Volume:** In January, 786 homes were sold in the county, a decrease of 1 percent from the 794 homes sold in January 2017.

## Learn More:

The county has a strategic roadmap to grow and expand our economy. Learn more about the [Economic Success Plan](#).

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# John Hudson Internship Program



The John Hudson Internship Program is a paid summer internship program in Fairfax County Government for college students and recent graduates with disabilities.

**Application materials are due on April 20, 2018.** You can download the application [online](#). Please refer to the FAQs if you have questions about the program. If your question is not addressed or you need a reasonable ADA accommodation, contact Claudia Vila at [Claudia.vila@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Claudia.vila@fairfaxcounty.gov).

- [Internship guidelines and eligibility requirements](#)
- [Frequently asked questions](#)
- Internship position descriptions
  - [Alcohol Safety Action Program Intern](#)
  - [Information Technology Intern](#)
  - [Professional and Organizational Development Intern](#)
  - [Human Services Transportation Intern](#)

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## Animal Shelter Corner



### Meet Louis!

**Age:** 8y

**Gender:** Male

**Color:** Brindle

**Spayed/Neutered:** Yes

**Size:** Extra-large

Someone better hurry up and adopt Louis because the staff and volunteers at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter are falling hard for this big boy and may just have to



keep him as their shelter mascot! He is one of the most lovable, sweet, and helpful dogs they've ever had! He's already spent a busy Saturday in their adoption office providing assistance to the public and overseeing operations, including the protection of a staff member's breakfast (although they think he had ulterior motives there). He then went home with one of their foster families and kept a very close eye on them all weekend as they did projects around the house - just to make sure they did it right. He even helped test the couch to make sure it was big enough for his 100 pound frame.

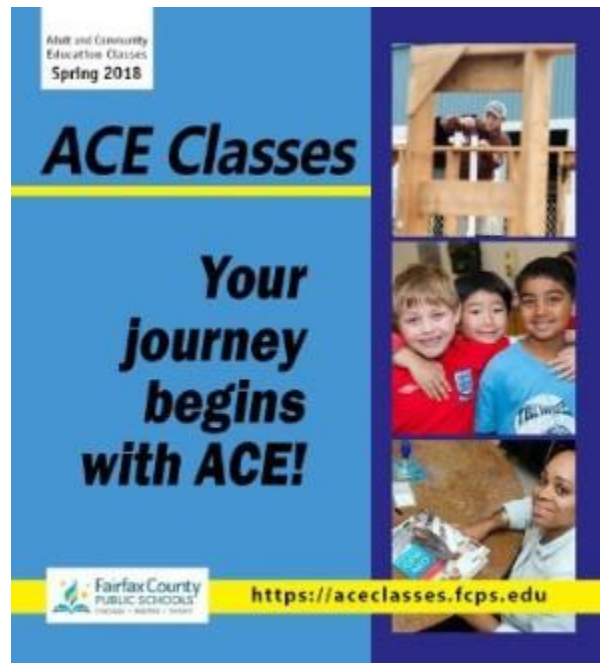
He really is just a big love bug! This is what his foster mom had to say about him: "Louis is such an easy going dog! Loves to run in the yard, fetch balls, and explore, walks easily on a leash, knows how to sit, shake, and lay down. He very much enjoyed having the couch all to himself whenever possible, but he also loves to cuddle when he can! I hope he finds a home quickly!"

Louis is an older, distinguished boy who may prefer to be an only dog and loves being around his people so much that he would prefer not being left alone for long periods. He's just looking for a loving home to spend his golden years - preferably one with a big, comfy couch!

For more information about Louis, please contact the Fairfax County Animal Shelter at 703-830-1100, or by email at [animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov).

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## Register Now for Spring 2018 Adult and Community Education Classes



Register now for spring 2018 Adult and Community Education (ACE) classes. ACE offers a wide variety of programs for the community ranging from career classes to enrichment for both adults and K-12 students. Upcoming courses include: Tax Planning Changes Are Here: Be Proactive, Perfecting Your Interview Skills, Gluten Free Baking, Introduction to Filmmaking, and more! [Spring course offerings are available online](https://aceclasses.fcps.edu), and registration may be completed online, by phone, by mail, or in person.

The course catalog, *ACE Classes*, is currently being mailed to Fairfax County residents and is also available at Fairfax County public libraries and at the Sully Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151). Explore a new career, discover a new hobby, and connect with your community...your journey begins with ACE!

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