

Shreveport Ridge Community News

Week of May 1, 2020



Hello to all my friends at Shreveport Ridge!

It's been a long time without seeing you and I hope you continue to stay safe and healthy. Just in time for Mother's Day, I am pleased to let you know that we have a limited supply of diapers thanks to our friends at Home Aid. Please e-mail me if you need some.



Child Care & Baby Supplies

◆ Child Care Aware of Virginia helps families locate child

care. Visit vachildcare.com

- ◆ Loudoun County Health Department's Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program provides services through virtual visits. Call 703-777-0239.
- ◆ Mobile Hope provides diapers and food assistance. Call 703-771-1400.
- ◆ Women Giving Back provides groceries with a limited supply of diaper, wipes, formula, baby food, toiletries, and feminine products; no-contact drive-thru in Sterling. Call 703-928-0903.
- ◆ INMED's Family and Youth Opportunity Center provides diapers, wipes, and some food. Call 703-729-4951 or email rtobar@inmed.org.
- ◆ It Takes a Village Baby provides baby gear and supplies. Email lauren@itavb.org or visit itavb.org.

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COVID-19 Updates



Was Your Job Impacted by COVID-19?

Loudoun Economic Development is offering a new service for workers negatively impacted by COVID-19, including a first-of-its-kind open jobs portal that compiles all open positions by Loudoun employers into one sortable tool. The career opportunities featured on this site can be filtered to match your needs and the criteria you value in your next job. **Online:** [https://](https://biz.loudoun.gov/loudounjobs/)

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For assistance, call: **(703) 777-0426**

- **Crossroads Jobs** provides services virtually, including orientation classes in English and Spanish. Call 703-771-4112 or visit crossroadsjobs.org.
- **Stimulus Checks** - If you have not received your check yet please call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. They are available from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday thru Friday. **The best time to call is early in the morning.** The first question the automated system will ask you is to choose your language. Once you've set your language, do NOT choose Option 1 (regarding refund info.) Or visit <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/non-filers-enter-payment-info-here>

Staying Home Information



Do I Qualify for Unemployment Benefits During COVID19?

The Virginia Employment Commission (VEC) administers the unemployment insurance program that provides temporary financial assistance to **individuals who become unemployed through no fault of their own**. Benefits are paid through taxes on employers covered under the Virginia Unemployment Compensation Act. No part of the cost of your unemployment benefits is deducted from your earnings. Your name and social security number will be cross-matched with the Social Security Administration to verify your identity. *** PLEASE APPLY IF YOU ARE UNSURE***

The Federal government has allowed state to change their unemployment benefits laws. It lets them provide unemployment benefits for situations related to COVID-19 :

- ◆ **Self-employed workers and gig workers**
To receive unemployment benefits .
- ◆ **All unemployed workers to receive an extra \$600 a week for up to six months.**
- ◆ Unemployed workers to get an extra 13 weeks of benefits beyond the number a state currently provide.

File a New Claim for Unemployment Benefits:

1. Online
 - [English](#)
 - [Español](#)
2. By Phone:
 - Call 1-866-832-2363
Available 8:15am to 4:30pm, Monday - Friday, and Saturday between 9am and 1pm (closed Sunday holidays).

Staying Safe from Online Predators

As kids are home from school, many of them are spending more and more time online, making them more likely to encounter online child predators. Here are some guidelines to teach your kids:

- **Avoid using suggestive screen names or photos**
- **Never give out your full name, family names, address or financial information**
- **If someone is flattering you online, you should be wary**
- **Don't talk to anyone who wants to get too personal**
- **Remember that people are not always who they say they are**
- **Never arrange to meet with someone you met online**
- **Tell a parent or trusted adult if you encounter a problem**

For more tips and links on how to talk to your kids about this issue, visit: <https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/internetsafetyforkids/staying-safe-from-online-predators/1/>

LOUDOUN COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING PRESENTS

COFFEE CHAT with Lori



If you are a caregiver for a loved one or if you are an older adult (60+) in need of support during this difficult time, connect virtually (*FaceTime or by phone*) over coffee with Lori.

To be connected with Area Agency on Aging programs and services, and other community resources, please call 703-777-0257 to speak with an Aging Program Specialist.

To sign-up, send an email to aaasupport@loudoun.gov or call 571-233-2583



For more information about the Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging, visit www.loudoun.gov/aaa or call 703-777-0257