

Fauquier County Community News

January 2021



Happy New Year Neighbors,

2020 is finally over, and we are looking forward to a new year of exciting programs and supportive services for all residents. In 2021, the K-8 Horizons Afterschool Enrichment program continues in full swing as do our Teen Night and Community Food Distribution Programs.

This month, in honor of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we will be hosting a three-week series for teens and young adults about the Civil Rights Movement. Topics will include "The March Continues", "How Democracy Works" and which will conclude with "Democracy in Action" to conclude on Inauguration Day -- January 20th Those interested in signing up or learning more are encouraged to call or email the office for more details. The office is closed on January 1 and 20. We are open January 18.

The start of January is the start of a new tax filing season. While the deadline to file is April 15, did you know that you can file your taxes now and avoid the rush? Households who earn less than \$65,000 a year can find a list of free tax preparation resources at <https://apps.irs.gov/app/freeFile/>.

As always ,if you need masks, paper products, cleaning supplies or canned goods please contact the office. We have these items in stocks for your convenience.

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Community Updates

FCPS

- January 1- 4 Winter Break/ No School
- January 5- Teacher Workday/ No School
- January 18- MLK Holiday/No School

Horizons Afterschool Program

Arts, Crafts, Reading and Math Enrichment and now snacks too! It is not too late to register your child. Horizons students receive weekly kits with activities designed by FCPS Teachers, Fauquier Parks and Rec Group Leaders and Virginia Department of Education partners. In 2021, we are adding weekly snacks too! Contact Yanriell for more information.

Free WiFi Locations:

Northern Fauquier Community Park, Bradley Elementary, Marshall Annex, Marshall Middle, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Grace Episcopal Church

New Community Visits Schedule

Visit the your Community Resource Table which will be set up and stocked with can goods, paper products, and literature. Just look for the table on Friday 1/8 and Friday 1/22. Staff will available onsite at Lee Street from 1 to 1:30 pm, Piedmont Lane from 2:00 to 2:45 pm, and at Washburn Place from 3:15 to 4:30 pm. For those, who are currently unable to visit the Resource Table, please call or email the office to have a care package placed at your door during a contactless visit.

Nest to Wings

For families who want a safe, convenient, and cost effective child care option for children aged 0 to 5 years, Windy Hill Foundation is currently offering scholarships to attend one of two Montessori schools in either The Plains or Marshall. Don't allow this wonderful gift of learning pass you by.

Teen Night

Teen Night is designed for youth aged 13 to 18. Enroll today and receive a new activity monthly. The next teen night is scheduled for Friday, January 15.

Cake 4 Kids

Let us help you celebrate your special occasion or child's birthday. We just need two weeks notice and your order information. Your bakery items will then be delivered to our Middleburg location. This service is free and includes no contact delivery.

Safer at Home Information

People Inc. Rent and Mortgage Relief Program



The Rent and Mortgage Relief Program (RMRP) will help eligible families who have experienced a loss of income due to the COVID-19 pandemic avoid eviction and foreclosure on their homes. Assistance will include payments past due beginning April 1, 2020 and onward. Payments will be made directly to the landlord or mortgage lending institution. People Inc. is offering the RMRP in:

- Bristol City
- Buchanan County
- City of Winchester
- Clarke County
- Culpeper County
- Dickenson County
- Fauquier County
- Frederick County
- Madison County
- Orange County
- Page County
- Rappahannock County
- Russell County
- Shenandoah County
- Tazewell County
- Warren County
- Washington County

Eligible recipients must have documentation confirming a lease or mortgage in their name, rent or mortgage amount that is below 150% Fair Market Rate and meet certain income requirements. People Inc. will help determine eligibility.

Call: 833-437-0114

Visit: www.dhcd.virginia.gov/rmrp

Funding provided by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)



Scholarship opportunities for HS Seniors

Applications are currently open for current HS Seniors interested in studying criminal justice and must be submitted by May 1, 2021 at Visit <https://vasheriffsinstitute.org/scholarship/>



All graduating HS Seniors are invited to apply for Windy Hill Foundation's Horizons Scholarship program. Contact Yanriell for more information.



Dates to Remember

January 1 - New Years Day - Offices Closed
January 18 - Martin Luther King Jr Day - Offices Open
January 20 - Inauguration Day - Offices Closed

Free Non-Emergency Transportation

The FAMS (Foothills Area Mobility System) is available to everyone for transport to medical appointments, work, interviews, social events, shopping trips, travel, etc.

To set up a ride call **540-829-5300**.



Governor Northam Announces New Mitigation Measures to Slow COVID-19 Spread

On Thursday, December 10th, Governor Ralph Northam announced new, targeted measures to slow the spread of COVID-19 as new cases and hospitalizations continue to rise in all areas of the Commonwealth.

Executive Order Seventy-Two directs Virginians to stay at home between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m., implements a universal mask requirement, and lowers the limit on social gatherings from 25 people to 10 people. The order will take effect at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, December 14th, and remain in place through January 31, 2021, unless rescinded or amended.

