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Civic Association Issues

CCCA Meeting September 12

Arlington County Board Chair Christian Dorsey and Vice Chair Libby Garvey held a conversation on their vision for Crystal City and the "Livability Framework" at our September 12 meeting. Both recognized this is



an exciting time for Crystal City and a time to accelerate the 2010 Crystal City Sector Plan. They praised the "Livability Framework" that will help move us towards a place where people can live, connect, and enjoy. Mr. Dorsey encouraged us to share it with other Civic Associations and to keep it "up front" as our "North Star" in development meetings. Ms. Garvey emphasized the importance of innovative solutions, including "District Energy" and cooperation with Alexandria. Both consider the Virginia Tech Innovation Center to be a future "engine" for the area. Key topics during the Q&A session were: pedestrian safety and scooters; affordable housing and housing affordability ("the missing middle"); and cultural assets (The Connection Library, Syntetic Theater, etc.). A more detailed summary will eventually be posted on the website as Minutes of the meeting.

Livability Framework

Recognizing that the pace of development in the 22202 area is expected to surge from mid-2019 onwards, and that recent community forums have shown that livability is a primary concern in our neighborhoods, the leadership of Crystal City, Aurora Highlands and Arlington Ridge Civic Associations coordinated to develop a "Livability Framework" ([click here to download](#)). This document articulates a vision for an integrated, holistic approach to achieving a highly livable community across our diverse neighborhoods and defines a set of livability

themes and specific elements. The goal is to encourage a collaborative engagement among residents, the County, developers, property owners and businesses and other organizations to develop and implement an integrated holistic approach to achieving livability across our community. It's a "living document" and we welcome feedback to our email address: board@crystalcitycivic.org. We are currently summarizing a list of "asks" on community benefits. This will be a topic of conversation at the SPRC meeting on MetPark October 14.

November General CCCA Meeting and Elections

Save the Date: Our **November 13** meeting will be organized around development updates for Crystal City, with representatives from JBG Smith and our Crystal City County Planner Matt Matauszek (who will talk on the SPRC process). We will have brief elections for four offices at the beginning of the meeting: President, Secretary, Membership Liaison, and Communications Director. In addition, BID President Tracy Gabriel will give a brief explanation of the BID's expansion to Pentagon City and Potomac Yard/Arlington. Details will be issued to members in October.

Amazon in Crystal City

Managing the "Amazon Effect"

On **Oct. 1**, the Arlington County Board and Alexandria City Council will hold a joint work session to discuss HQ2. The Arlington County Board and Alexandria City Council will consider ways they can cooperate to manage the growth expected from Amazon's HQ2, Virginia Tech's Innovation Campus and George Mason's School of Computing during a joint work session on Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019. The elected bodies of the two jurisdictions will meet from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Gunston Community Center, 2700 S. Lang Street, in Arlington. The meeting is open to the public, but no public comment will be taken. [Read more here.](#)

Want a job at Amazon? HQ2 exec shares tips at company's career day event.

Thousands turned out to the affair, which was held at 1102 S. Eads St., a building Amazon now refers to as

"The Grounds," just a few blocks away from the site of the company's planned HQ2 development. The line, which started around South Eads Street and 12th Street



South, stretched to Army Navy Drive, turned and reached a service entrance at the DoubleTree by Hilton. The event was billed as an opportunity for people to learn about

the company and talk to those who already work for Amazon. Similar events were held in five other cities. The company has 30,000 openings in the United States, about 200 of which are in Northern Virginia and about 80 are for HQ2-specific jobs. [Read more here.](#) [And here.](#) [And here.](#)

Amazon employees will pay to park at HQ2. Plus, colorful new Met Park renderings.

Amazon employees who opt to drive to work — something the company has actively discouraged — will have to pay for parking in the HQ2 garage, a fee the company presented as a means of lowering congestion on Arlington streets and prodding employees to public transportation. Beyond the garage, some of the most significant changes in Amazon's transportation plan come along South Eads Street. The plan still calls for some street parking around Met Park, but it now includes zones for ride-share and taxi pickups near the three-way intersection of South Eads and 14th Street, which would be created when 14th Street is extended through the development. South Eads could also get nearly a quarter mile of protected bike lanes along the HQ2 buildings and on east side of The Bartlett, a JBG Smith Properties-owned apartment tower (JBG Smith is the HQ2 development manager).

As for the building architecture, Amazon has provided some clarity with regard to materials, with colorful glass and metal fins, terracotta and metal panels meant to distinguish the 22-story towers from each other. It has also released new images of the rooftop space and the HQ2 meeting center, which may be available for community use after business hours. [Read more here.](#)

Amazon: 60 hired for future HQ2 in Arlington

Amazon is on track to hire by the end of the year 400 people for its planned \$2.5 billion headquarters in Arlington and Alexandria dubbed HQ2 and National Landing, said Ardine Williams, Amazon's vice president of people operations and workforce development for the site. [Read more here.](#)

Dogs and Amazon HQ2

In Bellevue, Washington, a city across Lake Washington from HQ1, policy makers are wondering how they will deal with the dog pee that will threaten their streetscapes as Amazon leases 1 million square feet in their city, according to reporting from the Puget Sound Business Journal. Bellevue is expecting 4,500 Amazon employees by 2022. Arlington could see nearly 5,000 in the same year. That's a lot of canines.

Who is at HQ2: In Arlington, the tech-juggernaut remains in its pupa stage and hasn't posted many HQ2 specific jobs since we last met. But that doesn't mean Amazonians aren't on the hunt. [Read more here.](#)

Jeff Bezos wants Amazon to hit carbon neutrality by 2040. HQ2 will play a big role.

Jeff Bezos is committing to move Amazon.com Inc. (NASDAQ: AMZN) to net-zero carbon emissions by 2040 as part of a broader private sector climate change initiative — and he says the company's Arlington headquarters will play a major part in meeting that goal. [Read more here.](#)

Amazon broadens its partnership with Virginia schools

Following this summer's unveiling of two four-year degree programs centered on cloud computing, Amazon Web Services upped the ante Friday, extending its curriculum to select universities, community colleges and even four K-12 school districts in the commonwealth. For the cloud service giant — a subsidiary of Amazon — the expansion doubles down on its investment in workforce development in Virginia, which is already home to the company's impending HQ2 headquarters in Arlington and an already substantial federal cloud business in Herndon. [Read more here.](#)

We toured an Amazon fulfillment center. Here's what we saw

Amazon has swung open the doors to nearly 50 fulfillment centers and invited the world to take a glimpse at the technologies and processes that have disrupted the retail and shipping industry. The company started aggressively promoting these tours over the last few months as criticism of harsh working conditions became increasingly publicized. [Read more here.](#)

Urban Agriculture Group Seeking Farm at Amazon's HQ2

An urban agriculture group wants in on one of the most elusive spaces in town: Amazon's new headquarters in Pentagon City. The Arlington Friends of Urban Agriculture (FOUA) have formally submitted a request

for less than 2% (or 1,000 square feet) of the upcoming HQ2 campus to become a urban farm space. [Read more here.](#)

Crystal City in Development

Arlington County Debuts Signage for 'Boeing Fields at Long Bridge Park'

Arlington County has debuted signage for the newly-renamed "Boeing Fields at Long Bridge Park" in recognition of Boeing Company's donation of \$10 million to the county park.

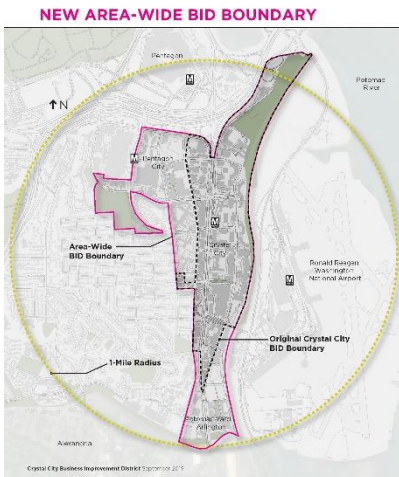


The new sign at the athletic complex was unveiled September 18 during a ceremony at the park. Boeing CEO Dennis Muilenburg,

County Board Chair Christian Dorsey and County Manager Mark Schwartz spoke at the event. Boeing's donation will help to cover the maintenance and operation expenses of Long Bridge Park, which is adjacent to the aerospace giant's D.C. area headquarters in Crystal City. [Read more here.](#) [Here's the County's press release.](#)

Crystal City BID Expansion Approved

The Arlington County Board approved the expansion of the BID's boundaries September 21 to include the



interconnected portions of Pentagon City and Potomac Yard. This area is in the midst of a remarkable transformation, and the updated boundaries will better position the BID to build on the momentum that is already underway. To read more about the Crystal City BID's expansion, [click](#)

[here.](#)

Crystal City BID Expansion Celebration

You're Invited. Join the Crystal City BID and stakeholders to celebrate the expansion of the organization's boundaries to include Pentagon City and the Arlington portion of Potomac Yard. The Open House, scheduled for Tuesday, **October 8 and 15, 2019** from 6 pm to 7:30 pm, will include opportunities to meet and discuss the expansion with BID staff and to learn more about how this strategic move affects our area's priorities and brand story.

Location: Main Floor Conference Center, 251 18th Street South, Arlington, Virginia. [Please RSVP](#) for this free event.

Crystal City Held a Contest for a New Mural— Here Are the Five Finalists

Long before Crystal City became the site of HQ2, Synetic Theater was one of the neighborhood's few



cultural draws. So it seems only fair that its drab exterior become one of the earliest beneficiaries of

efforts to beautify the area as Amazon's presence there builds. The Crystal City BID and Amazon's landlord JBG Smith sponsored a contest to find a muralist to give the theater a colorful facelift. Arlington County and the theater itself were also partners in the effort. Since the call for entries went out in July, 24 submissions have rolled in from around the world. They've since been narrowed to five finalists. No matter which design is chosen, turning the building into a public art piece will no doubt improve the view for the Amazon employees moving into the offices next door at 1800 South Bell Street. The BID says a winner will be announced in October, and the mural is slated to be finished by year-end. [Read more here.](#)

It's a slow walk to a pedestrian link between Crystal City and Reagan National Airport (notice we didn't say bridge)

Plans are slowly coming together for a pedestrian connection linking Reagan National Airport to Crystal City, one of the crucial transportation improvements Arlington pitched when luring Amazon to the area. County officials are gearing up to ask for \$18 million in regional transportation funding for the project. Should that be approved, Arlington would have most of the cash it needs to pay for the roughly \$40 million effort, after earning \$9.5 million in state funding back in June. But

anyone with a flight to catch shouldn't plan on walking to National anytime soon — the Arlington County Board is aiming to score that \$18 million in fiscal years 2024 or 2025. The board is expected to sign off on that request this weekend when it outlines its asks for the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, which distributes select sales tax revenues to transportation projects around the region. [Read more here.](#)

Major Changes Coming to Boundary Channel Drive and I-395 Interchange

Plans call for overhauling the existing, difficult-to-navigate interchange near the Pentagon and Crystal City with two rotaries, to be installed on either side of I-395.



The 150 and 160-foot wide rotaries aim to merge traffic from Boundary Channel Drive and the Pentagon Access Road on the left,

and the Boundary Channel and Long Bridge Drive on the right. The project would remove I-395's two southbound loop ramp, and add a new multi-use trail, shared by cyclists and pedestrians, connecting the Mt. Vernon Trail to Long Bridge Park. The project will be managed by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and is expected to cost around \$17 million. [Read more here.](#)

You May Be Able to Take Your Drink to Go Near HQ2

Developer JBG Smith may be planning to let people sip alcohol as they browse shops and sit outdoors in shopping areas near Amazon's future headquarters in Pentagon City and Crystal City. One place in the Crystal City, Pentagon City and Potomac Yard area — dubbed "National Landing" — at which the developer could use the license would be its Crystal Square project. The project aims to redevelop the block of Crystal Drive into a "retail hub" between 15th Street S. and 18th Street S. [Read more here.](#)

Route 1 Signs Changed to Richmond Highway

On Sept. 5, the first Richmond Highway sign was installed on Route 1 in Crystal City. All the signs along Route 1 in Arlington will be replaced to reflect the road's new name. The name change was



approved by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) in May, after a request by the Arlington County Board. [See the video here.](#)

The Over 5,000 Units Headed to National Landing

Good overview of the plans (not necessarily approved) for development in the 2202 area. [Read the article here.](#)

Approximate Timeline for JBG Developments

JBG Smith is working on development of 9 buildings in Crystal City and Pentagon City, and 7 of them are residential buildings. 1770 Crystal Drive is under construction. 1800 S. Bell Street is currently completing renovation to be occupied for several years by Amazon and will eventually be redeveloped in the future. PenPlace is yet to be determined.

Several site plans have already been submitted to the County, are either in the SPRC process (Met Park and 1900 Crystal Drive) or awaiting scheduling, or expected during late 2019 or early 2020:

- 2001 Richmond Highway
- 2525 Crystal Drive
- 223 23rd Street/2300 Crystal
- 101 12th Street.

Timing for the SPRC process depends on the County, and just about every night until the end of the year is being scheduled for reviews. But JBG hopes to receive County approval for all of the new site plans by the middle of 2020. If so, then construction might start on at least three of the projects in 2020 with the other residential buildings to follow in 2021, while the two office buildings need a tenant to start.

Crystal Drive Two-Way Conversion Phase 3

We're nearing the end of the project, which means the start of two-way operations on this section of Crystal Drive is getting closer. Stay tuned for details on the switchover from one-way to two-way! The contractor has completed the streetscape work associated with realigning South Clark Street, 27th Street South and Crystal Drive. Crews are working on installing new traffic signs and modifying existing traffic signals for the final traffic pattern change. Milling and paving of Crystal Drive and 27th Street is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, Sept. 17 and will take approximately 10 working days, weather permitting. Expect temporary lane closures during this operation. [Visit the project page](#)

South Clark-Bell Street Demolition

As crews work on the Route 1 bridge deck wall adjacent to 18th Street South, there will be daily lane and/or

sidewalk closures on 18th Street between South Eads and South Bell Streets. The closures are scheduled to start Monday, Sept. 23 and are expected to continue for four weeks. The closures will be in place each weekday from 8 am to 4 pm. One lane in each direction of 18th Street will remain open during this work, and one sidewalk along this section of the street will remain open at all times.

[Visit the project page](#)

23rd Street Pedestrian Tunnel Closed

The 23rd Street tunnel has been closed permanently since September 3 and the Virginia Department of Transportation is mobilizing a contractor to begin deconstruction of the tunnel's above-ground structures. During demolition, there will be temporary lane closures and sidewalk closures on westbound 23rd Street and southbound Route One.

Docks for Electric Scooters Come to Crystal City, With More On the Way

New scooter docks have been added to Crystal City in an effort to curb intrusive sidewalk scooter parking. Eight new docks from the electric scooter company Spin were placed throughout Crystal City last week after their debut in D.C., with two more expected to be added sometime in the next week. "Spin is one of the operators that has been participating in Arlington's [scooter] pilot," said Rob Mandle, chief operating officer of the Crystal City BID. "They reached out to us about a pilot that they had initiated, rolling out in D.C. to provide a dock solution." Mandle said the BID is working on getting locations spread out across Crystal City, Pentagon City and Arlington's portion of Potomac Yard.

[Read more here.](#)

Housing Index: Still hard to find a house near Amazon HQ2, and prices are still climbing

The median sale price for all home types in the 22202 ZIP code, where Amazon is building and staffing up HQ2, was \$749,000 in August. It's a 23% jump since the company made its HQ2 announcement in November 2018 and a 30% year-over-year increase. However, it is a drop from the wild July numbers. The biggest gain was in HQ2's backyard, as Arlington experienced a 12.4% year-over-year increase to \$635,000. In the District, median sale prices rose to \$571,000, up about 2% compared with last year. Only Falls Church saw a year-over-year price drop, to \$741,288, down nearly 15%.

[Read more here.](#)

National Park Service: E-Bikes Now Allowed on Mt. Vernon Trail

Cyclists can now ride e-bikes around national parks, including the Mt. Vernon Trail along the GW Parkway,

thanks to a recent policy change from the National Park Service. According to the NPS e-bike policy, bike speeds of up to 28 mph will be allowed in all national parks. However, similar to traditional bicycles, e-bikes will not be permitted in designated wilderness areas. [Read more here.](#)

Transportation Projects

Federal projects:

[Arlington National Cemetery Southern Expansion](#): This complex proposal, which includes removing Southgate Road and making major changes to Columbia Pike between both intersections with Washington Boulevard, significantly shortening Joyce St., and remodeling the ramps to and from Washington Boulevard, will have major impacts on all travel modes to and from Columbia Pike. The devil is in the details. See the County [project site](#) as well.

[Memorial Circle](#): Goal is to improve flow for all traffic modes in this area. If it works, cyclists and peds will have an alternative safe path to travel north towards Rosslyn and beyond.

Trains, Planes, and Boats:

[Long Bridge Project](#): This long term project will increase rail capacity over the Potomac, including allowing more commuting and passenger trains, some of which could stop in Crystal City (e.g. MARC trains). The current proposal included a separate bike-ped bridge that will start at the end of Long Bridge Park, have a connection to the MVT, and connect on the DC side. The Long Bridge Project is one of the regional projects that will have a huge impact on 22202 transportation options.

[DC to Richmond High Speed Rail](#): This would be a terrific new way to get to Richmond if it includes a station in Crystal City.

[VRE Crystal City Station Improvements](#): These improvements will provide space for both additional trains and longer trains – and be a key link in the proposed CC2DCA connection. However, some local residents do not find the proposed station to be a positive change.

[Project Journey @ Reagan National Airport](#): Project Journey will provide a new 14-gate concourse and [new security checkpoints](#). The proposed CC2DCA connection would connect close to the new airport security checkpoints as well. Meanwhile, 22202 is impacted by the [construction](#), detours, and temporary moving of the ride-share/limo parking to Eads. When the project is completed, the airport can handle significantly more flights, a mixed blessing for 22202. More travel options and more traffic,

more noise (and don't forget the [helicopters](#)). But we are lucky that we can walk to a major airport!

[Gravelly Point Water Taxi](#) – it's not here yet – but it would be great! Commuting by kayak and canoe are also options.

[Arlington County Projects:](#)

General links to 22202 projects: This County projects page links to projects by area. Check out projects – including parks – for Crystal City, Pentagon City, and Arlington Ridge.

Projects that will help us get out of 22202: [Army-Navy Complete Street](#) (improvements will provide safer links for cyclists – 1-06 BE); [Boundary Channel Drive](#) (all modes of transportation can go north from Long Bridge – this is a major bike/ped improvement – 1-07 BE); [DCA South Ped Access](#) (this will provide another way to walk to/from the airport – similar to 2-17 BE); [Short Bridge Park](#) – The first phase of development is a multi-use ADA-accessible connection between Route One and 4MRT. [The Long Bridge Park Aquatics & Fitness Center and Park Expansion](#) is designed to be able to connect to the MVT and beyond (see Long Bridge Project above).

[Long Bridge EIS Finalized](#)

The [Long Bridge DRAFT EIS Section 4F](#) is now out. Public comments may be submitted through **October 28**. Public meeting is **October 22** in DCRA building (1100 4th St SW) - time not given.

"FRA and DDOT identified an independent bike-pedestrian crossing as proposed Section 4(f) mitigation. This crossing would be on an independent bridge between the new railroad bridge and the Metrorail bridge. It would begin in Long Bridge Park; cross over the GWMP, MVT, Potomac River, and Ohio Drive SW; and end in the NPS Parking Lot C in East Potomac Park. Ramps would connect the crossing with a path just north of the new Long Bridge Park Aquatic Center, the MVT, and East Potomac Park." Executive Summary, p.22).

Minimally, read the [Executive Summary](#) and the [bike-ped crossing chapter](#). All the chapters are linked through this [page](#). Attend the public meeting, discuss with your groups, send your comments. [Read an Arl.com article here.](#)

[New Irish Pub Plans to Replace Fiona's in Crystal City](#)

Fiona's Irish Pub (567 23rd Street S.) closed suddenly in June, after only a few months in business. Signs in the window said the closure was temporary, but those signs have since been replaced with new ones announcing McNamara's Pub and Restaurant. [Read more here.](#)

[Rasa, a Fast Casual Indian Restaurant, Is Expanding to Crystal City](#)

"Rasa National Landing," is expected to open at 2200 Crystal Drive this coming spring, near the existing Sweetgreen and Chick-fil-A restaurants. The row of restaurants is popular with the lunchtime office crowd, which these days includes employees of Amazon's growing HQ2. [Read more here.](#)

[New 23rd Street Women's Clothing Boutique](#)

An Arlington Ridge neighbor has opened a women's clothing boutique, right in Crystal City! Agents In Style Luxury Consignment Boutique is at the corner of 23rd and Fern St. S. Featuring new and consigned women's clothing and accessories, it intends to be a place to shop, socialize, and connect with other women. [See the website for all the great details!](#)

Arlington County Issues

[General Election November 5](#)

Arlington voters will cast their general election ballots on Tuesday, **Nov. 5**. Residents have until **October 15** to



register to vote, and can check their registration status online.

Offices on the ballot in Arlington will be Senate of Virginia (30th, 31st, and 32nd Districts), Virginia House of Delegates (45th, 47th, 48th, and 49th Districts),

Commonwealth's Attorney, Sheriff, Commissioner of Revenue, Treasurer, two County Board seats, and School Board. You will only have 1 Senate and 1 House District that is determined by where you live. All Arlington voters will have the remaining offices. To see a sample ballot, log on to the [Citizen Portal](#) at the Department of Elections.

[Rethink Energy: The Climate Change Challenge, Arlington's Plan](#)

On September 21 Arlington County Board has adopted sweeping updates to the Community Energy Plan setting ambitious targets for transforming the County's energy sector. Some highlights of Arlington's Community Energy Plan include:

- Sets goal of a carbon neutral Arlington by 2050
- Government operations to achieve 100% renewable electricity by 2025
- Community to achieve 100% renewable electricity by 2035

- Considering energy equity during implementation
[Read more here.](#)

How D.C. compares on cost of living with the biggest U.S. cities

Washington, D.C., came in at No. 7 on the list of most expensive cities, with average monthly expenses of \$3,055.03. That is slightly less expensive than Jersey City, New Jersey (No. 6, \$3,099.50) and slightly pricier than Los Angeles (No. 8, \$2,899.10).

Those monthly averages break down as follows:

- Rent for a one-bedroom apartment
- Utilities (electricity, water, etc.)
- Internet
- Gasoline

D.C. region's leaders face big challenges as they tackle affordable-housing shortage

Last year the Washington region came together to fix a 40-year-old problem by providing Metro with dedicated funding. Now elected officials and business and nonprofit leaders are preparing a push to overcome another challenge: the critical shortage of affordable housing. It's going to be a lot more difficult. A new report issued Wednesday says the Washington region needs to add a whopping 374,000 housing units by 2030. Officials say that's about 30 percent more than expected at present. [Read more here.](#)

D.C.-area leaders to set broad housing construction targets to address affordability crisis

Local governments around Greater Washington now plan to set targets for housing production over the next decade, as part of a regional initiative to build 320,000 new homes by 2030 and ease the region's cost pressures.

Members of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments agreed September 11 on a series of new goals related to housing affordability, pledging to heed the advice of researchers and advocates by committing to a major boost in construction to up the region's housing supply. [Read more here.](#)

10 Northern Virginia jurisdictions form economic development alliance

Members of the Northern Virginia Economic Development Alliance have signed a memorandum of understanding that "commits them to working together on regional brand creation and promotion activities and to engage more fully with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership as a regional economic development organization," per a release. "This is an historic moment for Northern Virginia," Victor Hoskins,

president of the Fairfax County EDA, said in a release. "We have plowed this road alone and been successful. Imagine what we can achieve when we work together." [Read more here.](#)

Elder Care Zoning Update Community Forum Oct. 7

Join us to learn more about Arlington County's efforts to [update and modernize its zoning regulations for elder care housing](#) at Walter Reed Community and Senior Center, 2909 16th St S., October 7, 1-3 pm or 5-8 pm. "Elder care" encompasses assisted living facilities, nursing homes, memory care, independent living, as well as facilities which offer multiple types of elder care within the same building or campus. Currently, Arlington's zoning regulations strictly limit where new assisted living facilities and nursing homes can be built. One of the central goals of the County's zoning update will be to permit elder care housing in additional zoning districts that already allow multifamily residential and commercial/mixed use development.

Share your thoughts and feedback as we consider where in our community we should consider permitting elder care housing. We want to hear from you. Can't attend? [Take a few minutes to complete our survey](#) before it closes Oct. 15, 2019.

Arlington County Adding Three New Glass Drop-Off Centers

Arlington County is adding three new places to drop off glass for recycling, and more are potentially on the way. With glass off the curbside recycling list, Arlington residents have been flocking to the county's two existing glass drop-off sites at Quincy Park and the Arlington Trades Center, going out of their way to recycle more than 200 tons of glass since this spring. Officials have been working to add more sites, to make drop-offs more convenient for those who don't want to throw away glass bottles in the trash. Three new sites have been created: "Those customized purple and green containers will be added to Aurora Hills Community Center, another site at the Cherrydale Branch Library, and a third one at the Lee Community Center," said County Manager Mark Schwartz, adding that the new roll-off bins "should appear over the next two weeks." [Read more here.](#)

Senior Farmers' Market

The Senior Farmers' Market Program provides coupons for older adults who meet financial eligibility to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables at participating Arlington farmers' markets. Apply if you live in Arlington, are age 60 or older, and meet the monthly income guidelines: up

to \$1,562 – single (\$40 coupon) and up to \$2,115 – couple (\$80 coupon). You can complete this application (in English or Spanish), apply online, call 703-228-1700, or email arlaaa@arlingtonva.us. For more information, go to <https://aging-disability.arlingtonva.us/programs/farmers-market/>.

Other Issues

Starbucks Closing on Ticketing Level for Project Journey Construction

Beginning on or about Monday, September 9, Starbucks on the Ticketing level of Terminal B/C will close to make way for construction of a steel-framed glass divider. Customers can visit other coffee shops around the airport, pre-security and post-security.

2019 Live-In Arlington Info-Fair(LAIF)!

October 12, 11am-4pm

Walter Reed Community Center, 2909 S. 16Th Street
LAIF -Is a great place to get free and useful information about housing opportunities in Arlington. These event provides an excellent opportunity to meet with housing professionals including mortgage lenders, real estate agents, apartment rental professionals and other health and housing service providers, and representatives of government and not-for-profit organizations. First-rated seminars for tenants, homebuyers, and condo-owners, see the webpage. For more information, contact the Housing Information Center at 703-228-3765 or the LAIF event team at 202-599-0665 or visit our webpage:

<http://www.Arlingtonlife.org>

Donate Your Old Bike

Bikes for the World will once again be collecting unwanted bicycles, bike parts, and accessories at the Arlington County Environmental Collection & Recycling Event (ECARE). This local charity, founded by an Arlington resident, sorts, refurbishes, and distributes these items to charities locally and around the globe for productive use by those in need of affordable transport for access to work, school, and health care. 155,000 bicycles distributed to date. A \$10/bike donation is suggested to defray a share of shipping and handling. Bikes for the World is a 501 (c) (3) charity and provides a receipt good for tax purposes for all material and cash donations. For information on bicycle-related items, call 571-212-4139 or write keith@bikesfortheworld.org.
ECARE location and hours: Saturday **October 19th** from 8:30 - 3 pm at 1425, North Quincy St, adjacent to I-66 and across from the Arlington Ed Center.

The County will be simultaneously accepting household hazardous waste, obsolescent electronics, and scrap metal for recycling.

Arlington Fun Ride

Saturday, **October 5th**, 8:00am-12pm at Arlington Mill Community Center. This scenic, family-friendly bike ride will give you the chance to experience the paved, multi-use trails that make up the “Arlington Loop” while enjoying support from rest stops in Bluemont Park, Ballston, Rosslyn and Crystal City. Riders may choose 4-, 8-, 12- or 16- mile distances. There will also be a shorter 3-mile children’s ride, suitable for riders ages 10 and under. Riders will learn fun facts about Arlington nature and history throughout the ride and enjoy games, activities and some surprises along the way! All rides begin and end at the Arlington Mill Community Center plaza beside Phoenix Bikes (909 S. Dinwiddie St., Arlington, VA 22204). Suggested check-in times and start times will be emailed to participants closer to the event date. [Register here.](#)

The Connection Library

For events at the Pop Up Library, see the [calendar page.](#)

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Crystal City Oktoberfest

Crystal City Oktoberfest is back for its second year with a new and improved format! Hosted by the Crystal City Business Improvement District, in partnership with New District Brewing, this year’s event will feature a selection of local beers, live entertainment, and a variety of food trucks and vendors serving traditional German fare.

Thanks to New District Brewing, this year’s Oktoberfest will include custom-made beers brewed specifically for the event. In addition to the four custom brews – available only during Crystal City Oktoberfest – each participating brewery will have their most popular regular offerings available for attendees to enjoy.

Ticket holders will receive a full-sized custom mug and drink tickets redeemable for all four exclusive beers. VIP tickets will include early admission and additional drink tickets. As an added incentive, the BID has partnered with Nift to give each ticket buyer a \$30 Nift gift to another local business! [Tickets are on sale now!](#)



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