



# WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?

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**General and Special Election – Tuesday, November 6, 2018**  
**Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

For information on the general election, voter registration, or polling places:		
Fairfax County General Registrar	(703) 222-0776	<a href="http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections">www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections</a>
City of Fairfax General Registrar	(703) 385-7890	<a href="http://www.fairfaxva.gov/home">www.fairfaxva.gov/home</a>
Town of Herndon	(703) 435-6800	<a href="http://www.herndon-va.gov/government">www.herndon-va.gov/government</a>
Virginia Department of Elections	(800) 552-9745	<a href="http://vote.virginia.gov">vote.virginia.gov</a>

Candidates appear in the order they will appear on the ballot, as determined at the State Board of Elections by random drawing.  
Ballot Abbreviations: (D) = Democrat; (R) = Republican; (I) = Independent; (L) = Libertarian; \* = Incumbent  
Only candidates for federal, statewide and General Assembly races are identified by political party affiliation on the November 6 ballot.

**Voter Registration Deadline: October 15, 2018.** Voter registration is available at [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov), and forms are available at the Fairfax County Office of Elections, libraries, and county supervisors' offices.



## For the United States Senate

Corey A. Stewart (R)  
[www.coreystewart.com](http://www.coreystewart.com)

Timothy M. Kaine (D)\*  
[www.timkaine.com](http://www.timkaine.com)

Matt J. Waters (L)  
[mattwaters.com/](http://mattwaters.com/)

## For the United States House of Representatives

### 8<sup>th</sup> District

Thomas S. Oh (R)  
[www.letuschangecongress.org](http://www.letuschangecongress.org)

### 10<sup>th</sup> District

Barbara J. Comstock (R)\*  
[www.barbaracomstockforcongress.com](http://www.barbaracomstockforcongress.com)

### 11<sup>th</sup> District

Jeff A. Dove Jr. (R)  
[www.doveforcongress.com](http://www.doveforcongress.com)

Donald S. Beyer, Jr. (D)\*  
[www.friendsofdonbeyer.com](http://www.friendsofdonbeyer.com)

Jennifer T. Wexton (D)  
[www.jenniferwexton.com](http://www.jenniferwexton.com)

Gerald Edward Connolly (D)\*  
[www.gerryconnolly.com](http://www.gerryconnolly.com)

Stevan M. Porter (L)  
[www.porter4us.com](http://www.porter4us.com)

## Town of Herndon Elections

Candidates will be on the same ballot as the General Election candidates.

Further information is available from the Town Clerk's office, 777 Lynn Street, Herndon, 703-435-6804.

See [www.herndon-va.gov/government/mayor-town-council/town-elections](http://www.herndon-va.gov/government/mayor-town-council/town-elections).

### Mayor

Lisa C. Merkel\*

### Town Council (Vote for no more than six candidates)

Jennifer K. Baker\*  
Grace Wolf Cunningham\*  
Cesar A. Del Aguilera

Pradip Dhakal  
Signe V. Friedrichs\*  
W. J. "Sean" Kenis, Jr.

William "Bill" J. McKenna\*  
Sheila A. Olem\*  
Joseph T. "Joe" Plummer  
Roland Taylor



**Fall 2018 Voters' Guide:** The League sent questionnaires to the candidates for the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. All candidates queried are those whose names were certified for the General and Special Election ballot. Responses can be found at [vote411.org](http://vote411.org), at [LWV-Fairfax.org](http://LWV-Fairfax.org), on [twitter.com/LWVFairfax](https://twitter.com/LWVFairfax), or on our Facebook page, [facebook.com/lwvfairfax](https://facebook.com/lwvfairfax)

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## Commonwealth of Virginia Proposed Constitutional Amendments 2018

Additional information: [www.elections.virginia.gov/election-law/proposed-constitutional-amendment-2018/index.html](http://www.elections.virginia.gov/election-law/proposed-constitutional-amendment-2018/index.html)

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### Article X. Taxation and Finance. Section 6-A.

*Property tax exemption for certain veterans and their surviving spouses and surviving spouses of soldiers killed in action.*

**Question:** *Shall the real property tax exemption for a primary residence that is currently provided to the surviving spouses of veterans who had a one hundred percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability be amended to allow the surviving spouse to move to a different primary residence and still claim the exemption?*

#### Present Law

The Constitution of Virginia currently requires the General Assembly to exempt from taxation the principal place of residence of any veteran who has been determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a 100 percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability. This tax exemption is also provided to the surviving spouse of such a veteran, so long as the surviving spouse continues to occupy that property as the surviving spouse's principal place of residence.

#### Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment would allow the surviving spouse of any veteran who has been determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a 100 percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability to continue to claim the tax exemption currently provided, even if the surviving spouse moves to a new principal place of residence that is owned by the surviving spouse.

A "yes" vote will allow these surviving spouses to move to a new principal place of residence that is owned by the surviving spouse and still claim the tax exemption.

A "no" vote will not allow such surviving spouses to move and still claim the tax exemption.

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### Article X. Taxation and Finance. Section 6. *Exempt property*

**Question:** *Should a county, city, or town be authorized to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if flooding resiliency improvements have been made on the property?*

#### Present Law

Generally, the Constitution of Virginia provides that all property shall be taxed. The Constitution of Virginia also sets out specific types of property that may be exempted from taxation. For example, the Constitution of Virginia allows the General Assembly to permit localities to provide a partial exemption from real estate taxes as an incentive for property owners to make substantial improvements to existing structures by renovating, rehabilitating, or replacing those structures.

#### Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment would authorize the General Assembly to allow localities to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if improvements have been made on the property to address flooding. The General Assembly and participating localities would be allowed to place restrictions or conditions on qualification for the tax exemption.

A "yes" vote will authorize the General Assembly to allow localities to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if improvements have been made on the property to address flooding.

A "no" vote will not allow such a tax exemption.

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## Fairfax County Referendum and Bond Issues

Additional information: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond/](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond/) and [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond/bond-ballot-question](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond/bond-ballot-question)

### 2018 PUBLIC SAFETY BOND REFERENDUM

**Bond Ballot Question:** Shall Fairfax County, Virginia, contract a debt, borrow money, and issue bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$182,000,000 to provide funds, in addition to funds from public safety facilities bonds previously authorized, to finance, including reimbursement to the County for temporary financing for, the costs of public safety facilities, including the construction, reconstruction, enlargement, renovation and equipment of civil and criminal justice facilities, police training and operational facilities and stations, fire and rescue training facilities and stations, including fire and rescue stations owned by volunteer organizations, and the acquisition of necessary land?

If approved by voters, the county **plans to use the money to pay for renovating, expanding or replacing these fire, police and court facilities.**

#### FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT (\$73 MILLION)

Renovate, expand or replace these **four aging fire stations** that are 37 years old or older:

- **Mount Vernon (\$16 million)**
- **Fairview (\$16 million)**
- **Gunston (\$13 million)**
- **Seven Corners (\$13 million)**

Additionally, \$15 million will be used to renovate, expand or replace one of the eight remaining **volunteer fire stations** which are each 40 years old or older.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT (\$59 MILLION)

Renovate, expand or replace:

- **Mason Police Station (\$23 million):** Renovate and make a minor expansion to this station that was built in 1975 to upgrade building systems and infrastructure.
- **Criminal Justice Academy (\$18 million):** Renovations and upgrades to this outdated facility that trains 2,300 police and sheriff's recruits and officers per year.
- **Police Evidence Storage Building (\$18 million):** Renovate, expand or replace this building that is used to store critical evidence for court.

#### COURTS & ADULT DETENTION CENTER (\$50 MILLION)

- **Detention Center (\$45 million):** Replace major building systems in all three wings of the detention center, including plumbing, electrical, HVAC and fire protection systems.
- **Jennings Judicial Center (\$5 million):** Courtrooms require improved lighting, ductwork realignment, ADA upgrades, wall and ceiling replacement/repairs and technology upgrades.



### REMEMBER TO TAKE A VALID PHOTO ID TO THE POLLS ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

Virginia law now requires all voters to provide an acceptable form of photo identification at the polls, whether they vote at the polls on Election Day or vote absentee in-person. Acceptable IDs include a valid Virginia driver's license or ID card, US passport, and valid government or employer-issued ID card with your photo. See a full list, including valid student IDs, at [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov). If bearing a date, the ID may not be expired for more than 12 months.

Persons registered to vote in Virginia who lack an acceptable ID may obtain a **free Virginia Voter Photo ID** by going to their office of elections during working hours or, in Fairfax County, to one of the satellite absentee voting locations during scheduled voting hours, or other locations listed at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections). Registered voters arriving at the polls on Election Day without a photo ID can cast a **provisional** ballot, and then get a temporary photo ID at their office of elections or take, mail, e-mail or fax a copy of an acceptable photo ID by **noon on Friday after the election** to have their ballots counted.



**In-Person Absentee Voting Begins:  
Friday, September 21, 2018**

**Final Day In-Person Absentee Voting:  
5:00 p.m., Saturday, November 3, 2018**

**Deadline to register or update your registration  
for the November 6 General Election:  
Monday, October 15, 2018**

**Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline:  
7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 6, 2018**

**Deadline to Apply for an Absentee Ballot by Mail:  
5:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 30, 2018**

**NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE?  
To register or update your existing registration online,  
go to [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov) or print and mail an application**



## **ABSENTEE VOTING IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, FAIRFAX CITY, & HERNDON**

**In Virginia, registered voters who meet one of 20 eligibility criteria may vote by absentee ballot, in person or by mail. You may be eligible if:**

- You will be working or commuting for 11 hours or more between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Election Day;
- You will be away from Fairfax County/City on business, personal business, or vacation;
- You are a student or the spouse of a student attending a school outside Fairfax County/City;
- You are on active duty in the military or the spouse or dependent residing with a member of the military who will be absent from Fairfax County/City on Election Day;
- You are unable to go to the polls due to illness or disability, are pregnant, or are the primary caretaker of a confined family member;
- You are an election official; or
- You meet other criteria listed at the Virginia ELECT website: [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov)

### **Absentee Voting by Mail**

Applications for mailed absentee ballots may be obtained from your office of elections, governmental centers and libraries, or may be downloaded from [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov). If requesting an absentee ballot application by mail, the request must be received by the office of elections **no later than 5 pm on October 30, 2018**. Absentee ballot applications may also be requested **online** at [vote.virginia.gov](http://vote.virginia.gov). **(Election officials highly recommend submitting applications and voted ballots well prior to the deadline due to timeliness issues with USPS mail delivery.)**

**All mailed absentee ballots must be received by the local Office of Elections no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day in order to be counted.**

### **Absentee Voting in Person**

Registered voters in Virginia who meet the eligibility criteria may vote absentee in person at their respective office of elections beginning on **September 21 and ending at 5 pm on Nov. 3**. **Locations for Fairfax County and Fairfax City:**

#### **FAIRFAX COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER**

12000 Government Center Pkwy, Fairfax, Conference Rooms 2/3  
**Weekdays:** Sept 21-Oct 12 (8 am-4:30 pm; Thurs. 8 am-7 pm)  
**Weekdays:** Oct 15-Nov 2 (8 am-7 pm)  
**Saturdays:** Oct 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov 3 (9 am-5 pm)  
*Closed Monday, Oct 8.*

#### **FAIRFAX CITY**

10455 Armstrong St, Fairfax  
**Weekdays:** Sept 21-Nov 2 (8:30 am-5 pm)  
**Saturdays:** Oct 27, Nov 3 (8:30 am-5 pm)

#### **FAIRFAX COUNTY SATELLITE LOCATIONS**

**Weekdays:** Oct 15-Nov 3 (3 pm-7 pm)  
**Saturdays:** Oct 13, 20, 27, Nov 3 (9 am-5 pm)  
**Franconia Gov't Center**, 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria  
**Lorton Library**, 9520 Richmond Hwy, Lorton  
**Mason Gov't Center**, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale  
**McLean Gov't Center**, 1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean  
**Mount Vernon Gov't Center**, 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria  
**North County Gov't Center**, 1801 Cameron Glen Dr, Reston  
**Providence Community Center**, 3001 Vaden Dr, Fairfax  
**Sully Gov't Center**, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd, Chantilly  
**West Springfield Gov't Center**, 6140 Rolling Rd, Springfield

#### **HERNDON**

Herndon town residents may visit one of Fairfax County's in-person voting locations if they wish to absentee vote in person.

For more information on voting in Fairfax County, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/) or call 703-222-0776. For Fairfax City, visit [www.fairfaxva.gov/vote](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/vote) or call 703-385-7890

