

Fairfax Update

News From Around Town...



June 19, 2020

Town Hall Reopening June 22, 2020

Town Hall will be reopening to the community on Monday, June 22. We have installed plexiglass shields on the front counter and have social distancing protocols in place. All visitors to Town Hall will be required to wear face coverings and only one customer at a time will be allowed at the front counter or Police Dispatch. People will be asked to wait their turn outside. The front counter will be open in the morning and closed in the afternoon.

We encourage the community to contact staff directly to make appointments.

Department of Planning and Building Services Office Hours effective June 22, 2020

The Planning and Building Department will be open to the public during the following days and hours:

Planning: Monday – Thursday 8:30 am to 12 noon, afternoons by appointment only

Building: Monday – Thursday 9 am to 11 am, afternoons by appointment only

Closed Fridays

Building Inspections: Call 415-453-2263

Planning and Building continues to respond to public information requests via phone and email during non-public office hours. Please contact the following staff with questions or to schedule an

appointment:

Ben Berto, Planning Director (415) 458-2346 bberto@townoffairfax.org

Linda Neal, Principal Planner (415) 458-2344 lneal@townoffairfax.org

Mark Lockaby, Building Official (415) 458-2370 mlockaby@townoffairfax.org

Kara Spencer, Assistant Planner (415) 348-2349 kspencer@townoffairfax.org

For all other Departments

Please go to www.townoffairfax for staff contact information. You may also call the general Town Hall number at (415) 453-1584.



A Friendly Reminder:

- Wear a face covering when out in public spaces if you can't maintain social distancing -this includes while walking Downtown and when waiting in line outdoors and indoors, per Marin County's and State Order.
- Keep 6ft distance from others outside of your own household.
- Stay home if you are feeling sick and avoiding close contact with people who are sick.
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer when soap and water is not available. Many Fairfax restaurants and shops have hand sanitizer available, but it is also a good idea to bring your own.

Fairfax Small Business Recovery

As part of its COVID-19 response, the Fairfax Small Business Storefront Recovery Fund has been created by the Town of Fairfax in partnership with the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, and the

County of Marin. The goal of this fund is to offer storefront businesses with financial aid in the form of small grants during this pandemic.

Information and applications for the grant are available on the [Town website click here!](#) The second round of applications are due June 22nd.

Reopening of Outdoor Dining and Retail

Marin County has moved into the next round of its COVID-19 pandemic response, with modification to its shelter-in-place order. [Outdoor retail](#), [office space](#), [outdoor dining](#).

New guidelines for those industries to safely reopen are available at [MarinRecovers.com](#).

In an effort to temporarily streamline Town regulations regarding outdoor dining and other business uses (e.g., outdoor retail), the Town Council took several actions at its June 3rd meeting. Specifically, the Town adopted an urgency ordinance to create a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) process. TUP's will allow restaurants and other businesses to temporarily expand their operations outside on their private property (e.g., parking lot) for such uses as dining, retail, or exercise classes.

**Temporary Outdoor Dining and Retail -
Application**

Support Local Businesses



The Fairfax Small Business
Storefront Recovery Fund

Online Auction

All proceeds support Fairfax merchants
impacted by Covid closures.

June 10th - June 24th
www.biddingowl.com/FairfaxMerchants

Fairfax Forward Tee Shirts

Fairfax Forward celebrates our eclectic, and passionate, and forward-thinking community. Fairfax Forward will be here through Covid-19 and beyond supporting local small businesses, events, artists, nature, just about anything that celebrates positivity in our wonderful town!

Show us your flair and tag #fairfaxforward!

Now you can support the Fairfax Small Business Storefront Recovery Fund by buying one of these tees or tank tops, with the stylish graphic designed by local artists Julia Ledyard and Mette Qvistgaard.

Fairfax Forward. Now more than ever.

Proceeds benefit the Fairfax Small Business Storefront Recovery Fund.

Three different styles of stylish tee -- Women's tee, Women's tank, and Men's tee.

Buy online at: www.fairfaxopenforbusiness.com



Free Compost for Fairfax Residents

The second round of Community Compost will be available starting Saturday, June 27th - while it lasts!

Made from the food & yard waste collected from our **GREEN** curbside carts. This is the first compost delivery of the year.

Pavilion Parking lot - bring your own container(s) and shovel.

[Click here for more info.](#)

Upcoming Events

Summer Solstice Sit

June 20
6-7pm
Bolinas Park

Join your fellow Fairfax community members to reflect this celestial stillness and sit still yourself. We will literally be sitting in silence together. Please bring any support you'd like for your body, be it a yoga mat, cushion, blanket or even a lawn chair if your body prefers. You can come for as long as you feel able to sit in silence.

Join for the first 10 minutes, the final 10 minutes or the entire hour.

Please wear masks and know that we will be sitting 6 feet apart from one another. This is a free event and open to all ages, though it is discouraged to bring children who are not so easily able to honor the intention of the event. We will be encouraging ALL in attendance to be still and quiet :)

Fairfax Chipper Days

June 20 & 21 9-3 Cascade neighborhood Doc Edgar Park

June 27 & 28 9-3 Scenic/Manor Hill neighborhood Olema & Sir Francis Drake Blvd.

July 11 9-3 Downtown - Pavilion parking lot

July 25 & 26 Deer Park - collection to be done at Doc Edgar Park

The availability of pick up service will be determined for each neighborhood. Please [check website](#) for updates.

Fairfax Community Farmers Market

Every Wednesday

Bolinas Park

4-8pm

The market started the first week of May and runs through mid October! Of course there will be safety measures in place to keep the farmers and the community safe.

[Click here to learn more about the Fairfax Community Market!](#)

Fairfax Food Pantry

Saturday mornings from 8-10am

Fairfax Community Church

2398 Sir Francis Drake Blvd, Fairfax.

The Fairfax Food Pantry continues to be open. Drive through or walk up service is available.

We currently have enough volunteers, however, please sign up through the [Fairfax Volunteer Match program](#) and we contact you as the need arises.

Town of Fairfax COVID-19 Resources

Visit our dedicated webpage:

www.townoffairfax.org/coronavirus-updates-resources

- Information about Building and Planning services that are still

available as well as guidelines.

- Links to the EDD, SBA and Utility Companies.
- Online classes thru Fairfax Recreation and Age Friendly Fairfax.
- Information and resources are updated regularly so check back often.

Additional Website Resources:

Discover who is open for delivery, curbside pick up and more on the new and easy-to-use website: www.fairfaxopenforbusiness.com, where you can also join an email list to receive specials and updates.

The website, MarinRecovers.com, connects Marin County residents, business owners, community leaders, and public health professionals to collaborate on reopening the economy and community in a safe manner.

Fairfax Program to Match Local Residents in Need with Volunteers to Assist Them

The Town's 1-to-1 volunteer matching service to support and protect people in need during this difficult time is going strong.

If you are a **resident** who needs extra help to get through this time, or a resident willing to volunteer to help, please click [here](#).

Fairfax Recreation

Outdoor Yoga with Veronica Geretz

Mondays from 6-7pm
Bollinas Park

Join your community in our sweet, centralized, grassy green park for a socially-distanced outdoor yoga class. The class will be geared toward yoga students with a Beginner to Intermediate yoga practice. Please bring your own yoga mat, two yoga blocks and a yoga strap.

If you do not have any of those props and are unable to procure them for any reason, please reach out to Veronica at geretzvj@gmail.com and she will work with you to find what you need at no cost.

Click here for more info about Outdoor
Yoga!

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