

Shenandoah County Administrator's Weekly Memorandum



Weekly Message to the Members of the Board of Supervisors for October 9, 2020

Office Closures in Observance of Labor Day Holiday: The County Government Center will be closed on Monday, October 12 in observance of the Columbus Day holiday. The landfill and citizen convenience sites will also be closed, and the Animal Shelter will also be closed on Monday, October 12. However, the Shenandoah County Library will be open on Monday, October 12.

Board of Supervisors Meeting: The Board of Supervisors will meet on Tuesday, October 13 at 4:00 pm.

Scenic Rivers Designation: Last year, the County Board of Supervisors approved moving forward on pursuing a Scenic Rivers Designation through the Virginia Department of Conversation and Recreation (DCR) for a stretch of the river from Chapman's Landing through Seven Bends State Park. Because of COVID-19, it was delayed. However, Ms. Lynn Crump with DCR was on the river this week completing the study necessary for the designation, and we look forward to continuing to move forward in this process and hopefully achieving the scenic rivers designation.

Shenandoah County Small Business COVID-19 Recovery Assistance Grant Program: The Shenandoah County IDA met today, October 9 and approved six applications totaling \$75,000 to the following businesses: North Mountain Vineyard, Sharla Boatright, Family Convenience Store, Budget Inn, G+S Trucking, and Indian Springs Farms.

Shenandoah County IDA Meeting: The Shenandoah County IDA will meet on Friday, October 16 at 11:00 a m in the Emergency Operations Center of the County Government Center.

Health Insurance Coverage: Given the continued impasse in contract negotiations between Anthem and Valley Health, localities in the Northern Shenandoah Valley region have been exploring regional solutions to alternative health insurance programs. As a result, we have issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for health, dental, and vision insurance coverage with an ending date for submission of proposals of Friday, October 30, 2020.

Distance Learning Individual Grant Program: Applications for the Distance Learning Individual Grant Program, which will provide a maximum of \$400 to households with school-age children that have incurred distancing learning expenses, will begin to be accepted by the Department of Social Services (DSS) this Wednesday, October 15, 2020. Applications will be accepted until December 15, 2020.