

# County Connections

DISTRICT 6



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**Many residents in the Annapolis area may find their flood insurance impacted by the recent changes to FEMA’s flood mapping.**

Anne Arundel County’s Department of Planning and Zoning will host an open house in conjunction with the City of Annapolis to educate citizens on their flood risk following the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) recent release of updated Coastal Flood Maps.

Known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), these maps indicate flood-prone coastal areas in Anne Arundel County, and are used by insurance companies to determine flood insurance rates for buildings and contents. County residents and property owners are encouraged to learn more about their flood risk and the updates illustrated on the preliminary maps.

Using interactive flood maps, representatives from the state and county, as well as FEMA and their mapping partners, will be available to answer flood risk and insurance questions, and explain the maps.

The preliminary FIRMs and the associated Flood Insurance Study (FIS) that will be shared provide the basis for flood risk education and floodplain management measures. Anne Arundel County is required to adopt updated maps to continue participating in the National Flood Insurance Program, which makes flood insurance available to the community.

As a result of these map updates, some buildings in the county may, for the first time, be included in a high-risk flood zone, known as the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). This may result in mandatory purchase of flood insurance for those property owners who are affected. FEMA staff will be at the Open House and will be available to talk to property owners about these updates and what they mean for them.

The county’s Open House will be held at South River High School in the cafeteria from 6-8 p.m. Parking is available onsite. For more information about the event, contact Hope Stewart, Community and Constituent Services Director, by calling [410-222-1527](tel:410-222-1527). To learn more about floodplain changes, go to [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov) or [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov), or to find links to the interactive mapping website, visit [www.R3Coastal.com](http://www.R3Coastal.com).

On the following page you will find a flier about the upcoming Open House. Please feel free to share it with any interested residents or groups and we look forward to seeing you at our Open House on September 9.

# **DO YOU KNOW YOUR FLOOD RISK? FIND OUT MORE**

## **Coastal Flood Risk Open House**

**Join Anne Arundel County and the City of Annapolis for an opportunity to view the newly updated Flood Maps**

**Find your property on preliminary flood maps and learn your flood risk**

**Have your questions answered by representatives from Anne Arundel County, the City of Annapolis and FEMA**

**Learn about flood insurance options from insurance specialists**

**Tuesday, September 9, 2014**

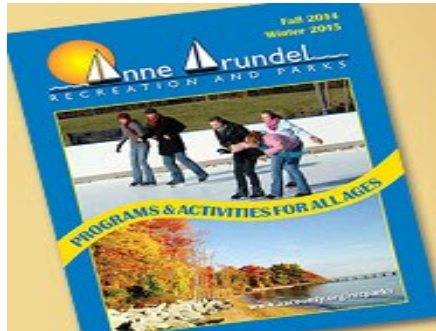
**6:00-8:00pm**

**South River High School**

**Cafeteria**

**201 Central Ave**

**Edgewater, MD 21037**



# FALL & WINTER PROGRAM GUIDE

## Programs & Activities For All Ages >>



**JOIN US!**  
as we announce the **WINNER!**



**Passport**  
*to family wellness*



**Wemens Passport to Family Wellness**

Earleigh Heights Ranger Station  
August 20th at 6:30pm

[More Information >>](#)



**Family Fitness Walks are BACK!**

Wednesdays on the B&A Trail - 6:30pm - Earleigh Heights Ranger Station

This program is FREE and open to the public! Bring the whole family!

**Join the fun...**

**In our Adult Kickball League!**

**Team Registration is open now!**

**Games start September 5th**

**Gather your friends, family and co-workers for fun Fridays this fall!**

[click here>>](#)

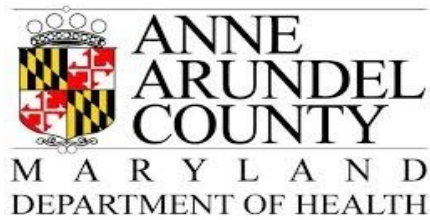


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## Community Announcement

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **Anne Arundel County Department of Health Provides Advice on Water-Associated Health Risks**

The Anne Arundel County Department of Health reminds County residents about health risks associated with natural bodies of water and with eating raw shellfish.

Natural bodies of water can contain bacteria, viruses and other microorganisms. Swimmer's ear, an infection of the outer ear, is the most common problem, but other water-related illnesses can be acquired. Disease-causing microorganisms, such as various forms of *Vibrio*, can enter the body through open cuts and sores. Eating raw shellfish can also cause *Vibrio*-related illnesses. Each summer as water use and temperatures rise, cases of *Vibrio*-related illnesses are reported in Anne Arundel County.

People with liver disease or weakened immune systems are at highest risk of serious infection from *Vibrio* bacteria, and they should avoid contact with raw shellfish whether in the water or on the plate. Although rare, *Vibrio* can also cause serious infections in healthy people.

The Department of Health offers the following recommendations:



- Cook crabs, oysters, clams, mussels and other shellfish completely.
- Do not swim in natural bodies of water if you have an ear infection, perforated eardrum, open cut, skin lesion or immunity problem.
- Wash well with soap and water after coming in contact with natural bodies of water.
- Thoroughly clean any cuts or wounds you sustain during water activities. Boaters may want to carry hand sanitizers and first aid supplies in case of cuts and scrapes, especially those related to handling seafood.
- If an infection develops in a wound, seek medical attention as soon as possible.

Answers to commonly asked questions about natural water bodies, health risks and water-related illnesses, including *Vibrio* and *Mycobacterium marinum*, are at [www.aahealth.org](http://www.aahealth.org). GO TO "Topics A-Z" and select "Water Quality, Health Risks, and Swimming or Fishing in Anne Arundel County Rivers and Creeks."

## **Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities Receives Prestigious Aging Achievement Award from The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a)**

Annapolis, MD (August 19, 2014) - The Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities today announced that its Making the Link program recently received recognition from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) with an *Aging Achievement Award*, an honor presented by n4a to member agencies. The awards program is sponsored by CST *your* Link to Life (CST-LTL). The Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities was among the 45 local aging programs to receive honors during the n4a Annual Conference & Tradeshow held July 12-16, 2014, in Dallas, Texas.

"I am so proud of all the hardworking men and women in our Department of Aging and Disabilities for enabling our county's Making the Link program to earn this national recognition," said County Executive Laura Neuman. "We live in a great county where help is available to everyone who needs it, and this program is an excellent resource in connecting our older residents and those with disabilities to the assistance they need."

The 2014 *n4a Aging Innovations and Achievement Awards* recognizes Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and Title VI Native American aging programs that develop and implement cutting-edge approaches to support older adults, people with disabilities and their family caregivers. A part of the criteria for the selection of the honorees was the ease with which other agencies could replicate the program in their communities.

"With the implementation of the Affordable Care Act underway, our members are investigating new ways to position themselves in the long-term and health care marketplaces, as well as to strengthen longstanding services to meet the needs of America's rapidly growing older adult population," said n4a's Chief Executive Officer Sandy Markwood. "Our members work tirelessly, and with little fanfare in their communities, and this program enables us to shine a well-deserved spotlight on their ground-breaking work," Ms. Markwood added.

The Making the Link program is a Maryland Access Point program and works to create awareness of the resources that the Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities offers to the citizens of Anne Arundel County. A yellow resource pad, which lists department resources and contact information, is available through many area physicians and pharmacies, as well as various civic, community and religious groups. The pads are also currently carried by other county agencies such as the Anne Arundel County Fire Department, Department of Public Works and Cashier's Office. Making the Link has also developed a Public Service Announcement, which can be seen in the Primary Care offices at Anne Arundel Medical Center, Anne Arundel TV (Verizon channel 38 and Comcast channel 98), and can be viewed on our website at [www.aacounty.org/aging](http://www.aacounty.org/aging).

"The Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities appreciates the national recognition for the Making the Link program," said Pam Jordan, Director of the Department of Aging and Disabilities. "We hope that the program is a gateway to all of the services the department offers to meet the critical needs of Anne Arundel County citizens."

The 2014 *n4a Aging Achievement Awards* honored traditional and new strategies in a range of categories including Advocacy, Care Transitions, Caregiving, Community Planning/Livable Communities, Economic Security/Financial Assistance, Elder Abuse/Financial Exploitation Prevention, Ethnic/Cultural Diversity, Health/-Long-Term Services & Supports Integration, Healthy Aging/Nutrition, Home & Community-Based Care, Information & Referral, Technology, Transportation/Mobility Options, Volunteerism/Civic Engagement and "You Name It!" All winners are showcased in an n4a publication which can be viewed at [http://www.n4a.org/pdf/N4A\\_report\\_final\\_lowres.pdf](http://www.n4a.org/pdf/N4A_report_final_lowres.pdf)

### **About n4a**

The mission of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) is to build the capacity of its members so that they can better help older adults and people with disabilities live with dignity and choices in their homes and communities for as long as possible. We work with our members to achieve the collective vision of building a society that values and supports people as they age.

n4a is the leading voice on aging issues for Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and a champion for Title VI Native American aging programs. Through advocacy, training and technical assistance initiatives, we support the national network of 618 AAAs and 246 Title VI programs.



## AAWDC Announces New RFP for Out-of-School Youth Services

Applications from youth-serving nonprofit organizations, governmental agencies, educational institutions, and private businesses as well as organizations currently serving or with the capacity to serve Anne Arundel County are eligible for grant funding and are encouraged to apply.

“AAWDC YouthWorks! approach to youth workforce development prioritizes future employer demand and equipping young adults with the essential skills they need to succeed. One of the best ways to get a highly qualified workforce is to invest in the development of young workers; participate directly in their training and socialization at the workplace through partnerships with employers, community partners, and educators and then place in employment the youth who have proven themselves to be productive at the end of their training period.” said Kirkland J. Murray, President and CEO of AAWDC.

“The call for out-of-school programming is intended to widen the lens and build a more finely articulated pathway system – one that is richly diversified to align with the needs and interests of today’s young people and better designed to meet the needs of a 21<sup>st</sup> century economy.” added Shannon McGarry, Director of Youth Program at AAWDC. “Equipping youth with occupationally relevant skills and credentials provide excellent pathways for many young people to enter the adult workforce.”

Responses must be submitted via mail or in-person delivery by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 10, 2014. The RFP can be accessed at [www.aawdc.org](http://www.aawdc.org), or by email request. Announcements of funding will be made on or before October 20, 2014. All potential grantees are encouraged to attend the bidder’s conference on Friday, August 22, 2014 at 10 a.m. To RSVP for the bidders conference or if you have any questions, please contact Shannon McGarry, Director of Youth program, at [smcgarry@aawdc.org](mailto:smcgarry@aawdc.org) or [410-766-5212 ext. 105](tel:410-766-5212).

**Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation (AAWDC)** is a 501(c) (3) Corporation charged with providing workforce and training services to Anne Arundel County citizens and businesses. AAWDC operates five One-Stop Career Centers that offer innovative workforce solutions to businesses and job seekers. Business services include customized recruitment assistance, job postings, business retention, training funds for incumbent workers, and workforce transportation solutions. Job seeker services include job search assistance, career guidance, career development and computer skills workshops, access to our resource center, training assistance, and supportive service referrals. Please visit [http://www.aawdc.org/](http://www.aawdc.org) for more information.

AAWDC operates One-Stop Career Centers to provide workforce services to [job seekers](#) and [businesses](#). The One-Stop Career Centers are operated in partnership with the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.

### ANNAPOLIS

Community Resource Center  
80 West Street, Suite A  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Phone: 410-269-4429  
Fax: 410-263-7452

8am—4pm (Monday—Friday)

### ARNOLD

Arnold One-Stop Career Center  
1460 Ritchie Hwy, Ste 109 & 205  
Arnold, MD 21012

Phone: 410-793-5635  
Fax: 410-793-5639

830am—430pm (Monday—Friday)

### Glen Burnie

Glen Burnie One-Stop Career Center  
7480 Balt Annap Boulevard, Ste 100  
Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Phone: 410-424-3275  
Fax: 410-508-2333

8am—4pm (Monday—Friday)

## ***FULL SERVICE ONE-STOP CAREER CENTERS***

Please visit [www.aawdc.org](http://www.aawdc.org) for a complete listing of Satellite One-Stop Career Centers and Community Career Connections in the Anne Arundel County area, as well as information on Veterans and Older Worker Programs, Youth Programs and Business Services.

# ANNUAL ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FAIR

## ARE YOU PREPARED?

Come learn what you can do to help keep you and your family safe during an emergency.

Anne Arundel County Office of Emergency Management—410-222-0600



Demonstrations  
Activities

Food  
Giveaways

Emergency Vehicles  
Informational Booths

**Saturday, September 27, 2014**

**10AM-2PM** (rain or shine)

Lowes at Quarterfield--  
Crossing Shopping Center,  
Severn, MD



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ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ELEVATING ALL STUDENTS... ELIMINATING ALL GAPS

You'll find up-to-date information on Back to School Nights, Bus Routes and School Calendars at [www.AACPS.org](http://www.AACPS.org).

Please remind the young people in your lives about the **Safety Hotline (1-877-676-9854)**, a 24-hour anonymous reporting hotline for students to share important information with school staff. The **Office of School Security** in conjunction with Student Services has initiated a program to prevent bullying in the public schools. The purpose is to educate students on what bullying is and to encourage them to speak out in an effort prevent such activity in the school system. Classroom education along with the existing **Student Safety Hotline** provides a means for students to communicate their observations and concerns anonymously without fear of retribution. Students are encouraged to utilize the Hotline whenever they see activities or hear information that could endanger them, their fellow students or teachers.

Motorists are asked to review the photo below, as a reminder of Maryland State Traffic Laws when encountering a school bus in your travels.

**Let's do our very best to keep every**

- 1 Two-lane roadway:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!
- 2 Two-lane roadway with a center turning lane:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!
- 3 Four-lane roadway without a median separation:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!
- 4 Divided highway of four lanes or more with a median separation:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, only traffic following the bus must stop.