

Parks and Recreation

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Media Advisory

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TOWN OF HERNDON 4th of JULY CELEBRATION TO FEATURE FIREWORKS, ACTIVITIES, AND ENTERTAINMENT

WHAT: Town of Herndon 4th of July Celebration

WHO: Open to the public

WHEN: Thursday, July 4, 6:30–10:00 p.m. - rain date: July 5th for fireworks display only **WHERE:** Around the Herndon Community Center and Bready Park Softball Field,

814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon, VA **COST:** FREE Admission & Activities

CONTACT: The Town of Herndon Parks and Recreation Department, 703-787-7300

The event will feature free admission, arts and crafts activities, bingo, and old-fashioned games. Live entertainment from <u>Vertigo Red</u> will begin at 7:15 p.m. The fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m. Rain date, fireworks only, Thursday, July 5, 9:30 p.m.

Please note traffic will be rerouted. Motorists should expect detours and alteration of traffic routes leading up to and until after the conclusion of the fireworks display at Bready Park for up to 60 minutes, or until most of the traffic clears. Those parked at Herndon Community Center may not exit until the Fire Marshall and Herndon Police give the all clear, which can be as much as 60 minutes following the fireworks show.

Ferndale Avenue will close to through traffic from Vine Street to Barton Oaks Place once the event parking lots are filled, and remain closed until the conclusion of the fireworks, except accessible parking for patrons with disabilities. (Herndon Centennial golf course access is available until the course closes at dusk).

Traffic adjustments will begin at 7:45 p.m. as follows:

- Herndon Parkway will be reduced to one lane approaching Ferndale Avenue;
- No turns from Herndon Parkway onto Ferndale Avenue will be permitted;
- Elden Street southbound into town at Monroe Street will be closed during this period and all traffic must turn right onto Monroe Street;
- Elden Street traffic northbound at Alabama Drive will be re-routed;
- Herndon Middle School traffic exiting from 5th Street must turn left (west) on Locust Street and may only then turn left (south) onto Elden Street;
- Locust Street access will be restricted on School, Spruce and Grace Streets;
- St Joseph's Church parking lot will exit onto Peachtree Street and may turn left or right onto Elden Street;
- Bready Park softball and Herndon Centennial Golf Course parking lots will exit onto Ferndale Avenue towards Herndon Parkway only;

- Ferndale Avenue traffic will turn right only onto Park Avenue or Herndon Parkway;
- Sterling Road (Route 606) southbound from Herndon Parkway, is restricted to local access only;
- Crestview Drive no access to Sterling Road from Bayshire Lane;
- Vine Street will be closed from Ferndale Avenue to Grace Street;
- Main Drive will be closed.

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Ш	Pets, alcohol, glass containers, grills and personal fireworks including sparklers are prohibited.
	Parking is available at Herndon Middle School, Herndon Community Center or the municipal
	parking lot on Center Street, next to ArtSpace. Please note cars parked in the Herndon
	Community Center/Bready Park parking lot will not be released until the Fire Marshal and the
	Herndon Police declare the area safe, up to 60 minutes following the conclusion of the fireworks
	display.
	Bring a blanket or lawn chair.
	Remember all coolers and bags may be searched .
	For your safety, the Fire Marshal prohibits anyone on the Herndon Centennial Golf Course or in
	its parking lot from 8:30–10:30 p.m., on July 4.
	For fireworks viewing only, park at the Station Street municipal parking lot and watch from the
	Herndon Municipal Center Town Green.
	No public access to turf field and tennis courts.
	Due to Fire Marshall regulations, viewing areas for fireworks may change.

The Town of Herndon Parks and Recreation Department is a four-time National Gold Medal Award winner for excellence in park and recreation management presented by the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration. The Town of Herndon, located in western Fairfax County, is the third largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. For more information, visit the Town's website at herndon-va.gov, town services, parks and recreation, or call 703-787-7300.

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