



Have Your Voice Heard: Take the Arlington Civic Federation's Community Engagement Survey

The Arlington County Civic Federation established a task force to re-examine our County governing bodies (County Government and Public Schools), including how the governing bodies receive input from the community and use the input to make decisions. This survey is designed to gather community feedback from individuals on the mechanisms used to provide input to the County and Public Schools. We appreciate your honest feedback. Individual surveys and individually identifying demographic information will not be shared. However, information will be aggregated, and written comments may be shared.

Please share news of the survey with your organizations and networks!

Access the survey by visiting: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CivFedTiGER>.

The Survey will close on Wednesday, September 15, 2021

ACCF Booth at the Arlington County Fair

Come visit us at the Arlington County Fair. Our table will be in the Arlington County area in the indoor exhibit area. We will have a link to the County neighborhood map and will be helping fairgoers connect with their local civic association.

Representatives of our Task Force in Governance and Election Reform (TiGER) will be conducting a demonstration of Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) at the booth. We will also be providing information about the TiGER's work.

ACCF Board Meeting: August 29, 2021

Delegates, Alternate Delegates, others associated with member organizations, and the public are invited to attend this virtual meeting.

Advance Registration is required and must be completed by 12 PM, Sunday, August 28, 2021.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpf-yupzouHtduKXyUNu6VO7-WBRuTUd_J

A confirmation email will be sent with unique meeting log-in/phone-in details.

If you are not familiar with Zoom, here is a [link to information and instructions on how to register and participate in CivFed's August 2021 Membership Meeting](#).

ACPD Conversations with the Chief

ACPD is holding a series of open conversations with Chief Andy Penn to gain insight from residents and businesses about the role of policing. He invites community members, organizations, and businesses to join him at Community Conversations with the Chief throughout Arlington this summer. This is an informal opportunity for the police department to hear directly from the community, on areas they are doing well, areas for continued growth, and the vision of the agency moving forward. Please visit the [Conversations with the Chief webpage](#) for more information.

The schedule of upcoming conversations is below:

- Friday, August 20, 2021
 - Metro 29 Diner
 - 4711 Lee Highway
 - 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 26
 - Gates of Ballston Community Room
 - 4108 4th Street N.
 - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 31, 2021
 - Pentagon Row
 - 1201 S. Joyce Street
 - 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Friday, September 3
 - Gateway Park
 - 1300 Lee Highway
 - 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 7
 - Charles Drew Community Center
 - 3500 23rd Street S.
 - 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 8
 - Peet's Coffee
 - 4115 Campbell Ave.
 - 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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Any Delegate, Alternate Delegate, or member of a Member Organization may participate on any Public Interest or Support Committee. Please contact the applicable Committee chair, point-of-contact, or [President Allan Gajadhar](#) if you are interested in participating on ACCF Committees.

Interested in being an Arlington County Civic Federation Delegate

The Arlington County Civic Federation was founded in 1916. Today, it has 85 member organizations dedicated to advocacy and community involvement. The Federation membership reflects the broad array of interests and talents found in the County and is open and welcoming to all groups within Arlington, firmly believing that a broader range of groups creates better problem-solving outcomes for Arlington and its residents. Our purpose continues to be promoting the general welfare of Arlington County and vicinity in a non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-sectional, and non-political manner.

Arlington County Civic Federation Delegates enjoy the full benefits of participation, voting and serving in Civic Federation leadership positions. If your organization is a member of the Civic Federation, ask if it has open slots for delegates. If it is not a member organization of the Civic Federation, encourage it to join. Here is a [link](#) to our website for more details.

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