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As we begin the summer of 2023, and I reflect on my three years as your representative on the Board of County Supervisors, I am excited about what we have been able to achieve together. Listening to your concerns, I have prioritized revitalization of Route 1, community safety, and improving the quality of life in our community. We have accomplished many goals while at the same time responding to hundreds of individual calls from community members requesting assistance.

I welcome the opportunity to serve as your representative and advocate. We have several projects in the pipeline on the path to completion. For example, the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the Route 1 widening project from Featherstone to Mary's Way is scheduled for completion this fall. The four-lane widening of Neabsco Mills Road, from Route 1 to Dale Boulevard, is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2024. The completion of these two roads offers our community greater connectivity, more sidewalks, and paths.

This past year we have been able to add 20 acres to Veterans Park, approve a new mixed-use North Woodbridge Town Center that will bring economic vibrancy and growth to Woodbridge, and get funding for a new landscaping and litter control project. Together we have been able to accomplish a great deal and I hope to be able to continue our work together.

Remember, you are welcome to call us at 703-792-4646 with your concerns or questions. You can also stop by to see us at our office located at 2701 Neabsco Common Place, Suite 150.

Sincerely,

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## Ribbon Cutting/Groundbreaking Events



**Groundbreaking ceremony of the new CASA Headquarters, Woodbridge, VA**



**Kaiser Permanente Ribbon Cutting Woodbridge, VA**



**Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin, and other local officials and leaders, attend the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Grace Church, Dumfries, VA**



**Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin attends the groundbreaking ceremony of the new Distribution Center on Dabney Road Woodbridge, VA**

## Supervisor Franklin's Legislative Initiatives

- Renaming Jefferson Davis Highway to Richmond Highway
- Affordable Housing Chapter in Comprehensive Plan
- Small Business Micro-grants
- Affordable Housing Ordinance
- Housing Assistance Program
- Woodbridge Library & Senior Center
- Racial & Social Justice Commission
- Beautification of State Roads Initiative
- Child Advocacy Center
- Bus Shelters on Richmond Highway
- Summer Youth Program
- Funding for completion of Featherstone Trail of the PHNST
- Environmental Sustainability Office
- Streetlights in Neighborhoods
- Prince William County Health Department
- Traffic Calming in Neighborhoods
- Recreational Ferry/Public-Private Partnerships
- Disposal of dredged materials from navigable waters
- Added 20 acres of open space to Veterans Park

## Community Outreach

- Grand Opening of American Family Care
- Neabsco Boardwalk Holiday Lights
- Unity Church Virtual Town Hall Meeting
- I-66 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Animal Services Center Grand Opening
- 35th Annual Senior Holiday Lunch
- Ribbon Cutting Kaiser Permanente Caton Hill
- Potomac Woods Senior Living Community Updates
- Casa Groundbreaking
- Community Safety Initiative Town Hall
- Occoquan Marina Fall Party
- Town Hall on Traffic Calming Measures in Belmont Bay
- Potomac Shores Middle School Library Dedication
- WPCA Business Networking Event
- Todos 32nd Anniversary
- Black History Month Program
- Community Family Fund Day at Veterans Park
- Read Across America
- Fall Dumpster Day
- Office Open House
- Business Appreciation Month
- OmniRide Community Cleanup
- Clean Water & Plastic Pollution Awareness Ceremony
- Freedom High School PTSO Meeting
- Spring Dumpster Day
- Stop the Violence Event
- Potomac H.S. Culinary Arts Program Celebration

## Upcoming Events

Taste of Woodbridge	June 10
Town Hall Meeting	July (TBD)
National Night Out	August 1st
Back Pack Giveaway	August 12th
Fall Dumpster Day	September 30th
Community Family Fun Day	October 21st
Fall Open House	October 25th

## BOCS Schedule 2023

June 13th	2:00 pm	Work Session
June 27th	2:00—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
July 11th	2:00—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
July 18th	2:00 pm	Work Session
July 25th	2:00—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
August—Summer Recess		
September 12th	2:00 pm—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
September 19th	2:00 pm	Work Session
September 26th	2:00 pm—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
October 10th	2:00 pm—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
October 17th	2:00 pm	Work Session
October 24th	2:00 pm—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
November 21st	2:00 pm—7:30 pm	Regular Meeting
December 5th	2:00 pm	Regular Meeting
	6:30 pm	State Delegation Meeting
December 12th	2:00 pm	Regular Meeting
	6:30 pm	Joint School Board Meeting

## Community Updates

### Woodbridge District Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin addresses the Criminal Activity on and around Richmond Highway

WOODBRIDGE, VA – Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin has prioritized Community Safety since assuming the role of Woodbridge District Supervisor. Recently, there has been a noticeable uptick in criminal activity surrounding the area on Richmond Highway and Prince William Parkway. Supervisor Franklin has been working with Prince William County Police and Prince William County Public Schools to determine effective means to address incidents that have occurred in this area. Supervisor Franklin urged the following changes:

- The Prince William County Police Department has been monitoring the area surrounding Richmond Highway and Prince William Parkway and has agreed to install cameras in the areas where recent activity has occurred.
- The Prince William County Police Department will provide additional patrols for this area and has collaborated with the property owner to ensure “No Trespassing” signs have been placed behind the 7-11. This step allows police to enforce the County’s no trespassing ordinance.
- Prince William County Public Schools, which has purchased the property behind the 7-11, has agreed to trim the tree lines for better visibility from Prince William Parkway - providing greater visibility to deter criminal activity.
- Prince William County Public Schools has agreed to put up lights behind the 7-11 to help deter criminal activity.
- The Homeless population has been offered services through the Prince William County Social Services Department and relocated.

**Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin**  
Presents  
**Public Safety Town Hall**

Join Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin for a virtual town hall event on public safety in our community

**Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00 pm**

**Join Zoom Meeting**  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85442921620?pwd=PSMkZUJlMWRjQm9kbnRlbnRlZG90>  
Meeting ID: 854 4292 1620  
Passcode: Safety1  
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**Speakers will be available for Q&A during the program**  
For more information, contact [WoodbridgeDistrict@pwva.org](mailto:WoodbridgeDistrict@pwva.org) or 703.792.4646

**MARGARET ANGELA FRANKLIN**  
Presents  
**Virtual Community Safety Initiative Town Hall**  
Wednesday, January 18, 2023

**Special Guests:**  
Dan Robinson  
Peter Houshban

Supervisor Franklin states “It is important to address criminal activity at its roots and these actions will help move us towards that goal”.

Supervisor Franklin hosted her third Public Safety Town Hall on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss the recently approved Community Safety Initiative (CSI). The Prince William Board of County Supervisors (BOCS) approved the Community Safety Initiative, which aims to target violence at its roots – through community involvement and proven holistic measures. For more information on the Community Safety Initiative, visit <https://www.pwcvva.gov/news/prince-william-county-introduces-community-safety-initiative>.



## Community Updates

### **Supervisor Franklin Commends Freedom High School Eagles Football Team on their Outstanding Season**



In his eighth season as Head Coach, Darryl Overton and his coaching staff, Jeff Overton, Greg Johnson, Cody Williams, TJ Washington, Toney Mooney, Chris Cousins, Krysis Davis, Charles Gates, and Baron Taylor led the Freedom Football Team in one of the most dominant football seasons in Virginia History.

Leading with a 15-0 undefeated record, the Freedom Eagles ended their season as district, regional, and Class 6 state cham-

pions. Off the field, the student athletes are excelling in the classroom, with a majority of the seniors being offered scholarships in this early part of the year, and two seniors graduating early and enrolling as college students this January.

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### **Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin Announces Route 1 Corridor Public Transportation Improvement Project**



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin announced plans, at a recent meeting of the Prince William Board of County Supervisors, to continue her efforts to enhance and improve the Route 1 Corridor (Richmond Highway). The Route 1 Corridor Public Transportation Improvement Project involves adding bus stop shelters and trash receptacles at 13 Omniride bus stops along Route 1.

The project also includes making each of the 13 bus stops compliant with requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act, ensuring that all residents have access to public transportation. The bus stop shelters also encourage people to use public transit and enhance their experience by offering safety and security.

This latest effort by Supervisor Franklin follows her other efforts to revitalize the Route 1 Corridor. She led the effort to change the name of Route 1 from Jefferson Davis Highway to Richmond Highway, and ensured that businesses adversely impacted by the name change could receive grants for those expenses. According to Franklin, "Route 1 (Richmond Highway) is the heart of the Woodbridge District and we deserve a vibrant, dynamic, and safe community for those who drive and those who use public transportation."

## Seniors Corner

### **Virtual Center for Active Adults**



### **Find Connection, Stay Active and Have Fun!**

The goal of the Virtual Center for Active Adults is to enrich the lives of older adults and adults with disabilities in Northern Virginia while combatting isolation. Here you can connect with your peers, engage in a variety of activities, and discover useful resources.

Join live, interactive programs and engage with other adults. You can also watch prerecorded programs on demand on your own schedule.

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/neighborhood-community-services/virtual-center-active-adults>

## In the Community



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin Enjoyed Read Across America at Kilby Elementary School



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin Attended the Woodbridge Potomac Communities Civic Association (WPCCA) Business Networking Event at the Bel Air Event Center



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin Hosted the 35th Annual Senior Holiday Dinner!



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin Hosted the 1st Annual Community Family Fun Day!

## Community Updates

### Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin is Excited About the New Distribution Center Coming to Woodbridge



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin attended the groundbreaking ceremony of the new Distribution Center on Dabney Road. This 113,000 square-foot Distribution Center will bring businesses and jobs to Woodbridge!

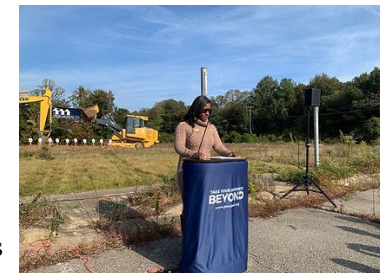
It will span 113,490 square feet and will be located on Dabney Road. This project represents an investment of \$22.5m and will provide

close to 100 new jobs in supply chain logistics. It will be the inaugural development project in the new E-Commerce Overlay in Prince William County. Many of the jobs created by such projects often require business card printing services.

The Normandy Opportunity Zone Fund, LP, and the Pinkard Group purchased the property in 2021. They also demolished the vacant warehouse buildings that were on two parcels of land adjacent to the property.

Principal of The Pinkard Group, Fred Underwood, said that issues regarding the supply chain have been of utmost importance for consumers and concern among many corporations around the world. He said that this high-bay modern facility will provide excellent access and increased functionality for last-mile distribution operations.

The 95 East Distribution Center is the first new project of an industrial nature east of Interstate 95 in Woodbridge in over 10 years and coincides with road work being finished to revitalize and widen the Route 1 corridor. Woodbridge District Supervisor, Margaret Franklin, expressed her thrill about this project that will bring new jobs and new tenants to the community.



The new fulfillment facility is expected to be operational by next summer.



## Community Updates

### **Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin Urges Sanctions on Local Entities Associated with Violent Criminal Activity**

Gun violence continues to shatter lives and communities across our nation including right here in Woodbridge. The time between tragedies gets shorter and shorter. However, we cannot allow ourselves to become numb to the horror and tragedy of these events. Nor can we ignore the pain and suffering of gun violence victims and their families.

The North Woodbridge area is currently undergoing major revitalization efforts. But while this has been a positive change, we have also seen significant challenges. That is why I am urging our public safety officials to utilize the full weight of its authority to bring sanctions against any entity enabling the tide of violent criminal activities occurring on their premise, particularly if there have been numerous violent crimes occurring on the same premise. I will continue to work in guaranteeing that there are significant resources needed to address violent crimes, but this will take much needed cooperation. I have spoken to county officials as well as our police about the need for more resources and I expect to see those resources in full effect moving forward.

#### **Supervisor Franklin has also done the following:**

- Issued a directive on October 11 for staff to determine the availability of federal funding for gun violence prevention programs and services. Specifically, this directed the study and review of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act for sources of “funding for programs, services, or equipment that Prince William County can use to make our schools and communities safer.”
- Urged the Acting County Executive to work alongside the police department and the Deputy County Executive for Public Safety to develop a public safety plan to address gun violence among other issues throughout our county.
- Hosted a town hall on Gun Violence Prevention, on June 22 and a town hall on Public Safety on August 16. Hosted joint meetings with several apartment management companies and the police department on ways that better security measures can enhance and improve the quality of life of Woodbridge residents.



## In the Community

**Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin attended the Neabsco Boardwalk Holiday Lights display November 2022**



**Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin, with Prince William County Neighborhood Services, hosted her 2022 Dumpster Day at Rippon Middle School. We collected 1.79 tons of unwanted household items, trash and debris. October 2022**

**Secretary Xavier Becerra visits Prince William County to speak with the Latino community on rising drug prices and the provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 that will help lower the prices. October 2022**



**Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin hosted a Fall 2022 Open House at the Woodbridge District Office. PW Libraries and PWC Human Rights participated in the event.**



## In the Community



Commencement of construction on the VRE Station Garage at Potomac Shores.  
May 2023



Dumpster Day, Fred Lynn Middle School  
May 2023



Supervisor Margaret Franklin celebrating Business Appreciation Month.  
May 2023

## In the Community



Business Appreciation Month visit at Emerald Ironworks in Woodbridge.  
May 2023

Bike to Work Day, Woodbridge VRE Station  
May 2023



Prince William County's Memorial Day Service  
May 2023





## In the Community



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin read to the Second Grade class at Kilby Elementary School - on Read Across America Day.  
March 2023

Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin attends the Woodbridge Potomac Communities Civic Association Business Networking Event at the Bel Air Event Center.  
February 2023



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin hosted our Annual Black History Month Program: "Black Civic Engagement"  
February 2023

Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin hosted the Woodbridge District's 35th Annual Holiday Dinner at the Woodbridge Senior Center.  
December 2022



Supervisor Margaret Angela Franklin speaks with parents and faculty at their second PTSSO meeting.  
November 2022

## Transportation Update

### **Neabsco Mills Road Widening**

Construction contract awarded September 20, 2022  
Construction began Fall 2022  
Anticipated construction ends Spring 2024

### **Neabsco/Potomac Commuter Parking garage**

Construction documents submitted to County  
February 6, 2023  
Groundbreaking ceremony held March 17<sup>th</sup>  
Design/Construction began March 2022  
Anticipated Design/Construction ends Summer 2024

### **Rte 1 Widening from Mary's Way to Featherstone**

Southbound lane traffic shift completed in May 2022  
Roadway construction completion anticipated for late 2023

### **I-95 Express Lane-Opitz Boulevard Ramp**

Construction started Summer 2022

### **Route 1/Route 123 Improvements**

Project was awarded \$3 million from NVTA in their Six Year Program for design.  
The STARS Study for the project has been completed

### **North Woodbridge Mobility Improvement (Formerly Annapolis Way)**

Project is fully funded with regional NVTA funds  
100 percent plan submitted to VDOT  
Design end Fall 2022  
Construction begin Spring 2023  
Construction end Winter 2024

### **Marina Way Extended**

Fully funded through SMART SCALE funding  
VDOT approval of County-State agreement was received on January 18, 2023  
Design will begin once federal authorization is received