

# Communications & Public Information

Overview



#### Who are We?

- City Spokespersons
- Media Relations
- Citywide
   Communications
- Community Engagement
- Webpage Management



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**Director\*** *Ebony C. Fleming* 

#### **Team OCPI**



Strategic Communications Manager\*

Berkeley Teate



Outreach Coordinator\*

Elaine Scott

**Language Access Coordinator** 

Recruitment In Progress

**Strategic Planner** 

Proposed for FY23



Creative Communications Manager

Justin Thompson



Web Developer\*

Gerry Dineros

Visual Information Developer

Recruitment In Progress



Web Editor

Jacqueline Cozma

**Editorial Comms Manager** 

Recruitment In Progress



Writer/Editor

Jael Zeballos

Writer/Editor

Recruitment In Progress



**Contractor** *Ernest Leong* 



# **Editorial Branch**

(Writing)

- Editorial advisor to PIOs
- Establish, execute and maintain citywide style guide policies, tone/voice
- Support variety of platforms
- See publications through editorial process
- Ensure language access and cultural competence to effectively reach Alexandria residents
- Provide support and tools to staff



# Strategic Branch

(Outreach)

- Develop Citywide Communication Plan
- Contribute to development of citywide language access and community outreach
- Align department communication schedules with City priorities
- Work with departments to develop communication plans
- Coordinate with department communicators
- Help establish internal workflow conducive to all branch needs



## **Creative Branch**

(Web Site/Social Media)

- Deliver creative communications products and ideas according to strategic communication plans
- Identify and adopt citywide standards and technical guidance for communication platforms and tools
- Provide guidance on using communication platforms to reach audience and objectives
- Ensure language access and cultural competence to effectively reach Alexandria residents



# **How We Communicate**

#### External Communications

- ➤ alexandriava.gov
- ➤ AlexTV Channel 70
- ➤ Citywide Calendar of Events
- ➤ Emergency Alerts (not 911)
- > eNews
- ➤ Media Relations
- ➤ News Releases
- ➤ Social Media and Webcasts
- Community Outreach &Engagement

#### **Internal Communications**

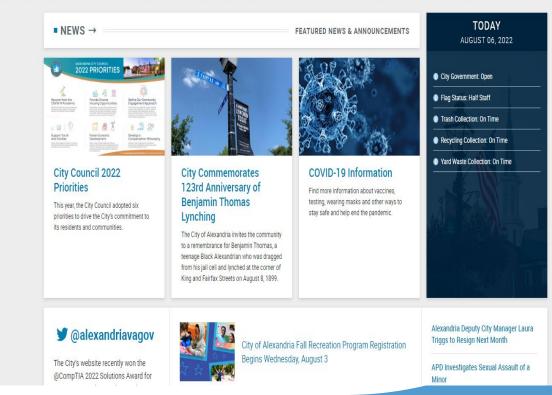
- *➤ AlexNet*
- ➤ AlexNews (on hiatus)
- > Employee focused information
- **➤** Emergency Communications
- > Communications Tools
- ➤ Style Guide and Protocols



# **External Communications**

- ≽alexandriava.gov
- ➤ News Releases
- ➤ Media Advisories
- > Alexandria eNews
- ➤ Channel 70
- > Social Media
- > Calendar of Events
- **≻** Virtual Presentations







## **Internal Communications**

Human Resources

- AlexNet: alexandriava.gov/AlexNet
- AlexNews (on hiatus)
  - > Employee Newsletter
- Emergency Communications
  - eMail
- Employee Hotline





# Alexandria eNews

#### alexandriava.gov/eNews

- Everybody should sign up with a work and personal email address
- > Emergency alerts
- > 100+ choices of topics
- > Free e-mails, texts, voice calls
- > 50,000+ subscribers



#### **USER LOGIN** email address password Remember my email address Log in Lost password? **New User Registration Latest Alerts** Send Username Frequently Asked Questions Send Password Learn More FAO West Office Building is now safe and secure. You may return.

#### Stay informed with eNews!

The City of Alexandria's **eNews** service lets you sign up to receive information on more than **100 topics**, including vital emergency alerts. The messages, ranging from news releases and department newsletters to public meeting dockets and payment deadline reminders, can be sent directly to your e-mail account, PDA, pager, cell phone, or BlackBerry. You can even receive alerts from other national and regional organizations, such as Amber Alerts, airport delays, and Metrorail service disruptions.

There is no cost to sign up for Alexandria eNews, although your wireless provider may charge you to receive e-mail or text messages on your mobile device. If you already use e-mail or text messaging, Alexandria eNews messages will work the same way. Contact your wireless provider if you have any questions about the fees they may charge.

Don't miss out on important news and emergency alerts.
Sign up for Alexandria eNews today!

The following groups are currently available on Alexandria eNews:

- · General Information
  - Alexandria City Council
  - · Alexandria Library Monthly Calendar
  - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Stimulus)
- · Animal Watch
- · Animal Welfare League News
- Boards and Commissions Vacancies
- Economic Development Updates
   Election Information and Sample Ballots
- FYI Alexandria
- General City News Releases
   Government Telephone Number
- Changes
   Job Opportunities
- · Notices of City Government Meetings
- Public Safety
- Code Enforcement Undates

- Planning and Zoning
  - · Administrative Requests for SUPs
  - All Community Meetings
  - · All General Information
  - Arlandria
  - Beauregard Corridor Plan
  - . Boards of Architectural Review
  - Board of Zoning Appeals
  - Braddock Road Metro Area
     Carlyle / Eisenhower East
  - · Eisenhower West Planning Study
  - Historic Districts and Historic
  - Preservation
     Hunting Creek
  - Infill Development
  - King Street
  - · Landmark / Van Dorn Updates
  - Mt. Vernon Avenue Updates
  - Open Space Planning
  - Planning Commission
  - Potomac Yard Updates
  - Route 1 Planning

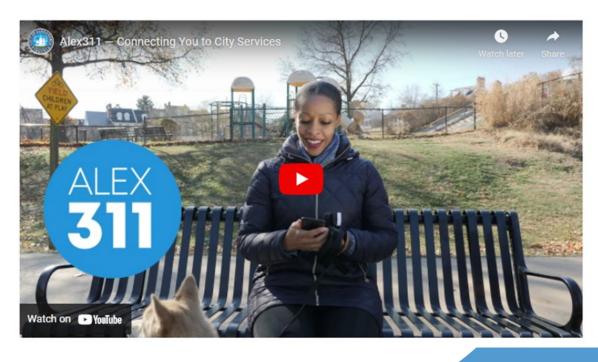


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#### 6 Convenient Ways to Connect:

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- Mobile App Available in the App Store or Google Play
- Twitter @AlexandriaVA311
- **f** Facebook @AlexandriaVA311
- Phone Dial 311 or 703.746.4311
  - Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- A In-Person







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