



# 2022 Drinking Water Clinic

*Do you have a well, spring or cistern?*

*Learn about your water quality through affordable, confidential testing and become empowered to make decisions about system maintenance and water treatment!*

*The goal of the Virginia Household Water Quality Program is to improve the water quality and health of Virginians with private water supplies, including wells, springs and cisterns.*

## How does it work?

1. Pick up your sample kit near the local Extension office with physical distancing measures.
2. Collect samples on designated date and drop off locally (physical distancing measures will be in place and masks are required).
3. Samples are analyzed at Virginia Tech. All participant information is kept strictly confidential. Receive your confidential results, an explanation of what they mean, and information about addressing any problems via email (or USPS mail if an email is not provided). A live video or recorded video presentation will also be available to help you understand your results.

## What does the water test include?

Iron	Manganese	Sulfate	Hardness
Sodium	Copper	Nitrate	Arsenic
Fluoride	pH	Total Dissolved Solids	
Coliform bacteria	E. coli bacteria	Lead	

## How much does it cost? \$60 per sample kit.

	Date and Time	Location
Pick up sample kit and receive directions to collect samples	Monday, May 2 8-10 am or 4-6 pm	Front Circle - Albemarle County Office Building 1600 5th Street Ext., Charlottesville 22902
Drop off samples	Wednesday, May 4 7:30 – 9:00 am	Front Circle - Albemarle County Office Building 1600 5th Street Ext., Charlottesville 22902
Results will be emailed or mailed	A presentation link will be provided via email approximately 4-5 weeks later. If you do not have an email address, we will mail your results and will be available by phone to answer your questions.	

**TO PAY ONLINE VISIT:** <https://tinyurl.com/AlbemarleVCE-VAHWQP>

To pay by check use the registration form below. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available.

If you have any questions contact: Nancy Bishop [nancyb63@vt.edu](mailto:nancyb63@vt.edu) 434-872-4580

CUT HERE AND RETURN BOTTOM PORTION WITH PAYMENT

**2022 Drinking Water Clinic REGISTRATION**

*Make checks payable to* **TREASURER OF VIRGINIA TECH** Fee: \$60 per sample kit

**Mail to: Virginia Cooperative Extension-Albemarle, 460 Stagecoach Road, Charlottesville, VA 22902**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Space is limited so please register early! Registration form and fee must be received to reserve you space in the clinic. \$50 returned check fee. Requests for refunds must be received by **Friday, April 29, 2022 at 12:00 pm** by calling the VCE office 434-872-4580.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Nancy Bishop at (434-872-4580/TDD\*) during business hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to discuss accommodations at least 5 days prior to the event.

\*TDD number is (800) 828-1120.



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## Renew Your Real Estate Tax Relief by April 1, 2022

Albemarle County offers real estate tax relief to elderly and/or permanently disabled persons. **If you received tax relief last year, you must file your application or certification renewal by April 1** to determine your eligibility prior to the June 25, 2022 real estate tax bills.

### You may qualify if:

- You were the owner of record as of January 1, 2022.
- As of December 31, 2021, you were either (a) at least 65 years of age and/or (b) certified as totally and permanently disabled ***and***
- Your combined total income (from all sources) for 2021 was no more than \$69,452 ***and***
- The combined total net worth of you and your spouse did not exceed \$200,000 as of December 31, 2021

### Background :

In 2016, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors adopted a change that allows property owners who have been determined to be eligible for tax relief to renew their *Tax Relief Application* on a three-year cycle, but applicants must submit an easy-to-complete *Annual Renewal Certification* in each of the two subsequent years. As long as no qualifying criteria has changed from the previous Relief Application that would cause the applicant to be ineligible, tax relief will be renewed.

If you have any questions, or would like assistance completing your certification form or your application, contact Albemarle County's Finance and Budget Department:

- By email: [AlbemarleCountyFinance@albemarle.org](mailto:AlbemarleCountyFinance@albemarle.org)
- By phone: [\(434\) 296-5851](tel:(434)296-5851) option 3, or call 711 for the hearing and/or speech impaired, Monday to Friday 8am – 5 pm

- **SPRING CLEANING NO FEE DAYS AT THE IVY MUC (materials utilization center)**
- **Household Hazardous waste on Friday & Saturday, April 29 and 30 from 9AM to 2PM** at IMUC
- **Bulky Waste Amnesty days:**
  - **Furniture/Mattresses** - May 7, 2022; **Appliances** - May 14, 2022; **Tires** - May 21, 2022
- **Electronic Waste Collection Day-** Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 9 A to 3P at IMUC
  - You MUST pre-register: <https://www.rivanna.org/ewaste/>
  - Details on website and <http://www.rivanna.org/hhw/>
- **Commercial Hazardous Waste Collection - Thursday, April 28, 2022.** Qualifying businesses **must pre-register** with MXI Environmental by April 21<sup>st</sup> to obtain an appointment. To register, call or email Peggy Snead at (276) 628-6636, extension 203 or [peggys@mxiinc.com](mailto:peggys@mxiinc.com). There is a fee associated with disposal.

## Kick off for spring. Scavenger hunt at the firehouse 1 pm March 26

### Back on the hunt!

Now that Spring has well and truly sprung, the Earlysville Volunteer Fire Company has sprouted up with the perfect reason to hop off the sofa, get outside, and enjoy the sunshine - their annual Scavenger Hunt.

“Covid, power outages, winter weather - I’m sure every family is fed up with being cooped up; now’s the time to get out and explore this beautiful region,” says Joey Lawson, President of the EVFC. “Our Scavenger Hunt was such a hit last year that we knew we had to run it again. It’s going to be a fun day out for the family, and we have some great prizes to win!”

The event will take you across the hills, mountain roads, wineries, and businesses within the EVFC’s 78 square mile first-due response area - one of the largest of Albemarle county’s fire stations. Teams will follow a pre-planned route, find clues, and answer a set of questions; with all correct entries entering a Grand Prize drawing.

The event is part of the EVFC’s drive to raise funds to renovate its firehouse, which dates back to the 1980s. “Our station has served our community well over the years, but it is sadly showing its age and is in much need of refurbishment. Our members give up their time for free and deserve a clean, safe, modern facility to rest and train in so that they are ready to respond to all local emergencies,” he says.

The pandemic has forced the EVFC to curtail its usual fundraising activity of renting its banquet hall for community events and hosting kids’ birthday parties.

*The EVFC Scavenger Hunt starts at 1pm on March 26; advance tickets are \$25. Start is at the Earlysville fire house at 283 Reas Ford Rd, Earlysville, VA 22936; for advance tickets go to <https://www.earlysvillefire.org/single-post/evfc-scavenger-hunt-fundraiser>*

## Browns Gap Garden Tour Sunday April 24, 2022 Route begins at 4585 Slam Gate Road

### Buy tickets in advance at [VirginiaGardenWeek.org](https://VirginiaGardenWeek.org)

[Albemarle-Charlottesville@VAGardenWeek.org](mailto:Albemarle-Charlottesville@VAGardenWeek.org)

Hidden in the Albemarle County foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains lies Brown’s Cove, settled by the Brown family over 275 years ago.

Three of the remaining family homes and gardens, Mount Fair Farm, Brightberry and Walnut Level at Innisfree Village, will be open for Historic Garden Week for the first time, along with Turkey Ridge, the modern home of Innisfree’s founder.

This self-driving tour offers something to inspire everyone: historic and contemporary architecture and interiors, original dependencies and modern farm buildings, botanical and sculpture gardens, and equestrian facilities, rolling farmland and sweeping mountain views.

## ***Back in Person!***

**The Eleventh Annual Ruritan Plant Sale is coming!**

**April 30 (8 am-1pm) and May 1 (11 am-2 pm)**



Plants are all from local gardens and include flowering plants, shrubs, trees, tomatoes and other vegetables/berries/herbs. Old plant favorites and new finds are available. Proceeds fund local scholarships, educational opportunities, and improvements to White Hall's century-old Community Building.



**The plant sale will be on the grounds of the White Hall Community Building (2904 Brown's Gap Road, at the intersection of Routes 614 and 810).**

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**9:00 Outdoor Worship**

**10:30 Indoor Worship**

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**979-INFO**

The 979-INFO (979-4636) telephone line may be activated to provide the support during emergencies or situations in which there is a heavy call volume from the public.

Sign up for **Code Red**, for Weather Emergency notifications at <https://communityemergency.org/>

**Sign up for County A-Mail, news in your email. At [www.albemarle.org](http://www.albemarle.org)**

**Websites**

- Community emergency page ([www.communityemergency.org](http://www.communityemergency.org))
- Virginia Emergency Services (<https://www.vaemergency.gov/>)
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