Federal Real ID requirements – NOW IS the time to ACT

If you haven’t visited the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration (MDOT MVA) recently, you may be required to bring additional documentation on your next visit. The federal Real ID Act, legislation created post 9/11 now requires customers to provide proof of identity, Social Security and Maryland residency documents when completing a transaction, if you do not already have those documents on file with MDOT MVA.

Starting October 1, 2020 a Real ID will be necessary to board commercial airplanes and enter federal facilities.

If you’re unsure if your license is Real ID compliant, visit the MDOT MVA’s REAL ID Lookup Tool at www.mva.maryland.gov/realidlookup. The Lookup Tool will ask for a driver’s license number and advise if you need to bring in the required REAL ID documents. If you are required to bring in documents, the MDOT MVA REAL ID Online Document Guide www.mva.maryland.gov/odg walks you through the required documentation needed including one proof of age and identity, one proof of social security, and two proofs of Maryland residential address. To expedite your visit, the online document guide gives you an option to make an appointment with a guarantee to be seen within 15 minutes of check-in.

Learn more about Real ID at www.maryland.gov/realid.
**INDEPENDENCE NOW REGULARLY SCHEDULE EVENTS**

(Monthly, quarterly and annual events)

**July 18th 4:00pm-7:30pm:** Pre-Show Dinner/Creative Cooking Class: "Chicken dinner on a stick" Kabobs made with large chicken nuggets & homemade barbecue dipping sauce!

**August 15th 11am-1:30pm:** Creative Cooking Class - We're on a mission to improve the way our consumers eat. Summer brings a wealth of deliciously ripe produce. Come learn how to pick the freshest seasonal fruits and veggies and mouthwatering ways to serve them presented by Manna Food.

**September 19th 11am-2:00pm:** Creative Cooking Class - Cooking and Food Safety Emergency Preparedness lesson. Would you know what to cook if you had no appliances in case of emergency presented by Montgomery County Fire Department. The "Conversation Table" is at it again, let’s talk safety.

**#MoneyMatters**

**Wednesday, July 23rd 1pm-3pm:**
Getting out of debt can save you thousands in interest AND take a big load off your shoulders. Find out how using 10 Key Steps to get out of debt at Independence Now’s next #MoneyMatters Workshop.

**#TechTuesday**

**Tuesday, August 6th 4pm-6pm:** - Keeping Your Personal Information SAFE online: In Independence Now’s newest workshop, #TechTuesdays, find out how to unlock the power of 21st century technology, like your smartphone & other assistive technology devices to make them more accessible for YOUR disabilities. At IN’s first #TechTuesday, learn how to use JUST your voice to access your emails, texts, Facebook, & other apps on your phone!

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