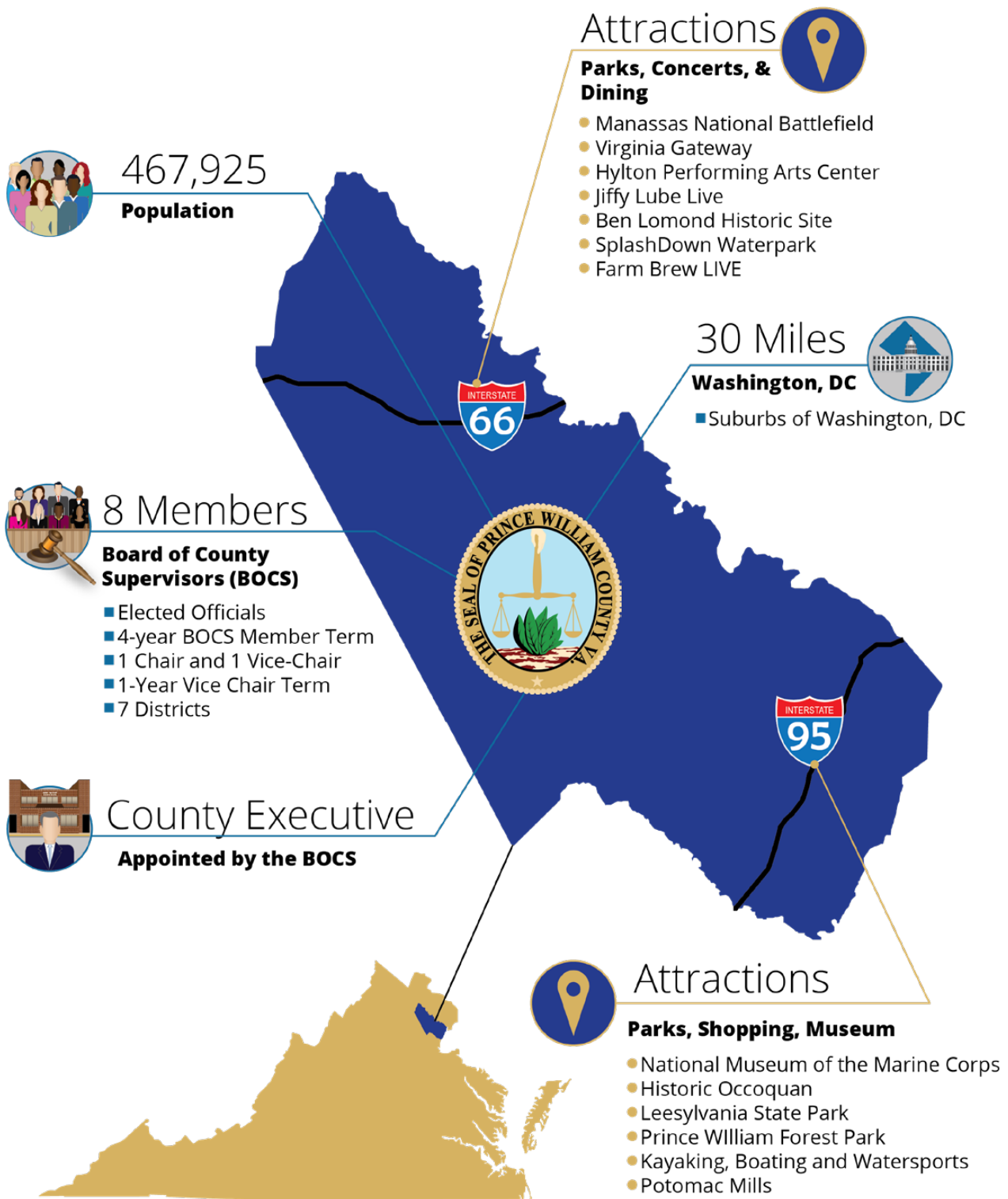


# Prince William County Infographic



# History of Prince William County

## Regional Perspective

Prince William County (PWC) is located in Northern Virginia, approximately 30 miles southwest of Washington, D.C. The County encompasses an area of 348 square miles, 18.8% of which is federally owned land.

Prince William's location in the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. area and the availability of excellent transportation options in the region is a catalyst for growth in the County which continues to provide numerous economic advantages. Interstate 95 and U.S. Highway 1 connect the County with Washington, D.C. to the north and Richmond, Virginia to the south. Interstate 66 connects the western portion of the County with Washington, D.C. to the east and Interstate 81 to the west. Route 234/Prince William Parkway links Interstate 66 in the west with 7,000 acres designated for industrial and commercial growth. Prince William Parkway provides easy access to Interstate 95 and prime development locations through the eastern portion of the County.

The County has a number of freight and passenger rail service alternatives available to its citizens and businesses. CSX and Norfolk Southern Railway provide freight service to the County. Amtrak passenger trains provide inter-city service to points up and down the eastern seaboard from stations in the Town of Quantico and the City of Manassas. The Virginia Railway Express provides passenger service to and from the District of Columbia from four stations within the County.

Dulles International Airport, Reagan National Airport, and Manassas Regional Airport provide air transportation within easy access of PWC.



Map provided by Prince William County Office of Tourism; Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism

# History of Prince William County

## Local Government

Prince William County (PWC) Government has exercised local governing powers granted by the Virginia General Assembly in 1730. Since 1972, PWC has had the County Executive form of government. Under this form of government, an eight-member Board of County Supervisors (BOCS) has full power to determine the policies covering the financial and business affairs of the County government. The BOCS appoints a County Executive to act as the County government's chief administrative officer and to execute the BOCS policies. The BOCS also appoints a County Attorney and several separate Boards and Authorities to administer the operations of certain services. The County provides a full range of local government services including police, fire and rescue, court services, education, development administration, library, water and sewer services, park and recreational services, health and social services, public improvements, planning, and general administration.

## History



People have been living in what is now PWC for over 10,000 years. By the time of European contact in the 1600s, the Native American group living here was the Dogue Tribe, part of the Powhatan Confederacy. When PWC was established in 1731, very few Native Americans were left. The original 1731 boundaries encompassed most of Northern Virginia, with the current boundaries being formed in 1759. Soon PWC became a prosperous destination for free settlers from England, Ireland, Wales, Scotland, and Germany, and unfree, enslaved settlers from Africa and the Caribbean. By the 1800s the main port of Dumfries began to silt, ushering in a century of continual migration from the County.

For most of its history PWC remained a farming community. Prior to the Civil War over a third of residents were enslaved. In 1861, the majority of residents supported secession although large areas of Unionists remained, the largest being at Occoquan. The Civil War brought destruction to the area, with battles and passing troops ravaging the landscape. Multiple battles were fought here, including First and Second Manassas, Bristoe Station, Dumfries, Buckland, and Thoroughfare Gap.

Throughout the 20th century, PWC transformed from mainly farming to a more diverse community. Starting in World War I, Marine Corps Base Quantico was established in PWC. During the Great Depression, Prince William Forest Park was created. After World War II, PWC started to become a bedroom community of Washington D.C. From pre-colonial times to modern day, PWC was and continues to be a dynamic community.

PWC was the birthplace or home of many notable personalities including George Mason II, Henry Lee III (the father of General Robert E. Lee), William Grayson, John Ballendine, Parson Mason Locke Weems, Benita Fitzgerald, the Chinn Family, Simon Kenton, Jennie Dean, James Robinson, Wilmer McLean, and many more. From pre-colonial times to modern day, PWC was and continues to be a dynamic community.



Cockpit Point



Brentsville Courthouse



# Statistical & Background Information

## Statistical Information

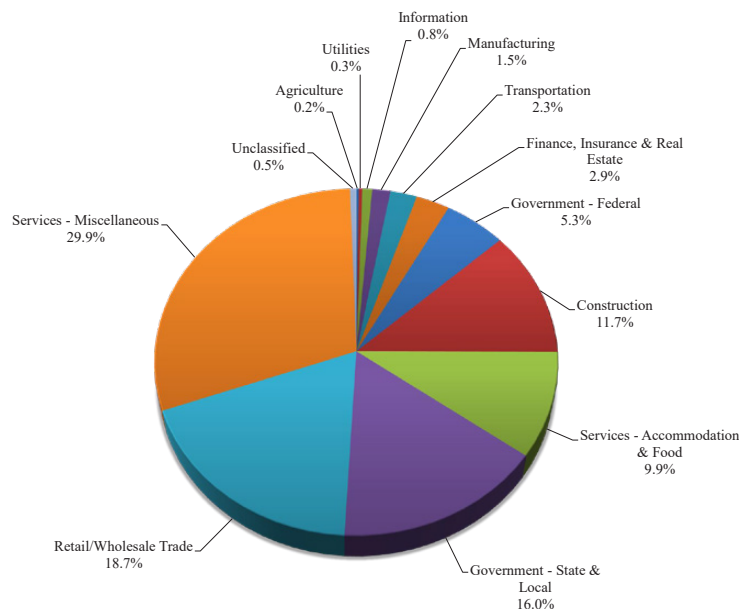
### Employment

PWC March 2021 unemployment rate was 5.2%. The unemployment rate continues to remain below national and state averages. The average annual unemployment rate in Virginia, as of March 2021, was 5.1%. In the United States, the March 2021 unemployment rate was 6.2%.

The services, government, and retail sectors reflect the greatest sources of employment within PWC.

Source: [Virginia Employment Commission](#)

### Employment By Industry



### Unemployment Rates

Year	Prince William County	Virginia	United States
2010	6.1%	7.1%	9.6%
2011	5.6%	6.6%	8.9%
2012	5.2%	6.1%	8.1%
2013	5.1%	5.7%	7.4%
2014	4.8%	5.2%	6.2%
2015	4.1%	4.5%	5.3%
2016	3.6%	4.1%	4.9%
2017	3.4%	3.7%	4.4%
2018	2.7%	3.0%	3.9%
2019	2.4%	2.8%	3.7%
2020	6.5%	6.2%	8.1%

Source: [PWC Geospatial Technology Services – Economic Stats](#); [Virginia Community Profile PWC](#) page 14

### Employment by Industry

Industries	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Agriculture	0.20%	0.18%	0.20%	0.17%	0.14%	0.13%	0.12%	0.13%	0.14%	0.12%	0.12%
Construction	11.73%	11.11%	10.90%	10.76%	10.56%	11.08%	10.59%	10.66%	10.23%	9.71%	9.81%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.88%	2.84%	2.90%	3.00%	3.03%	3.10%	2.98%	2.99%	3.03%	2.93%	3.00%
Government - Federal	5.29%	4.90%	4.97%	4.95%	5.01%	5.34%	5.73%	5.99%	21.62%	23.53%	23.71%
Government - State & Local	15.99%	16.58%	16.60%	16.55%	16.34%	16.92%	16.68%	15.69%	—	—	—
Information	0.84%	0.91%	0.91%	0.96%	0.85%	1.18%	1.16%	1.17%	1.16%	1.10%	1.21%
Manufacturing	1.54%	1.44%	1.46%	1.57%	1.59%	1.53%	1.58%	1.64%	1.89%	1.94%	1.67%
Retail/Wholesale Trade	18.65%	18.77%	19.27%	19.81%	20.52%	21.64%	21.07%	20.68%	20.64%	21.23%	21.43%
Services - Miscellaneous	29.92%	30.23%	29.68%	29.26%	28.85%	25.89%	27.62%	27.83%	39.19%	37.19%	36.61%
Services - Accommodation & Food	9.85%	10.52%	10.87%	10.80%	10.92%	11.02%	10.53%	11.17%	—	—	—
Transportation	2.27%	1.75%	1.70%	1.60%	1.65%	1.73%	1.65%	1.72%	1.77%	1.87%	2.06%
Unclassified	0.54%	0.46%	0.25%	0.27%	0.26%	0.15%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Utilities	0.30%	0.31%	0.29%	0.31%	0.28%	0.29%	0.30%	0.32%	0.33%	0.36%	0.38%
<b>Total Employment</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>99.98%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Source: [Virginia Employment Commission, Virginia's Career and Workforce-Labor Market Information, PWC Community Profile - Employment by Industry Chart, page 24](#)

**Note:** In year 2013, Services category includes: Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services; Management of Companies and Enterprises; Educational Services; Health Care and Social Assistance; Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation; Other Services (except Public Administration).

# Statistical & Background Information

Principal Employers			
Rank	Taxpayer	Ownership	Number of Employees
1	Prince William County School Board	Local Government	1,000 and over
2	County of Prince William	Local Government	1,000 and over
3	U.S. Department of Defense	Federal Government	1,000 and over
4	Wal Mart	Private	1,000 and over
5	Morale Welfare and Recreation	Federal Government	1,000 and over
6	Sentara Healthcare	Private	1,000 and over
7	Target Corporation	Private	500 to 999
8	Wegmans Store #07	Private	500 to 999
9	Northern Virginia Community College	State Government	500 to 999
10	M J Morgan Group	Private	500 to 999

Source: [PWC 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Table 17 – Principal Employers](#)

## Real Estate Tax Base

- Total real estate assessments – \$67.6 billion in tax year 2020, an increase of 5.65% from the prior year.
- In 2020, the top ten principal real property tax payers constituted 5.14% of the total County taxable assessed value.
- The FY22 real estate rate per \$100 of assessed value real estate tax is \$1.115; as adopted by the BOCS, this is a decrease of \$0.01 from FY21.
- Each penny on the rate generates approximately \$6.8 million in real estate revenue in FY22.

Source: [PWC Real Estate Assessments Office 2020 Annual Report; 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Table 7, Table 9](#)

2016-2020 Tax Year Comparisons					
Calendar Year/Tax Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Fiscal Year	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
Commercial Property as a % of Total Real Estate Tax Base	13.28%	14.14%	15.12%	15.07%	15.46%
Average Assessed Value of All Residential Property	\$340,200	\$346,700	\$359,100	\$372,400	\$388,400
Tax Rate per \$100 of assessed value	\$1.122	\$1.125	\$1.125	\$1.125	\$1.125
Appreciation Rate of Residential Property Value	1.79%	1.78%	3.28%	3.40%	3.89%
Appreciation Rate of Commercial Property Value	1.47%	7.93%	3.89%	1.83%	5.82%
Tax Exempt Property as Percentage of Total Assessed Value	6.49%	6.58%	6.55%	6.48%	6.66%

Source: [PWC Real Estate Assessments Office 2020 Annual Report](#)

Top Ten Principal Real Property Taxpayers			
Rank	Taxpayer	Taxable Assessed Value (amounts expressed in thousands)	Percentage of Total County Taxable Assessed Value
1	VA Electric & Power Company	\$929,163	1.45%
2	Mall at Potomac Mills, LLC	\$519,964	0.81%
3	Abteen Ventures, LLC	\$501,809	0.78%
4	Northern Virginia Electric Co-op	\$362,688	0.57%
5	VA Data Inc	\$250,220	0.39%
6	Powerloft @ Innovation I LLC	\$165,132	0.26%
7	Washington Gas Light Company	\$158,576	0.25%
8	Verizon South, Inc.	\$149,702	0.23%
9	JBG/Woodbridge Retail LLC	\$134,232	0.21%
10	Porpoise Ventures LLC	\$115,930	0.18%

Source: [PWC Comprehensive Annual Financial Report 2020 Table 9 Principal Real Property Tax Payers](#)

# Statistical & Background Information

## Population and Housing

The annual population total estimates for the County are snapshots in time derived from each year's 4<sup>th</sup> quarter population estimate by Magisterial District. The population total for 2020 was 467,925, an 0.9% increase from 2019. During the FY22 budget process 2020 Census population data was not available. The total number of housing units at the end of 2020 was 157,141. The following chart breaks down population and housing statistics in the County.

Population and Housing						
District	Square Miles	Population Estimate 12/31/2020	Housing Unit Types			Total Housing Units
			Single-Family Detached	Single-Family Attached	Multi-Family	
Brentsville	85.19	71,414	64.0%	23.9%	12.1%	22,903
Coles	50.36	70,887	79.6%	13.1%	7.3%	22,335
Gainesville	71.20	73,000	49.0%	24.2%	26.8%	25,060
Neabsco	12.32	55,819	59.2%	26.4%	14.4%	18,381
Occoquan	27.10	65,673	44.2%	36.5%	19.3%	22,104
Potomac	81.52	67,051	59.9%	26.6%	13.5%	21,338
Woodbridge	19.64	68,081	31.4%	25.5%	43.1%	25,020

Source: [PWC Geospatial Technology Services - Annual Populations Estimates by Magisterial District](#)



- Demographic facts about the population and housing in PWC:
  - Population distribution, 50% male and 50% female.
  - 27.3% of population is under 18 years of age.
  - 57.1% of population is Hispanic, Black or other race.
- Education of County residents 25 years or older:
  - 41.1% hold a Bachelor's degree or higher.
  - 88.5% have a high school diploma or higher.

- Students registered in Prince William County Schools (PWCS):
  - 89,991 students are projected to be enrolled in the 2021–2022 school year.
- Median value of owner occupied housing units:
  - PWC, \$382,400
  - Virginia, \$273,100
  - United States, \$217,500

Sources: [PWC Geospatial Technology Services – Fast Facts](#); [PWC Public Schools – Executive Summary of Proposed Budget](#)

# Statistical & Background Information

## Median Income

- The County median household income has increased 17.6% from 2010. The following are the County and state median household incomes for 2019:
  - PWC, \$107,132
  - Virginia, \$74,222

Median Household Income		
Year	Amount	Growth
1990	\$49,370	—
2000	\$65,960	33.6%
2010	\$91,098	38.1%
2019	\$107,132	17.6%

Source: [U. S. Census Bureau – Quick Facts](#)

## Trends in Selected Financial Indicators

- **Debt Service Ratio:** County policies require that the amount of debt service not exceed 10.0% of annual savings.
- **Unassigned Fund Balance:** Unexpended funds available to finance future operating or to provide for unforeseen expenditures.
- **Actual Revenues as Percent of Estimates:** Highlights the accuracy of the County revenue estimates, accurate estimates enable better planning of expenditures and service delivery.
- **Bond Rating:** The rating is a reflection of the commercial financial marketplace's perception of the economic, administrative, and character strengths of the County.

More detailed financial publications are accessible including the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and annual Fiscal Health Outlook Report available online on the County's website, [www.pwcva.gov/departments/finance/finance-and-revenue](http://www.pwcva.gov/departments/finance/finance-and-revenue).

Trends in Selected Financial Indicators				
Fiscal Year	Ratio of Debt Service to Revenues <sup>1</sup>	Unassigned Fund Balances as a Percent of Revenue <sup>2</sup>	Actual Revenues as a Percent of Revenue Estimate <sup>3</sup>	Bond Rating (Fitch and S&P / Moody's) <sup>4</sup>
FY06	6.80%	7.50%	101.60%	AAA/Aa1
FY07	6.60%	7.50%	98.90%	AAA/Aa1
FY08	7.30%	7.50%	98.40%	AAA/Aa1
FY09	7.10%	7.50%	102.20%	AAA/Aa1
FY10	9.70%	7.50%	100.50%	AAA/Aaa
FY11	7.60%	7.50%	102.50%	AAA/Aaa
FY12	8.10%	7.50%	99.70%	AAA/Aaa
FY13	7.50%	7.50%	98.91%	AAA/Aaa
FY14	7.10%	7.50%	100.30%	AAA/Aaa
FY15	7.40%	7.50%	99.20%	AAA/Aaa
FY16	8.30%	7.50%	103.70%	AAA/Aaa
FY17	8.20%	7.50%	104.08%	AAA/Aaa
FY18	7.90%	7.50%	102.75%	AAA/Aaa
FY19	7.10%	7.50%	101.15%	AAA/Aaa
FY20	6.60%	7.50%	101.89%	AAA/Aaa

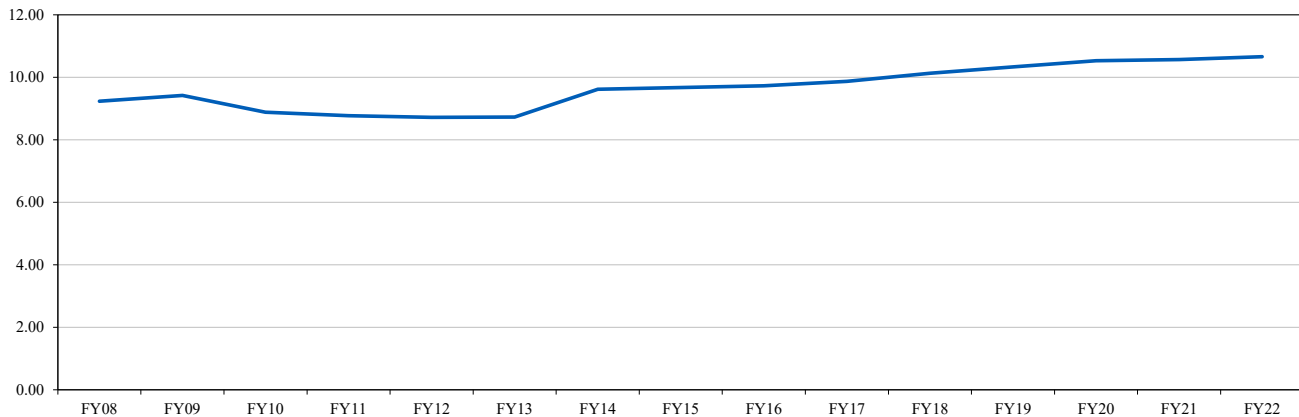
Source: [PWC 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report \(1\) Table 14; \(2\) Exhibit 3 & 5; \(3\) Schedule 1; \(4\) Bond Ratings, page 35](#)

# Statistical & Background Information

## General County Government Staffing

PWC has 10.66 employees per 1,000 residents for FY22, reflecting a 0.9% increase over FY21. The majority of the staffing increase is attributable to the addition of 39 public safety and judicial services personnel, 36 human services, 10 general government positions, and 2 community development. The estimated population total used in the FY22 budget process is 476,312.

**Employees Per 1,000 Residents**



Local Government Staffing		
Year	Staffing	Employees Per 1,000 Residents
FY08	3,586	9.24
FY09	3,701	9.42
FY10	3,570	8.88
FY11	3,601	8.77
FY12	3,645	8.72
FY13	3,714	8.73
FY14	4,172	9.62
FY15	4,272	9.67
FY16	4,378	9.73
FY17	4,503	9.87
FY18	4,665	10.13
FY19	4,803	10.33
FY20	4,954	10.53
FY21	4,989	10.57
FY22	5,077	10.66

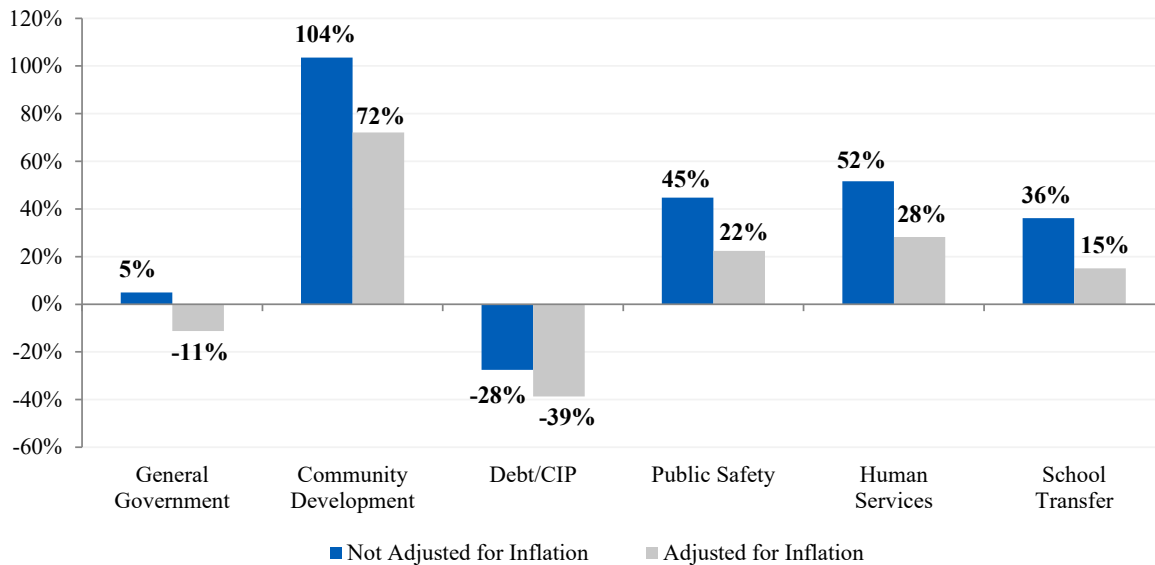


# Statistical & Background Information

## Cost Per Capita

The following graph shows the percentage change in cost per capita of the general fund budget between the FY10 and FY22 budgets by County service area. The graph shows the percentage change for each service area not adjusted for inflation as well as adjusted for inflation.

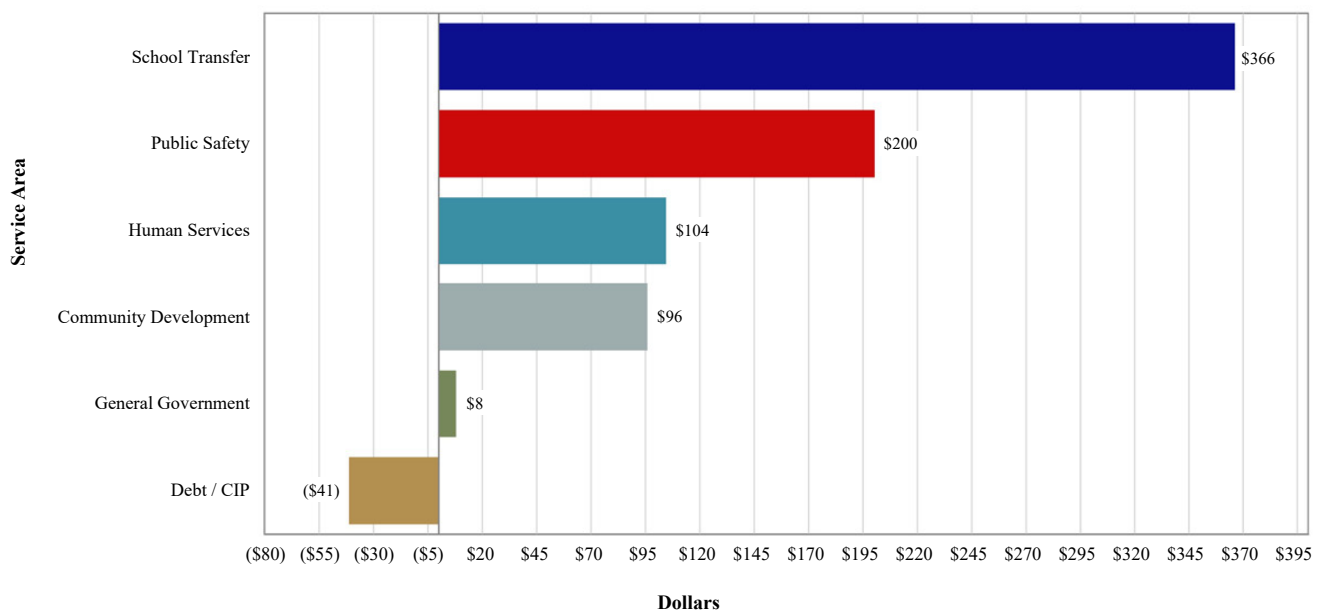
**FY10 to FY22 Percent Change In General Fund Cost per Capita by Service Area**



The following graph shows the budget change by County service area from FY10 through the FY22 adopted budget. These figures are not adjusted for inflation. The largest growth areas (School Transfer, Public Safety, and Human Services) correspond directly with the County's adopted strategic goals.

**FY10 to FY22 Dollar Change In Cost Per Capita by Service Area**

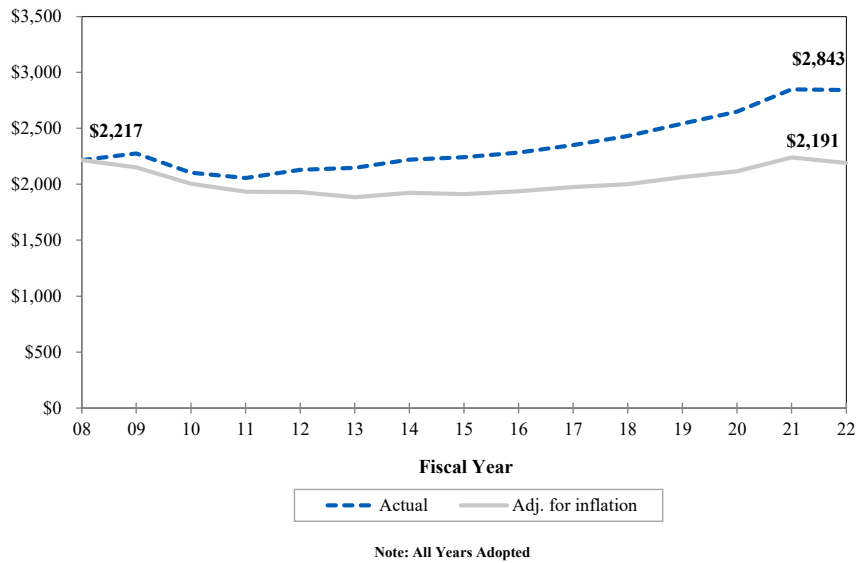
*(Not Adjusted for Inflation)*



# Statistical & Background Information

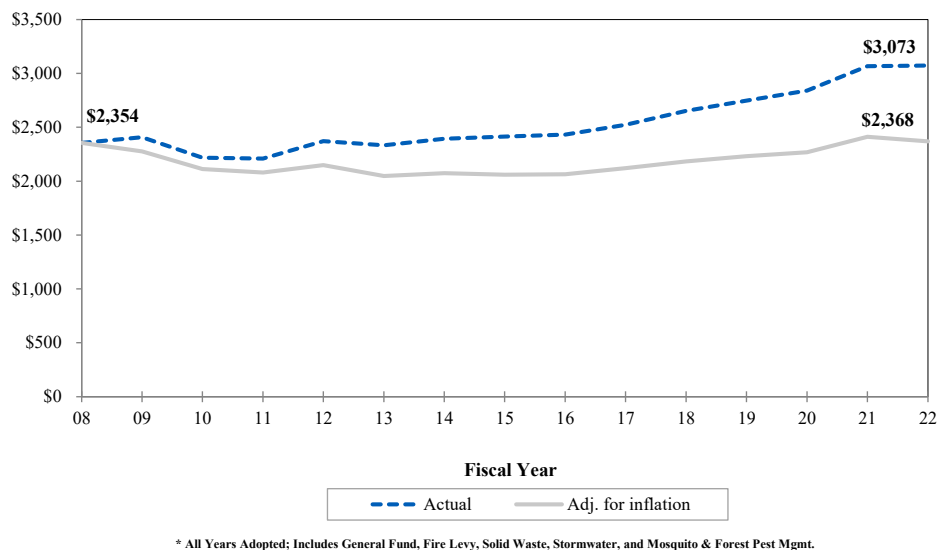
The following graph shows that the cost per capita of the general fund budget for FY22 when adjusted for inflation is 1.2% less than the cost per capita in FY08. The population for FY22 is based on a projection of 476,312.

## Cost Per Capita of General Fund Budgets



The following graph shows the cost per capita of selected County budgets (general fund, fire levy, solid waste enterprise fund, stormwater special revenue fund, and mosquito and forest pest management special revenue fund) for FY22 when adjusted for inflation is 0.6% more than the cost per capita in FY08. The population for FY22 is based on a projection of 476,312.

## Cost Per Capita of Selected County Budgets\*



# Glossary

**Account:** Detailed classification established to budget and account for the purchase of specific goods and services and the receipt of revenues from specific sources; also known as line item.

**Accrual Basis of Accounting:** Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when service is delivered and expenses are recognized when the benefit is received. All County proprietary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

**Activity:** A specific and distinguishable line of work performed within a program; the most basic component of service delivery for each County agency and its budget.

**Adopted Budget:** The initial budget for the fiscal year approved by the Board of County Supervisors as a result of the annual budget process. Adopted differs from appropriated in the budget document's financial summaries in that appropriated includes all budget revisions subsequent to the initial adopted budget such as off-cycle budget adjustments, budget transfers, and prior year appropriations.

**Agency:** A separate organizational unit of County government established to deliver services to citizens.

**Appropriation:** An amount of money in the budget, authorized by the Board of County Supervisors, for expenditure by departments for specific purposes. For example, general fund appropriations are for operating and general purposes while Capital Improvement Project Fund appropriations are for major improvements such as roads and public facilities.

**Ascend:** Financial management system used by the County to manage financial activity and prepare the annual budget beginning in FY17.

**Assess:** To place a value on property for tax purposes.

**Assessed Valuation:** The value of property within the boundaries of Prince William County for purposes of taxation.

**Assets:** Resources owned or held by Prince William County that have monetary value.

**Assigned Fund Balance:** Amounts that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed.

**Audit:** To examine (accounts, records, etc.) for purposes of verification, appropriateness, risk, and/or efficiency.

**Auditor of Public Accounts:** A state agency that oversees accounting, financial reporting, and audit requirements for units of local government in the state of Virginia.

**Balanced Budget:** A budget that has its funding sources (revenues plus other resources) equal to its funding uses (expenditures plus other allocations). All local governments in Virginia must adopt a balanced budget as a requirement of state law.

**Base Budget:** The same level of agency funding as in the current year adopted budget with adjustments for: one-time costs; agency revenue reductions; current fiscal year merit pay roll-forward adjustments; current year personnel actions; benefit cost changes; full year funding for partial year funded positions approved for the current fiscal year; approved budget shifts; Board of County Supervisors actions approved during the current fiscal year; and any related outcome and service level target revisions.

**Base Budget Review:** A process that evaluates departmental base budgets in order to determine if an activity should continue to be funded at the current level.

**Board Audit Committee (BAC):** A committee of the Board of County Supervisors (BOCS), supported by the internal audit function, established to assist in governance and oversight responsibilities. All BOCS members comprise the BAC, which consists of three regular voting members and five alternate members. The internal audit function reports directly to the BOCS, through the BAC.

# Glossary

**Bond Rating:** The rating of bonds is a statement of a locality's economic, financial, and managerial condition. It represents the business community's assessment of the investment quality of a local government. Highly rated bonds attract more competition in the marketplace, thereby lowering interest costs paid by the County government and its taxpayers.

**Bonds:** Instruments used to borrow money for the debt financing of long-term capital improvements.

**Budget:** An itemized allotment of revenues and expenditures for a specific time period, tied to specific activities.

**Budget Amendment:** Any change to the adopted budget that may occur throughout the course of the fiscal year as needed for County government operations.

**Budget Authority:** Ability to enter into transactions that will result in the receipt or disbursement of County funds.

**Budget Initiatives:** Changes to the base budget recommended by the County Executive as part of the Proposed Budget. Supplemental budget increases and decreases approved by the Board of County Supervisors are shown as Budget Initiatives in the agency detail section of the (Adopted) Budget document.

**Budget Transfers:** Budget transfers shift previously budgeted funds from one line item of expenditure to another. Transfers may occur throughout the course of the fiscal year as needed for County government operations and are governed by the budget transfer policy.

**Budgeted Agency Savings:** A budgeted reduction added to agency budgets due to expected operational savings during the fiscal year similar to budgeted salary lapse.

**Budgeted Salary Lapse:** A budgeted reduction in estimated salary and fringe benefit expenditures due to estimated position vacancy savings anticipated for the fiscal year.

**Business Professional and Occupational License Tax:** A tax that is levied upon the privilege of doing business or engaging in a profession, trade, or occupation in the County. The tax base includes all phases of the business, profession, trade, or occupation, whether conducted in the County or not.

**Capital Expenditures:** Expenditures incurred for the acquisition or construction of major capital assets (e.g. land, roads, buildings).

**Capital Projects Fund:** This fund is used to account for financial resources used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by Proprietary Fund Types). The Capital Projects Fund accounts for construction projects including improvements to schools, roads, and other projects.

**Catchment:** An area served by a hospital, social service agency.

**Committed Fund Balance:** Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority.

**Community Outcomes:** Key outcomes with targets that demonstrate how the community or individual will benefit or change based on achieving the goal. Community outcomes are adopted by the Board of County Supervisors in the Strategic Plan, taken from the biennial community survey results, or developed by agencies based on their mission and goals.

**Community Partner:** A nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that provides specific services and has been in existence for at least three years, unless an ad hoc group is formed to address a specific issue and will disband at the end of the project (i.e. one-time funding); has an identifiable Executive Director; and has an identifiable Board of Directors. Community Partners receive County funding through the annual budget process.

**Component Unit:** An element of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that identifies affiliated organizations for which financial activity must be reported separately. For example, the Adult Detention Center and Schools are component units in the Prince William County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

# Glossary

**Comprehensive Annual Financial Report:** Annual financial statements comprising the financial report of Prince William County and its component units required by the Code of Virginia in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

**Comprehensive Plan:** State mandated plan that guides the coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious land development that best promotes the health, safety, and general welfare of County citizens. It contains long-range recommendations for land use, transportation systems, community services, historic resources, environmental resources, and other facilities, services, and resources.

**Comprehensive Services Act (for At-Risk Youth and Families):** The state law governing the funding and provision of services to youth and families who require foster care or special education services, or who are involved with the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

**Contingency:** Contingency is an amount of funding maintained in the general fund to cover unanticipated expenditures and/or shortfalls in revenues collected. The Board of County Supervisors must authorize any use of the Contingency.

**Co-op Budget:** The state-administered budget for the Public Health District that is comprised of funding from the state, County, and cities of Manassas and Manassas Park, as well as fees for services, federal funding, and private sector grants.

**Cost Recovery:** A cost recovery budget is charged back to user agencies. When a cost recovery budget is set up, a negative expenditure budget amount is established equal to the positive expenditure budget amount, resulting in a net expenditure budget of zero.

**Council of Governments:** A regional organization of units of local government in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.

**Debt:** An obligation resulting from the borrowing of money.

**Debt Service:** Payment of interest and principal amounts on loans to the County such as bonds.

**Depreciation:** The process of allocating the cost of a capital asset to the periods during which the asset is used.

**Directives:** Board of County Supervisors' (BOCS) requests, made during Supervisors Time at a BOCS meeting, for County staff to provide information and/or take action.

**Effectiveness:** A measurable relationship of resources required to achieve intended results.

**Efficiency:** A measurable relationship of resources required to goods and services produced, such as cost per unit of service.

**Electronic Monitoring:** A system that uses technology and staff supervision to detain persons in their home in lieu of incarceration in a secure facility.

**Employee Benefits:** Services and opportunities afforded employees because they work for Prince William County. These benefits include medical and dental insurance, health insurance credit program, flexible benefit account program, Virginia Retirement System, 401(a) money purchase plan, 457 deferred compensation plan, supplemental police and fire retirement plan, group life insurance, optional life insurance, long term care insurance, employee assistance program, short and long term disability, holiday leave, sick and annual leave, sick leave bank, other leave, credit union, direct deposit, employee advisory committee, and grievance procedure.

**Encumbrances:** Obligations incurred in the form of purchase orders, contracts, and similar items that will become payable when goods are delivered or services rendered.



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**Enterprise Funds:** These funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the Board of County Supervisors (BOCS) is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, (b) where the BOCS has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes. The following are Enterprise Funds: Prince William County Parks, Recreation & Tourism (which provides recreational services), the Prince William County Landfill (which provides solid waste disposal services), and Innovation Park which is County owned land being marketed for re-sale to targeted industries.

**Exemption:** A grant of immunity from a specific program, policy, or action.

**Expenditure:** An amount of money disbursed for the purchase of goods and services.

**Family Access to Medical Insurance Security:** The state's health insurance program for uninsured and underinsured citizens.

**Family Assessment and Planning Team:** A group of community representatives, including human services professionals and parents, who develop service plans for at-risk youth and families.

**Farm-outs:** Inmates incarcerated at other local and regional jails because of a lack of bed space at the Adult Detention Center.

**Feasibility:** Capability of accomplishment or completion.

**Fill Rate** - The percentage of resource requests the library is able to fulfill to satisfy patron information needs.

**Five-Year Plan:** The County's projected expenditures and revenues for the next five fiscal years beginning with the adopted budget fiscal year. The Board of County Supervisors adopts the Five-Year Plan each year in concert with the adopted budget. The first year of each Five-Year Plan is synonymous with the adopted budget.

**Full-time Equivalent (FTE):** A unit identifying the workload of an employee which is calculated by taking an employee's scheduled hours divided by the employer's hours for a full-time workweek. An FTE of 1.00 is equivalent to a full-time employee.

**Fund:** A financial entity to account for money or other resources, such as taxes, charges and fees, established for conducting specified operations for attaining certain objectives, frequently under specific limitations.

**Fund Balance:** The difference between assets and liabilities in a governmental fund.

**Fund Balance Components:** The classifications that segregate fund balance by constraints on purposes for which amounts can be spent. There are five classifications: Nonspendable Fund Balance, Restricted Fund Balance, Committed Fund Balance, Assigned Fund Balance, and Unassigned Fund Balance.

**Fund Balance Reserve:** The sum total of reservations placed against a fund balance for encumbrances, future year designations and other purposes including grants and special projects, non-current receivables, inventory, and debt service reserves.

**Fiscal Year:** The time frame to which the budget applies. Prince William County's fiscal year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.

**General Fund:** Fund used to account for all financial transactions and resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Revenues are derived primarily from property and other local taxes, state and federal distributions, licenses, permits, charges for services, and interest income. A significant part of the general fund's revenues is transferred to other funds to finance the operations of the County Public Schools and the Regional Adult Detention Center.

**General Obligation Bond:** A municipal bond secured by the taxing and borrowing power of the municipality issuing it.

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**Goal:** General statements of public policy, purpose, and intent.

**Governmental Fund Types:** Most of the County's governmental functions are accounted for in Governmental Funds. These funds measure changes in financial position, rather than net income. Governmental fund types include the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and the Capital Projects Fund.

**Grant:** A payment by one entity to another entity, or a foundation to a non-profit organization intended to support a specified function such as health care, housing, street repair, or construction. Governmental units, foundations, nonprofit organizations, and individuals can all award grants and/or be awarded grants.

**Homeless Prevention Center:** A County owned homeless shelter.

**Host Agency:** A department or agency that manages the relationship between a community organization and the County to include proposed donation levels and budget, performance measures, and financial reporting; also, a department that supports, through internal services, any of the business application activities in the Department of Information Technology.

**Institutional Network:** A state-of-the-art communications network for County government, police, fire, library, and school facilities.

**Interstate Highway 66:** Runs across the western end of the County.

**Interstate Highway 95:** Runs across the eastern end of the County.

**Internal Service Funds:** Funds used to account for goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the County, or to other governments, on an allocated cost recovery basis. Internal Service Funds have been established for information technology, vehicle maintenance, road construction, and self-insurance.

**Invitation for Bid (IFB):** A formal invitation document that is released to the public requesting bids for defined goods and services needed by a public body, to be provided in accordance with provisions defined in the IFB. This method of procurement is used when the requirements can be clearly defined, negotiations are not necessary, price is the major determining factor for award selection, and where required by law. An award is made to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid.

**Liabilities:** Obligations incurred in past or current transactions requiring present or future settlement.

**License and Permit Fees:** Fees paid by citizens or businesses in exchange for legal permission to engage in specific activities. Examples include building permits and swimming pool licenses.

**Line Item:** Detailed classification established to budget and account for the purchase of specific goods and services and the receipt of revenues from specific sources; also known as object level.

**Line of Duty Act (LODA):** The Virginia Retirement System Line of Duty Act is established by Section 9.1-400 of the Virginia Code. LODA provides benefits to public safety-first responders and their survivors who lose their life or become disabled in the line of duty.

**Local Match:** County cash or in-kind resources required to be expended simultaneously with state, federal, other locality, or private sector funding, usually according to a minimum percentage or ratio.

**Mandate:** A state or federal action that places a requirement on local governments.

**Memorandum of Understanding:** A written agreement between the County and a community partner specifying the amount and type of County donations provided and the services and outcomes accounted for by the community partner.

**Mission Statement:** A brief description of the purpose and functions of an agency.

**Modified Accrual:** Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when measurable and available as current assets. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related services or goods are

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received, and the liability is incurred. All County governmental and fiduciary funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

**Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit:** Discharges from municipal separate storm sewer systems are regulated under the Virginia Stormwater Management Act, the Virginia Stormwater Management Program (VSMP) Permit regulations, and the Clean Water Act as point source discharges. Stormwater discharges from Phase I (large and medium) municipal separate storm sewer systems are authorized under individual permits. Under these permits, the MS4 owner/operator must implement a collective series of programs to reduce the discharge of pollutants from the given storm sewer system to the maximum extent practicable in a manner that protects the water quality of nearby streams, rivers, wetlands and bays.

**Non-departmental:** Budgeted funds not directly associated with, or controlled by, a specific County department.

**Non-spendable Fund Balance:** Amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

**Northern Virginia Family Service:** A community-based non-profit human services agency.

**Northern Virginia Regional Commission (formerly Northern Virginia Planning District Commission):** A regional organization comprised of units of local government in the Northern Virginia area.

**Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTa):** The Northern Virginia Transportation Authority is a regional governmental entity established to plan, prioritize, and fund regional transportation programs. The NVTa covers Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William counties and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas, and Manassas Park.

**Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC):** A multi-jurisdictional agency representing Arlington, Fairfax, and Loudoun Counties and the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church. NVTC provides a policy forum and allocates up to \$200 million in state, regional, and federal transit assistance each year among its member jurisdictions. NVTC also appoints one principal and two alternate members to the Board of Directors of The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

**Obligation:** A future expenditure requirement incurred by voluntary agreement or legal action.

**Off-Cycle:** A term that characterizes budget adjustments approved by the Board of County Supervisors outside of the annual budget process.

**OmniRide Express:** Operated by the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC), OmniRide Express provides commuter bus service from eastern Prince William County and the Manassas area to points in Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia.

**OmniRide Local:** Operated by the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC), OmniRide Local provides local bus service to the communities of Dale City, Dumfries (including Quantico), Manassas/Manassas Park, and Woodbridge/Lake Ridge.

**Ordinance:** A law or regulation enacted by the Board of County Supervisors.

**Outcome Trends:** Multi-year trend information for community and program outcome measures.

**Output:** Unit of goods or services produced by an agency activity.

**Paratransit:** Transit service provided by public transit agencies to people with disabilities who cannot use fixed route bus service because of a disability. In general, the American with Disabilities Act requires complementary paratransit service must be provided within  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile of a bus route, at the same hours and days as fixed route service, for no more than twice the regular fixed route fare.

**Performance Audit:** An independent review of a program, activity, function, operation, management system, or procedure of a government to assess whether the government is achieving economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the employment of available resources. The examination is objective and systematic, generally using structured and professionally adopted methodologies.

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**Performance Measures:** Quantitative characterization of an agency's success in achieving their stated mission.

**Personal Property:** An item of property other than real estate to include personal effects, moveable property, goods, and chattel.

**Policy:** A definite course or method of action selected from among alternatives and in light of given conditions to guide and determine present and future decisions.

**Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC):** A multi-jurisdictional agency representing Prince William, Stafford, and Spotsylvania Counties and the Cities of Manassas, Manassas Park, and Fredericksburg. PRTC provides commuter bus services (OmniRide Express) and local bus services in Prince William County and the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park (OmniRide Local).

**Principles of Sound Financial Management:** Guidelines approved by the Board of County Supervisors to foster the County government's financial strength and stability and the achievement of the organization's financial goals.

**Proffers:** Contributions of land, capital improvements, and funding collected from developers to address the demand for community services created by new development.

**Program:** One or more related agency activities that work together for a purpose and function for which the County is responsible.

**Program Outcomes:** Key measures that demonstrate how the community or individual will benefit or change based on achieving the goal but are more specific to each individual agency and program than community outcomes.

**Property Tax Rate:** The rate of taxes levied against real or personal property expressed as dollars per \$100 of equalized assessed valuation of the property taxed.

**Proprietary Fund Types:** Proprietary Funds account for County activities that are similar to private sector businesses. These funds measure net income, financial position, and changes in financial position. Proprietary fund types include enterprise and internal service funds.

**Real Property:** Land, buildings, and all other permanent improvements on the land.

**Resolution:** The official position or will of a legislative body.

**Resource Shift:** The transfer of an expenditure budget from one purpose to another. A resource shift is a common and preferred technique for funding budget increases without the allocation of increased outside revenue or County tax support.

**Resources:** The actual assets of a governmental unit, such as cash, taxes, receivables, land, buildings, estimated revenues applying to the current fiscal year, and bonds authorized and un-issued.

**Restricted Fund Balance:** Includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes as follows:

- Externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments.
- Imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

**Retained Earnings:** See Total Net Assets.

**Revenue:** Income generated by taxes, notes, bonds, investment income, land rental, user charges, and federal and state grants.

**Revenue Bonds:** A bond issued by a municipality for a specific project that is supported by the revenue from that project.

**Risk Management:** The practice of identifying potential risks in advance, analyzing them, and taking precautionary steps to reduce and/or curb the risk, and in turn reduce the County's exposure to financial loss.

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**Seat Management:** Personal computer support services including customer service assistance, desktop and laptop desk side services, software refreshment, and equipment disposal.

**Self-Insurance Pool:** A cash reserve used to provide stable and cost-effective loss funding on a self-insured basis rather than using a private insurance company.

**Service Levels:** Quantified measures of the goods and services (outputs) produced by agency activities, the relationship of resources required to outputs produced (efficiency), and the degree of excellence characterizing the outputs (service quality).

**Service Quality:** The measurable degree of excellence with which goods and services are produced or provided, including customer satisfaction.

**Special Revenue Funds:** Funds used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. These funds are used to account for volunteer fire and rescue levies, school operations, the Regional Adult Detention Center, and the Office of Housing & Community Development.

**Statute:** A law enacted by a legislative body.

**Strategic Plan:** A four-year plan adopted by the Board of County Supervisors which establishes a County government mission statement, a limited number of high priority strategic goals, and measurable community outcomes which indicate success in accomplishing these goals.

**Sworn FTE:** Personnel duly authorized under statute as a law enforcement individual who has taken an oath to support and enforce the U.S. Constitution, state laws, and the laws of the agency's jurisdiction.

**Tax Base:** The part of the economy against which a tax is levied.

**Taxes:** Mandatory charge levied by a governmental unit for the purpose of financing services performed for the common benefit.

**Technology Improvement Plan:** That portion of the Capital Improvement Program that is dedicated to the upgrade, replacement, or addition of technology systems that support various programs and activities throughout County agencies. Project examples include, but are not limited to, upgrades to email, replacement of critical information technology infrastructure, and disaster recovery.

**Temporary Assistance to Needy Families:** A federal and state public assistance program.

**Total Net Assets:** The difference between assets and liabilities in a proprietary fund. This term has replaced Retained Earnings.

**Tracker:** Board of County Supervisors, County Executive or Deputy County Executive's request for action by County staff. Progress on the item is tracked by the County Executive's Office until its successful completion.

**Transfer:** A shift of resources from one program or activity to another.

**Trust and Agency Funds:** Funds used to account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. The County has established Agency and Expendable Trust Funds to account for library donations, special welfare, and certain other activities. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. Expendable Trust Funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as Governmental Funds.

**Unassigned Fund Balance:** The total fund balance in the general fund in excess of nonspendable, restricted, committed, and assigned fund balance.

**Uniform FTE:** As it relates to public safety, a uniformed official responsible for the supervision, safety, and security of people and property.

**User Fees:** User fees are charges for services, such as the use of public property and parking, paid by those benefiting from the service.



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**Virginia Railway Express (VRE):** A transportation partnership of the Northern Virginia and Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commissions, the Counties of Fairfax, Prince William, Stafford, Spotsylvania, and Arlington, and the Cities of Manassas, Manassas Park, Fredericksburg, and Alexandria. VRE provides commuter rail service from the Northern Virginia suburbs to Alexandria, Crystal City, and downtown Washington D.C.

**Watershed:** A region or area bounded peripherally by water parting and draining ultimately to a particular watercourse or body of water.

# Abbreviations

**AAA:** Triple A Bond rating, the highest possible rating

**AALL:** American Association of Law Libraries

**ACTS:** Action in the Community Through Service

**ADC:** Adult Detention Center

**Admin:** Administrative

**ADP:** Average Daily Population

**AED:** Automatic External Defibrillator

**AFIS:** Automated Fingerprint Identification System

**ALS:** Advanced Life Support

**Approp:** Appropriated

**APS:** Adult Protective Services

**ARYFS:** At-Risk Youth and Family Services

**B&A:** Budget and Appropriate

**B&G:** Buildings and Grounds

**B&GC:** Boys & Girls Club

**BAB:** Build America Bonds

**BAC:** Board Audit Committee

**BARN:** Benedictine Aid and Relief to Neighbors

**BECC:** Benefits, Employment & Child Care

**BEST Lawn:** Building Environmentally Sustainable Turf Lawn

**BLS:** Basic Life Support

**BMP:** Best Management Practices

**Board:** Board of County Supervisors

**BOCS:** Board of County Supervisors

**BOD:** Ballot on Demand

**BPOL Tax:** Business Professional and Occupational License Tax

**BWC:** Body-Worn Camera

**CAB:** Citizen Advisory Board

**CAC:** Crisis Assessment Center

**CAD:** Computer Assisted Dispatch or Computer-Aided Design system (cannot be both simultaneously)

**CALEA:** Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies

**CCJB:** Community Criminal Justice Board

**CDA:** Community Development Authorities

**CDBG:** Community Development Block Grant

**CFH:** Catholics for Housing

**CHDO:** Community Housing Development Organization

**CID:** Communications & Infrastructure Division

**CIP:** Capital Improvement Program

**CISD:** Critical Incident Stress Debriefing

**CIT:** Crisis Intervention Training

**CMAQ:** Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality

**CMP:** Cyclical Maintenance Plan

**COG:** Council of Governments

**COLA:** Cost of Living Adjustment

**CP&D:** Community Preservation & Development

**CPA:** Comprehensive Plan Amendment

**CPI:** Consumer Price Index

**CPS:** Child Protective Services

**CSA:** Comprehensive Services Act

**CSB:** Community Services Board

**CSW:** Community Service Work

**CVB:** Convention and Visitors Bureau

**CXO:** County Executive

**CY:** Calendar Year

**DART:** Days Away Restricted or Transferred

**DBM:** Decision Band Method

**DCJS:** Department of Criminal Justice Services

**DCSM:** Design and Construction Standards Manual

**DDS:** Department of Development Services

**DEQ:** Department of Environmental Quality

**DFR:** Department of Fire and Rescue

**DMAS:** Department of Medical Assistance Services

**DMV:** Department of Motor Vehicles

**DoIT:** Department of Information Technology

**DOJ:** Department of Justice

**DORM:** Drug Offender Rehabilitation Module

# Abbreviations

**DOT:** Department of Transportation  
**DPRT:** Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism  
**DSS:** Department of Social Services  
**E3:** Exemplary Environmental Enterprise  
**E-911:** Emergency 911  
**EBDM:** Evidence Based Decision Making  
**EBP:** Evidenced Based Practices  
**EBT:** Electronic Benefits Transfer  
**EDA:** Economic Development Alliance  
**EDMS:** Electronic Document Management System  
**EEOC:** Equal Employment Opportunity Commission  
**EIAP:** Early Intervention Alternative Program  
**EM:** Electronic Monitoring  
**EMS:** Emergency Medical Services  
**ENR:** Environmental and Natural Resources  
**ERP:** Enterprise Resource Program  
**ESG:** Emergency Shelter Grant  
**ESI:** Engineers and Surveyors Institute  
**ESOL:** English for Speakers of Other Languages  
**F&R:** Fire and Rescue  
**FAMIS:** Family Access to Medical Insurance Security  
**FAPT:** Family Assessment and Planning Team  
**FCC:** Federal Communications Commission  
**FCM:** Facilities Construction Management  
**FICA:** Federal Insurance Contributions Act  
**FirstNet:** First Responder Network Authority  
**FOIA:** Freedom of Information Act  
**FRA:** Fire and Rescue Association  
**FRS:** Fire and Rescue System  
**FSS:** Family Self-Sufficiency  
**FTE:** Full-Time Equivalent  
**FY:** Fiscal Year  
**GAAP:** Generally Accepted Accounting Principles  
**GASB:** Government Accounting Standards Board

**GDC:** General District Court  
**GED:** General Equivalency Diploma  
**GFOA:** Government Finance Officers Association  
**GIS:** Geographic Information System  
**GPS:** Global Positioning System  
**GRIT:** Gang Response Intervention Team  
**GSHF:** Good Shepherd Housing Foundation  
**H&CB:** Home & Community Based  
**HAP:** Homeownership Assistance Program  
**HAZMAT:** Hazardous Materials  
**HCMP:** Human Capital Management Payroll  
**HCVP:** Housing Choice Voucher Program  
**HIDTA:** High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area  
**HIPAA:** Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act  
**HIV:** Human Immunodeficiency Virus  
**HOA:** Homeowners Association  
**HOC2:** Home Occupation Certificate – Family Day Home (Child Care)  
**HOPWA:** Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS  
**HOV:** High Occupancy Vehicle  
**HPAC:** Hylton Performing Arts Center  
**HPC:** Homeless Prevention Center  
**HPDF:** Housing Preservation and Development Fund  
**HRIS:** Human Resources Information System  
**HUD:** Department of Housing and Urban Development  
**HVAC:** Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning  
**ICMA:** International City/County Management Association  
**ICT:** Intensive Community Treatment  
**ID:** Intellectual Disability  
**IDA:** Industrial Development Authority  
**IEC:** Independence Empowerment Center  
**IEP:** Individualized Educational Plan

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<b>IFB:</b> Invitation for Bid	<b>MOU:</b> Memorandum of Understanding
<b>IFSP:</b> Individualized Family Service Plan	<b>MPTC:</b> Multi-Purpose Transit Center
<b>I-Net:</b> Institutional Network	<b>MS4:</b> Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
<b>IPE:</b> Intervention, Prevention and Education	<b>NA:</b> Not Available
<b>IRM:</b> Information Resource Management	<b>NACO:</b> National Association of Counties
<b>ISF:</b> Internal Service Fund	<b>NADA:</b> National Automobile Dealers Association
<b>ISN:</b> Information Systems Network	<b>NCIC:</b> National Crime Information Center
<b>IT:</b> Information Technology	<b>NCR:</b> National Capital Region
<b>IVR:</b> Interactive Voice Response	<b>NFPA:</b> National Fire Protection Association
<b>JARC:</b> Joint Admissions Review Committee	<b>NG911:</b> Next Generation 911
<b>JCSU:</b> Juvenile Court Service Unit	<b>NOVA:</b> Northern Virginia
<b>JDC:</b> Juvenile Detention Center	<b>NR:</b> Not Reported
<b>JDR:</b> Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court	<b>NVCC:</b> Northern Virginia Community College
<b>JJAT:</b> Juvenile Justice Action Team	<b>NVFS:</b> Northern Virginia Family Service
<b>JJPP:</b> Juvenile Justice Parenting Program	<b>NVRC:</b> Northern Virginia Regional Commission
<b>KPWB:</b> Keep Prince William Beautiful	<b>NVTA:</b> Northern Virginia Transportation Authority
<b>LAN:</b> Local Area Network	<b>NVTC:</b> Northern Virginia Transportation Commission
<b>LCI:</b> Local Composite Index	<b>OCJS:</b> Office of Criminal Justice Services
<b>LEOS:</b> Law Enforcement Officers' Supplement	<b>OEM:</b> Office of Executive Management
<b>LEPC:</b> Local Emergency Planning Commission	<b>OHCD:</b> Office of Housing & Community Development
<b>LGBTQ:</b> Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning	<b>OMB:</b> Office of Management & Budget
<b>LIS:</b> Land Information System	<b>OMD:</b> Operation Medical Director
<b>LMS:</b> Learning Management System	<b>OPEB:</b> Other Post-Employment Benefits
<b>LNSS:</b> Library Network Support Services	<b>OSHA:</b> Occupational Safety and Health Administration
<b>LODA:</b> Line of Duty Act	<b>OT:</b> Office of Tourism
<b>LSNV:</b> Legal Services of Northern Virginia	<b>OWL:</b> Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton (Volunteer Fire Department)
<b>LTC:</b> Long-Term Care	<b>OZ:</b> Opportunity Zone
<b>LVA-PW:</b> Literacy Volunteers of America – Prince William, Inc.	<b>PAF:</b> Personnel Action Form
<b>MAT:</b> Medication Assisted Treatment	<b>PATH:</b> Projects for Assistance in Transitioning the Homeless
<b>MDC:</b> Mobile Data Computer	<b>PCE:</b> Property Code Enforcement
<b>MDT:</b> Mobile Data Terminal	<b>PCN:</b> Position Control Number
<b>MH:</b> Mental Health	<b>PCP:</b> Position Classification Plan
<b>MHz:</b> Megahertz	
<b>MIS:</b> Management Information System	

# Abbreviations

**PHNST:** Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail  
**PMAH:** Project Mend-A-House  
**PPTRA:** Personal Property Tax Relief Act  
**Prop:** Property  
**PRTC:** Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission  
**PSAP:** Public Safety Answering Point  
**PSCC:** Public Safety Communications Center  
**PSFM:** Principles of Sound Financial Management  
**PSSF:** Promoting Safe and Stable Families  
**PSTC:** Public Safety Training Center  
**PWC:** Prince William County  
**PWHD:** Prince William Health District  
**PWSI:** Prince William Soccer, Inc.  
**PWSIG:** Prince William Self-Insurance Group  
**QC:** Quality Control  
**QSCB:** Qualified School Construction Bonds  
**REZ:** A formal rezoning action pertaining to land use  
**RFP:** Request for Proposal  
**RMS:** Records Management System  
**ROI:** Return on Investment  
**SA:** Substance Abuse  
**SAC:** School Age Care  
**SAVAS:** Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service  
**SCBA:** Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus  
**SERVE:** Securing Emergency Resources through Volunteer Efforts  
**SF:** Square Feet  
**SMI/SED:** Seriously Mentally Ill/Seriously Emotionally Disturbed  
**SNAP:** Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
**SRO:** School Resource Officer  
**STD:** Sexually Transmitted Disease  
**STEP:** Systematic Training for Effective Parenting  
**STEP-VA:** System Transformation Excellence and Performance  
**STI:** Sexually Transmitted Infection

**SUP:** Special Use Permit  
**SWM:** Storm Water Management  
**TANF:** Temporary Assistance to Needy Families  
**TB:** Tuberculosis  
**TBD:** To Be Determined  
**TIP:** Technology Improvement Plan  
**TMDL:** Total Maximum Daily Load  
**TRIP:** Transportation and Roadway Improvement Program  
**UOSA:** Upper Occoquan Service Authority  
**USDA:** United States Department of Agriculture  
**USPS:** United States Postal Service  
**VaCMS:** Virginia Case Management System  
**VACO:** Virginia Association of Counties  
**VCE:** Virginia Cooperative Extension  
**VCIN:** Virginia Criminal Information Network  
**VDH:** Virginia Department of Health  
**VDOT:** Virginia Department of Transportation  
**VFD:** Volunteer Fire Department  
**VIEW:** Virginia Initiative for Employment not Welfare  
**VLEPSC:** Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission  
**VMT:** Vehicle Miles Traveled  
**VPRAI:** Virginia Pre-trial Risk Assessment Instrument  
**VPW:** Volunteer Prince William  
**VRE:** Virginia Railway Express  
**VRS:** Virginia Retirement System  
**WFGA:** When Families Get Angry  
**WIC:** Women, Infants, and Children  
**WMATA:** Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority  
**YAS:** Young Adult Services  
**ZTA:** Zoning Text Amendment



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