MAP OF PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

- Suburb of Washington, D.C.
- Population approx. 421,000
- Eight-Member Elected Board of County Supervisors
- Appointed County Executive
Regional Perspective

Prince William County is located in Northern Virginia, approximately 35 miles southwest of Washington, D.C. The County encompasses an area of 348 square miles, 18.7% of which is federally owned land.

Prince William’s location in the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. area and the availability of excellent transportation 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. The Route 234 Bypass links Interstate 66 in the west with 7,000 acres designated for industrial and commercial growth. Prince William Parkway includes a new interchange on 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 Municipal Airport, a regional facility, provide air transportation within easy access of Prince William County.

Local Government

Prince William County Government has exercised local governing powers granted by the Virginia General Assembly in 1730. Since 1972, Prince William County has had the County Executive form of government. Under this form of government, an eight member Board of County Supervisors has full power to determine the policies covering the financial and business affairs of the County government. The Board appoints a County Executive to act as the County government’s chief administrative officer and to execute the Board’s policies. The Board 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

Captain John Smith first discovered Prince William County during an expedition up the Potomac River in 1608. Smith found the region inhabited by Anacostan, Doeg, Iroquois, and Piscataway Indians. The first known colonial settlement was founded in 1722. In 1730, the Virginia General Assembly carved out an area approximately 2,000 square miles in size and named it Prince William County, after the second son of England’s King George II. At that time Prince William County comprised all of “Northern Virginia” but by 1759, the General Assembly substantially reduced the County’s size. Fairfax County was formed in 1742 and Fauquier County was formed in 1759, both from the original Prince William County area.

In 1730, the Dumfries area was prominent in the County and may have been the location of an official Tobacco Inspection Station due to its close proximity to the Potomac River. This is important because the Potomac River was a major regional route used to export tobacco to England, which was profitable for the southern colonial regions. The Tobacco Inspection law, passed in Virginia in 1730, required all exported tobacco shipments to bear an inspection certificate. Dumfries officially became a town in 1749 and in 1763 it reached an economic milestone by exporting more tobacco tonnage than the colony of New York.
Economic and political displeasure with the British government reached the breaking point for Prince William colonists in 1773. Pro-colony groups such as the Prince William Resolvers voiced protest against the erosion of colonial liberties. As England had ordered all colonial governors to cease granting lands, except to veterans of the French and Indian War, further financial strains were wrought against the colonies through taxation, including the infamous Tea Act and Stamp Act. In 1774, under ever-mounting pressure, the Virginia Convention adopted resolves against the importation of British goods and the importation of slaves. The Virginia Convention also required each county to form a volunteer company of cavalry or infantry. Prince William had already formed a volunteer unit a year before. The Independent Company of Prince William, under the leadership of Captains William Grayson and Philip Richard Francis Lee, was a volunteer unit comprised of 40 plus infantrymen. Many troops from the Independent Company of Prince William joined others from around the state to form two Colony regiments sanctioned by the third Virginia Convention in 1775. After the start of the Revolutionary War in 1776, the remaining troops of the “Company” became known as the Prince William District Battalion. In June of that year, Captain Grayson was appointed Assistant Secretary to General George Washington.

The war ended and news of the ratification of the Treaty of Paris between the United States and Great Britain reached Virginia on February 3, 1784. Prince William County soldiers from the Virginia regiments returned home to their families. Although there was heavy troop movement through the County from all sides, it escaped the massive destruction leveled against Richmond. The County wasn’t as fortunate, however, during the Civil War.

Before the Civil War, the population of Prince William County reached 11,000 and the African American population was 43.4 percent. Many African Americans in Virginia at this time were free from slavery and indentured servitude. Virginia legislators passed a law in 1782 permitting the freeing of slaves; however, colonies further south did not participate in similar legislation. Haymarket emerged as a large population center in 1799, with Occoquan following in 1804 and Brentsville in 1822. The County thrived through the early and mid-1800’s. The railroad era began in Virginia around 1811 and in 1851 the railroad reached Manassas. Manassas Junction brought a new form of shipping and travel to the area. It also became a crucial stratagem for cutting off supplies to either side throughout the War. The first threat to the railroad junction was the Battle at Blackburn’s Ford after Virginia seceded from the Union in 1861. Although the Battle at Blackburn’s Ford was short-lived, it was a prelude to the First Manassas battle three days later. First Manassas at Bull Run was the first major land battle of Union and Confederate armies in Virginia after the Confederate takeover of Fort Sumter in South Carolina. The Union objective was to seize the Manassas Junction Railroad. Thomas J. Jackson earned his very famous nickname “Stonewall” Jackson towards the end of this battle.

Many lesser-known battles were also fought in the County; they include Cockpit Point, Manassas Station, Chapman’s Mill, and Bristoe Station. Cockpit Point, a stretch of shoreline along the Occoquan River, is where the Confederate army formed a blockade at the Potomac River to cut off supplies to Washington. The Battle at Manassas Station was a Confederate victory where the Union supply depot at Manassas Junction was destroyed. The skirmish near Chapman’s Mill ensured another Union defeat at the Second Battle of Bull Run; a swift Union retreat allowed two Confederate battalions to join together. This single seemingly inconsequential action virtually ensured the defeat of the Union
Army during the Second Battle at Bull Run. The last battle fought in Prince William County was at Bristoe Station in 1863. A Confederate corps happened upon a retreating Union army at Bristoe Station and attacked. Other Union soldiers in the area countered the small corps and captured the Confederate battery of artillery.

Manassas became a town in 1873. In 1892 Manassas became the County Seat for Prince William. Rebuilding the area to its former glory was almost an impossible task for locals. Grand manors and local businesses blighted during the War were replaced by modern inventions and post war architecture. The railroad was reconstructed and expanded westward. Education became more important and schools sprung up almost overnight. Ironically, a former Union Army Officer, George Carr Round, relocated to Manassas and helped to build its first public school. He later served on the Town Council and was a member of the Virginia General Assembly. Many schools and colleges opened in the County including the Manassas Industrial School for Colored Youth and Eastern College. The Manassas Industrial School for Colored Youth was founded by Jennie Dean in 1894. The purpose of the school was to improve the moral and intellectual condition of the youth placed under its care. Eastern College attracted students from over 22 states and 2 foreign countries. Eastern was transformed into a military academy and later closed in 1935. Other academies and military schools opened in the area in the early 1900’s. The ultimate military training academy was founded on a peninsula southwest of the Town of Occoquan, on the Quantico River in 1917. The Quantico Marine Base became an official training facility for the Navy before World War I, and was one of the first Marine training centers not housed on a naval base. The Town of Quantico, surrounded by the Marine base, was incorporated in 1927.

The County has a population of 430,289 people and boasts a median household income of $96,160 as indicated by the Census Bureau’s 2012 American Community Survey (2012 ACS). It is also a “young” County with 30.6% of the population 19 years of age or under as of the 2012 ACS. Prince William County 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, Prince William County was and continues to be a dynamic community.
Statistical Information

Employment

Prince William County’s February 2014 unemployment rate was 4.8%. The unemployment rate continues to remain below national and state averages. The February 2014 unemployment rate in Virginia was 4.9%, and in the United States, the national rate was 6.7%.

The services, government and retail sectors reflect the greatest sources of employment within Prince William County.

Unemployment Rates

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Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2013.

Note (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).

Note (2005): Educational Employment was undisclosed in the 2005 QCEW data resulting in no data for Government and Unclassified.
Real Estate Tax Base

- Total real estate assessments - $49.9 billion in Tax Year 2014, an increase of 8.2% from the prior year
- New housing units constructed in 2013, 79.9% were assessed at over $300,000
- In 2013, the top ten principal real property tax payers constituted 4.3% of the total County taxable assessed value
- Adopted FY 15 real estate rate per $100 of assessed value real estate tax, adopted by the Board of County Supervisors, is 2.79% less than the prior year rate
- Each penny on the rate generates approximately $4.9 million in real estate revenue in FY 15

Source: Department of Finance, Real Estate Assessments and 2013 CAFR.

### Principal Employers

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<td>Prince William County School Board</td>
<td>Local Government</td>
<td>1,000 and over</td>
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<td>U.S. Department of Defense</td>
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Source: Prince William County CAFR, 2013, p. 192.

### 2011 - 2013 Tax Year Comparisons

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<td>Average Assessed Value of All Residential Property</td>
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<td>Change in Residential Property Value</td>
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Source: 2013 Annual Report, Prince William County Real Estate Assessments Office.
### Top Ten Principal Real Property Taxpayers

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**Source:** Prince William County CAFR, 2013, p. 182.

### Housing Characteristics

- 140,822 housing units in Prince William County:
  - 76,818 (54.6%) are single family detached
  - 38,796 (27.6%) are townhouses/attached
  - 24,221 (17.2%) are units in multi-family structures
  - 986 (.07%) are reported as mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.

- Median value of owner occupied housing units:
  - Prince William County, $316,500
  - Virginia, $237,800
  - United States, $171,900

**Source:** 2012 American Community Survey, US Census Bureau

### Housing Units

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**Source:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census 1950 - Census 2010
Population Growth

The County has experienced one of the most rapid population growths in the nation for the last quarter century.

- Demographic facts about the population in Prince William County:
  - Population distribution, 49.7% male and 50.3% female
  - 30.6% of population is 19 years of age or under
  - 52.7% of population is Hispanic, Black or other race

- Education of County residents 25 years or older:
  - 15.8% hold a graduate or professional degree
  - 22.0% hold a Bachelor’s degree
  - 7.1% hold an Associate’s degree
  - 22.4% have some college but no degree

- Students registered in Prince William County Schools:
  - 87,108 students are projected to be enrolled in the 2014-2015 school year
  - School registration has grown 27.6% since the 2005-2006 school year

Sources: 2012 American Community Survey, US Census Bureau, 1-Year Estimate; Prince William County School system

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**Number of Registered Students by School Year**

- 2005-2006
- 2006-2007
- 2007-2008
- 2008-2009
- 2009-2010
- 2010-2011
- 2011-2012
- 2012-2013
- 2013-2014
- 2014-2015 projected

**Annual Population of Prince William County**

- FY 06
- FY 07
- FY 08
- FY 09
- FY 10
- FY 11
- FY 12
- FY 13
- FY 14
- FY 15

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### Visuals that need to be inserted:
- Number of Registered Students – Chart
- Population – Chart
- Population by Jurisdiction

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### Population By Jurisdiction

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<td>33,043</td>
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<td>34,577</td>
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<td>36,600</td>
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<td>35,604</td>
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<td>36,213</td>
<td>14,026</td>
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<td>37,821</td>
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<td>39,060</td>
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<td>413,396</td>
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<td>40,978</td>
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<td>Fiscal Year 2015 (7)</td>
<td>430,959</td>
<td>43,126</td>
<td>15,554</td>
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Source PWC population figures:

2. FY 2008 for PWC: PWC population revised 2nd Quarter 2008 from 390,844 to 388,269 in PWC Demographic Fact Sheet.
4. FY 2011-12: PWC population based on estimate from the Prince William County Finance Department - Prince William County Standard Data Set; cities population estimates based on Weldon Cooper Center (University of Virginia) population estimates as of June 30 of each fiscal year.
5. FY 2013: PWC population based on estimate from the Prince William County Finance Department - Prince William County Standard Data Set; cities population estimates based on Weldon Cooper Center (University of Virginia) population estimates as of June 30 of that fiscal year.
6. FY 2014-15 for PWC and cities: Based on the average annual change during the previous 4 years (from 2009 - 2013).

Source city population figures:

1. FY 1993 - FY 1999: Table CO-EST2001-12-51 - Time Series of Virginia Intercensal Population Estimates by County: April 1, 1990 to April 1, 2000; Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau; Release Date: April 17, 2002.
5. FY 2011-12: PWC population based on estimate from the Prince William County Finance Department - Prince William County Standard Data Set; cities population estimates based on Weldon Cooper Center (University of Virginia) population estimates as of June 30 of each fiscal year.
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7. FY 2014-15 for PWC and cities: Based on the average annual change during the previous 4 years (from 2009 - 2013).

Note: County figures are as of June 15 through 2011; starting 2012, County figures are as of June 30 (Example: June 15, 2001 population used for FY 2001)

Note: City figures as of July 1 (Example: July 1, 2001 population used for FY 2001).
**Median Income**

The median household income in the County continues to grow.

- The County median household income has increased 45.8% since 2000
  - Prince William County, $96,160
  - Virginia, $63,636


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<th>Year</th>
<th>Housing Units</th>
<th>Growth Over Past Decade</th>
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<td>1990</td>
<td>$49,370</td>
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<td>2000</td>
<td>$65,960</td>
<td>33.6%</td>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>$96,160</td>
<td>45.8%</td>
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**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 expenditure 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 information is available in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the FITNIS, or Financial Trends Report, available online at the County’s website, www.pwcgov.org/finance.

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<tr>
<th>Fiscal Year</th>
<th>Ratio of Debt Service to Revenues ¹</th>
<th>Unassigned Fund Balances as a Percent of Revenue ²</th>
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<td>6.30%</td>
<td>7.00%</td>
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<td>6.40%</td>
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*Source:* Department of Finance, Fiscal Year 2013 CAFR (1) Table 14; (2) Exhibit 3 & 5; (3) Schedule 1; (4) Bond Ratings, page 34.
General County Government Staffing

Prince William County has 9.82 employees per 1,000 residents for FY 15, reflecting an increase from FY 14 of 0.30%. The majority of the staffing increase is attributable to the addition of 51 public safety personnel.
Cost Per Capita

The following graphs show the change in cost per capita between the FY 00 and FY 15 budgets by County service area. The first graph shows these changes not adjusted for inflation; the second graph shows the same information with the numbers adjusted for inflation.

### FY 00 to FY 15 Dollar Change In Cost Per Capita by Service Area
(Not Adjusted for Inflation)

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### FY 00 to FY 15 Dollar Change In Cost Per Capita by Service Area
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The following graph shows that the cost per capita of the general fund budget for FY 15 when adjusted for inflation is 26.3% less than the cost per capita in FY 92. This is an average decrease of 1.1% per year over the past 23 fiscal years. During that same period the population in the County increased from 225,735 in FY 92 to a projected 430,959 in FY 15 for a 90.9% increase. This is an average rate of increase of 4.0% per year over the past 23 fiscal years.

![Cost Per Capita of General Fund Budgets](image1)

The following graph shows the cost per capita of County budgets for FY 15 when adjusted for inflation is a 22.1% less than the cost per capita in FY 92. This is an average rate of decrease of 1.0% per year over the past 23 fiscal years. During that same period the population in the County increased from 225,735 in FY 92 to a projected 430,959 in FY 15 for a 90.9% increase. This is an average increase of 4.0% per year over the past 23 fiscal years.

![Cost Per Capita of County Budgets](image2)
The following graph shows the actual dollar change by County service area from FY 00 through the FY 15 adopted budget. These figures are not adjusted for inflation. The largest growth areas correspond directly with the County’s adopted strategic goals: Economic Development, Transportation (these two areas are represented primarily in increases to Community Development and Debt / CIP), Public Safety, Human Services and Education, which has experienced the largest growth over this time period.
**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.

**ACTS**: Action in the Community through Service - a community-based non-profit human services agency.

**Administrative Procedures Manual (APM)**: Document that sets out the process applicants must follow to gain site development plan approval to construct improvements on land parcels in Prince William County.

**Adopted**: 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 budget carryovers.

**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 Projects Fund appropriations are for major improvements such as roads and public facilities.

**ARC**: A community-based non-profit human services agency serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**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.

**ATCC**: American Type Culture Collection - a private sector biotechnology firm.

**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.

**B&G**: Buildings and Grounds - a division of Public Works.

**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; FICA, VRS, and group life fringe 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 year; and any related outcome and service level target revisions.
**Base Budget Review:** A process that evaluates departmental base budgets in order to determine whether or not an activity should continue to be funded at the current level.

**Birmingham Green:** A multi-jurisdictional entity that operates an assisted living facility and a nursing home for the care of indigent adults who are unable to live independently.

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

**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.

**BPOL Tax:** 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.

**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 Transfers:** Budget transfers shift previously budgeted funds from one item of expenditure to another. Transfers may occur throughout the course of the fiscal year as needed for County government operations.

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

**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 various other projects.

**Carryovers:** Carryovers extend previously approved appropriations from one fiscal year to the next.

**Cash Basis of Accounting:** Under this basis of accounting, revenues are not recorded until cash is received; expenditures are recorded only when cash is disbursed. No Prince William County funds are accounted for under this basis of accounting.

**CDBG:** Community Development Block Grant - a Federal grant program administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**Character (or Object Level 1):** Major categories of expenditures, such as personal services and contractual services, and revenues, such as charges for services and revenue from the Federal government.
CID: Communications and Infrastructure Division.

CISD: Critical Incident Stress Debriefing.

COG: Council of Governments - a regional organization of units of local government in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.

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 annual citizen telephone 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.

Component Unit: An element of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) 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 CAFR.

Comprehensive Plan: The plan that guides and implements 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.

Contingency: The 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 and Federal funding.

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 amounts, resulting in a net expenditure budget of zero.

CSA: 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.

CY: Calendar year (January 1st through December 31st); also corresponds to the State of Virginia’s fiscal year.

DAP: Discharge Assistance Program - State funding received by the Community Services Board to discharge or divert seriously mentally ill citizens from the Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute.

DCJS: Department of Criminal Justice Services - a State agency.

DDS: Department of Development Services.
**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.

**DEQ**: Department of Environmental Quality - a State agency.

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

**DMV**: Department of Motor Vehicles - a State agency.

**DOJ**: Department of Justice - a Federal agency.

**DORM**: Drug Offender Rehabilitation Module - an Adult Detention Center dormitory that provides substance abuse treatment services to inmates.

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

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

**EITC**: Earned Income Tax Credit - a Federal income tax credit available to citizens according to their income level and family size.

**EM**: 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, 457 deferred compensation plan, supplemental police and fire retirement plan, group life insurance, optional life insurance, long term care insurance, employee assistance program, holiday leave, sick and annual leave, well days, 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.

**ENR**: Environmental and Natural Resources - a program of Virginia Cooperative Extension.

**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 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, or (b) where the Board of County Supervisors 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 and Recreation (which provides recreational services), the Prince William County Landfill (which provides solid waste disposal services), and Innovation @ Prince William which is County owned land being marketed for re-sale to targeted industries.
ESG: Emergency Shelter Grant - provides homeless persons with basic shelter and essential supportive services.

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.

FAMIS: Family Access to Medical Insurance Security - the State’s health insurance program for uninsured and underinsured citizens.

FAPT: 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.

Fiscal Plan: The annual budget.

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.

FITNIS: Financial Information Trending System - a system that tracks key financial, economic and demographic trend information used for financial planning and evaluation purposes.

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.

Fleet Management: A division of the Department of Public Works, responsible for the repair, maintenance and replacement of the County’s vehicles.


FTE: Full-Time Equivalent positions.

Full Service Library: Aside from having a much larger collection of volumes, this type of library includes a reference book collection, programming and information space and on-line user services.

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.
**General Debt:** Principal and interest payments on outstanding debt repaid from the general fund.

**General Fund:** This fund is 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 are 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.

**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 governmental unit to another unit. These payments are intended to support a specified function such as health care, housing, street repair or construction.

**HIPAA:** Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act - a Federal law.

**Host Agency:** A department or agency that manages the relationship between the community organization and the County to include proposed donation levels and budget, performance measures and financial reporting.

**HPC:** Homeless Prevention Center - a County owned, contractor-operated homeless shelter.

**HUD:** Department of Housing and Urban Development - a Federal agency.

**I-66:** Interstate highway 66 - runs across the western end of the County.

**I-95:** Interstate highway 95 - runs across the eastern end of the County.

**IEC:** Independence Empowerment Center - a community-based non-profit human services agency.

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

**In-Home Services (for frail, older adults):** Services, including assistance with personal, nutritional and/or housekeeping or home management care, that individuals cannot perform for themselves.

**Internal Service Funds:** These funds are 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.

**LEOS:** Law Enforcement Officers’ Supplement - a supplementary retirement system.

**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 or object level 3.

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

LODA: Line of Duty Act - 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.

Mandate: A State or Federal action that places a requirement on local governments.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU): A written agreement between the County and the 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 received and the liability is incurred. All County governmental and fiduciary funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

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 Health Center Commission: The entity that directly oversees the operation of the nursing home facility that is part of Birmingham Green.

NVFS: Northern Virginia Family Service - a community-based non-profit human services agency.

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

NVTC: Northern Virginia Transportation Commission - a multi-jurisdictional agency representing Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun 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.

Object (or Object Level 3): 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.

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

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

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

**OSHA:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration - a Federal agency.

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

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

**OWL:** Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department.

**PAF:** Personnel Action Form - form used to change the status of an employee.

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

**Performance Series:** Computer software used to prepare the annual budget and manage County government financial activity.

**Personal Property:** 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.

**Proffers:** Contributions of land, capital improvements and funding 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 particular 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.

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

PSFM: 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.

PSSF: Promoting Safe and Stable Families - a source of Federal funding that supports prevention, early intervention, and family reunification services for the purpose of preserving and supporting families.

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

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

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.

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.

Restricted Fund Balance: Includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes as follows:
   a. Externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or
   b. 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: A division of the Finance Department that identifies and loss exposure to implement appropriate loss prevention and reduction programs to reduce the County’s exposure to financial loss.

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

SAVAS: Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service - a community-based non-profit organization.

Seat Management: The application of best practices for end-to-end delivery of personal computer support services including customer service assistance, desktop and laptop desk side services, hardware replacement, 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.

SERVE: Securing Emergency Resources through Volunteer Efforts - a community-based non-profit human services agency.
**GLOSSARY**

**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, including customer satisfaction.

**SNAP:** Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - formerly known as the Food Stamp Program.

**Special Revenue Funds:** These funds are 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 and Community Development.

**SSI:** Supplemental Security Income - a Federal entitlement benefit.

**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, measurable community outcomes which indicate success in accomplishing these goals, and specific strategies and objectives required to achieve the goals.

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

**TANF:** Temporary Assistance to Needy Families - a Federal and State public assistance program.

**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.

**TIP:** Technology Improvement Plan - that portion of the Capital Improvement Program that is dedicated to the upgrade, replacement or addition of technology systems that support the various programs and activities throughout County agencies. Project examples include, but are not limited to, upgrades to email, the replacement of the existing financial reporting system (Performance), and disaster recovery.

**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:** These funds are 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.

**USDA:** United States Department of Agriculture - a federal agency.

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

**VDOT:** Virginia Department of Transportation - a State agency.

**VIEW:** Virginia Initiative for Employment not Welfare - the State’s welfare-to-work program.

**Vision:** A long-term desired end state.

**VJCCCA:** Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act - a State law.

**VRE:** Virginia Railway Express - a transportation partnership of the Northern Virginia and Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commissions, the Counties of Fairfax, Prince William, Stafford, 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.

**WIC:** Women, Infants, and Children - a Federal health and nutrition grant program and activity of the Prince William Public Health District.
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<td>Best Management Practices.</td>
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<td>CAD</td>
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<td>DORM</td>
<td>Drug Offender Rehabilitation Module.</td>
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ABBREVIATIONS

DOT: Department of Transportation.
DSS: Department of Social Services.
E-911: Emergency 911.
EBT: Electronic Benefits Transfer.
EIAP: Early Intervention Alternative Program.
EM: Electronic Monitoring.
EMS: Emergency Medical Services.
ENR: Environmental and Natural Resources.
ESI: Engineers and Surveyors Institute.
ESG: Emergency Shelter Grant.
FAPT: Family Assessment and Planning Team.
FITNIS: Financial Information Trending System.
FRA: Fire and Rescue Association.
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.
GPS: Global Positioning System.
GIS: Geographic Information System.
HAP: Homeownership Assistance Program.
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.
HOPWA: Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS.
HOV: High Occupancy Vehicle.
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.
IFB: Invitation for Bid.
IFSP: Individualized Family Service Plan.
I-Net: Institutional Network.
ISN: Information Systems Network.
ABBREVIATIONS

IT: Information Technology.

IVR: Interactive Voice Response.

JARC: Joint Admissions Review Committee.

JCSU: Juvenile Court Service Unit.

JDC: Juvenile Detention Center.

JDRC: Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

JJAT: Juvenile Justice Action Team.

JJPP: Juvenile Justice Parenting Program.

LAN: Local area network.

LCI: Local Composite Index.

LEOS: Law Enforcement Officers’ Supplement.

LEPC: Local Emergency Planning Commission.

LIS: Land Information System.

LMS: Learning Management System.


MDC: Mobile Data Computer.

MDT: Mobile Data Terminal.

MH: Mental Health.

MHz: Megahertz.

MIS: Management Information System.

MOU: Memorandum of Understanding.

MPTC: Multi-Purpose Transit Center.

NA: Not Available.

NACO: National Association of Counties.

NADA: National Automobile Dealers Association.

NCIC: National Crime Information Center.


NR: Not Reported.

NVCC: Northern Virginia Community College.

NVFS: Northern Virginia Family Service.

NVRC: Northern Virginia Regional Commission.

NVTA: Northern Virginia Transportation Authority.

NVTC: Northern Virginia Training Center.

OCJS: Office of Criminal Justice Services.

OEM: Office of Executive Management.

OHCD: Office of Housing and Community Development.

OPEB: Other Post Employment Benefits.

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

OWL: Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton (Volunteer Fire Department).

PAF: Personnel Action Form.

PATH: Projects for Assistance in Transitioning the Homeless.


PPTRA: Personal Property Tax Relief Act.

Prop: Property.

PRTC: Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission.

PSCC: Public Safety Communications.


PSSF: Promoting Safe and Stable Families.

PSTC: Public Safety Training Center.

PWC: Prince William County.
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<td>Transportation and Roadway Improvement Program.</td>
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<td>When Families Get Angry.</td>
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