

Arlington County FY 2014 CAPER

A Report on Housing and Community Development Accomplishments



The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) details the County's accomplishments during Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 toward meeting the goals outlined in Arlington's FY 2011-2015 Consolidated Plan. The CAPER reports on activities funded by the federal HOME, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) programs, as well as highlighting a range of locally funded programs.

Progress in Reducing Homelessness

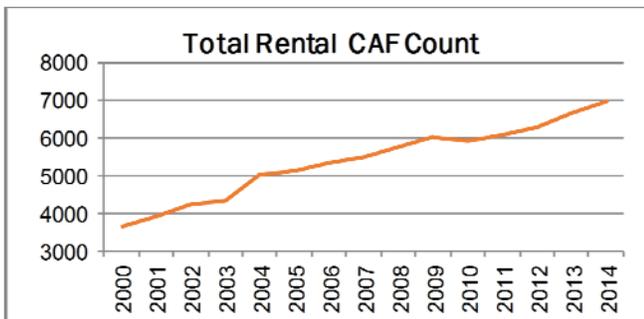
The Annual Homeless Housing Report highlighted the progress and successes experienced so far:

- The number and percentage of homeless households who have moved from shelter to permanent housing have increased by 7%
- Although families are staying longer in shelter, more are leaving for permanent housing – 87% in FY2013.
- The County's programs Permanent Supportive Housing Programs have a high retention rate. Since 2004 about 85% of program participants have retained their housing
- Since the launch of the 100 Homes for 100 Arlingtonians Campaign in 2011, 65 persons identified



County Allocates over \$50 Million for Affordable Housing Development

Affordable housing and the development of new housing opportunities continue to be key priorities for Arlington County. The importance of maintaining and enhancing our stock of committed affordable housing is critical to the economic health and well-being of the County, its diverse workforce, and in particular, those most in need.



Affordable Housing Study

The County is in the second year of an Affordable Housing Study to address the critical affordable housing needs in the community. To date, analysis of Census data, results of a telephone poll of 1,744 Arlington residents, assessment of current programs and resources have been completed. Findings show that:

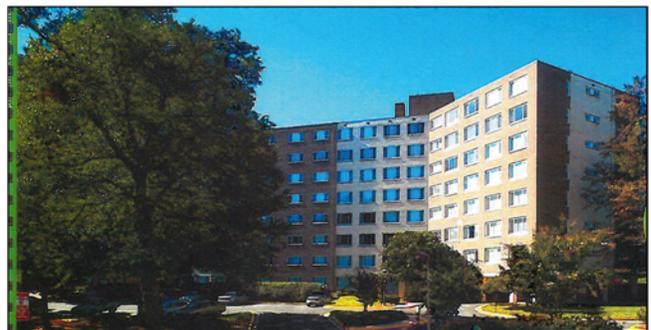


- Arlington's share of cost burdened households is 39%, a lower rate than surrounding jurisdictions; but an increase from 31% since 2000.
- Older renters have the highest overall cost burdens and younger households have a harder time affording homeownership.
- Arlington's fastest growing age group during 2000-2012 is the 65-75 year old group, which is expected to grow substantially over the next two decades.
- Over 92% of residents surveyed felt that it was important to help seniors age-in place
- Low-income renter households (<60% AMI) face the most stress associated with rent increases, and the supply of housing that is affordable to this group has declined sharply over the past decade.

The study will review existing principles, goals and targets. It will assess current programs and identify gaps and needs.

The final product will be completed in FY2015 and will include guidelines for funding priorities, specific policies and strategies for Affordable Housing.

In FY 2014 the County added 325 Committed Affordable Rental Units (CAFs). Since 2000, Arlington has created more than 3,800 rental CAFs.



The acquisition of the Serrano apartments added another 196 rental CAFs

Objectives and Performance Measures

5-Year Goals & Annual Objectives	FY 2014 Expected Accomplishment	FY 2014 Actual Accomplishment
Housing Goal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide decent and affordable housing opportunities for low income persons. 		
Housing Objectives		
1. Increase the supply of Committed Affordable Units.	400 units	368 units added 354 rental; 14 homeowner
2. Improve owner-occupied housing.	64 units	16 units rehabilitated
3. Provide housing subsidies.	3,724 households	3,467 households
4. Assist low and moderate income households to become homeowners.	50 households	32 new homeowners
5. Increase the number of permanent supportive housing units.	52 units	31 units
Homeless Objectives		
1. Provide supportive housing services for homeless persons with disabilities.	104 persons	190 persons
2. Provide transitional housing for homeless families and individuals.	180 households	134 households
3. Provide emergency housing for the homeless.	720 persons	1,140 persons
4. Prevent homelessness.	447 households	1,260 households
Community Development Goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create economic opportunities for low income persons. Ensure that Neighborhood Strategy Areas (NSAs) provide suitable living environments and affordable housing opportunities for low income persons. 		
Community Development Objectives		
1. Improve physical conditions in NSAs.	460 properties brought into compliance	658 units brought into compliance
2. Increase access to human services information and service delivery to low income residents.	2,100 residents	2,791 residents served
3. Increase participation in community affairs.	20 residents	27 Neighborhood College graduates
4. Improve economic conditions of low and moderate income persons.	600 clients	657 clients secure or improve employment
5. Foster microenterprise development for low and moderate income business owners.	17 businesses start or expanded ; 10 loans	17 businesses start or expand; 23 loans issued

Want more information?

To view the required HUD narratives, visit: www.arlingtonva.us and search for "FY 2014 CAPER"
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