

**PROGRAM MISSION**

To provide for fair taxation of Arlington property.

The Real Estate Assessment program is responsible for making annual appraisals of all real property in Arlington County (except for state assessed public service corporation property, railroad and pipeline property); notifying owners of assessments; maintaining a record of property ownership; responding to inquiries concerning assessment procedures; conducting administrative reviews of assessments; defending assessments before the Board of Equalization; and providing assistance to the County Attorney for legal defense of assessments.

**PROGRAM FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Revised	FY 2009 Proposed	% Change '08 to '09
Personnel	\$1,757,879	\$1,939,727	\$1,965,155	1%
Non-Personnel	159,053	195,662	195,435	-
Subtotal	1,916,932	2,135,389	2,160,590	1%
Intra-County Charges	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>1,916,932</b>	<b>2,135,389</b>	<b>2,160,590</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,693</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Tax Support</b>	<b>\$1,914,239</b>	<b>\$2,132,389</b>	<b>\$2,157,590</b>	<b>1%</b>
Authorized FTEs	21.0	23.0	23.0	
Funded FTEs	-	-	-	
<b>Total Authorized FTEs</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>-</b>

**SIGNIFICANT BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

- ↑ Personnel expenditures include normal salary increases, an increase in employer retirement contributions to maintain full funding of the retirement fund, and a ten percent increase in employer health insurance rates.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Critical Measures	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Estimate	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2009 Target
Assessment/Sale Ratio	.85	.88	.94	.95	.95	.95	.95
Coefficient of Dispersion	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Price related differential (PRD)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

  

Supporting Measures	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Estimate	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2009 Target
Percent of customer requests fulfilled within established timeframes	N/A	90%	95%	95%	100%	100%	100%
Percent of property information requests fulfilled within the same business day	N/A	100%	100%	95%	100%	100%	100%

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**REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT**

Supporting Measures	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Estimate	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2009 Target
Percent of ownership changes posted within 2 weeks of recording	N/A	95%	95%	95%	100%	100%	100%
Real property tax base (in billions)	\$35.5	\$42.3	\$50.6	\$54.3	\$54.7	N/A	N/A
Number of parcels appraised	59,006	59,231	60,056	62,920	64,360	65,500	65,500
Number of parcels inspected	3,680	2,281	2,838	2,936	6,000	6,000	6,000
Number of Board of Equalization appeals	163	198	299	274	300	300	300
Number of parcels reviewed	620	753	835	581	700	700	700
Deeds and wills reviewed by Real Estate staff	7,960	7,178	8,128	8,955	9,000	9,000	9,000

**FUTURE BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

- Integrating the real estate assessment data base with County information systems, installing contemporary document management technologies, and developing fully the computer assisted mass appraisal (CAMA) system to build a comprehensive computer assisted assessment system (CAAS) will require additional resources.