

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

**PROGRAM MISSION**

To identify, document, and inspect historically significant architectural, archaeological, and cultural resources in Arlington County and strive to preserve, promote, and protect those resources.

A number of the County's land use policies, including the County's vision statement, reflect a strong commitment to the concept of the urban village. Better integration of preservation with planning is one way to achieve and protect Arlington's urban village character and its associated quality of life. The historic preservation program mission is achieved through planning, resource identification, and design review for locally designated properties, historic district designation, and technical assistance to homeowners. Implementation of Arlington's first Historic Preservation Plan began in FY 2008 and will continue to focus on increasing public awareness and support, integrating preservation values into land use decisions and other County policies, and protecting priority resources. The on-going County-wide Historic Resources Survey is in its final year and staff will continue the evaluation of architectural, archaeological, and cultural resources in order to make appropriate recommendations for designation, preservation, and interpretation. Work on new nominations to the National Register of Historic Places will continue as will the installation of historic markers. The staff also supports the Historic Affairs and Landmark Review Board.

**PROGRAM FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Revised	FY 2009 Proposed	% Change '08 to '09
Personnel	\$345,198	\$356,231	\$366,880	3%
Non-Personnel	146,945	149,910	149,910	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>492,143</b>	<b>506,141</b>	<b>516,790</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Tax Support</b>	<b>\$492,143</b>	<b>\$506,141</b>	<b>\$516,790</b>	<b>2%</b>
Permanent FTEs	4.0	4.0	4.0	
Temporary FTEs	-	-	-	
<b>Total Authorized FTEs</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	

**SIGNIFICANT BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

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

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**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
Percent of favorable responses from applicants on satisfaction with the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) process	85%	87%	93%	95%	95%	95%	95%
Total number of County historic resources surveyed per year	1,129	1,110	810	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Monthly inspections completed	N/A	50	50	50	50	50	50

Supporting Measures	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Estimate	FY 2009 Estimate	FY 2009 Target
New locally designated historic landmarks and districts	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Percentage of County historic resources surveyed	80%	73%	80%	90%	95%	100%	100%
Percent of favorable responses from Historic Affairs and Landmark Review Board (HALRB) members on satisfaction with program support	70%	88%	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%
National Register nominations submitted for listing	1.5	6	6	2	6	5	5
Certificate of Appropriateness applications approved	60	43	53	58	60	60	60
Percent of Certificate of Appropriateness applications approved	95%	95%	98%	98%	98%	98%	98%
Percent of favorable responses from applicants on satisfaction with tax credit assistance	88%	100%	93%	95%	95%	95%	95%
Monthly inspections percent in compliance	80%	95%	94%	95%	95%	95%	95%

- Locally designated historic landmarks and districts are as follows: Buckingham Historic District-Village #3 (FY 2007), Swanson School (FY 2008), and Wilson School (FY 2009 Estimate and FY 2009 Target).
- For monthly inspections completed, each single-property district (25 in total) is inspected each month, while multiple-property districts (Maywood, Buckingham, and Colonial Village) require four inspections per month.
- A Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA) is required for all proposed exterior alterations, new construction, and demolition within a locally-designated historic district, except for painting and routine maintenance. The CoA process involves two separate, though related, meetings that are open to the public. Both of these meetings occur monthly to allow the applications to be reviewed and decided upon in a timely manner.