

# Arlington County FY 2013 CAPER

## A Report on Housing and Community Development Accomplishments

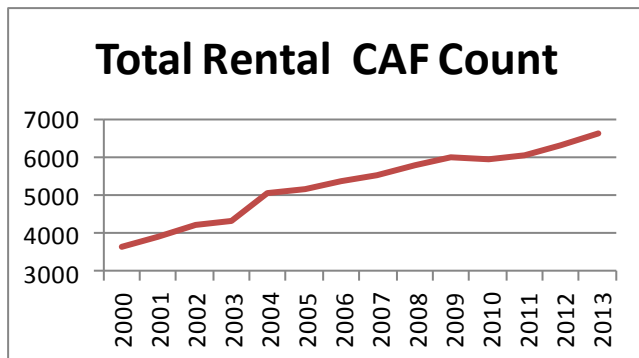


The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) details the County's accomplishments during Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 toward meeting the goals outlined in Arlington's FY 2011-2015 Consolidated Plan. The CAPER reports on activities funded by the federal HOME, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) programs, as well as highlighting a range of locally funded programs.

This summary shows the County's overall housing, homeless and community development accomplishments and activities.

### County Allocates over \$10 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.



In FY 2013 the County added 55 Committed Affordable Rental Units (CAFs). Since 2000, Arlington has created more than 3,400 rental CAFs.



The redevelopment of Pierce Queen apartments will add another 28 rental CAFs

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Rebuilding Together, a nonprofit organization, works with volunteers to install modifications such as ramps and grab bars to the homes of low-income and mostly elderly residents to make their homes comfortable and safe. This enables them to remain in their homes longer. The success of this program is tied to the number of volunteers' hours that are leveraged. In FY2013 106 skilled and 311 unskilled volunteers worked 3,741 hours to repair 15 units—11 single family homes and 4 group homes. These volunteer hours are valued at \$134,924.

### Energy Efficiency Education (E3)

Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment (ACE) has developed an Energy Efficiency program that trains volunteers in energy efficiency, water conservation and weatherization techniques for apartment units. In its second year of operation, 44 volunteers have received hands on training. They also provide outreach and education to low-income tenants and property managers on how to save energy and reduce energy costs. To date 157 units in Marbella, Harvey Hall and Queens Court (all affordable apartment complexes) have been weatherized. Preliminary data indicate a 5-10% reduction in energy usage in each building.

### Tackling Homelessness

The County continues to address the challenge of homelessness through a variety of efforts. More than 50 government, nonprofit agencies, faith-based organizations, businesses and individuals work together to prevent and end homelessness. In 2012, 708 individuals in shelters received services. Because people are receiving housing more quickly, their average length of stay decreased by 28% over the previous period. Other tangible results include:

- 180 households moved into permanent supportive housing
- \$1 million in public and private contributions for the "100 Homes Campaign"
- More than half of the chronically homeless have been housed
- A commitment by a nonprofit partner to set aside 10 affordable units to house homeless clients.



## Objectives and Performance Measures

5-Year Goals & Annual Objectives	FY 2013 Expected Accomplishment	FY 2013 Actual Accomplishment
<b>Housing Goal:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide decent and affordable housing opportunities for low income persons.</li> </ul>		
<b>Housing Objectives</b>		
1. Increase the supply of Committed Affordable Units.	400 units	55 units added
2. Improve owner-occupied housing.	64 units	35 units rehabilitated
3. Provide housing subsidies.	3,724 households	3,720 households
4. Assist low and moderate income households to become homeowners.	50 households	38 new homeowners
5. Increase the number of permanent supportive housing units.	52 units	13 units
<b>Homeless Objectives</b>		
1. Provide supportive housing services for homeless persons with disabilities.	104 persons	63 persons
2. Provide transitional housing for homeless families and individuals.	180 households	118 households
3. Provide emergency housing for the homeless.	720 persons	763 persons
4. Prevent homelessness.	447 households	831 households
<b>Community Development Goals:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create economic opportunities for low income persons.</li> <li>Ensure that Neighborhood Strategy Areas (NSAs) provide suitable living environments and affordable housing opportunities for low income persons.</li> </ul>		
<b>Community Development Objectives</b>		
1. Improve physical conditions in NSAs.	460 properties brought into compliance	211 properties brought into compliance
2. Increase access to human services information and service delivery to low income residents.	2,100 residents	1,944 NSA residents served
3. Increase participation in community affairs.	20 residents	22 Neighborhood College graduates
4. Improve economic conditions of low and moderate income persons.	600 clients	943 clients secure or improve employment
5. Foster microenterprise development for low and moderate income business owners.	17 businesses start or expanded ; 10 loans	35 businesses start or expand; 24 loans issued

### Want more information?

To view the required HUD narratives, visit: [www.arlingtonva.us](http://www.arlingtonva.us) and search for "FY 2013 CAPER"  
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