

REGIONALS / CONTRIBUTIONS

MISSION STATEMENT

To supplement organizations that provide beneficial services to Arlington residents and visitors.

Arlington County contributes to government, government-related, and non-profit organizations, which address issues and problems that have regional impacts. In addition, a number of non-profit Arlington-based organizations are funded in this account. Varied methods are applied in determining the level of funding provided to these agencies and organizations. They have been grouped into the following categories according to their funding criteria:

Group I	Organizations whose contributions are based on a population or land use formula. These are all governmental or quasi-governmental organizations.
Group II	Organizations whose contributions are based on Arlington County's usage of the organization's services. These are all governmental organizations.
Group III	Non-profit organizations - General. These organizations are required to present a budget to the County. Requests are reviewed and decided upon individually.
Group IV	Non-profit organizations – Funding recommendations for these organizations are made after a bi-annual competitive review by the County's Disability Advisory Commission. The most recent review was held in January 2026, with the next to be held in 2028.
Opportunities Grant	Contingency funding for the Opportunities Grant , an FY 2024 created equity-based funding program, utilized to support local organizations' efforts to respond to community needs and to be more inclusive of root causes and shift to a community-needs model to support historically marginalized communities.

The following section describes the purpose of these organizations and their adopted levels of funding for FY 2027.

ADOPTED FY 2027 REGIONALS/CONTRIBUTIONS

		FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Group I	Metro Washington Council of Governments	\$524,660	\$627,797	\$1,363,874	117%
	Northern Virginia Regional Commission	147,183	147,912	181,597	23%
	Northern Virginia Community College	579,059	581,798	587,495	1%
	Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia	20,600	20,600	20,600	-
	Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority	538,061	560,127	578,209	3%
	Northern Virginia Transportation Commission	65,623	59,397	62,334	5%
Group II	Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Academy	928,913	987,305	987,305	-
	Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Home	1,625,405	1,639,693	1,838,594	12%
Group III	Friends of Guest House	46,643	46,643	46,643	-
	Animal Welfare League of Arlington	1,604,367	1,652,498	1,740,183	5%
	Virginia Adult Probation and Parole	262,334	285,624	280,000	-2%
	Offender Aid and Restoration	456,145	456,145	456,144	-
	Literacy Council of Northern Virginia	23,457	23,457	23,457	-
	Endeppendence Center	46,283	92,566	92,566	-
Group IV	Northern Virginia Resource Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons	23,523	31,364	22,382	-29%
	Brain Injury Services	23,330	31,106	22,381	-28%
	Metropolitan Washington Ear	13,832	18,442	-	-100%
	Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind	23,225	30,996	-	-100%
	Endeppendence Center	-	-	22,382	-
	Our Stomping Ground	-	-	22,382	-
	Prevention of Blindness Society	-	-	22,381	-
Opportunities Grant	Opportunities Grants	2,500,988	1,888,160	1,687,050	-11%
	Total Regional Expenditure	\$9,453,631	\$9,181,630	\$10,057,959	10%

GROUP I: CONTRIBUTION IS BASED ON A POPULATION-DRIVEN OR LAND USE FORMULA**Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG)**

Arlington County's FY 2027 adopted share of the operating expenses of COG is based on its percentage of the total population for the entire metropolitan area. The adopted funding includes the annual COG membership dues (\$331,900) as well as funding for implementing the food security program (\$22,992). Additional funding is included for the Regional Emergency Preparedness Program: Public Safety Funds (\$95,280) to help administer these projects, program expenses (\$466,512), and funding for the Northern Virginia Emergency Response System (NVERS) (\$447,190). The FY 2027 adopted contribution of \$1,363,874 is the total cost of maintaining the County's membership dues and program fees.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Membership Dues and Fees	\$296,684	\$311,369	\$331,900	7%
Regional Emergency Preparedness Programs				
Program Administration (Public Safety Fund)	28,044	29,509	95,280	223%
Programs, Pawn Shop, Linx, and NVERS	179,514	265,211	913,702	245%
Food Security	20,418	21,708	22,992	6%
Total Expenditures	\$524,660	\$627,797	\$1,363,874	117%

Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC)

Arlington County's FY 2027 adopted contribution to NVRC includes only the general contribution. The general contribution funds programs such as environmental and fiscal impact assistance, physical planning, human resources, and public safety. The general contribution requested by the Commission for FY 2027 is based on a \$0.60 per capita rate.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$147,183	\$147,912	\$181,597	23%

Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC)

Arlington County's FY 2027 adopted contribution to NVCC supports maintenance and operational costs not financed by General Assembly appropriations. In addition, funding of \$12,600 is included for the Educational Foundation. In 1994, the Arlington County Board approved the establishment of the Mary Marshall Scholarship Fund at NVCC to honor the memory of Mary Marshall, who served Arlington County in the Virginia General Assembly. The funds support scholarships and tuition assistance for part-time students.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
General Contribution	\$566,459	\$569,198	\$574,895	1%
Scholarship	12,600	12,600	12,600	-
Total Contribution	\$579,059	\$581,798	\$587,495	1%

Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia

Northern Virginia jurisdictions are requested to contribute based on the percentage of the population represented by the jurisdiction. Arlington contributes 6.2 percent of the total operating budget.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$20,600	\$20,600	\$20,600	-

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA)

The population-based contribution supports the Authority's non-revenue producing programs.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$538,061	\$560,127	\$578,209	3%

Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)

Arlington County's FY 2027 adopted contribution to NVTC continues regional transportation efforts. The total NVTC budget is funded through a contribution by the Commonwealth of Virginia as well as through direct contributions by member jurisdictions, including Arlington County. This direct contribution amount is apportioned to jurisdictions based on the percentage share of state assistance received through NVTC as specified in the Virginia Code. The remainder of NVTC's budget is derived from miscellaneous revenues, interest earnings, project chargebacks, and the re-appropriation of surplus funds.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$65,623	\$59,397	\$62,334	5%

GROUP II: CONTRIBUTION IS BASED ON A USAGE FORMULA

Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Academy

The Academy provides law enforcement training to police and sheriff recruits. The allocation of operating costs to participating jurisdictions is determined by a formula based on the number of sworn police officers and sheriff deputies.

The FY 2027 adopted budget reflects no change in expenses in FY 2027.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$928,913	\$987,305	\$987,305	-

Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Home (NVJDH)

The County's contribution is based on the percentage of beds used at the facility over the last three fiscal years. The remainder of NVJDH's budget is derived from miscellaneous revenues, interest earnings, federal grants, state reimbursements, and other sources.

The FY 2027 adopted budget reflects an increase in personnel and operating expenses in FY 2027 and aligns with a funding adjustment to the Detention Home's jurisdictional budget request with the City of Alexandria.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$1,625,405	\$1,639,693	\$1,838,594	12%

GROUP III: NON-PROFIT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**Friends of Guest House**

Guest House provides housing, employment, and counseling services to female parolees.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$46,643	\$46,643	\$46,643	-

Animal Welfare League of Arlington (AWLA)

The AWLA provides animal control, impoundment, and animal sheltering services for the County pursuant to a contract between the County and the AWLA.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$1,604,637	\$1,652,498	\$1,740,183	5%

Virginia Adult Probation and Parole

Arlington County's contribution supplements the state-set salaries of 23 Commonwealth of Virginia Adult Parole employees.

The Virginia Adult Probation and Parole employees receive a supplement which equates to an increase of 17.0 percent to salaries. The Commonwealth is increasing state employee salaries by two percent in FY 2027.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$262,334	\$285,624	\$280,000	-2%

Offender Aid and Restoration (OAR)

OAR provides community-based correction and rehabilitation services to adult offenders and ex-offenders as well as community service placement and supervision for juveniles and adults.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$456,145	\$456,145	\$456,144	-

Literacy Council of Northern Virginia (LCNV) d/b/a English Empowerment Center

LCNV d/b/a English Empowerment Center provides one-on-one tutoring in reading and writing for functionally illiterate adults. The County's contribution supports the literacy services and the Council's general operating expenses.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$23,457	\$23,457	\$23,457	-

Endeppendence Center

The Endeppendence Center of Northern Virginia (ECNV) is a community-based resource and advocacy center promoting independent living and equal access for all persons with disabilities in Northern Virginia.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$46,283	\$92,566	\$92,566	-

GROUP IV: CONTRIBUTION IS DETERMINED AFTER A COMPETITIVE REVIEW OF REGIONAL DISABILITY ORGANIZATIONS

Northern Virginia Resource Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons

The Agency provides information and referral, case management, advocacy, and education services to individuals in the Northern Virginia metropolitan area who are deaf and hard of hearing to enhance their quality of life and to remove barriers to services in the community.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$23,523	\$31,364	\$22,382	-29%

Brain Injury Services

This agency provides assistance to survivors of traumatic brain injury throughout Northern Virginia. Services include long-term case management, employment assistance, independent living skills training, transportation, respite care, and recreational/socialization programs. The funding from Arlington specifically supports the cost of a part-time case manager for Arlington residents with brain injuries.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$23,330	\$31,106	\$22,381	-28%

Metropolitan Washington EAR

The Metropolitan Washington EAR, Inc. (MWE) provides reading and information services for blind, visually impaired, and physically disabled people who cannot effectively read print, see plays, watch television programs and films, or view museum exhibits. MWE strives to substitute hearing for seeing, improving the lives of people with limited or no vision by enabling them to be well-informed, fully productive members of their families, their communities, and the working world.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$13,832	\$18,442	-	-100%

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind (CLB) address the needs of individuals who are blind and visually impaired in Arlington County's aging population. CLB provides a wide array of comprehensive direct services to visually impaired and blind consumers of the greater Washington DC metro area.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	\$23,225	\$30,996	-	-100%

Endeppendence Center

The Endeppendence Center of Northern Virginia (ECNV) is a community-based resource and advocacy center promoting independent living and equal access for all persons with disabilities in Northern Virginia.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	-	-	\$22,382	-

Our Stomping Ground

Our Stomping Ground (OSG) works in partnership with affordable housing providers and social service organizations, to create inclusive communities where adults with developmental disabilities can live, grow, and thrive—with access to public transit, groceries, green spaces, and the supports they need.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	-	-	\$22,382	-

Prevention of Blindness Society

The Prevention of Blindness Society of Metropolitan Washington (POB) is dedicated to the improvement and preservation of sight and quality of life by providing services and education, and by championing healthy vision.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	-	-	\$22,381	-

Opportunities Grants

In FY 2024, a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was announced for a new equity-based funding program, the Opportunities Grant, to support local organizations' efforts to respond to community needs. Certain contributions made to organizations through the Regionals Programs were identified as part of the funding source for this new program. In [FY 2025](#), the County Board awarded 22 nonprofits serving Arlington County. In the [FY 2026](#) cycle, the County Board awarded grants totaling more than \$1.8 million to 23 nonprofits serving Arlington. In the [FY 2027](#) cycle, the County Board awarded grants totaling more than \$1.7 million (\$437,050 one-time funding) to 31 nonprofits serving Arlington. The grantees and award amount are listed in the chart below.

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Adopted	FY 2027 Adopted	% Change '26 to '27
Total Contribution	2,317,655	\$1,888,160	\$1,687,050	-11%

Nonprofit Organization	FY 2027 Adopted Award Amount
Arlington Thrive	\$43,820
Capital Area Food Bank	50,000
Edu-Futuro	50,000
Endeppendence Center of Northern Virginia (ECNV)	50,000
Ethiopian Community Development Council (ECDC)	50,000
La Cocina VA DBA Kitchen of Purpose	50,000
Legal Services of Northern Virginia (LSNV)	100,000
Shirlington Employment and Education Center (SEEC)	100,000
The Arc of Northern Virginia	36,111
The Clothesline for Arlington Kids	40,000
The Salvation Army	45,000
True Ground Housing Partners	50,000
1st Road South	50,000
703 Warriors	25,000
Affordable Homes & Communities (AHC)	50,000
Aspire! Afterschool Learning	100,000
Bridges to Independence	90,000
Literacy Council of Northern Virginia, dba English Empowerment Center	50,000
Literacy Tutoring Collaboration	50,000
Read Early and Daily (READ)	42,050
Arlington Free Clinic	50,000
Arlington Neighborhood Village	50,000
Meals on Wheels of Arlington	50,000
National Capital Treatment and Recovery	40,000
NovaSalud, Inc.	50,000
PathForward, Inc.	50,000
Ayuda	105,069
Offender Aid and Restoration (OAR)	50,000
Restoration Immigration Legal Aid	50,000
Best Buddies International, Inc.	20,000
Our Stomping Ground (City Center Nova)	50,000
Total Award Amount	\$1,687,050