Agency and Trust Funds

Overview

Agency Funds are custodial in nature and are maintained to account for funds received and disbursed by the County for various governmental agencies and other organizations. Agency Funds include two holding funds for revenue collected for the Route 28 Tax District and the Mosaic District Community Development Authority. Trust Funds account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity and include four retirement trust funds and two trust funds to pre-fund other post-employment benefits.

Route 28 Tax District

- Fairfax County, in partnership with Loudoun County, formed the Route 28 Highway Transportation Improvement District in 1987. The District was formed to accelerate planned highway improvements to State Route 28 that relied on slower pay-as-you-go financing. The owners of industrial and commercial property within the District are subject to an additional tax assessment of 18 cents per $100 of assessed value.

  - **Fund 70000 - Route 28 Tax District**

Mosaic District Community Development Authority

- The Board of Supervisors approved the Mosaic District Community Development Authority (CDA) on April 27, 2010. The District consists of a land area of approximately 31 acres within Fairfax County on a site located in the southwest quadrant of the intersection of Lee Highway and Gallows Road in the Merrifield area, approximately 12 miles west of Washington D.C. The District is part of a mixed-use development that is being developed by Eskridge (E&A), LLC, a South Carolina limited liability company, to include residential, retail, hotel and office components. The CDA funded a $30.0 million dollar portion of the public facilities constructed on the site through a 30-year bond, the debt service for which is paid by a self-assessment. The CDA also funded a $42.0 million dollar portion of the public facilities on the site (road improvements, parks, and a small portion of the parking garage) through a 22-year bond, the debt service for which is paid through incremental real estate tax revenues. Liability for the debt service is secured by the CDA, not the County.

  - **Fund 70040 - Mosaic District Community Development Authority**

Retirement Trust Funds

- Each of the four retirement funds derives income from employer contributions, employee contributions, and returns on investments. Payments are made from these funds to eligible retirees based on established benefit formulas. Three retirement trust funds compose the Fairfax County Employee Retirement Systems and are administered by the Fairfax County Retirement Administration Agency. The fourth retirement fund is for educational employees and is administered by Fairfax County Public Schools.

  - **Fund 73000 - Fairfax County Employees' Retirement System**
  - **Fund 73010 - Uniformed Retirement System**
  - **Fund 73020 - Police Officers Retirement System**
  - **Fund S71000 - Educational Employees' Supplementary Retirement**

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Funds

- Beginning in FY 2008, Fairfax County and Fairfax County Public Schools were required to implement Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 45 for other post-employment benefits (OPEBs). GASB 45 requires that the County and Schools accrue the cost of the retiree health subsidy and other post-employment benefits during the period of employees' active employment, while the benefits are being earned, and disclose the unfunded actuarial accrued liability in order to accurately account for the total future cost of post-employment benefits and the financial impact on the County. This funding methodology mirrors the funding approach used for pension benefits. Fund 73030, OPEB Trust, and Fund S71100, Public School OPEB Trust, allow the County and Schools to capture long-term investment returns, make progress towards reducing the unfunded liability, and pre-fund the cost of post-employment health care and other non-pension benefits.

  - **Fund 73030 - OPEB Trust**
  - **Fund S71100 - Public School OPEB Trust**