



## Response to Questions on the 2016 LOBs

**Request By:** Supervisor Herryty

**Relevant LOB(s):** LOB #47

**Question:** Provide the following data for the Office of the County Attorney: Five years of cost per capita; cost per capita compared to surrounding jurisdictions, as well as jurisdictions of similar size

**Response:**

### Cost per Capita Benchmarks

The Office of the County Attorney has the overall lowest per capita cost of the jurisdictions surveyed. Montgomery County is the only jurisdiction surveyed that is similar in size to Fairfax County.

Local Jurisdictions	Population	City/County Attorney # of Positions	Agency Actuals or Approved FY 2015 <sup>1</sup>	Cost Per Capita
<b>Fairfax County</b>	<b>1,125,385<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>60</b>	<b>\$7,005,486</b>	<b>\$6.22</b>
Montgomery County, MD	1,004,709	43/72 <sup>3</sup>	\$6,286,494	\$6.25
Henrico County	321,924	19	\$2,139,959	\$6.64
Prince George's County, MD	904,430	54	\$6,341,900 <sup>4</sup>	\$7.01
Prince William County	446,094	27	\$3,454,871	\$7.74
City of Virginia Beach	450,980	39	\$3,919,348	\$8.69
Loudoun County	363,050	21	\$3,162,034	\$8.70

<sup>1</sup> Please note that the actual budget numbers do not take into account recovered costs or revenues as each jurisdiction varied widely.

<sup>2</sup> Source: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/demogrph/gendemo.htm>

<sup>3</sup> Montgomery County has 72 full time positions but only 43 are charged to personnel services. The remaining 29 are fully funded and charged to other agencies.

<sup>4</sup> Prince George's County FY 2015 Actuals are not posted so approved budget used.



### Cost per Capita History

Please note that the actual budget numbers do not take into account Work Performed for Others or Litigation Proceeds revenue.

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Number of Positions</b>	<b>Actual Budget</b>	<b>Population</b>	<b>Cost Per Capita</b>
FY 2016	60 <sup>1</sup>	\$7180,788 <sup>2</sup>	1,125,385	\$6.38
FY 2015	60	\$7,005,486	1,125,385	\$6.22
FY 2014	60	\$6,778,591	1,116,246	\$6.07
FY 2013	60	\$7,241,775	1,111,620	\$6.51
FY 2012	60	\$6,634,463	1,109,725	\$5.97
FY 2011	60	\$6,296,627	1,096,798	\$5.74

<sup>1</sup> Two additional positions were reassigned to the County Attorney in December 2015; the Public Private Partnership/Housing Deputy and an L-5 attorney for the Stormwater Maintenance cases. Total positions for FY 2017 will be 62.

<sup>2</sup>Approved budget.