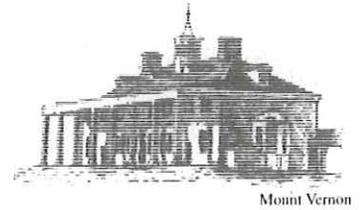




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June 22, 2016

Dear Constituents:

I would like to share the following information with you regarding your community over the last month.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office at anytime by calling 703-780-7518 or via e-mail at mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Respectfully yours in public service,

Dan Storck
Supervisor, Mount Vernon District
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Attached Documents

1. Letter submitted to NVTVA for inclusion during public comment period
2. Meals Tax Resolution
3. May Fairfax County Economic Indicators
4. SNAP

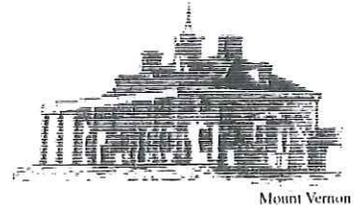
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- Meals Tax
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- Safe Track
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- 2016 Line of Business Review
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June 14, 2016

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority
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Dear Northern Virginia Transportation Authority,

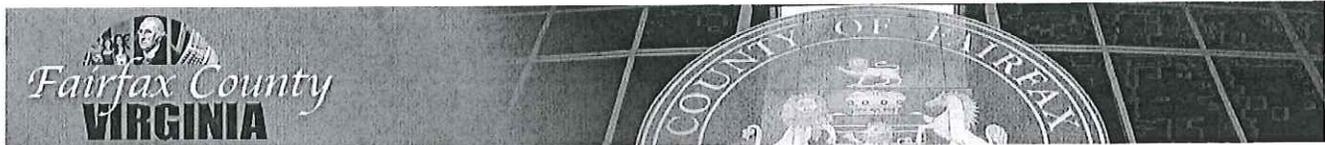
I am writing in support of expediting the road, bike and sidewalk improvement projects for Richmond Highway that are critical to the Mount Vernon District's development.

These include:

- Richmond Widening Project: Mount Vernon Memorial Highway and Napper Road, Occoquan River to CSX overpass, and Armistead Road to CSX Overpass, Jeff Todd Way and Lorton Road to Telegraph Road
- Interchanges at the Woodrow Wilson Bridge
- Additional spot projects for Mount Vernon Highway Walkway, Route 1 at Engleside and Mount Vernon Highway at Route 1
- Widening Richmond Highway to six lanes, which will include pedestrian and bicycle facilities and provisions for future transit

I strongly support additional funding from the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority to the Richmond Highway projects. The NVTA's current proposed ratings for the Richmond Highway projects are based on flawed analyses. The congestion and safety issue need immediate attention, and immediate increased funding. I urge you to re-review the current ratings to reflect the past delays in planning and construction funding that have disadvantaged the readiness of these projects. These ratings do not reflect the demonstrated needs of the area and the domino effect they have had on revitalization and improvements in the corridor.

Yours in public service,



June 7, 2016 Board of Supervisors Resolution

Resolution to Request the Fairfax County Circuit Court to Order a Referendum on the Question of Whether the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, Shall Be Authorized to Levy a County Food and Beverage Tax

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, held in the Board auditorium in the Government Center at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia, on June 7, 2016, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the local tax structure in Virginia has become outdated, lacking the diversification necessary to fund local core services and needs, thereby requiring the consideration of additional local options to broaden the revenue base and reduce dependency on real property taxes; and

WHEREAS, almost 90% of Fairfax County non-property tax revenues are capped, limited, or controlled by the state, preventing the Board of Supervisors from structuring the local tax base to reflect the local economy and the needs of the County's residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors' Legislative Program has long included support for state legislation that would give the Board of Supervisors additional authority to raise revenue, in order to broaden and modernize the County's revenue base and appropriately reflect changes to the economy in the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly, over numerous sessions, has repeatedly rejected legislation that would provide localities with additional revenue options; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code § 58.1-3833 authorizes any county to levy a tax on prepared food and beverages, otherwise known as a meals tax, if the tax is approved in a referendum within the county; and

WHEREAS, a meals tax would further diversify the County's revenue base by increasing the current revenue sources to include non-County residents such as tourists, commuters, and travelers who dine out in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has decided that the question should be put directly to the voters of the County in a referendum, so that the voters may decide whether the Board should be authorized to levy such a tax; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Code §§ 58.1-3833 and 24.2-684 provide the Fairfax County Circuit Court with the authority to issue an order for the conduct of a referendum on the question of whether the Board of Supervisors should be authorized to levy a meals tax; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia:

Section 1. That, pursuant to Va. Code Ann. § 58.1-3833(A), the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, Virginia, is hereby requested to order a referendum on November 8, 2016, on the following question:

For the purpose of reducing dependence on real estate taxes, shall the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, be authorized to levy a tax on prepared food and beverages, otherwise known as a meals tax, as allowed by Virginia Code § 58.1-3833, at a rate not to exceed four percent (4%) of the amount charged for prepared food and beverages (which, based upon state law, is applicable only to sales outside of the town of Clifton, and towns of Herndon and Vienna that have already implemented a meals tax)? The revenues generated shall be dedicated to the following purposes:

1. 70 percent of the net revenues to Fairfax County Public Schools.
2. 30 percent of the net revenues to County services, capital

improvements and property tax relief.

Section 2. That the County Attorney is hereby directed to provide the Fairfax County Circuit Court with certified copies of this Resolution and to petition the Fairfax County Circuit Court for an order to conduct such a referendum as a special election in conjunction with the general election on November 8, 2016.

Section 3. That the members, officers, legal counsel, agents, and employees of the Board and the County are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and things required of them under Virginia law to ensure that the referendum will be held as a special election in conjunction with the general election on November 8, 2016.

Catherine A. Chianese
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors
County of Fairfax, Virginia

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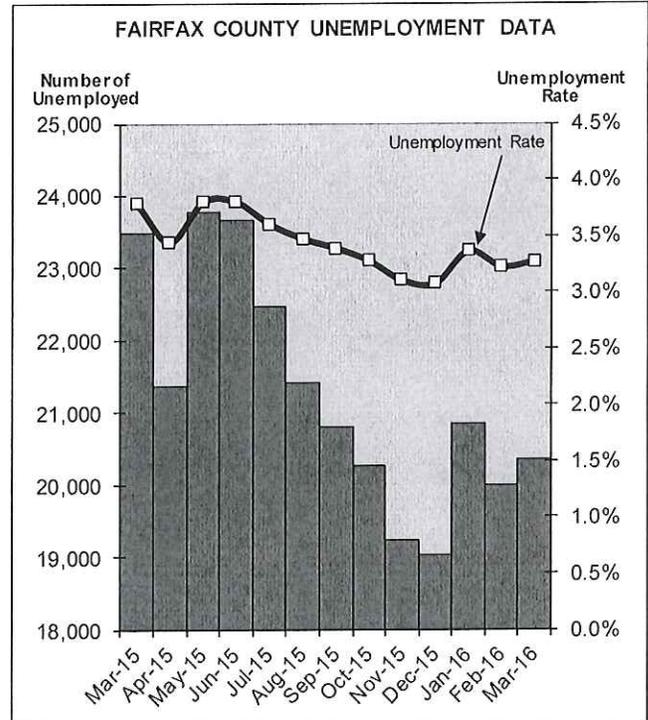
MAY 2016

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- The number of active listings of homes for sale in the County increased 5.8 percent in April from a year ago.
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Source: Virginia Employment Commission. Compiled by the Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget.

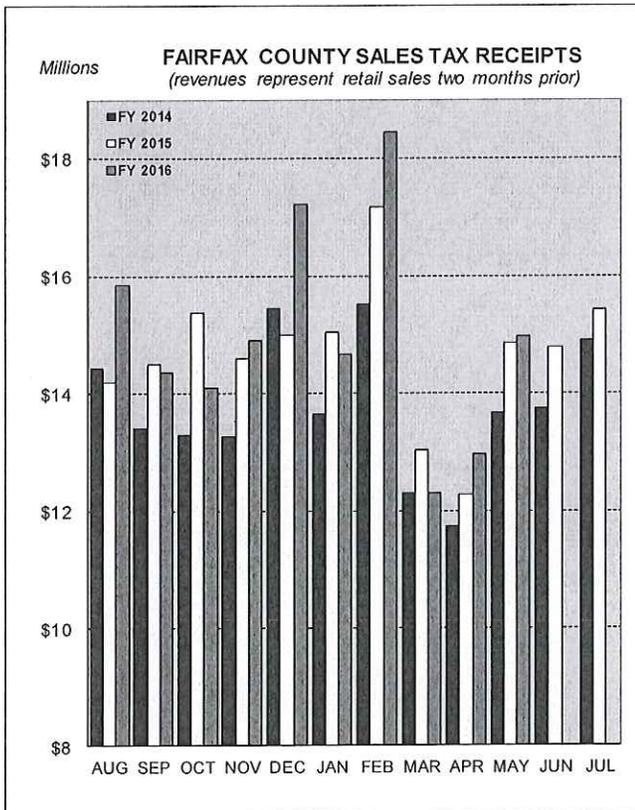
Employment

The March unemployment rate in Fairfax County was 3.3 percent, an increase of 0.1 percentage point from February. The number of unemployed residents increased over the month from 19,968 to 20,347. The County's unemployment rate was 0.5 percentage point lower than last March.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Virginia decreased from 4.1 percent in February to 4.0 percent in March. The rate was down 0.7 percentage point from March 2015 and stands at its lowest level since June 2008.

The U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased slightly from 4.9 percent in February to 5.0 percent in March. The rate was down 0.5 percentage point from a year ago. Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 215,000 in March. On average, 209,000 jobs per month were added during the past 3 months.

Sales Tax Receipts



Source: Virginia Department of Taxation. Compiled by the Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget.

Sales Tax receipts distributed to Fairfax County in May for retail purchases made in March were \$15.0 million, an increase of 0.8 percent over May 2015. Combined, Sales Tax receipts are up 2.6 percent for the first ten months of the fiscal year.

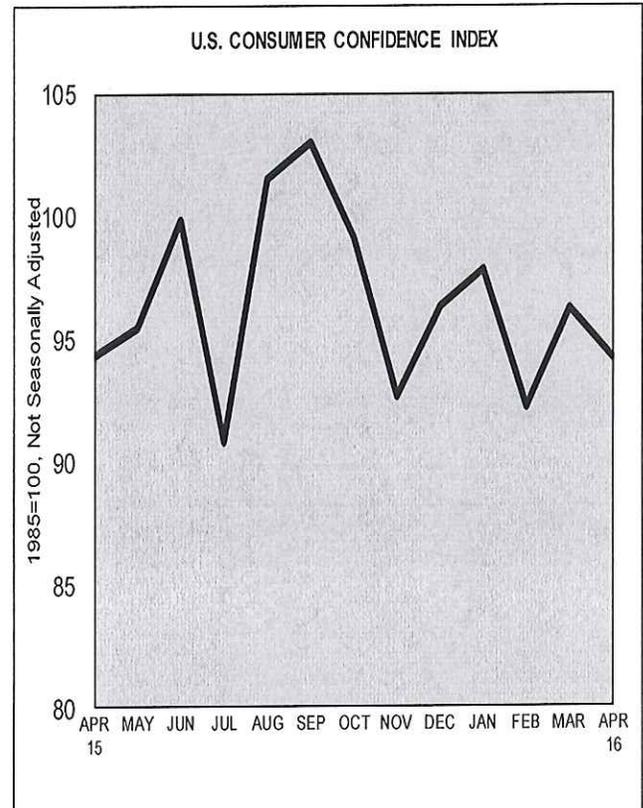
NATIONAL INDICATORS

Case-Shiller Home Price Indices

Based on the latest available data, home prices in 20 U.S. cities, as measured by the S&P Case-Shiller Index, increased 5.4 percent for the 12 months ending in March 2016. David M. Blitzer, Managing Director and Chairman of the Index Committee at S&P Dow Jones Indices, said that "The economy is supporting the price increases with improving labor markets, falling unemployment rates, and extremely low mortgage rates." He added that, "Another factor behind rising home prices is the limited supply of homes on the market. The number of homes currently on the market is less than two percent of the number of households in the U.S., the lowest percentage seen since the mid-1980's."

During the same period, the Washington DC Metro area posted a 1.5 percent gain, the smallest increase among the 20 cities included in the S&P Case-Shiller Index.

Consumer Confidence Index



Source: The Conference Board. Compiled by the Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget.

The Consumer Confidence Index decreased in April after increasing the previous month. The index stands at 94.2 (1985=100), down from 96.1 a month ago. The present situation component increased moderately, while the expectations component decreased compared to last month. Lynn Franco, Director of Economic Indicators at the Conference Board, said that, "Consumers' assessment of current conditions improved, suggesting no slowing in economic growth." She added that, "Their expectations regarding the short-term have moderated, suggesting they do not foresee any pickup in momentum."

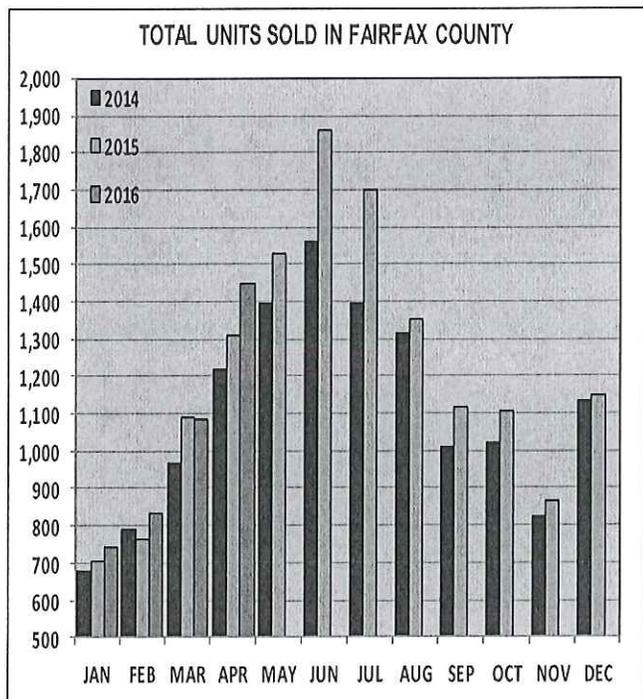
Gross Domestic Product

According to the revised estimate by the Bureau of Economic Analysis, real gross domestic product (GDP) increased at an annual rate of 0.8 percent in the first quarter of 2016 after growing 1.4 percent in the fourth quarter. Consumer spending, which makes up more than two-thirds of economic activity, grew 1.9 percent in the first quarter, compared to 2.4 percent in the fourth quarter. Overall government expenditures increased 1.2 percent, though federal expenditures decreased 1.6 percent. This estimate will be revised once more based on more complete data before it is considered final.

FAIRFAX COUNTY HOUSING MARKET

Total Home Sales Volume

In April, 1,448 homes were sold in Fairfax County, an increase of 10.7 percent over the 1,308 homes sold in April 2015.

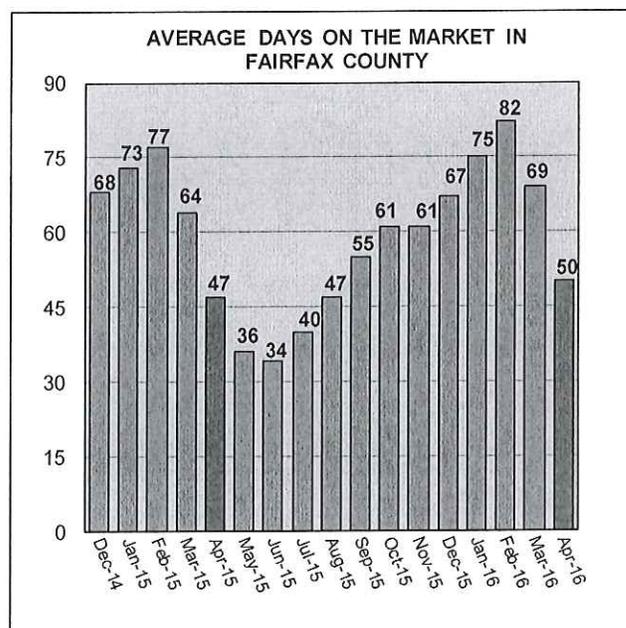


Source: Real Estate Business Intelligence. Compiled by the Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget.

Average Days on the Market

On average, homes that sold in Fairfax County in April were on the market for 50 days. This is 3 days longer than the 47 day average in April 2015.

Changes in selling prices and the volume of sales are presented as indicators of the County's real estate market. Average selling price changes do not translate directly into assessment adjustments, since the mix of homes sold is not necessarily reflective of the County's entire housing stock. To read more about Fairfax County tax assessments, please visit: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta/tax_assessment.htm



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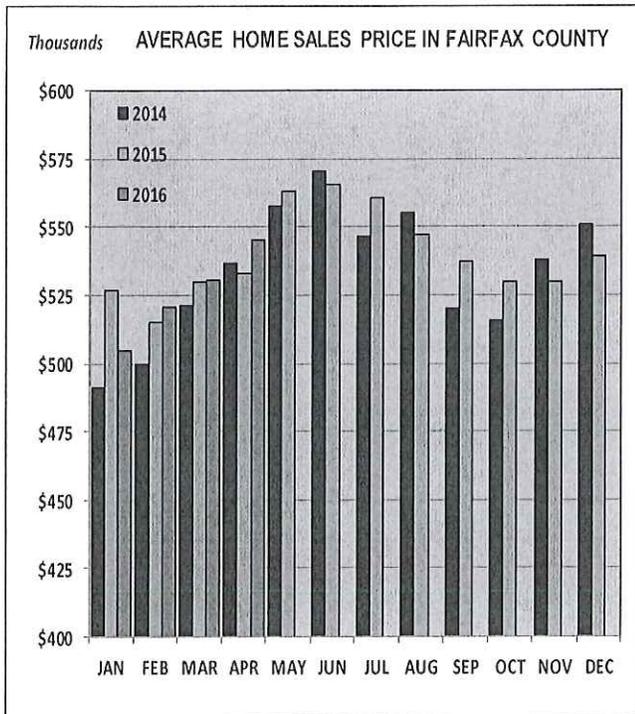
Average Home Sales Prices

The average sales price of all homes that sold in April 2016 in Fairfax County was \$545,625, an increase of 2.4 percent compared with the April 2015 average sales price of \$532,800. The average April sales price increased 0.3 percent compared to the annual 2015 average home sale price of \$544,055.

The average sales price for detached homes that sold in April 2016 was \$716,356, an increase of 4.1 percent over the April 2015 average of \$687,839. The average sales price of attached homes was essentially flat with last April.

FAIRFAX COUNTY AVERAGE SALES PRICE OF HOMES SOLD IN APR 2016 COMPARED TO SALES IN APR 2015

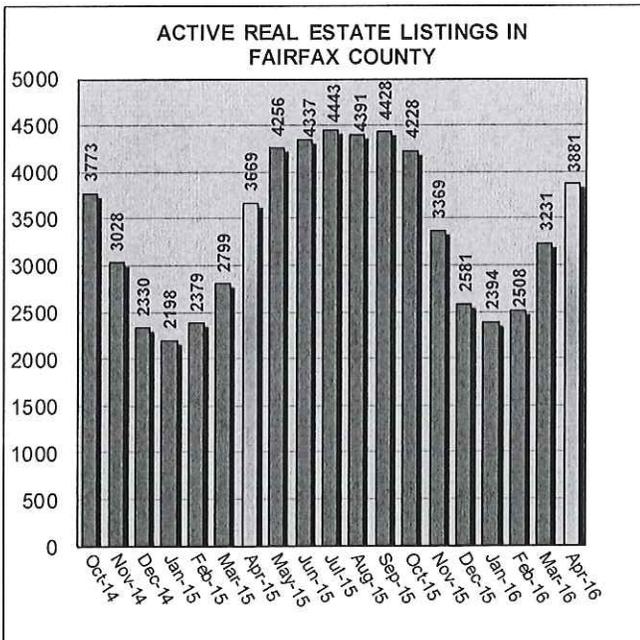
	APR 2016	APR 2015	% Change
All Homes	\$545,625	\$532,800	2.4%
Detached Homes	\$716,356	\$687,839	4.1%
Attached Homes	\$373,948	\$373,921	0.0%



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Inventory of Homes for Sale

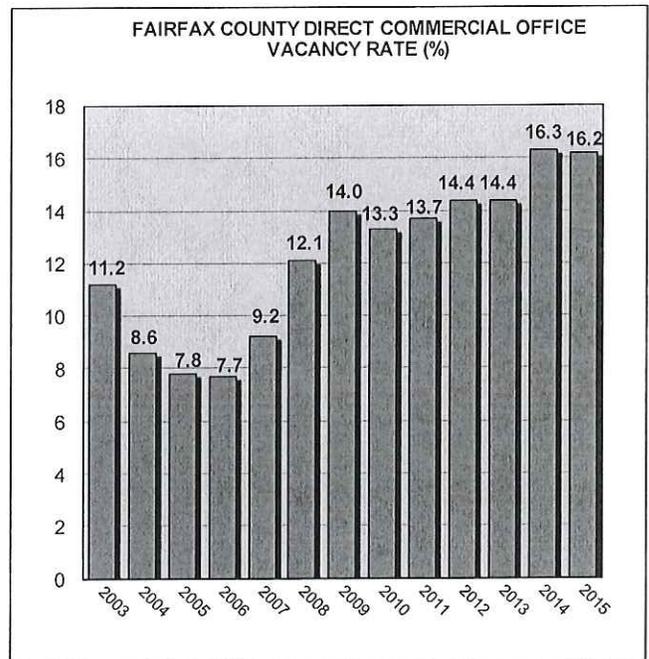
The number of active listings in the County in April was 3,881, an increase of 5.8 percent over the 3,669 listings in April 2015. Based on the April 2016 listings and the current sales rate, there is approximately a 2.7 month supply of homes for sale in the County, less than the 2.8 month supply a year ago.



Source: Real Estate Business Intelligence. Compiled by the Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget.

Commercial Office Market

According to the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA), the direct office vacancy rate was 16.2 percent at year-end 2015, down slightly from 16.3 percent at year-end 2014. The overall office vacancy rate, which includes sublet space, was 17.2 percent, down from 17.7 percent at year-end 2014. Demand for office space rebounded during 2015. Gross office leasing totaled 10.3 million square feet, up nearly 5 percent over the previous year. However, overall demand fell short of the 10-year average of 10.8 million square feet. Demand for newer space and space near Metro rail stations remained strong, while many older properties experienced increased vacancy. According to FCEDA, vacancy rates are not expected to experience major adjustments over the next 12 months.



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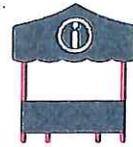
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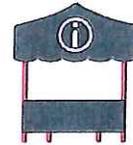
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