

Fund 81500: Housing Grants and Projects

Mission To provide the residents of the County with safe, decent, and more affordable housing for households with low and moderate incomes.

Focus Fund 81500, Housing Grants and Projects, tracks grants and projects which are awarded to the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA). In FY 2021, the FCRHA is anticipated to administer one grant and one project.

Anticipated Grants and Projects		
Grant/Project	Description	Anticipated Award
Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS)	Leverages public and private support services to help selected families achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency.	To be determined ¹
State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP)	Provides rental assistance to individuals with developmental disabilities to lease private market housing that meets their needs.	\$1,892,352

¹ Funding will be allocated once an official notification of award is received from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS)

FSS is a program administered by the FCRHA with funding from HUD that leverages both public and private resources to help families achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency through a three-pronged approach: 1) fund case managers to recruit and engage eligible households; 2) incentivize participants to increase their earned income and achieve self-sufficiency goals through escrow opportunities, and; 3) compel grantees to engage their community to leverage both public and private resources that will assist participants in achieving self-sufficiency.

With Federal funding, the FCRHA established the Partnership for Resident Opportunities, Growth, Resources and Economic Self-Sufficiency (PROGRESS) Center in FY 2011. The PROGRESS Center provides the resident services functions of the FCRHA, focusing on a broad range of self-sufficiency topics, including employment and training; budget counseling and money management; services related to accessing affordable health insurance; and crisis intervention. HCD staff can refer clients for intervention services and case management to include such resources as medical and behavioral health, adult protection, decluttering and hoarding intervention and physical and sensory disabilities for program participants.

Partnership with County agencies and the community are integral in connecting residents to services. For example, the Northern Virginia Workforce Investment Board, and its non-profit employment training and job placement services arm, the Virginia Career Works Inc., are important partners. Similarly, the PROGRESS Center collaborates with the Department of Family Services, the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, and the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board to assist residents.

State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP)

SRAP is a multi-year contractual agreement between the FCRHA and the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) that provides rental assistance to individuals with developmental disabilities. Funding for SRAP will continue in FY 2021.

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Budget and Staff Resources

Category	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Adopted	FY 2020 Revised	FY 2021 Advertised
FUNDING				
Expenditures:				
Personnel Services	\$303,524	\$73,473	\$29,790	\$63,716
Operating Expenses	828,972	1,522,298	1,909,582	1,828,636
Total Expenditures	\$1,132,496	\$1,595,771	\$1,939,372	\$1,892,352
AUTHORIZED POSITIONS/FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
Grant	2 / 2	2 / 2	2 / 2	2 / 2

FY 2021 Funding Adjustments

The following funding adjustments from the FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan are necessary to support the FY 2021 program:

Employee Compensation **\$0**
 It should be noted that no funding is included for a 2.06 percent market rate adjustment (MRA) for all employees and performance-based and longevity increases for non-uniformed merit employees in FY 2021, as the grants will absorb the impact within the existing award authorizations.

State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP) **\$296,581**
 An increase of \$296,581 is included as funding for SRAP per the multi-year contract with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services (DBHDS).

Changes to FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan

The following funding adjustments reflect all approved changes in the FY 2020 Revised Budget Plan since passage of the FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan. Included are all adjustments made as part of the FY 2019 Carryover Review, and all other approved changes through December 31, 2019.

Carryover Adjustments **\$343,601**
 As part of the FY 2019 Carryover Review, the Board of Supervisors approved funding of \$343,601 due to unexpended FY 2019 grant balances of \$47,020 and a new award of \$296,581 for SRAP per the multi-year contract with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services (DBHDS).

Position Detail

The FY 2021 Advertised Budget Plan includes the following positions:

HOUSING GRANTS AND PROJECTS – 2 Positions				
Grants Management				
1	Housing Services Specialist III			
1	Housing Services Specialist II			

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FUND STATEMENT

Category	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan	FY 2020 Revised Budget Plan	FY 2021 Advertised Budget Plan
Beginning Balance	\$1,479,152	\$1,485,244	\$2,442,060	\$2,467,078
Revenue:				
ROSS Grant ¹	\$101,786	\$0	\$0	\$0
FSS Grant	158,747	0	47,020	0
SRAP	1,807,502	1,586,112	1,892,352	1,892,352
Interest ²	27,369	9,659	25,018	27,369
Total Revenue	\$2,095,404	\$1,595,771	\$1,964,390	\$1,919,721
Total Available	\$3,574,556	\$3,081,015	\$4,406,450	\$4,386,799
Expenditures:				
ROSS Grant ¹	\$101,786	\$0	\$0	\$0
FSS Grant	158,747	0	47,020	0
SRAP	871,963	1,451,579	1,892,352	1,892,352
SRAP Program Reserve ³	0	144,192	0	0
Total Expenditures	\$1,132,496	\$1,595,771	\$1,939,372	\$1,892,352
Total Disbursements	\$1,132,496	\$1,595,771	\$1,939,372	\$1,892,352
Ending Balance⁴	\$2,442,060	\$1,485,244	\$2,467,078	\$2,494,447

¹ The ROSS Grant was formerly administered by the FCRHA with funding from HUD to provide supportive services to residents in public housing to help move them towards self-sufficiency. Since all public housing units were converted to Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD), funding for the ROSS Grant was discontinued and the remaining balance was spent in FY 2019.

² Interest earned in Fund 81500 is solely attributable to SRAP balances.

³ FCRHA is required by the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to earmark 10 percent of the approved annual budget for rental assistance, utility allowance and public housing authority administrative fees each fiscal year as program reserve funds. This earmark shall occur for ten years or until the capitalization funding goal is met, whichever occurs sooner. In FY 2019, the funding goal was met. Therefore, no further earmark is required.

⁴ The ending balance is a result of unspent SRAP funding and is restricted for that program.