

Fund 81500: Housing Grants and Projects

Mission The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) serves the people of Fairfax County by creating housing opportunities to promote inclusive and thriving communities. HCD has a vision where Fairfax County is a community everyone can afford to call home.

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 2026, the FCRHA is anticipated to administer one grant and two projects.

Anticipated Grants and Projects		
Grant/Project	Description	Anticipated Award
Family Self-Sufficiency Program	Leverages public and private support services to help selected families achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency.	To be determined ¹
State Rental Assistance Program	Provides rental assistance to individuals with developmental disabilities to lease private market housing that meets their needs.	\$4,312,345
State Rental Assistance Program Permanent Supportive Housing	Provides access to supportive, affordable rental housing options for individuals with serious mental illness.	To be determined ¹

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

Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS)

FSS is a program administered by the FCRHA with funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (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.

Partnerships 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, Virginia Career Works Inc., are important partners. Similarly, the FSS Program 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, as well as various non-profit organizations to coordinate access to services for its participants and families.

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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. This program is projected to serve 158 tenant-based participants and 10 project-based participants in FY 2026.

SRAP Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

In FY 2025, DBHDS and the FCRHA also intend to enter into a contract for an additional 300 PSH vouchers over three years to increase access to supportive, affordable rental housing options for single adults with serious mental illness (SMI), and to increase housing stability for persons with SMI by providing the support they need to maintain housing. State funding for this program supports staffing, administrative, and housing voucher costs. DBHDS has also partnered with the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board to provide case management and supportive services to this client population.

Budget and Staff Resources

Category	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Adopted	FY 2025 Revised	FY 2026 Advertised
FUNDING				
Expenditures:				
Personnel Services	\$317,449	\$124,607	\$138,801	\$130,699
Operating Expenses	2,335,565	3,268,453	3,598,915	4,181,646
Total Expenditures	\$2,653,014	\$3,393,060	\$3,737,716	\$4,312,345
AUTHORIZED POSITIONS/FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
Grant	2 / 2	2 / 2	4 / 4	4 / 4

FY 2026 Funding Adjustments

The following funding adjustments from the FY 2025 Adopted Budget Plan are necessary to support the FY 2026 program:

Employee Compensation **\$0**

It should be noted that no funding is included for a 2.00 percent cost of living adjustment (COLA) for employees and for performance-based and longevity increases for non-uniformed merit employees in FY 2026, as the grants will absorb the impact within the existing award authorizations.

State Rental Assistance Program **\$919,285**

An increase of \$919,285, for a total of \$4,312,345, is included as funding for SRAP per the multi-year contract with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

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Changes to FY 2025 Adopted Budget Plan

The following funding adjustments reflect all approved changes in the FY 2025 Revised Budget Plan since passage of the FY 2025 Adopted Budget Plan. Included are all adjustments made as part of the FY 2024 Carryover Review and all other approved changes through December 31, 2024.

Carryover Adjustments \$344,656

As part of the FY 2024 Carryover Review, the Board of Supervisors approved an increase of \$344,656 due to increases of \$253,239 to align the SRAP budget to the actual grant award and \$91,417 in unexpended grant balances that carried forward into FY 2025.

Out-Of-Cycle Position Adjustments \$0

Subsequent to the FY 2024 Carryover Review, 3/3.0 FTE positions were established in Fund 81500, Housing Grants and Projects, to support a new Permanent Supportive Housing grant. In addition, 1/1.0 FTE position was moved to Fund 81510, Housing Choice Voucher, to better align positions to program needs.

Position Detail

The FY 2026 Advertised Budget Plan includes the following positions:

HOUSING GRANTS AND PROJECTS – 4 Positions

Grants Management

1	Housing Services Specialist III	3	Housing Services Specialists II
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FUND STATEMENT

Category	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Adopted Budget Plan	FY 2025 Revised Budget Plan	FY 2026 Advertised Budget Plan
Beginning Balance	\$6,539,287	\$6,543,743	\$7,948,222	\$7,994,538
Revenue:				
Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Grant	\$245,918	\$0	\$91,417	\$0
State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP)	3,661,779	3,393,060	3,646,299	4,312,345
Interest ¹	154,252	46,316	46,316	46,316
Total Revenue	\$4,061,949	\$3,439,376	\$3,784,032	\$4,358,661
Total Available	\$10,601,236	\$9,983,119	\$11,732,254	\$12,353,199
Expenditures:				
FSS Grant	\$245,918	\$0	\$91,417	\$0
SRAP	2,407,096	3,393,060	3,646,299	4,312,345
Total Expenditures	\$2,653,014	\$3,393,060	\$3,737,716	\$4,312,345
Total Disbursements	\$2,653,014	\$3,393,060	\$3,737,716	\$4,312,345
Ending Balance²	\$7,948,222	\$6,590,059	\$7,994,538	\$8,040,854

¹ Interest earned in Fund 81500 is solely attributable to SRAP balances.

² The ending balance is a result of unspent SRAP funding and is restricted for that program.