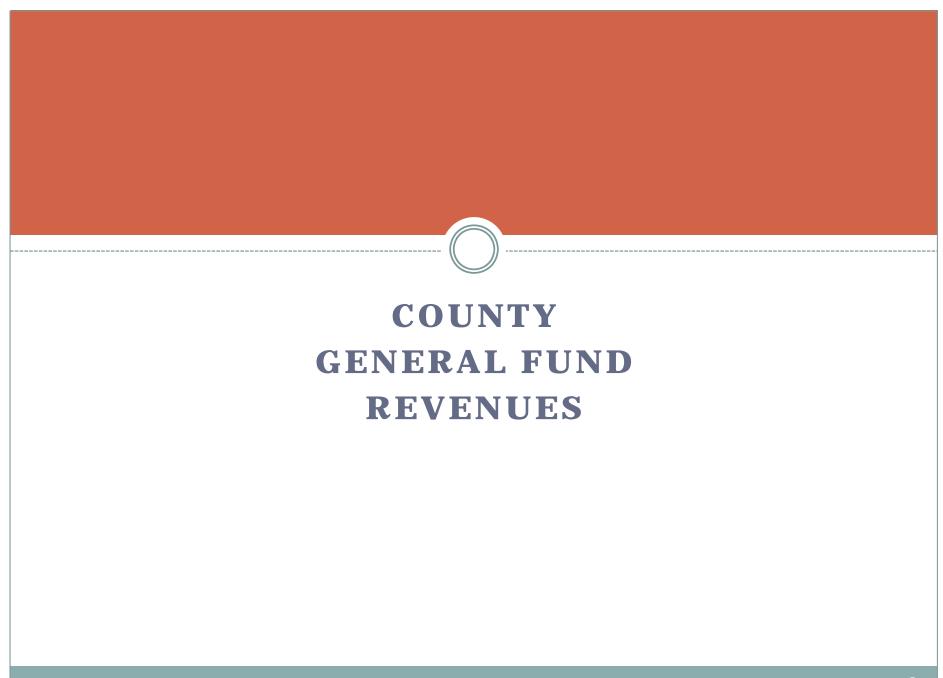
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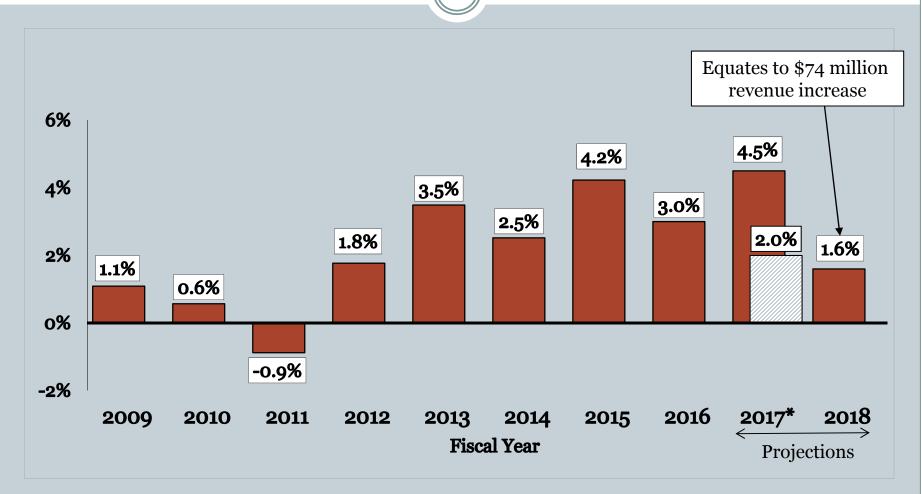
### FY 2018 Budget Forecast



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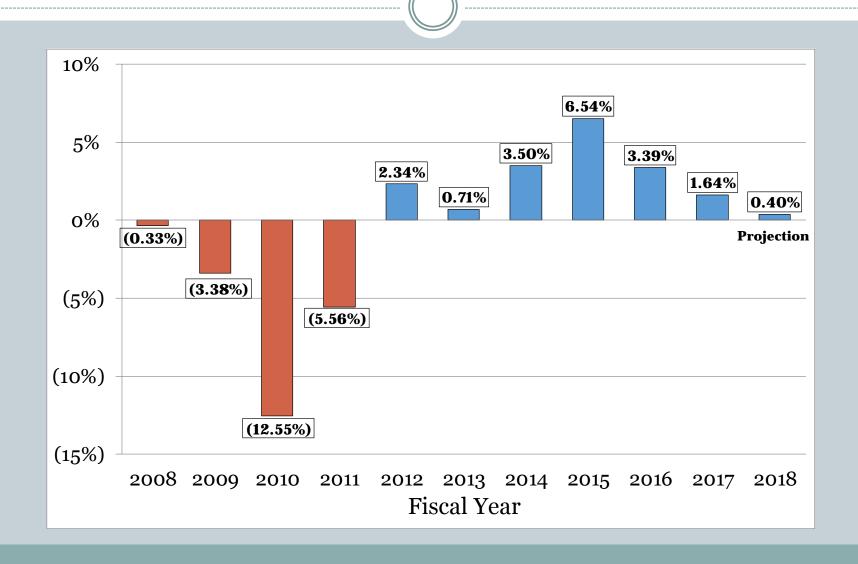
<sup>\*</sup> Without the 4 cent Real Estate tax increase, revenue would be up 2.0%

## Real Estate Projections - Multi-Year Versus November Estimates - \$43 million revenue loss

• Compared to the forecast included in the multi-year budget, the November Real Estate revenue estimate is down **§43 million** 

Changes in Assessments	FY 2015 Actual	FY 2016 Actual	FY 2017 Actual	FY 2018 Multi-Year Estimate in FY 2017 Adopted Budget	FY 2018 Estimate as of Nov. 2016
Residential	6.54%	3.39%	1.64%	1.64%	0.40%
Nonresidential	(0.10)%	(0.60)%	2.87%	3.00%	1.25%
New Construction	0.93%	1.06%	1.04%	1.00%	0.76%
<b>Total Real Estate base</b>	5.77%	3.46%	2.98%	3.00%	1.37%

## Annual Changes in Residential Equalization



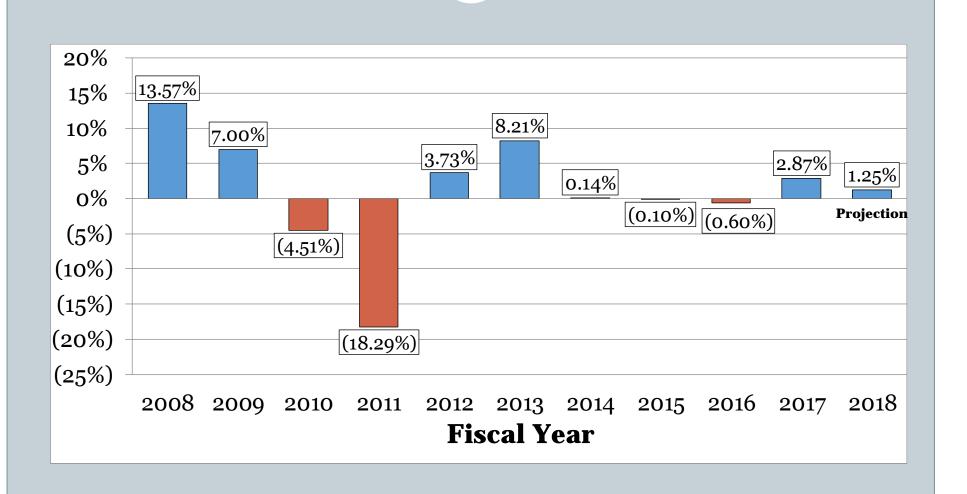
## Fairfax County's Housing Market



# Residential Values are projected to increase only 0.4% in FY 2018

- Home prices in Fairfax County are essentially flat through October
- Year-to-date through October, the number of home sales has increased
  4.9%
- Average number of days to sell a home is 53 days in October 2016 compared to 61 days last October
- Supply of homes for sale on the market is down 22.0% in October

### Annual Changes in Nonresidential Equalization



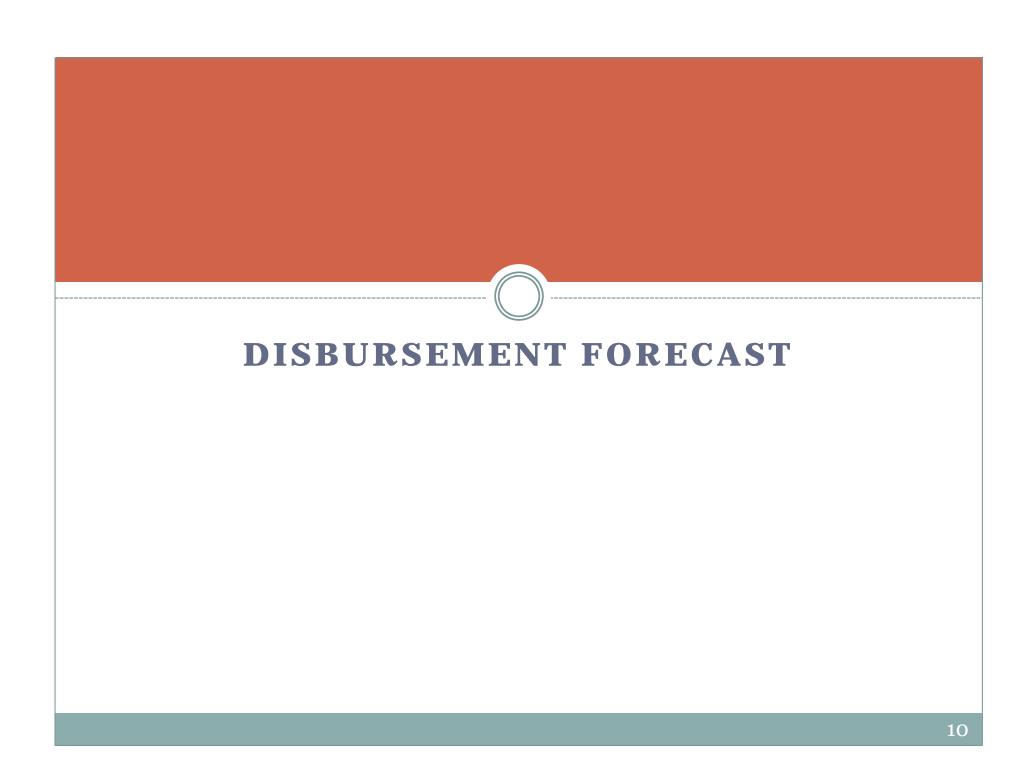
#### Nonresidential Real Estate

# Nonresidential Values are projected to increase 1.25% in FY 2018

- Office vacancy rates remain at historically elevated levels
  - o Direct office vacancy rate − 16.2%; with sublets − 17.2% as of yearend 2015
  - Many tenants are upgrading to newer buildings located near Metro or other amenities such as established town centers
  - Some tenants are also downsizing their space requirements
  - Economic uncertainty over new administration and potential sequestration

#### Revenue from the Commonwealth

- State revenue deficit is cause for concern
- A \$1.2 billion budget short-fall for the FY 2017 FY 2018
  Biennium
- Actions to-date:
  - Assumes Rainy Day Fund withdrawal
  - Eliminates salary increases for teachers and state supported local constitutional officers
  - Identifies additional reductions in state agencies budgets
- Remaining Budget Gap to be addressed
  - o FY 2018 -- \$654 million
  - Governor's Amended Budget in December



#### FY 2018 Disbursement Forecast

- Revenue growth projected at 1.57% generates \$74 million
- In order to maintain Schools disbursement percentage at 52.7%, additional revenue is allocated as follows:
  - O Schools: \$39.17 million
  - o County: \$34.89 million
- Revenue growth will not cover disbursement needs discussed in October for either the Schools or the County
- All reserve requirements are covered in FY 2017 baseline

## Schools Support

- FY 2018 Forecast includes increases of \$39.17 million for Schools, including:
  - Schools Operating
    - \* \$39.91 million, representing a 2.09% increase in County transfer
  - Schools Debt Service
    - × (\$0.74) million
    - ▼ Maintains Annual Sales of \$155 million
  - Capital Funding
    - Transfer maintained at \$13.1 million

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	FY 2018 (in \$mil)	
<b>County Allocation</b>	\$34.89	
Debt Service	\$9.28	
Employee Benefits	\$8.40	
Employee Pay*	\$21.27	
<b>Prior Board Commitments</b>	\$10.22	
Subtotal	\$49.17	
Net Balance	(\$14.28)	
Other Board Priorities	\$40.82	
Total	\$89.99	
Net Balance	(\$55.10)	

<sup>\*</sup> Does not include 1.65% Market Rate Adjustment. The \$19.8 million related to the MRA is in Other Board Priorities.

## Core Funding Priorities



County Debt Service

\$9.28 mil

Employee Benefits – Retirement & Health

\$8.40 mil

Employee Pay

\$21.27 mil

- ▼ Uniformed Merits/Longevities \$9 mil
- ▼ General County Increases/Longevities \$12 mil
- x Living Wage \$193k
- Prior Board Commitments

\$10.22 mil

- × Fire Captain Overtime − \$2.3 mil
- SAFER Grants \$2.1 mil
- ▼ ID/DD Support Coordination 12 positions and \$1.1 mil
- Children's Services Act \$3.2 mil
- Recurring Carryover Adjustments \$1.6 mil
- Metro (requirement TBD)
- Funding these items leaves a deficit of *\$14.28* million

#### Other Board Priorities

#### Other important Board priorities include:

Market Rate Adjustment

\$19.80 mil

× 1.65% calculated for FY 2018

Market Studies

\$2.50 mil

o Police/Sheriff Pay Scale Leveling

\$3.12 mil

Special Education Graduates

\$4.80 mil

Diversion First/Ad-Hoc Police Commission

\$7.50 mil

South County Patrol Positions (Open 2021)

\$3.10 mil

• The addition of these items brings the projected deficit to \$55.10 million

## Many Funding Needs Not Included

- The projected \$55 million shortfall does not include funding for other significant items, including:
  - Public Safety Staffing Plan
    - Approximately 58 positions and \$7.9 million
  - Other PFM Study Recommendations for Police related to the Ad-Hoc Commission recommendations
    - Span of Control (36 positions and \$7.9 million)
    - Relief Sergeants (18 positions and \$3.2 million)
  - Impact of State Cuts
  - Capital Requirements
    - × \$5.6 million
  - Information Technology Projects
    - × \$3.0 million
  - Other Human Services/Safety Net Needs

## Looking Ahead: More Uncertainty

- Uncertainty about the impact of new administration on the local economy
  - Potential changes to the Affordable Care Act
- Looming sequestration cuts scheduled to resume in fall 2017 unless Congress acts
- Uncertainty about interest rates and Fed policy
- State budget
- Restrained revenue growth for the foreseeable future