

Response to Questions on the FY 2007 Advertised Budget Plan

Request By: Supervisor Hudgins

Question: How many people are on the waiting list for affordable housing?

Response:

The County offers a variety of housing programs to low and moderate income residents, which are briefly described in the following table:

Program	Program Description	# of Individuals on Waiting List as of March 2006
Public Housing (PH)	Provides funds for low income rental housing owned and operated by local housing authorities, such as the FCRHA	6,918
Fairfax County Rental Program	Provides affordable rental housing for low and moderate-income families in properties developed and managed by HCD and the FCRHA	1,796
Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Rental subsidies, provided by HUD, cover the difference between a market-established rent and the rent which is determined to be affordable at a given family's income level	10,339

Since many individuals apply for both the Public Housing and the Housing Choice Voucher programs, the agency maintains an unduplicated waiting list for these two programs, which is a more accurate reflection of the number of people waiting for entry into these two programs. There are currently 11,114 people on the Unduplicated PH/HCV program waiting list. Therefore, the most accurate estimate of the number of people on the waiting list for affordable housing is obtained by adding the number of people on the Unduplicated PH/HCV waiting list with the number of people on the Fairfax County Rental Program waiting list, as shown in the following table:

<u>Waiting List</u>	<u># of Individuals on Waiting List as of March 2006</u>
Unduplicated PH/HCV	11,114
Fairfax County Rental Program	<u>1,796</u>
# of People on Waiting List for Affordable Housing	12,910