

## Response to Questions on the FY 2010 County's Line of Business & Schools Program Review Processes Fall 2008

**Request By:** Supervisor Hyland

**Question:** Provide a summary of the sites and number of youth served in the Values in Prevention (VIP) program operated by the Department of Community and Recreation Services (CRS).

**Response:** The Values in Prevention (VIP) summer program offers summer recreational activities for teens. Activities are designed to provide teenagers the opportunity to learn life skills and develop healthy and positive recreation interests. A majority of participants are referred to the program by their middle school after-school program specialist, social workers, CRS teen services staff, or school administrators. Strategically located in five Fairfax County Public Schools, each camp features a wide variety of prevention and recreation programs. Camps operate for six weeks, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. These free programs are open to any teen in Fairfax County.

The total cost of the VIP program in FY 2009 is \$122,500, which is comprised of \$100,000 in personnel and \$22,500 in operating.

Registered participants in the Summer 2008 VIP program totaled 385 middle school youth. Locations for the VIP program (with participant totals included) were as follows:

- Sandburg Middle School (76) – Alexandria
- Poe Middle School (74) – Annandale
- Irving Middle School (73) – Springfield
- Liberty Middle School (84) – Centreville
- Hughes Middle School (78) – Reston