

## Response to Questions on the FY 2019 Budget

**Request By:** Supervisor Herrity

**Question:** For each recruiting class in the last 8 years please provide the following: (a) the expectation of the size of the class as set initially by the chief, (b) the number of recruits at the beginning of the class and (c) the total number graduating from the recruiting class.

**Response:**

The Fire and Rescue Department (FRD) held 18 recruit classes in the past 8 years. Due to a particularly heavy attrition period, three consecutive Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant awards and opening the Wolf Trap Station, the department experienced a period with an unusually high vacancy rate. To overcome staffing shortages, larger recruit schools were required over the past several years to keep pace with staffing demands.

<b>Recruit Class</b>	<b>Class Start Date</b>	<b>Class End Date</b>	<b>(a) Class Size (Expected)</b>	<b>(b) Number of Recruits</b>	<b>(c) Recruits Graduated</b>
<b>143</b>	10/16/2017	3/30/2018	37	37	N/A <sup>1</sup>
<b>142</b>	4/17/2017	9/29/2017	35	35	33
<b>141</b>	9/19/2016	3/31/2017	45	45	42
<b>140</b>	2/8/2016	9/2/2016	54	54	48
<b>139</b>	9/21/2015	4/15/2016	34	34	31
<b>138</b>	1/12/2015	6/12/2015	53	53	44
<b>137</b>	10/6/2014	3/6/2015	40	40	36
<b>136 - B</b>	3/24/2014	7/25/2014	37	37	35
<b>136 - A</b>	1/13/2014	7/25/2014	34	34	28
<b>135</b>	5/20/2013	11/1/2013	30	30	21
<b>134</b>	9/24/2012	3/22/2013	30	30	24
<b>133</b>	2/27/2012	8/10/2012	30	30	28
<b>132</b>	10/24/2011	4/20/2012	30	30	28
<b>131</b>	3/28/2011	9/9/2011	24	24	23
<b>130</b>	10/12/2010	2/18/2011	18	18	15
<b>129</b>	5/10/2010	9/10/2010	14	14	14
<b>128 - B</b>	12/21/2009	4/23/2010	13	13	11
<b>128 - A</b>	8/3/2009	4/23/2010	8	8	8

<sup>1</sup> Data is not available as the class is expected to graduate on March 30, 2018.