2021 Project Successes

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NAVIGATING WHAT'S NEXT

The Department of Economic Initiatives **"Navigates What's Next"** to support competitive and prosperous businesses, workers and communities





Small Business Growth

BIZ EX helped 450+ companies start, grow and flourish

Revamped the <u>Starting a Business webpage</u> with detailed search based on business type, specific need, and/or by business characteristics.

Curated an <u>interactive mapping application</u> to help businesses locate and connect with geographicallybased Chambers of Commerce.



Small Business Resilience

The PIVOT Program

Pandemic assistance to help the most impacted businesses recover and grow

1,016 impacted businesses assisted

\$16,836,300

awarded

78%

of awards to Woman-, Minority-, and/or Veteran-owned Businesses





Investment in Opportunities

Economic Opportunity Reserve Community, Business & Revenue Growth

- Mural artwork and placemaking at the PARC at Tysons (\$250,000)
- Downtown Herndon Redevelopment Project: a mixed-use complex (\$5 million)



Transformational Development

Supporting Public-Private Partnerships that Catalyze Growth

Management of the **Wiehle-Reston Station Metrorail Garage and Reston Station community** partnership - a mixed-use development on county-owned property

Generated over \$37 million in lease and direct real estate tax revenue for Fairfax County since 2009



Innovative Solutions

2021 Pitch and Pilot: Fairfax County Innovation Challenge

Emerging technology to solve today's challenges

- Cutting-edge solution to improve pedestrian and bike safety
- Winner: Street Simplified, an emerging automated traffic safety analytics firm
- Pilot project execution, with analysis/ recommendations available in mid-2022

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Military Partnerships

Building on Strategic Assets and Maximizing Shared Opportunities

UNITED STATES ARMY

FORT BELVOIR

TUDES GATE

- Dedicated Fairfax County/DEI Liaison to Fort Belvoir and the Garrison Command
- Veterans Career Fair 500 job seekers and 66 companies
- JETS, a Joint Employment and Transition Services group to help military spouses and retirees find employment

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Road to Recovery

POST COVID-19 ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Roadmap to a Just and Resilient Recovery

- Produced the <u>Economic Recovery Framework</u>, led by DEI and FCEDA
- Recommendations and actions to support businesses, workers and communities
- Cross-county working groups for implementation and connection with Countywide Strategic Plan and Race and Equity Task Force

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Impactful Initiatives

DEI navigates unique initiatives for impact









<u>Supported Accelerate 2022</u>, a George Mason University showcase of next generation ideas, technologies, and startups in the region.

Together with County agencies reviewed and responded to the proposed <u>George Mason University Master Plan</u> update.

Developing business development and entrepreneurial concepts at the Original Mount Vernon High School (OMVHS) redevelopment.

Supporting activation of Tysons through promotion, marketing and planning for the inaugural season of the <u>PARC</u>. >>more info>>

Partnerships for Success –Thank You!



