



# Human Services Council

## FY 2023 Budget Recommendations

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# HSC's Guiding Principles for FY 2023 Budget Recommendations

## One Fairfax



## COVID-19 Impact on HHS

- Economic recovery
- Affordable housing
- Mental health
- Opioid epidemic



## HHS BAC Engagement



# HSC-Supported FY 2023 Budget Items

## Affordable Housing

- Strongly supports the Board's new goal of accelerating the production of new affordable housing units by 2034
- Additional \$5 million for quality, affordable housing in the County

## Consolidated Community Funding Pool

- 5% increase will help community partners deliver high-quality services

## Co-Responder Model

- Investment will progress the Diversion First initiative

## Emergency Rental Assistance

- Critical to help residents at risk of eviction

# HSC-Supported FY 2023 Budget Items

## Employee Compensation

- Recognize that recruiting and retaining high quality staff is fundamental to our HHS system

## HHS Contracts

- Support an increase of ***at least*** \$2.3 million for HHS contracts
- Providers facing same recruitment and retention issues as County agencies

## Opioids and Substance Use

- Supports the additional positions and funding for the Detoxification and Residential Treatment Services to address this crisis

# Additional Funding Considerations

Should the Board have additional funding available, HSC recommends these items be funded:

**Opportunity Neighborhoods:** Funding to expand the highly successful Opportunity Neighborhoods program into a sixth area of the County

**Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities:** Additional Social Services Specialists positions requested by the Department of Family Services for its Adult Protective Services, Adult Services, and Nutrition programs

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