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# **AWARDS**

Over the years, Fairfax County Government's IT organization has earned numerous awards and recognitions, including:

#### 2022

- Recipient of Excellence in its Enterprise Approach in GIS Award from Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI). This
  award recognized the way in which Fairfax County has achieved and maintained organizational success through its Enterprise
  GIS policies and approaches.
- o In the 2022 Digital Counties Survey, sponsored by the Center for Digital Government in partnership with National Association of Counties (NACO) Fairfax County ranked 2nd among America's top ten jurisdictions with populations of 1,000,000 or greater.

#### 2021

 In the 2021 Digital Counties Survey, sponsored by the Center for Digital Government in partnership with National Association of Counties (NACO) Fairfax County ranked 5th among America's top ten jurisdictions with populations of 1,000,000 or greater.

#### 2020

- Recipient of a Special Achievement in GIS Award from Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI). This award was
  given in recognition of Fairfax County's broad based, innovative and enterprise approach to GIS that has resulted in significant
  benefits to County agencies and residents.
- o In the 2020 Digital Counties Survey, sponsored by the Center for Digital Government in partnership with National Association of Counties (NACO) ranked Fairfax County among America's top ten jurisdictions with populations of 1,000,000 or greater.

#### 2019

- o Michael Dent was awarded the Cyber Security Leader of the Year by StateScoop News organization.
- o The National Association of Counties (NACo) awarded Fairfax County a 2019 Achievement Award and 2019 Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) awarded Fairfax County with an Achievement Award for "Stream Critter Cube Lab". The Lab connects students with freshwater ecologists to learn how local scientists determine stream ecosystem health through monitoring the diversity of life found in each stream.
- o The National Association of Counties (NACo) awarded Fairfax County a 2019 Achievement Award for "Service Gap Analysis Interactive Map: Older Adults". The system assists Older Adults & Persons w/Disabilities in Fairfax County's Long Term Care Coordinating Council (LTCCC) with its mission to identify needs and promote solutions that enhance the lives of older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers so that all can participate fully in the community.
- o Fairfax County was honored with the Governor's Technology Awards in the category "IT as Efficiency Driver Government to Government" at the 2019 Commonwealth of Virginia Innovative Technology Symposium (COVITS).

#### 2018

- The National Association of Counties (NACo) awarded Fairfax County a 2018 Achievement Award for "Taking a Citizen First Approach to Website Redesign". This achievement demonstrates how the newly imagined Fairfax County Website leverages technology, design and collaboration with all stakeholders (internal and public) to bring the strengths of modern web applications to bear upon the needs of a wide array of users. The DIT e-Government division under the leadership of Anita Rao, working with the Office of Public Affairs designed and successfully launched the new Website, a massive undertaking.
- The National Association of Counties (NACo) granted Fairfax County a 2018 Achievement Award for "Customizing Data for Health and Human Services Planning". The County GIS was the data foundation for this application collaborating with the Department of Management and Budget.

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- o Fairfax County's Chief Technology Officer, Wanda Gibson, was selected to join a distinguished group of women: State Scoop's Top Women in Technology 2018. This is an elite group of the women across the State and local government community who are constantly working to improve government and the lives of those governed. Ms. Gibson was selected for her innovative spirit, leadership, service to the public sector community, and the impact she has had on the use of technology in government.
- o Fairfax County Website received two "Award of Distinction" awards from the Academy of Interactive & Visual Arts (AIVA) for "Overall Government Website" and for the County "Website Redesign Project".
- Fairfax County received the Commonwealth of Virginia's Innovative Technology Symposium (COVITS) Award for Next Generation Cybersecurity and for the Freedom of Information Act Office.
- o In the 2018 Digital Counties Survey, sponsored by the Center for Digital Government in partnership with National Association of Counties (NACO) ranked Fairfax County among America's top three jurisdictions with populations of 1,000,000 or greater.
- o Public Technology Institute (PTI) recognized Fairfax County with their 2018 Solutions Awards. The following programs were recognized for their achievement:
  - Geographic Information Systems (GIS) recognized for National Capital Region (NCR) Regional GIS Data NG9-1-1 Preparation Project
  - Public Safety and Emergency Management, Community Resiliency recognized for a regional, locally managed identity management solution for public safety in the National Capital Region
  - Significant Achievement WEB recognized for leveraging open source web Content Management System (CMS) which
    offers unlimited opportunities.

- o The Integrated Justice Information Systems (IJIS) Institute 2017 Innovation Award was presented to Fairfax County's Broadband Interoperability Team. The Innovation Award recognizes technical innovation that has contributed significantly to the advancement of integration and interoperability in a justice, public safety, or homeland security project or program.
- Received the National Association of Counties (NACo) 2017 Achievement Award in the category of Information Technology for Mobile Connected Courtrooms. Fairfax County Courts and DIT's Courtroom Technology Office, researched, designed and implemented a new digital courtroom platform to allow users to wirelessly connect their personal devices to the existing courtroom evidence presentation system, known as CTMS (Courtroom Technology Management System).
- Center for Digital Government (CDG) 5th place recognition of the 2017 Digital Counties Survey recognizing leading examples of counties using information and communications technology.

## 2016

- Received CS050 Award for Next Generation Security Program for Fairfax County Government and National Capital Region (NCR).
- o Received Public Technology Institute (PTI) Award in recognition of the Next Generation Security Program.
- Center for Digital Government (CDG) 2nd place recognition of the 2016 Digital Counties Survey recognizing leading examples of counties using information and communications technology.
- o The Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) recognized Fairfax County Courtroom Interpreting Control System with the Achievement Award recognizing model local government programs.

#### 2015

o Center for Digital Government (CDG) 1st place recognition of the 2015 Digital Counties Survey recognizing leading examples of counties using information and communications technology.

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- Received National Association of Counties (NACo) Achievement Award for Emergency Damages Assessment Tracking in the category of Information Technology; Fairfax County Department of Information Technology.
- Received National Association of Counties (NACo) Achievement Award for Next Generation Security Program in the category of Information Technology; Fairfax County Department of Information Technology.
- IT Security Director was honored as a top finalist in the ISE® North America Executive Award in the Academic/Public Sector category.
- Center for Digital Government (CDG) 3rd place recognition of the 2014 Digital Counties Survey recognizing leading examples
  of counties using information and communications technology.
- Received two COVITS recognitions in the local government category for the IT as an Efficiency Driver G2C (Government to Citizen) for Paying Taxes Using Smartphone, Mobile App and Tax Bill QR Codes and Cross-Boundary Collaboration for the National Capital Region Identity and Access Management Service.

#### 2013

- The Association for GIS Professionals, URISA's Exemplary Systems in Government (ESIG) recognized the National Capital Region Geospatial Data Exchange (NCRGDX) as a Distinguished System.
- o Received COVITS recognition in the local government category for the Innovative Use of Technology in Local Government FINALIST: Emergency Data Gathering Repository (EDGR); Fairfax County Department of Information Technology.
- o Center for Digital Government (CDG) 3rd place recognition of the 2013 Digital Counties Survey recognizing leading examples of counties using information and communications technology.

#### 2012

- Wanda M. Gibson, CTO, was nominated for 13th Annual Leadership Award, a prestigious award sponsored by the Women in Technology Organization.
- o National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) Award recognized the CAD 2 CAD implementation, a key initiative in Northern Virginia that enabled data sharing and views of critical screens on key resource dispatch status between the disparate Computer Aided Dispatch Systems in Fairfax County, City of Fairfax, City of Alexandria, and Arlington County.
- Received COVITS Award in the local government category for the e-Gov team's "Placing Government in the Palm of Your Hand."
- Public Technology Institute (PTI) recognized the significant achievement on Mobile Applications: Government in the Palm of Your Hands.
- o VACo (Virginia Association of Counties) Achievement Awards Program recognized Fairfax County among 11 winners throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia for the 'Court Technology Model: Coordinated County and Courts'.
- MarkLogic recognized Land Development Services' (LDS) with the MarkLogic Excellence Award for the "Big Data" Initiative.
- o Government Computer News (GCN) recognized LDS with an Honorable Mention Award at the GCN Awards Gala for the County's Land Use "Big Data" Initiative.
- Center for Digital Government (CDG) 1st place winner of the 2012 Digital Counties Survey recognizing leading examples of counties using information and communications technology. Fairfax County earned first place in the IT Leading Initiatives 500,000 or more population category.
- The Mid-Atlantic Association for Court Management (MAACM) awarded the Court Scheduling System its 2012 John Neufeld Award which recognizes individuals or teams for the development and implementation of significant and unique court management systems in the Mid-Atlantic region.

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- Wanda M. Gibson, CTO, was nominated as a finalist for 2011 prestigious Women in Technology (WIT) Leadership Award sponsored by the Women in Technology Organization.
- Public Technology Institute (PTI) Web 2.0 State and Local Government Awards for Excellence. The awards recognized innovative use of Web 2.0 applications and social media tools to engage citizens, improve efficiency and increase accountability.
- o Industry Green IT Award recognized Fairfax County for successful IT Infrastructure and power management projects that decreased the County's carbon footprint, achieved enterprise wide IT efficiencies and cost savings.
- Fairfax County GIS Manager elected to Board of Directors for The Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA), a premier association for GIS professionals to share ideas and solutions for using spatial information technologies to solve government challenges and improve the quality of life in urban and regional environments.
- Ranked among America's top five in the 2011 Digital Counties Survey, which recognizes leading examples of counties using information communication technology.
- o The Center of Digital Government ranked Fairfax County website as one of the finalist in the Best of Web Awards.
- o Intergraph ICON Award recognized Fairfax County for a multi-agency collaborative effort between the Department of Information Technology and Fairfax County public safety agencies for successful implementation of a new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and related public safety systems as part of the Public Safety Architecture Modernization Project. The project was initiated and enabled through the County's IT Governance model and managed by the County's Department of Information Technology.

#### 2010

- o Wanda M. Gibson, Chief Technology Officer (CTO) was selected as one of the top 25 Doers, Dreamers and Drivers for 2010 by Government Technology Magazine.
- Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties Department of Information Technology (DIT) teams participated in the following programs recognized by NACo:
  - Fairfax County Budget Public Input Process Management & Budget (DIT e-Gov participation).
  - Electronic Accounts Payable System Finance (DIT Finance and HR Branch).
  - New CAD System DIT/Public Safety agencies (DIT-Public Safety Branch, Technology Infrastructure
  - Branch, and Network Services)
- o Commonwealth of Virginia's Innovative Technology Symposium (COVITS) Award for Regional CAD Interoperability; and Virtual Fairfax GIS application.
- Fairfax County's IT Security Director was one of a select group of nominees at the state and national level to receive the Cyber 7 Award at the 2010 Federal IT Security Symposium for advancing and promoting IT Security.
- o Cybertrust Certification Award by Verizon Cybertrust Enterprise Security Management Program.
- o DIT's Director of Courtroom Technology was awarded the Fairfax Bar Association 2010 President's Award for leadership in implementing courtroom technology that has delivered efficiencies in court proceedings.

## 2009

- NACo Achievement Awards- Courtroom Technology Management System (CTMS).
- o Fairfax County received Virginia Coalition for Open Government's Freedom of Information Award in the government category.
- o Fairfax County's site took first place in the Best of the Web County Web portal category.
- Digital Counties Survey selected Fairfax County as the fourth-place winner in the 500,000 or more population.

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- o Third Place Digital County Survey Winner Center for Digital Gov't and NACo.
- NACo Award for Information Technology Security Awareness.
- o NACo Award for Information Technology Project Management Training Program.

#### 2007

- o Wanda M. Gibson named Most Influential Female CIO Government Technology Magazine
- First Place County Portal Jurisdiction Population Best of Web.
- o Fourth Place Digital County Survey Winner Center for Digital Gov't and NACo.
- Computer World Best Place to Work in IT (one of two governments out of 100 organizations).

#### 2006

o Second Place Digital County Survey Winner - Center for Digital Gov't & NACo.

#### 2005

- o First Place Digital County Survey Winner Center for Digital Gov't & NACo.
- o Second Place County Portal Jurisdiction Population Best of Web.
- o Enterprise GIS Integration FOSE Trade Show.
- o 2005 Governor's Award E-Government Program.

#### 2003

- o Achievement Award for Using Technology to Enhance Gov't NACo.
- o Special Achievements in GIS Award NACo.
- o Best of the Breed Government Sites.
- Third Pace top 10 Digital Counties.
- Center for Digital Government Best of the WEB.
- o Deputy County Executive CIO named Computerworld 100 IT Leaders.
- o CIO and CTO named Governing Magazine Public Officials of the Year.

#### 2002

- o Governor's Technology Award.
- o Achievement Award, National Association of Counties (NACo).
- o Citizens using GIS in Redistricting NACo.
- Finalist County Portal Jurisdiction Population Best of the Web.
- o Deputy County Executive CIO named top "25 Doers, Dreamers, and Drivers of IT in US Government."
- o Bertelsmann Foundation of Germany County's e-Gov Program recognized as one of top 4 pace setters in the world.
- o A+ Government Performance Project Governing Magazine.

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- o E-Gov Award for Outstanding Service Technology MCOG.
- o Innovations in America (Semi Finalist).
- o E-Gov Pioneer Award Government Solution Center.
- o Webmaster Honor Top 50 Internet/Intranet site.

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