

# Housing Blueprint - FY 2011 and Beyond

## Goals

- End homelessness in 10 years.
- Provide affordable housing options to those with special needs.
- Reduce the waiting lists for affordable housing by half in 10 years.
- Produce workforce housing sufficient to accommodate projected job growth.

## Focus

- Providing housing for those with the greatest need.
- Recognizing the need for affordable housing as a spectrum from people who are homeless to those who are first-time home buyers.

## Progress

- Agreement to provide housing for extremely low-income persons with mental illness and/or substance abuse who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- Use of Family Unification Program Vouchers.
- Acquisition of units by nonprofit partners for homeless individuals and families.
- "Bridging Affordability" program.

## Housing Targets

- 2,650 new housing opportunities need to be created to support the community's ending homelessness efforts.
- Significant investments are required from all sectors in the Fairfax-Falls Church community, and the Federal and State governments.

## More Information

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# HOST - Housing Opportunities Support Teams

## Where We Were

- Locating affordable and appropriate housing was seen as a difficult or impossible task.
- A person had to become homeless before supportive services could be provided.

## Where We Are Now

- Locating and maintaining affordable and appropriate housing is a priority.
- Access to same intake and services regardless of where clients enter the system.
- Over 900 people have received the services and supports they need to prevent and end their homelessness.
- 84 percent of people who exited the program secured permanent housing.

## Challenge

- Homeless Placement and Rapid Re-Housing program (HPRP) has helped launch and implement HOST.
- At the current rate that the funds are being used, financial assistance available through HPRP will be exhausted in approximately 5 months.

## Solution

- The opportunity to keep hundreds and even thousands of people in their homes is dependent on the community as a whole investing in homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing.

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