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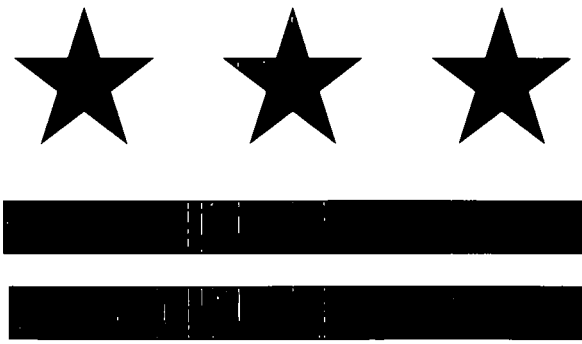

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New Year's Day	10A-12M	Sunday
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President's Day	5:30A-12M	Saturday
Memorial Day	8A-12M	Sunday
July 4th	8A-12M	Saturday
Labor Day	8A-12M	Sunday
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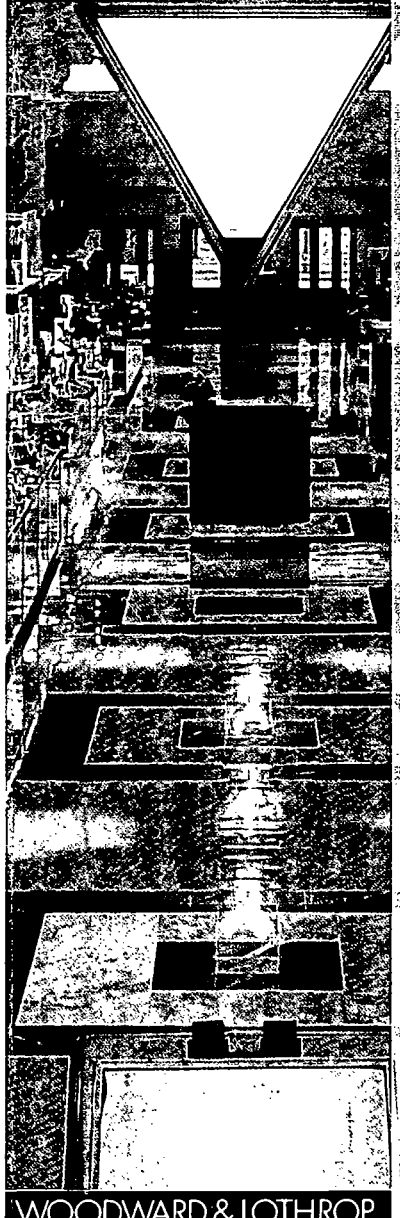

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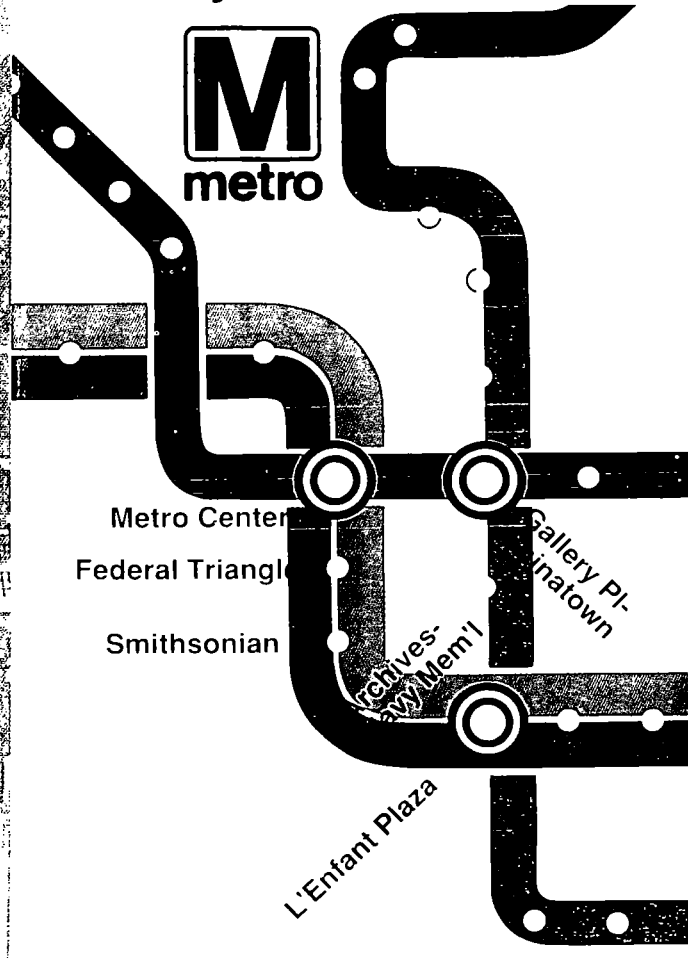

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600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001

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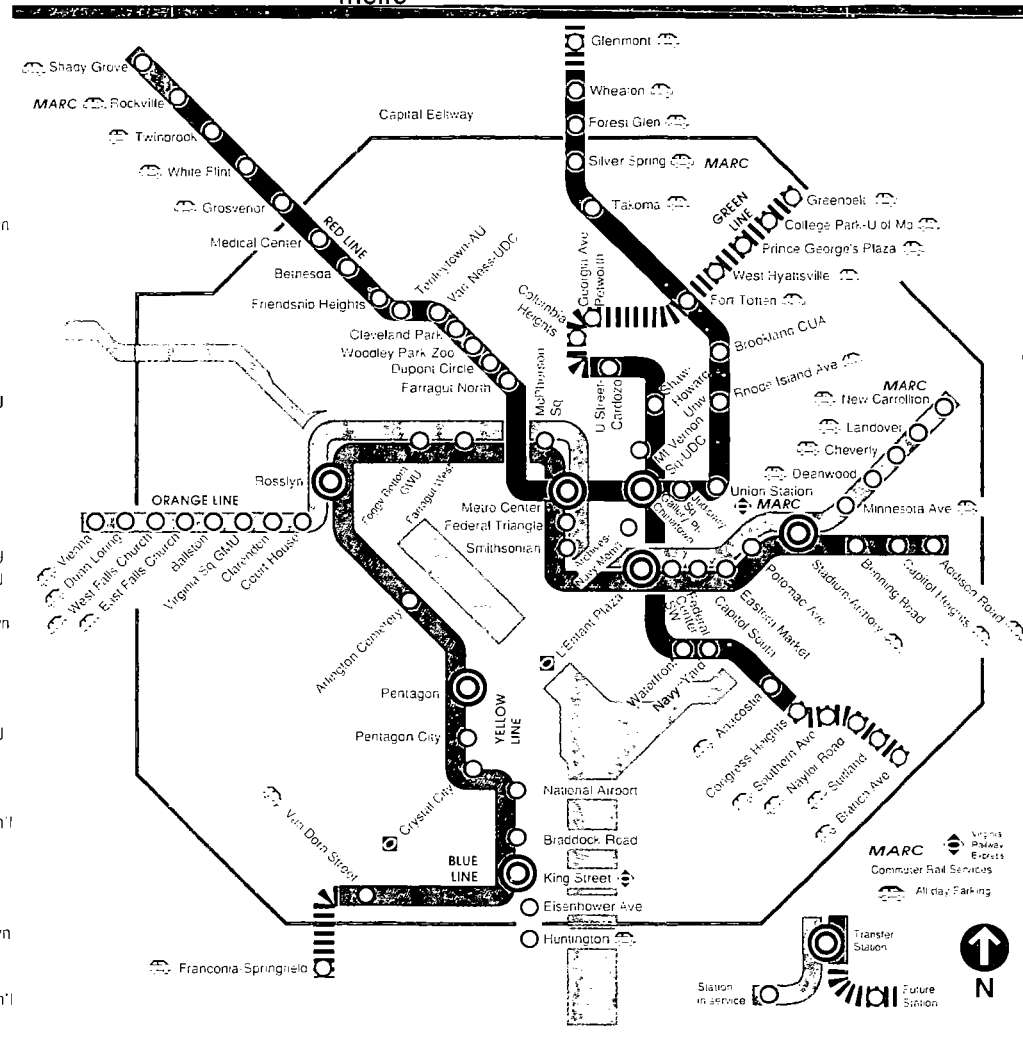

POINTS OF INTEREST

American University	●	Tenleytown-AU
Arlington House (Custis-Lee Mansion)	●	Arlington Cemetery
Arlington Visitors' Center	●	Pentagon City
Bethune Museum Archives	○●	McPherson Square
Botanical Gardens	○●	Federal Center SW
Bureau of Engraving & Printing	○●	Smithsonian
Capitol Building	○●	Capitol South
Capitol Children's Museum	●	Union Station
Catholic University	●	Brookland-CUA
Chinatown	● ●	Gallery Pl-Chinatown
Constitution Hall	○●	Farragut West
Corcoran Gallery	○●	Farragut West
D.C. Armory/Starplex	○●	Stadium-Armory
Federal Bureau of Investigation	○●●	Metro Center
Freer Gallery	○●	Smithsonian
George Washington University	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden	● ○●	L'Enfant Plaza
Howard University	●	Shaw-Howard Univ
House Where Lincoln Died	○●●	Metro Center
Ivo Jima Memorial	○●	Rosslyn
Library of Congress	○●	Capitol South
Lincoln Memorial	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
Lisner Auditorium	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Library	● ●	Gallery Pl-Chinatown
Maryland College of Art & Design	●	Wheaton
Masonic Temple	●	King Street
National Academy of Sciences	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
National Air and Space Museum	● ○●	L'Enfant Plaza
National Aquarium	○●	Federal Triangle
National Archives	●	Archives-Navy Mem'l
National Building Museum	●	Judiciary Square
National Museum of African Art	○●	Smithsonian
National Museum of American Art	● ●	Gallery Pl-Chinatown
National Museum of Women in Arts	○●●	Metro Center
National Gallery of Art	●	Archives-Navy Mem'l
National Geographic Society	●	Farragut North
National Institutes of Health	●	Medical Center
National Portrait Gallery	● ●	Gallery Pl-Chinatown
National Presbyterian Center	●	Tenleytown-AU
National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception	●	Brookland-CUA
National Zoo	●	Woodley Park-Zoo
Phillips Gallery	●	Dupont Circle
Renwick Gallery	○●	Farragut West
RFK Stadium	○●	Stadium-Armory
Sackler Gallery	○●	Smithsonian
Smithsonian Castle Building	○●	Smithsonian
State Department	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
Supreme Court	○●	Capitol South
University of District of Columbia		
Van Ness Campus	●	Van Ness-UDC
Mt. Vernon Sq. Campus	●	Mt Vernon Sq-UDC
Vietnam Veterans' Memorials	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
Washington Monument	○●	Smithsonian
White House	○●	McPherson Square
Woodrow Wilson House	●	Dupont Circle

Shopping

Ballston Common	○	Ballston
Congressional Plaza	●	Twinbrook
Connecticut Avenue	●	Farragut North
Crystal City Underground	●	Crystal City
Downtown	○●●	Metro Center
Fashion Centre	●	Pentagon City
L'Enfant Plaza	● ○●	L'Enfant Plaza
Mazza Gallerie/Chevy Chase	●	Friendship Heights
Pavilion/Chevy Chase	●	Friendship Heights
Pavilion at the Old Post Office	○●	Federal Triangle
Shops at National Place	○●●	Metro Center
Union Station	●	Union Station
Wheaton Plaza	●	Wheaton
White Flint	●	White Flint

Theatre District

Arena Stage/Waterfront	●	Waterfront
Folger Shakespeare Theate	○●	Capitol South
Ford's Theatre	○●●	Metro Center
14th St. District (Church St., Horizons Source, Studio, Woolly Mammoth)	●	U Street-Cardozo
Kennedy Center	○●	Foggy Bottom-GWU
National Theater	○●●	Metro Center
Source Theatres	●	U Street-Cardozo

Blue Line Station ●
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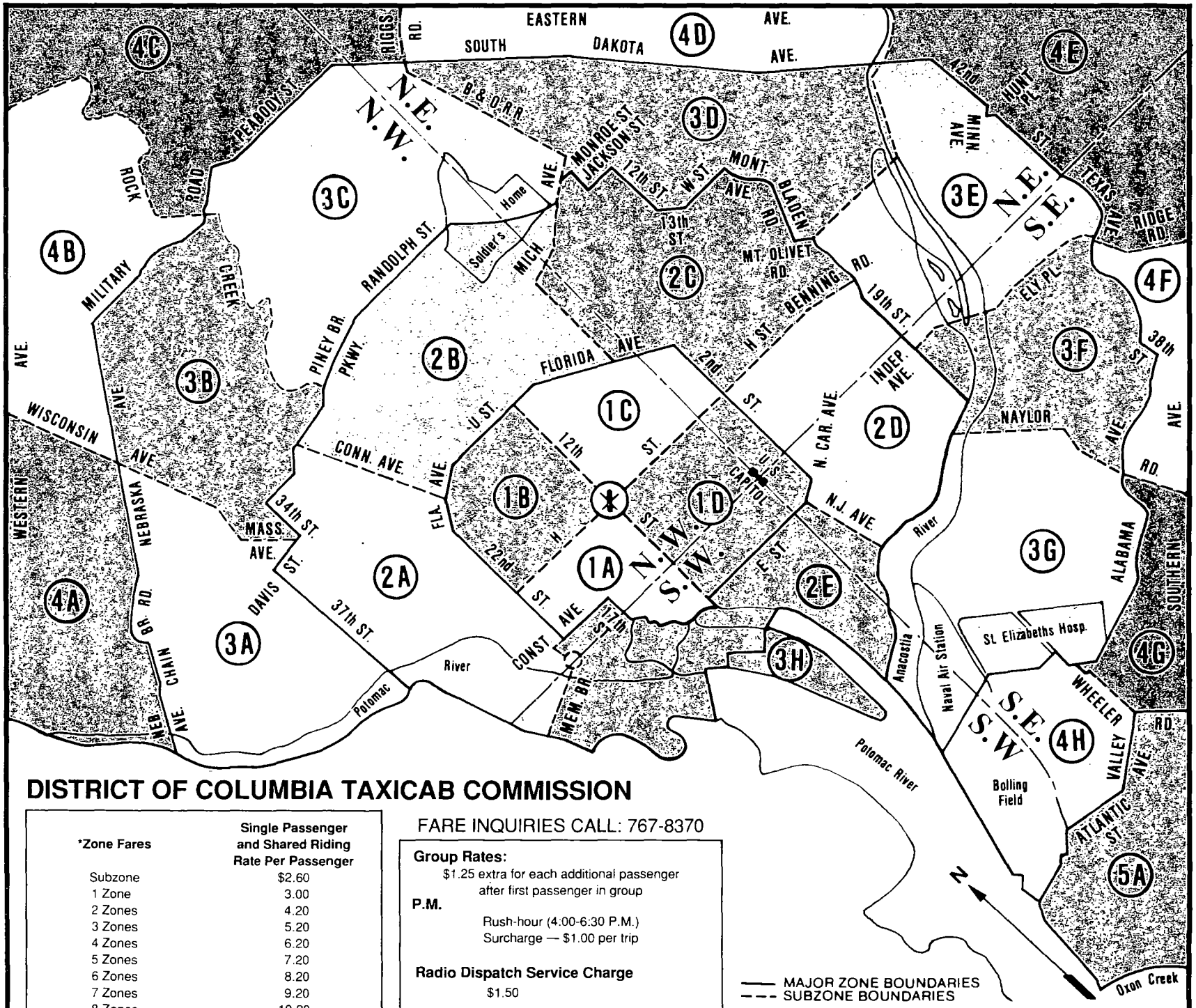

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Dear Member of the Clinton/Gore Administration:

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This notebook has been prepared by the Presidential Transition Housing Office to assist members of the new Administration in relocating to the Washington area. The companies and services included in the book have offered their services to the Administration and were not solicited by the housing office. Inclusion in the book does not represent endorsement of any kind by the Administration.

General categories for the book are as follows: ***Yellow - General Information:*** city and county information including important phone numbers, motor vehicle and voter registration; ***Red - Relocation:*** relocation companies and realtors, apartment and roommate locators, home buyer services, movers, and furniture rentals; ***Clear - Temporary Housing:*** hotels, bed & breakfasts, inexpensive housing, corporate suites; ***Green - Long Term Housing:*** apartments in Washington, Virginia, and Maryland; ***Pink - Children:*** public and private schools, childcare, babysitters; ***Last - Miscellaneous:*** banks, household services, retail, personal grooming, fitness.

The housing office is located in the **Old Executive Office Building, Room 530 at 456-2713**. We are a housing resource and visitors' information center, and can provide the following services: availability and prices of short and long term rentals and properties for sale, roommate referral database, tours of the Washington area, and assistance with any other relocation needs.

We would like to thank the Price Club for the notebooks and printing, and the students at the following schools for their help in assembling the books: Mt. Vernon High School, Alexandria, VA, Woodrow Wilson High School and Eastern High School, Washington, DC, and Boy Scout Troop 876, Washington, DC Council.

If you have any questions, please call the housing office at 456-2713.

Sincerely,

Lynn Parrish
Housing Coordinator

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Dear Member of the New Administration:

Price Club, the original membership warehouse club, is pleased to welcome you to the Washington area. We hope that you will have a smooth transition to your new office as well as to your new home and community.

Price Club wishes to extend an invitation to you to visit one of our seven membership warehouse clubs in the Washington, D.C. area. In this welcome guide, you will find information regarding Price Club's services, merchandise selection and membership, along with a free shopping pass, membership application and location listing.

In 1976, Sol Price and his son, Robert, created the membership warehouse club industry. The goal was to pool the buying power of small businesses in order to offer merchandise and supplies at volume discounts. In 1993, Price Club continues to provide you with quality, brand name, merchandise for your home and business.

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Management & Staff

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

District of Columbia

Telephone	703-876-7000	C&P Telephone
Electric	202-833-7500	Pepco
Gas	703-750-1000	Washington Gas Light Company
Water	202-727-5240	Washington Water & Sewer
Cable	202-797-2877	District Cablevision

Maryland

Telephone	703-876-7000	C&P Telephone
Electric	202-833-7500	Pepco
Gas	703-750-1000	Washington Gas Light Company
Water	301-206-4001	Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission
Cable	301-424-4400	Cable TV Montgomery
	301-499-2930	Metrovision of Prince Georges County
	301-731-4260	Multivision Cable TV

Virginia

Telephone	703-876-7000	C&P Telephone
Electric	703-359-3568	Virginia Power
Gas	703-750-9500	Washington Gas Light Company
Water	703-698-5800	Fairfax County Water Authority
	703-549-7083	City of Alexandria
	703-385-7915	City of Fairfax
	703-241-5071	City of Falls Church
Cable	703-841-7700	Cable TV Arlington
	703-378-8411	Media General Cable of Fairfax
	703-823-3000	Jones Intercable - Alexandria
	* check with county of residence for additional cable companies in VA	

Washington Post	202-334-6100
Washington Times	202-636-3333
New York Times	800-631-2500
Wall Street Journal	301-622-2900

Emergencies **911** - Fire, police, ambulance, and rescue
For non-emergency numbers, check the first page of local phone book.

STATE SOCIETIES

State Societies are a good way to keep up with your home state and meet other natives who have settled in the Washington area. The following list contains the contact name for membership and information on upcoming social events.

Alabama	Adrienne Burns	202-347-8890
Alaska	Jamie Boucher	202-898-5673
American Samoa	Marion K. Hetmanek	301-951-3565
Arizona	Patricia Lienesch	202-224-2235
Arkansas	Henry Woods	202-224-4843
California	Marlene Colucci	202-887-4262
Colorado	Drew Bolin	202-224-0028
Connecticut	Chris Kearney	202-226-2311
Delaware	----------	
D.C.	B. Three Feathers Kazemi	202-575-4143
Florida	Marilyn Rosenthal	202-822-0259
Georgia	Hon. "Buddy" Darden	202-225-2931
Guam	Evelyn Perez	703-614-5471
Hawaii	Rodney Minami	800-594-9249
Idaho	Lee Magnus	703-379-6182
Illinois	Rep. Dennis Hastert	202-225-2976
Indiana	Michael Kraft	202-223-0964
Iowa	David Kyllo	202-663-4915
Kansas	Greg Schnacke	202-224-6521
Kentucky	Edna Knight	202-208-5403
Louisiana	David Friedman	301-251-6717
Maine	Howard Stevens	202-632-5662
Maryland	John Cicala	301-899-8781
Massachusetts	Mary Lennon	301-299-5030
Michigan	Cong. Dave Camp	202-225-3561
Minnesota	M. Dale Jensen	703-693-2100

Mississippi	Lee Ann Mayo	202-638-3535
Missouri	Evelyn Irving	301-248-1394
Montana	Bert Rice	410-672-0186
Nebraska	Sam Condit	202-338-2912
Nevada	Alisa Adams	202-624-5404
New Hampshire	Francis D. Bouchard	202-638-0580 x23
New Jersey	Jim Simos	703-734-4738
New Mexico	Marron Lee	202-224-2522
New York	Charles Barenthaler	202-653-7980
North Carolina	Charlie Rawls	202-225-3415
North Dakota	Lois Rude	202-737-5166
Ohio	D. J. Bartlett	703-356-3771
Oklahoma	Debbie Wesslund	202-225-2701
Oregon	Mark Van de Water	202-224-7241
Pennsylvania	Rob Horwarth	202-225-2721
Puerto Rico	Hon. Carlos Romero-Barcelo	202-225-2615
Rhode Island	----------	
South Carolina	Caroline Stinebower	202-224-6121
South Dakota	----------	
Tennessee	Anthony C. Haynes	202-547-6223
Texas	Joseph S. Bracewell	202-778-0268
Utah	Miss Greg Korologos	202-224-1344
Vermont	Gilbert L. Tracy	301-868-5184
Virginia	David W. Pinhey	703-533-8938
Virgin Islands	Lorraine Hill	301-933-7264
Washington	Jodi Sternoff	202-547-7975
West Virginia	Hon. Robert E. Wise, Jr.	202-225-2711
Wisconsin	William J. Wagner	202-366-9349
Wyoming	Paula Bartholomew	202-224-3424

MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION

District of Columbia

Department of Motor Vehicle Offices
301 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.
(202) 727-6680 (24 hour service)

Driver License: New residents must apply in person and have a valid out-of-state or country license and social security number,as well as passing both a written and visual test. The fee is $20 and is payable by check, cash or money order.

Motor Vehicle Registration: All out-of-state vehicles must register within 30 days of establishing residency. You must present your original out-of-state title, a copy of your lien contract and provide name of insurer, policy or binder number, the odometer reading for your vehicle and a picture ID. Fees as follows: $20 title fee; $10 inspection fee; $15 to record lien if any. Excise tax fee (based on fair market value): 6% for 3500 pounds and under; 7% for 3500 pounds and above. Cash, check, or money order accepted. Any outstanding tickets must be paid prior to registering vehicle. There are limited exceptions for some temporary residents who may obtain a reciprocity permit for $30 which allows them to obtain a residential permit parking sticker.

Vehicle Inspection: All vehicles must be inspected for safety and emissions each year on or before the date punched on your temporary inspection sticker issued when you register your vehicle. The fee is $5. The two D.C. inspection stations are located at 1827 West Virginia Ave, NE and 1001 Half Street, NW. A word of warning - lines are often long!

Neighborhood Parking Stickers:
Vehicles parked on a residential permit parking street within the same zone shall be restricted to a consecutive 2 hour period on weekdays, unless the motor vehicle displays a valid residential parking permit sticker for that zone. These may be purchased for $10 when registering your car or obtaining a reciprocity permit. You must show proof of residence to obtain a sticker and can only obtain one per vehicle.

Virginia

Department of Motor Vehicle Offices (Call for additional locations)

Alexandria
930 North Henry Street
Alexandria, VA
(703) 761-4655

Arlington County
3411 S. Fifth Street
Arlington, VA
(703) 761-4655

Fairfax County
11215-G Lee Hwy
Fairfax, VA
(703) 761-4655

Prince William County
9002 Mathis Avenue
Manassas, VA
(703) 361-0101

Loudoun County
705-H E. Market St.
Leesburg, VA
(703) 771-2535

Driver License: New residents must obtain a driver's license within 30 days of residency. You must apply in person, have a valid out-of-state license and pass a written and visual test. Fees vary

from $7.20 - $23.80 for 3 - 7 years. The first license is issued for 3 - 7 years, and will be renewed for 5 years when the applicant's age ends in a 5 or 0.

Motor Vehicle Registration: All out-of-state vehicles must register within 30 days of establishing residency. You must present your original out-of-state title, a copy of your loan contract, your social security card and have full insurance information available. A state safety and emissions inspection are required prior to vehicle registration.

Vehicle Inspection: All vehicles are required to pass an annual routine inspection which may be performed at any new car dealership or at any licensed service station. The fee is $10 for passenger vehicles and $5 for motorcycles.

City and County Registration:

Alexandria: All cars must be registered with the City of Alexandria at 301 King St, 703-838-4310 to receive an Alexandria Decal for $25. Once registered, you may purchase a zone parking decal for $15 per vehicle if necessary for your neighborhood.

Arlington County: The Arlington County decal fee is $5 per vehicle, plus personal property tax based on the blue book value of your vehicle. The tax is due on September 15 of each year. Forms will be mailed before that date. For more details, contact the County at 2100 Clarendon Blvd, 2nd floor, Arlington - 703-358-3078

Fairfax City: City registration fees are $20 for vehicles less than 4000 lbs; and $25 for vehicles over 4000 lbs. For more information, contact City of Fairfax at 10455 Armstrong Street, Fairfax - 703-385-7883.

Fairfax County: County stickers are $25 and can be purchased at 12000 Government Center Pkwy - 703-222-8234. Parking decals are only required in extremely limited areas, and will be given at no charge if needed. Personal property tax is $3.29 per $100 value. Tax bills will be mailed by November 5 and are due on December 5.

Maryland

Department of Motor Vehicle Offices (Call for additional locations)

Anne Arundel County	Montgomery County	Prince Georges County
6601 Ritchie Highway	15 Metropolitan Grove Road	10251 Central Avenue
Glen Burnie, MD	Gaithersburg, MD	Largo, MD
(301) 768-7000	(301) 948-3177	(301) 350-9771

Driver License: New residents must obtain a driver's license within 30 days of residency. You must apply in person, have a valid out-of-state license and birth certificate, and pass both a written and visual test. The fee ranges from $18 - $30 dependent on age. for a 4 year license and is payable by check or cash.

Motor Vehicle Registration: All motorists must register out-of-state vehicles within 30 days of establishing residency. You must present your original out-of-state title, a copy of your loan contract and have full insurance information available. A state safety inspection is required.

Vehicle Inspection: All vehicles must be inspected within 90 days of being titled. A copy of the title application is required for the first inspection. Residents are required to have their vehicles' emissions tested bi-annually by a licensed Maryland emissions inspection station for $8.50 payable only in cash.

VOTER REGISTRATION

District of Columbia

Registration is permitted up until 30 days before any election, and again after 30 days after any election. To register, an individual must be a citizen, 18, and a DC resident for at least 30 days. Applications can be mailed on request or picked up at firehouses, libraries and police stations. There is also a question on the application for a DC driver's license which, if checked yes, registers you to vote.

1350 Pennsylvania Ave, NW,
Washington, DC 20004
202-727-2525 (24 hour answering service)

Virginia

Registration is permitted up until 30 days before a general election and primary and up until 13 days before a special election. Registration is permitted again the day after the voting event. To register, an individual must be a citizen, 18 (or 18 by general election - call for specifics), a Virginia resident, and must appear before a licensed registrar. Registrar schedules are posted a year in advance and are available through the State Board of Elections (804-786-6551) or through local registrar offices. There is no waiting period and party affiliation declaration is not required. Any Virginia resident can register anywhere in Virginia (statewide registration).

Alexandria
421 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-838-4050

Arlington County
2100 Clarendon Blvd, Rm 320
Arlington, VA 22201
703-358-3456

Fairfax County
4031 University Dr.
Fairfax, VA 22030
703-222-0776

Prince William County
9252 Lee Avenue
Manassas, VA 22110
703-792-6470

Loudoun County
109 Harison, ST, NE
Leesburg, VA 22075
703-777-0380

Maryland

Registration is permitted up until 30 days before any general, primary or special election. Registration is permitted again approximately 2 weeks after the voting event. To register, an individual must be a citizen, 18 by the general election (can be 17 for primary voting - call for specifics) and a resident of the county in which registering. Registration cards are available at libraries, some motor vehicle bureaus, post offices and at county registrar offices. Official notification is received about 10 days after completing and mailing the voter registration card.

Anne Arundel County
P.O. Box 490
Glen Burnie, MD 21060
301-222-6600

Montgomery County
751 Twinbrooke Pkwy
Rockville, MD 20849
301-217-6450

Prince George's County
14701 Governor Oden Bowie Dr.
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772
301-952-3270

DEMOCRATIC CLUBS

District of Columbia

202-863-8000	Democratic National Committee

Virginia

Alexandria	
703-370-6972	Democratic Headquarters
Fairfax County	
703-573-6811	Democratic Headquarters
Arlington	
703-528-8588	Democratic Headquarters

Maryland

Montgomery County	
301-946-1000	Democratic Central Committee

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Within minutes of Alexandria is the United States Capitol, the Pentagon, most of the Federal government agencies, and the White House. Easy access to these centers of influence is provided by the Beltway to our south and west, Interstate 395 through western Alexandria, and by the George Washington Parkway which runs along the City's eastern border parallel to the Potomac. Connecting Alexandria to Washington and the metropolitan area are four stops on the Metrorail system and an AMTRAK station for points beyond. National Airport is practically on our boundary line, and Dulles International is less than an hour away. No matter where you want to go, we provide the best connections in all of Washington!

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We are working hard to ensure a higher quality of life in Alexandria. Your Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary partnership of business and professional people working together to build a healthy economy and to make Alexandria a better place in which to live and work. Should you have any questions about your new community, just call the Chamber office and we will try to help you.

We look forward to your becoming an integral part of our community, and we hope that you will be happy here. Best regards.

Sincerely,

Kathleen T. Snyder
President & CEO

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GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET

SCHOOLS	General Information	824-6600
	Administration	824-6610
	Board	824-6614
	Bus Information	461-4169
	Extended Day Care	838-0750
	Childhood Development (Alex.)	838-0750
UTILITIES	Virginia Power	838-2200
	Washington Gas	750-1500
	Potomac Electric	838-3721
	C & P Telephone (A to M)	876-7000
	(N to Z)	876-7100
	Datanational Phone Book	818-0120
	Virginia American Water Company	549-7080
	JONES Intercable (TV)	823-3000

Department of Motor Vehicles — 761-4655
930 North Henry Street
Alexandria, Va 22314

Drivers Licensing — 845-6011
City stickers are required for all residents' automobiles.
Tags cost $25.00 annually. Room 1400, City Hall. — 838-4777

Garbage Collection — 751-5130
Environmental Recycling Inc. — 370-3325

Senior Citizens Office of Aging Employment & Services — 838-4414

Alexandria Volunteer Bureau — 836-2176

Alexandria Court House
520 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Clerk of Court — traffic	838-4040
criminal	838-4030
civil	838-4020
general information	838-4044

Animal Shelter — 838-4775
910 South Payne Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Citizens Assistance/Public Information — 838-4800

Virginia Employment Commission — 823-4135

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WE THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW

Alexandria is the most modern city in Virginia and it is fourth in size. It is situated on the banks of the Potomac River, separated only by that river's winding course from the charm and grandeur of the Nation's Capital. It is within a day's driving distance from all the largest cities of the East. Also, it is within a few hours distance of the beautiful Shenandoah Valley and the spectacular Skyline Drive.

Alexandria is located at the head of deep-water navigation on the Potomac River, and the city offers many advantages from an industrial view-point. It has the peculiar advantage of being a free city, independent of any county affiliations.

This is one of America's historic cities, replete with shrines around which much of the history of Colonial Virginia and formative period of the Republic has been woven.

A FEW FACTS ABOUT OUR CITY

Form of Government:	Council - Manager
Population:	115,000
Area:	15.75 Square Miles 749.3 Acres Public Open Sp.
Altitude:	30 Feet Above Sea Level
Climate:	Mean annual temp., 57.3 degrees Average rainfall, 43.25 inches
Churches:	134 representing 32 Denominations
Hospitals:	Alexandria Hospital 4320 Seminary Road 703/379-3000 Lynn Hospital of Potomac Valley Inc. 4400 W. Braddock Road 703/379-6000 Mount Vernon Hospital 3501 Parkers Lane 703/664-7542

Newspapers:

Weekly- Thursday only	Alexandria Gazette-Packet 717 N. St. Asaph Street Alexandria, VA 22314 703/549-0004	DCI Publishing 717 N. St. Asaph Street Alexandria, VA 22314 703/549-0004
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Alexandria Economic Development Program
801 N. Fairfax St., Suite 402
Alexandria, Virginia 22314
703-739-3820

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA
1992 Tax Rates

Real Estate Tax	$1.045 per $100 assessed value (first half levy)
Personal Property Tax	$4.50 per $100 assessed value (machinery and tools) $4.75 per $100 assessed value (tangible personal property) $3.55 per $100 assessed value (handicap vehicles)
Utility Tax (for residential users)	15% for water 16% for gas ($2.40 maximum) 16% for electricity ($2.40 maximum) 25% for telephone (on local service only)
Utility Tax (for commercial users)	15% of the first $150 of monthly bill for water 8.5% of monthly utility bill for gas 8.5% of monthly utility bill for electricity 25% of the first $150 of local service charges for telephone
Business and Professional Licenses	
Amusement and Entertainment	$.36 per $100 gross receipts
Business Services	$.35 per $100 gross receipts
rofessional Occupations	$.58 per $100 gross receipts
ersonal Services	$.35 per $100 gross receipts
Renting of Residential Property	$.50 per $100 gross receipts
Renting of Commercial Property	$.35 per $100 gross receipts
Repair Services	$.35 per $100 gross receipts
Retail Merchants	$.20 per $100 gross receipts
Restaurants	$.20 per $100 gross receipts
Filling Stations	$.20 per $100 gross receipts
Contractors	$.16 per $100 gross receipts
Wholesale Merchants	$.05 per $100 gross receipts
Public Utilities	
Telephone Company	$1.03 per $100 gross receipts
Telegraph Company	$2.00 per $100 gross receipts
Water, Heat, Electric and Gas Companies	$.50 per $100 gross receipts
Local Sales Tax	1% added to the rate of the state retail tax imposed
Cigarette Tax	$.20 on each package of twenty cigarettes
Transient Lodging Tax	5% of total amount paid for room rental
Restaurant Meal Tax	3% on all food and drink, except alcoholic beverages sold in the City.

URCE: Department of Finance, Revenue Administration

COMPARATIVE COST REPORT
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA AND WASHINGTON, D.C.

ALEXANDRIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AUGUST 1992

	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	WASHINGTON, D.C.
REAL PROPERTY TAX		
* Assessment Ratio	100% of market value	100% of market value
* Rate per $100 of Assessed Value	$1.045	$2.15

Source: Alexandria Office of Real Estate Assessments; D.C. Department of Finance & Revenue

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX		
* Business Equipment Assessment	80% of cost year 1, decreasing 10%/year to 20% of cost	90% of cost year 1, decreasing 10%/year to 25% of cost
* Manufacturing Equipment (Rate per $100 of Assessed Value)	$4.50	$3.40
* Non-Manufacturing Equipment (Rate per $100 of Assessed Value)	$4.75	$3.40
* Manufacturing Inventory	Exempt	Exempt
* Wholesale/Retail Inventory	Exempt	Exempt

Source: Alexandria Office of Finance; D.C. Department of Finance & Revenue

MISCELLANEOUS TAXES		
* Sales and Use	4.5%	6%
* Meals Tax	3%	9%
* Lodging	5%	11%
* State Corporate Income Tax	6%	10.5%
* Personal State Income Tax	0-5.7%	0-9.5%

Source: Alexandria Office of Finance; D.C. Department of Finance & Revenue

UTILITY TAX RATES		
* Water	15% of 1st $150/Month	No tax
* Gas	8.5% of total	9.7% of total
* Electricity	8.5% of total	9.7% of total
* Telephone (local service only)	25% of 1st $150/Month	9.7% of total

Source: Alexandria Revenue Administration; D.C. Public Service Commission

EMPLOYMENT RATE		
June 1992	6.3%	8.6%

Source: U.S. Dept. of Labor

	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	WASHINGTON, D.C.
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION TAXES		
* Range	0.001 - 6.2%	1.8% - 6.4%
* Rate Assigned New Employer	2.5%	3.7%
* Taxable Wage Base	$8,000	$8,000

Source: Virginia Employment Commission; D.C. Department of Employment Services

WORKMENS COMPENSATION RATES		
* Clerical/Office Employees (Code 8810)	$.26 per $100 payroll	$.50 per $100 payroll

Source: National Council on Compensation Insurance

AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARIES		
* Secretary (junior)	$17,000	$19,000
* Computer Data Processing Operator (entry level)	$16,900	$18,300
* Accountant (entry level)	$23,700	$24,900
* Software Systems Programmer	$33,600	$38,000

Source: The Greater Washington Board of Trade, "Greater Washington Regional Compensation Survey, July, 1989."

)USING COSTS (AVERAGES)		
- Single Family/Townhouses	$194,600	$256,000
* Condominiums	$116,000	$135,000

Source: D.C. Association of Realtors

AVERAGE RENTS		
* Efficiency	$536	$556
* 1 Bedroom	$648	$713
* 2 Bedroom	$783	$1,006

Source: The Adler Group/Property Management Association

MONTHLY PARKING COSTS (PER SPACE)		
* Average	$71.66	$129.53

Source: Realty Information Group, Inc.

OFFICE SPACE LEASING RATES (PER SQUARE FOOT)		
* Range	$20.35-$26.51	$29.11-$38.89

Source: Realty Information Group, Inc.

.RIME RATES		
* Crimes per 100,000 Population	6,714.4	10,774.2

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Uniform Crime Report--Federal Bureau of Investigation, 1990

STATISTICAL SNAPSHOT

Population Profile

Population
- 1992 Estimate 115,000
- 1990 U.S. Census 111,183
- 1980 U.S. Census 103,217

Households
- 1992 Estimate 56,250
- 1990 U.S. Census 53,280
- 1980 U.S. Census 49,004

Average Household Size
- 1992 Estimate 2.04
- 1990 U.S. Census 2.04
- 1980 U.S. Census 2.07

Race/Ethnicity	1990 Population	Percent
White	76,789	69.1%
Black	24,339	21.9%
Native American	333	.3%
Asian	4,632	4.1%
Other	5,090	4.6%
Total	111,183	100.0%
Hispanic	10,778	9.7%

Registered Voters
- June 1992 59,387
- June 1990 56,144
- June 1980 45,262

Public School Memberships
- June 1992 9,515
- June 1990 9,233
- June 1980 11,099

City Land Area

- Square Miles 15.75
- Acres of Public Open Space 749.3

Housing

Housing Units 1992

Single-family Housing Units	18,169	(30.1%)
Condominium Housing Units	12,813	(21.3%)
Rental Apartments 1992 Est.	29,292	(48.6%)
Total	60,274	

- 1990 U.S. Census 58,251
- 1980 U.S. Census 52,041

Housing Units by Occupancy	Owner	Renter
1990 U.S. Census	40%	60%
1980 U.S. Census	36%	64%

Average Assessed Value of Single-Family Homes
- 1992 ..... $226,000
- 1991 ..... $235,200

Average Assessed Value of Condominiums
- 1992 ..... $103,400
- 1991 ..... $106,300

Average Market Rents	July 1991	July 1992
Efficiency Apartment	$546	$560
One-Bedroom	$669	$645
Two-Bedroom	$822	$812
Three-Bedroom	$933	$939

Economy

	June 1990	June 1991	June 1992
Employed Residents	78,711	82,743	81,482
Unemployed Residents	2,385	3,997	5,464
Unemployed Rate	2.9%	4.8%	6.3%

Persons Employed at Job Sites in Alexandria
- Average 4th Quarter 1991 80,473
- Average 4th Quarter 1990 81,012
- Average 4th Quarter 1989 84,855

Major Private Employers

	Employees
1. Woodward & Lothrop	1,008
2. Institute for Defense Analysis	758
3. Technology Applications, Inc.	530
4. Pentagon Federal Credit Union	501
5. Boat Owners Association of the U.S.	450
6. Center for Naval Analysis	425
7. Viar & Comp/Dyn Corp.	410
8. Sears, Roebuck & Co.	400
9. Public Broadcasting Service	340
10. Mid-Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Co.	320

Source: Economic Development Program

Major Public Employers
1. Department of Defense ..... Civilian: 10,030
   ..... Military: 3,261
2. City of Alexandria 1,978
3. Alexandria Hospital 1,750
4. Alexandria Public Schools 1,446
5. U.S. Postal System 702
6. Food and Nutrition Services USDA 704
7. Northern Virginia Community College 625

Median Household Income
- 1992 (Est. Center for Public Service) $49,217
- 1989 (U.S. Census) $41,472
- 1979 (U.S. Census) $21,016

Taxable Retail Sales
- 1991 ..... $1,115,287,461
- 1990 ..... $1,105,685,714

City Finances

Assessed Value of Real Property
- 1992 ..... $11,219,663,400
- 1991 ..... $12,190,156,500
- 1990 ..... $11,449,924,840

- General Fund Budget (FY 1993) $230,649,399
- Total Operating Budget (FY 1993) $277,672,093
- School Budget (FY 1993) $85,073,559
- City Expenditures Per Capita (Gen. Fund) $2,006
- School Expenditures per Pupil Enrolled $8,941
- Number of Full-Time City Positions 1,978
- Number of Full-Time City School Positions 1,446

Taxes

Real Property Tax Rate
- 1992 ..... $1.04 1/2 per $100 assessed value
- 1991 ..... $1.04 1/2 per $100 assessed value
- 1985 ..... $1.39 per $100 assessed value

Personal Property Tax Rate
- 1992 ..... $4.75 per $100 assessed value
- 1991 ..... $4.75 per $100 assessed value
- 1985 ..... $4.90 per $100 assessed value

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PRIMARY:

JOHN ADAMS
5651 Rayburn Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22311
824-6970

PATRICK HENRY
4643 Taney Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22304
461-4170

LYLES-CROUCH
530 S. St. Asaph Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
706-4430

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR
1101 Janney's Lane
Alexandria, VA 22302
461-4190

GEORGE MASON
2601 Cameron Mills Road
Alexandria, VA 22302
706-4470

MAURY
600 Russell Road
Alexandria, VA 22301
706-4440

MOUNT VERNON
2601 Mt. Vernon Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22305
706-4460

JEFFERSON-HOUSTON
1500 Cameron Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
706-4400

JAMES K. POLK
5000 Polk Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22304
461-4180

PRIMARY (continued):

WILLIAM RAMSEY
5700 Sanger Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22311
824-6950

SECONDARY:

FRANCIS C. HAMMOND, JR. HIGH
4646 Seminary Road
Alexandria, VA 22304
461-4100

GEORGE WASHINGTON, JR. HIGH
1005 Mt. Vernon Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22301
706-4500

T.C. WILLIAMS HIGH SCHOOL
3330 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22302
824-6800

MAGNET

CORA-KELLY
3600 Commonwealth Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22304
706-4420
(Kindergarten - 6)

TRAINING & SERVICE CENTER:

Secondary School Occupational Center
3801 W. Braddock Road
Alexandria, VA 22302
824-6631

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Alexandria City Public School System
(703) 824-6600

COLLEGES IN ALEXANDRIA, VA AND THE SURROUNDING AREA

Northern Virginia Community College
4001 Wakefield Chapel Road
Annandale, VA 22003

and

3001 N. Beauregard St.
Alexandria, VA 22311

Campuses at:

Alexandria	703)845-6200
Annandale	703)323-3000
Loudoun	703)450-2500
Manassas	703)323-3000
Woodbridge	703)323-3000

George Mason University — 703)323-2000
4400 University Drive
Fairfax, VA 22030

and

3401 N. Fairfax Dr. — 703)841-2600
Arlington, VA 22201

Marymount University — 703)522-5600
2807 N. Glebe Road
Arlington, VA 22207

George Washington University — 202)994-1000
2121 "I" St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20052

Georgetown University — 202)687-0100
37th & "O" Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20057

Howard University — 202)806-6100
2400 6th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20059

Mount Vernon Seminary
2100 Foxhall Road, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20007

Catholic University
620 Michigan Ave., N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20064

Benjamin Franklin University
1100 - 16th St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Trinity College
125 Michigan Ave, N.E.
Washington D.C. 20017

University of D.C.
425 2nd Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

American University
4400 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.
Washington, D,C. 20016

Gallaudet College
700 Florida Ave., N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

ALEXANDRIA PRIVATE SCHOOLS

BISHOP IRETON HIGH SCHOOL
201 Cambridge Road
Alexandria, VA 22314
751-7606
(Boys, Roman Catholic 9-12)

BLESSED SACRAMENT GRADE SCHOOL
& EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
2500 Kenwood Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22302
998-4170
(Pre-school, 4yrs-5yrs, Grade K-8)

*BRENTWOOD ACADEMY
3725 Nalls Road
Alexandria, VA 22309
780-5750
(Coed, Nursery-Grade 3)

*BROWN ACADEMY
5917 Telegraph Road
Alexandria, VA 22310
960-3000
(Coed, Preschool-Grade 8)

*BURGUNDY FARM COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL
3700 Burgundy Road
Alexandria, VA 22303
960-3431 (Coed,Nursery-Grade 6)

*DIXIELAND-PINECREST SCHOOL
6349 Lincolnia Road
Alexandria, VA 22312
354-3446 (Coed, Nursery-Grade 5)

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL PRE-SCHOOL
1608 Russel Road
Alexandria, VA 22301
(Coed, Nursery)

ENGLESIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
8428 Highland Lane
Alexandria, VA 22309
780-4332
(Coed, Pre-school-12)

EPISCOPAL HIGH SCHOOL
1200 North Quaker Lane
Alexandria, VA 22302
379-6530 (Boys 9-12+Boarding)

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL
109 Belleaire Road
Alexandria, VA 22301
549-7323
(Coed, K-8)

ST. STEPHEN'S & ST. AGNES
MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL
1000 St. Stephen's Road
Alexandria, VA 22304
751-2700 (Coed, K-12)
LOWER SCHOOL
400 Fontaine Street
Alexandria, VA 22304
549-3542

*ST. AIDAN'S EPISCOPAL
DAY SCHOOL
8531 Riverside Road
Alexandria, VA 22308
360-4160
(Coed, Nursery-K)

*ST. CLEMENT'S EPISCOPAL
SCHOOL
1701 North Quaker Lane
Alexandria, VA 22302
998-6166
(Coed,Nursery-5-4yrs & K)

*ST. LUKE'S DAY SCHOOL
8009 Fort Hunt Road
Alexandria, VA 22308
765-6699 (Coed, Nursery-K)

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY
2404 Russell Road
Alexandria, VA 22301
(Girls Roman Catholic 9-12)
(Coed 1-8)

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL
NURSERY SCHOOL
228 South Pitt Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
549-1974 (Coed, Nursery-K)

GRACE EPISCOPAL SCHOOL
3601 Russell Road
Alexandria, VA 22305
549-5067(Coed, Nursery-Gd4)

*Schools are located in Fairfax County, just outside Alexandria City Limits.

ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA, GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Most Arlington County Government administrative offices are in the Courthouse Plaza area at 2100 Clarendon Blvd. The Court House Metro Station is located only a few steps away. There are also parking meters in the area, and a public parking area on the first level of the garage at 2100 Clarendon Blvd. Information & Referral services for all County services are available at 358-3000 (TDD 358-4611) during weekday business hours. **All Arlington phone numbers are in area code 703.** Information pamphlets are available in the lobby at 2100 Clarendon Blvd.

COUNTY BOARD

All legislative powers of Arlington County are invested in the five members of the Arlington County Board. The 1993 County Board is responsible for the general management of the County and works with the County Manager, whom it appoints, on all matters concerning County government and administration. The Board appoints the School Board and other advisory bodies. The County Board address is Suite 300, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201. The Clerk to the Board may be reached at 358-3130.

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

Arlington County is the nation's smallest self-governing county entity. According to the 1990 Census, the latest demographic statistics on Arlington County include a population of 170,936 with 84,847 housing units. Of the total population, 130,873 persons were white; 17,940 black; 11,560 Asian; and 10,563 other races.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Arlington County has many cultural amenities for people of all ages, whether families or singles. There are concerts, theater performances, and exhibits of all kinds. The 24-hour recorded DIAL AN EVENT number is 358-4733. The 24-hour recorded Arts Hotline is 358-6966. Cultural affairs are managed by the Arlington County Department of Parks, Recreation & Community Resources, Suite 414, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201 (358-6960; TDD 358-4743). For a quarterly calendar of Arlington special events, telephone 358-5720 (TDD 358-4611).

FINANCIAL STATUS

Arlington's AAA/aaa bond ratings are attributed to : (1) a low debt to tax base ratio (1.02%) in fiscal year 1992, projected to drop (to 0.85%) by FY 1997; (2) the high per capita income of Arlington residents ($30,248 in 1988); (3) a diversified local economy; (4) County avoidance of cash flow borrowing; (5) low unemployment and office vacancy rates; (6) an adequate General Fund balance with a General Fund Operating Reserve; and (7) the consistent ability of the County to manage its finances and balance its budgets.

HISTORY

Arlington's rich history dates back to the Native American Indian culture that flourished here 9,000 years ago along the banks of the Potomac River. Captain John Smith sailed up the Potomac in 1607, reaching Little Falls just north of Arlington. The County figured prominently in early colonial history, shared the history of the nation's capital, and starred prominently in the nation-shaping events of the Civil War. Arlington was once part of the Federal District established by Congress in 1790. In 1847 it was retroceded to Virginia. The part of Fairfax County ceded by Virginia to the Federal District was then known as Alexandria County, and it included the Town of Alexandria. The town became a city independent from the county in 1852. Arlington County was created in 1920 to avoid confusion between the city and county of Alexandria, with its name inspired by the revered Arlington estate.

MAPS

Arlington Maps: A single copy of the 24x36-inch Arlington County street map is free; telephone 358-3629 for the price of additional copies.

Maps of Arlington County hiking/biking/jogging trails and connecting on-street routes: telephone 358-4747 (TDD 358-4743).

Free tourist maps: Available at the Visitors Center at 735 S.18th St. Commercial-oriented maps produced by the Arlington Chamber of Commerce are distributed free at most banks, savings and loans establishments, public libraries, and recreation facilities.

Maps of the Metrorail system and individual Metrobus routes: Available in the lobbies of the Court House (1400 N. Court House Rd.) and Courthouse Plaza (2100 Clarendon Blvd.), or by telephoning the Department of Public Works at 358-3681.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Arlington has 28 schools, 15,500 students and 1,467 teachers. Its schools exemplify the liveliness, complexity and vitality of Arlington and the area, offering a world of opportunities to students of all ages. Arlington's richly diverse student body is 11 percent Asian, 17 percent black, 23 percent Hispanic, and 49 percent white. Arlington students speak more than 50 different languages, such as Vietnamese, Spanish, Arabic, Farsi, and Urdu. Arlington students consistently score above state and national averages on standardized tests, including the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Arlington teachers and administrators enjoy a national reputation for excellence; more than half of Arlington teachers hold advanced degrees and have 17 or more years of classroom experience. Arlington students also have the advantage of one of the best teacher/pupil ratios in the Washington metropolitan area: 1 to 20 for secondary students and 1 to 23 for elementary students. There are 18 elementary schools, four middle schools, three high schools, one middle/secondary alternative school, one vocational center (the Career Center), and one special education center. **For complete enrollment details, call 358-6000.**

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

For Metrobus and Metrorail routes information, call the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) at 202/637-7000 (TDD 202/638-3780). **For more public transportation information, call the County Public Works Department at 358-3681.**

RESTAURANT GUIDE FOR ARLINGTON

Arlington is famous for its restaurants. For a combined Calendar of Events and Restaurant Guide, with more than 400 Arlington restaurants listed, inquire at the Arlington Visitors Center at 735 S. 18th St. or telephone 358-5720.

TOURISM

Arlington, thanks to its rich and fascinating history, is Virginia's top tourist attraction. Increasingly, tourists and visitors choose Arlington for their stay, enjoying the Arlington sights and activities, yet are near via Metrorail to the nation's capital with its memorials, historical places and cultural events. Its location also serves as the perfect base for other tours--especially day-trips to such sights as Chesapeake Bay--in Virginia and the East Coast.

Arlington House and Arlington National Cemetery are among the nation's most enduring tourist attractions but Arlington offers many other attractions, from the line of federal forts of the Civil War era to the West Cornerstone which marks the western corner of the original 10-mile-square capital.

For tourism brochures, maps and tour-planning assistance, visit the Arlington Visitors Center, 735 S. 18th St., Arlington, VA 22202 (358-5720). (Virginia Tourism Division: 804/786-2051.)

<u>Other handy numbers (all area code 703):</u>

ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE - 931-9241
CHILD CARE OFFICE - 358-5101 (TDD 358-4612)

EMERGENCY POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE - 911 (voice & TDD)
NON-EMERGENCY POLICE - 558-2222 (TDD 358-4610)

PARKS & NATURE CENTERS - 358-3717 (TDD 358-4743)
RECREATION - 358-4747 (TDD 358-4743)
RECYCLING - 358-6570
SPORTS - 358-4710 (TDD 358-4743)
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - 358-3222

Located near Washington, D.C., between the Potomac River and the Blue Ridge Mountains, Fairfax County, Virginia offers a wide range of residential communities. Housing options include high-rise apartments, townhouses, single family homes, and spacious estates. Fairfax County residents can choose from a variety of lifestyles and residences—whether they prefer a small town, country-style environment or a more urban setting. Fairfax County also features superior educational systems, year-round cultural and recreational opportunities, world-class retail centers, and a comprehensive transportation network. All of these amenities are located only a short traveling distance from our nation's capital.

Education

With an enrollment of more than 133,000 students, the Fairfax County Public School System is the nation's tenth largest—and one of the country's best. In 1991, 61 percent of Fairfax County students scored above the national average for the verbal section of the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT); 64 percent scored above the national average for the mathematical section.

Culture and Recreation

Fairfax County residents enjoy year-round recreational facilities and cultural attractions. The presence of Wolf Trap Farm Park (the only national park for the performing arts), historical estates, colonial and Civil War sites, recreation centers, country clubs, sports teams, and more than 31,600 acres of parkland makes Fairfax County a good place for relaxation and recreation.

Shopping

Fairfax County residents do not have to travel far for excellent shopping opportunities. There are more than 180 shopping centers in Fairfax County—including five regional malls: Fair Oaks, Seven Corners, Springfield, Tysons Corner Shopping Center, and the Galleria at Tysons II. Internationally known boutiques such as Fendi, Louis Vuitton, Tiffany's and Gucci, plus major department stores—including Bloomingdale's, Macy's, Neiman-Marcus, Nordstrom, Saks Fifth Avenue, Woodward & Lothrop, and Hecht's—all are conveniently located within Fairfax County.

Transportation

An extensive primary and secondary road system of more than 2,500 miles connects the communities within Fairfax County. Public transportation includes Metrobus and Metrorail lines operated by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro). To supplement Metrobus and Metrorail service, Fairfax County offers its own bus services: The Fairfax Connector, Mantua Bus Service, RIBS (Reston Internal Bus Service) and the Tysons Corner Shuttle. These bus services operate along 23 routes throughout Fairfax County. They conveniently connect with the Metro system—providing service throughout the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area. Also, Fairfax County residents have easy access to Amtrak and to air travel via Union Station, Washington National Airport, and Washington Dulles International Airport.

Housing

As of 1990, 64.2 percent of Fairfax County's total developable land (230,645 acres) was planned for residential use. Fairfax County's housing stock includes 53.1 percent single family detached dwellings, 19.4 percent townhouses, 18.4 percent garden apartments, 4.4 percent high-rise apartment or condominium buildings, and 2.1 percent multiplex units. The remaining 2.6 percent is comprised of duplexes, mid-rises, and mobile homes.

As detailed in *Table B* below, housing prices in Fairfax County vary widely among communities. This type of pricing information is not available for comparison at the county level nationwide. However, the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area compares favorably with many other major U.S. metropolitan areas in terms of affordability and the median sale price of existing single family homes (see *Table A*).

Major Communities

Annandale:

Located just inside the Capital Beltway, this family-oriented suburban community offers a variety of home styles, convenient shopping, parks, playgrounds, tennis courts, restaurants and other entertainment.

Burke:

Situated in southwestern Fairfax County, twenty miles from Washington, D.C., this relatively new planned community features numerous wooded lots, attractive homes and close proximity to schools, shopping and Burke Lake Park.

Table A

Metropolitan Area Housing Affordability
Third Quarter 1991

METROPOLITAN AREA	MEDIAN SALE PRICE OF EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY HOMES (000s)
San Francisco Bay Area	$262.0
Los Angeles	220.3
San Diego	191.8
New York City Metropolitan Area	176.2
Boston	175.5
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area	**161.2**

Source: National Association of Realtors, *Home Sales Report*, Third Quarter 1991.

Table B

Average Price Per Owned Housing Unit By Major Community Areas
Third Quarter 1991
(000s)

DETACHED SINGLE FAMILY HOMES	2 BDRM.	3 BDRM.	4 BDRM.	5+ BDRM.	NUMBER TOTAL HOMES SOLD
Alexandria/Franconia	145.3	165.3	193.3	208.5	134
Alexandria South/Mt. Vernon	160.6	209.1	267.2	290.3	122
Annandale/Falls Church	155.2	189.1	230.1	321.7	238
Centreville/Chantilly/ Clifton/Herndon/Reston	171.3	192.1	233.8	244.6	570
Fairfax/Springfield/Burke	133.4	178.7	232.3	262.3	438
McLean/Great Falls	143.5	228.8	400.5	587.9	185
Southwest Fairfax County	—	182.1	236.9	259.3	220
Vienna/Oakton	179.0	188.9	299.3	349.6	176

ATTACHED UNITS*	1 BDRM.	2 BDRM.	3 BDRM.	4+ BDRM.	NUMBER TOTAL UNITS SOLD
Alexandria/Franconia	87.6	118.7	152.2	157.7	249
Alexandria South/Mt. Vernon	71.9	98.4	180.1	198.5	42
Annandale/Falls Church	82.4	120.2	170.1	203.2	235
Centreville/Chantilly/ Clifton/Herndon/Reston	80.1	114.8	142.7	173.8	410
Fairfax/Springfield/Burke	70.8	99.1	148.2	164.9	310
McLean/Great Falls	107.7	154.6	234.1	519.0	58
Southwest Fairfax County	91.5	120.5	158.5	183.9	121
Vienna/Oakton	—	131.5	184.9	218.4	65

* Attached units include townhouse, condominium and co-op listings.

Source: Northern Virginia Board of Realtors, *NVAR Update*, November 1991.

Average Monthly Rent By Major Community Area
Third Quarter 1991

	DETACHED	TOWNHOUSE	APARTMENT
Alexandria/Franconia	$1,061	$ 952	$ 814
Alexandria South/Mt. Vernon	1,283	1,040	698
Annandale/Falls Church	1,129	1,125	797
Clifton/Centreville/ Chantilly/Herndon/Reston	1,219	924	780
Fairfax/Springfield/Burke	1,174	959	716
McLean/Great Falls	1,703	1,513	955
Southwest Fairfax County	1,151	943	731
Vienna/Oakton	1,386	1,165	798

Source: Northern Virginia Board of Realtors, *NVAR Update*, November 1991.

Centreville:

Located close to Washington Dulles International Airport, Ellanor C. Lawrence Park and Fair Oaks Mall, this country-like setting features a blend of the old and the new with a historic district, modern homes, new shopping areas and a view of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Fairfax Station:

This relatively new community is located east of Clifton near Burke Lake Park in an area featuring rolling hills and wooded countryside. It includes many new sub-divisions with custom designed homes on large, wooded lots.

Fort Belvoir:

Close to several parks, marinas, and the Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge, this community of civilian and military residents is centered around Fort Belvoir (U.S. Army), fifteen miles south of Washington, D.C.

Great Falls:

This exclusive area of large homes and lots is located along the Potomac River, next to scenic Great Falls National Park and near Tysons Corner. It includes wooded lots, winding roads, riding trails, an equestrian center, country clubs and a small village center with restaurants and shopping.

Housing Units Sold By Type Of Structure
Fairfax County

TYPE OF UNIT	HOUSING UNITS SOLD 1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
Single Family Detached	14,813	13,454	13,250	10,682	7,951
Townhouse*	11,858	10,809	10,834	8,870	6,715
Condominium Apartment**	3,276	3,409	3,870	3,553	2,645
Total	29,947	27,672	27,954	23,105	17,311

* Includes duplexes, townhouses, townhouse and multiplex condominiums.

** Includes garden apartments, condominiums, and high-rise condominiums with and without commercial space.

Source: Fairfax County Office of Assessments, *Assessment / Sales Ratio Report 1987*; Fairfax County Office of Research and Statistics, *1990 Fairfax County Profile.*

Town of Herndon:

Located along the Dulles Toll Road, this community includes a historical town center with older homes as well as newer homes and commercial developments.

McLean:

Located near Tysons Corner and Great Falls, only eight miles from Washington, D.C., this exclusive suburban community features large custom-designed homes, multi-million dollar estates, and smaller, more traditional homes. It also includes its own central business center with boutiques, restaurants, gourmet food stores, and a community center which is home to the Fairfax Symphony.

Mount Vernon:

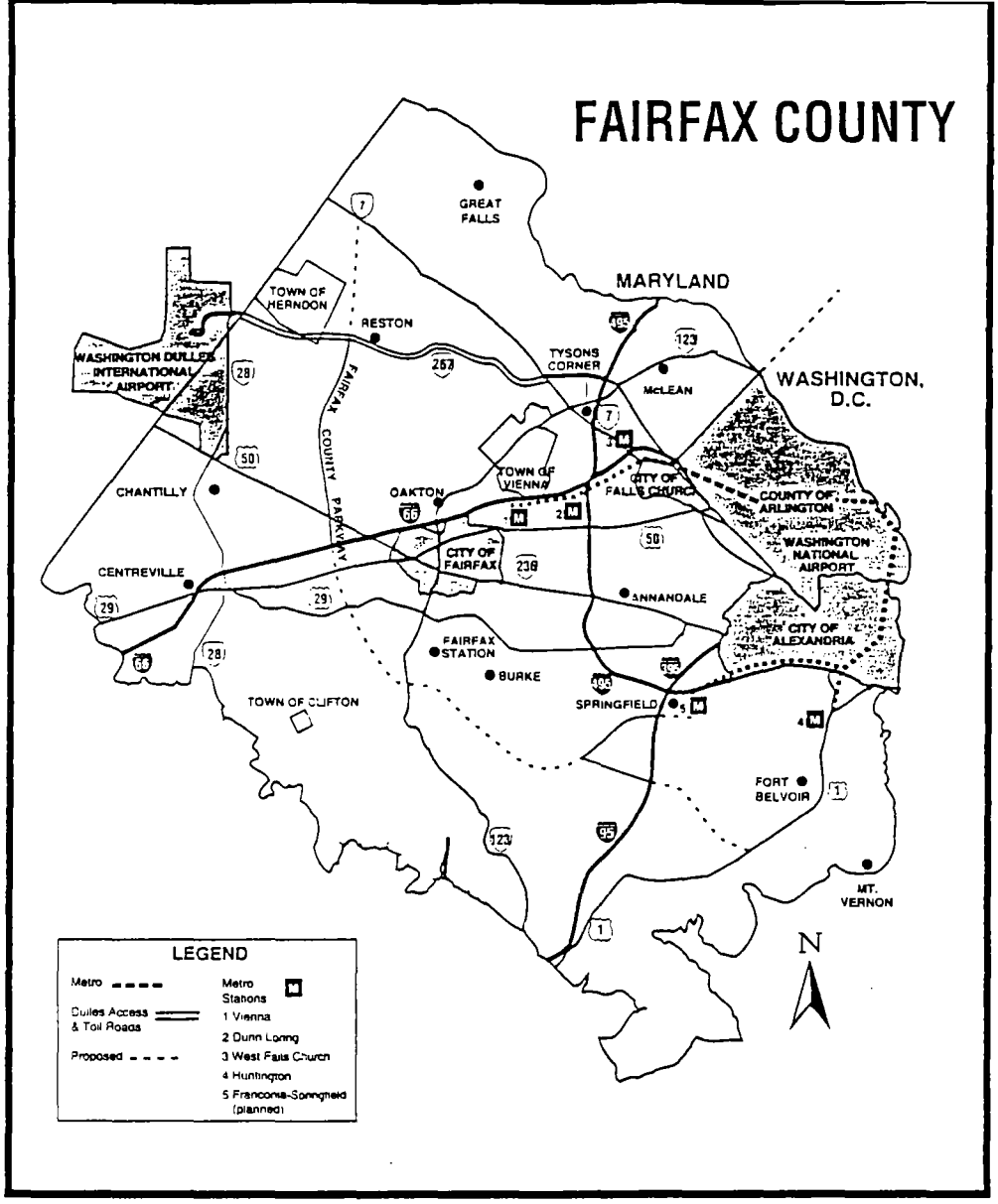
Overlooking the Potomac River, near George Washington's estate and other tourist attractions, this community includes wooded older neighborhoods and a bike path which runs north to Washington, D.C.

Major Utility Systems

• Cable Television	Media General Cable
• Electric Power:	Virginia Power
• Local Telephone:	Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia and GTE Telephone Operations
• Long Distance Telephone:	ALLNET, AT&T, Cable and Wireless, MCI, MetroComm and US Sprint
• Natural Gas:	Washington Gas - Virginia Division
• Water:*	Fairfax County Water Authority

* Separate service is provided in certain parts of the County.

Source: Fairfax County Economic Development Authority's *Utility Contacts Report.*



Oakton:

This largely residential suburban community is located only thirteen miles west of Washington, D.C., and is close to shopping, I-66, and the Vienna Metro station.

Reston:

One of the nation's well-known planned communities, this area is located along Dulles Toll Road. It features a broad variety of housing, a new retail town center, lakes, golf courses and other recreational facilities.

Springfield:

This family-oriented residential community features a wide range of housing, a regional mall, parks and other recreational facilities, and convenient commuter access by either I-95 or the Capital Beltway.

Tysons Corner:

This urban-like community near the Dulles Toll Road, Capital Beltway and I-66 features high-rise condominiums, townhouses and rental apartments conveniently located among shopping malls and office centers.

Town of Vienna:

This residential community located near Tysons Corner features a small town atmosphere, its own central business district, and convenient access to Washington, D.C. via the Vienna Metro station.

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Introduction

Once a farming community serving the nation's capital, Fairfax County has evolved into a major business center and one of the most desirable residential communities in the metropolitan Washington region. Tysons Corner, the County's "downtown," has more office space than the central business districts of Cincinnati, Houston, Miami, or San Diego and one of the greatest concentrations of retail space in the nation.

Residents can choose from a broad spectrum of residential, communities developed by some of the nations premier homebuilders. From the preserved turn-of-the-century Town of Clifton to the lakes and golf courses in the planned community of Reston, each area in Fairfax County offers unique qualities to satisfy any taste. The Fairfax County Economic Development Authority provides a Housing Profile for additional information on housing.

Fairfax County resources are among some f the finest in the country. The Fairfax County Public School System is the tenth largest and one of the most innovative. Fairfax County students consistently rank among the top students in the nation. The Fairfax County Police, and Fire and Rescue Departments are the largest of their kind in the State of Virginia.

More than 30,000 acres of parkland and numerous recreational facilities beckon residents. Nearly 100 miles of trails are available for biking and horseback riding. Residents and tourists can travel back in time by visiting one of the County's many historical landmarks, including Mount Vernon, the estate of George Washington and Gunston Hall, home of George Mason.

World class entertainment is presented year-round at the Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts and the George Mason University Center for the Arts. Residents can also enjoy programs presented by local performing arts and symphony groups in communities throughout the County.

Colleges and Universities

The metropolitan Washington area is home to more than 30 major colleges and universities offering a vast range of undergraduate and graduate level degree programs. Nearly 96 percent of County residents 25 years or older are high school graduates, compared with 68 percent nationally. More than 75 percent of Fairfax County residents advance to post-secondary education.

access facilities and four urgent medical care centers in Fairfax County.

The Hospital Corporation of America operates the Reston Hospital Center—a 127-bed facility completed in 1987 in western Fairfax County. A number of urgent care centers are also located throughout the County.

The Fairfax County Government provides health and social services assistance to residents through various County agencies:

- Community Services Board

Universities and Colleges

American University	Washington, DC
Antioch School of Law	Washington, DC
Averett College	**Fairfax, VA**
Bowie State College	Bowie. MD
Beacon College	Washington, DC
Capitol College	Arlington, VA
Capitol Institute of Technology	Kensington, MD
Catholic University of America	Washington, DC
Central Michigan University	**Fairfax, VA**
Columbia Union College	Takoma Park, MD
Corcoran School of Art	Washington, DC
Florida A&M University	Alexandria, VA
Florida Institute of Technology	Alexandria, VA
Galludet University	Washington, DC
George Mason University	**Fairfax, VA**
George Washington University	Washington, DC
George Washington University, Virginia Campus	Loudoun, VA
Georgetown University	Washington, DC
Howard University	Washington, DC
Maryland College of Art and Design	Silver Spring, MD
Marymount University	Arlington, VA
Montgomery College	Rockville, MD
Mount Vernon College	Washington, DC
National Louis University	Fairfax, VA
Northern Virginia Community College (5 locations)	**Fairfax, VA**
Park College	Fort Myer, VA
Prince Georges Community College	Largo, MD
Southeastern University	Washington, DC
Strayer College	Alexandria, VA
Trinity College	Washington, DC
Troy State University	Fort Myer, VA
University of Denver College of Systems Sciences	**Fairfax, VA**
University of Maryland	College Park, MD
University of Virginia	**Fairfax, VA**
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	**Fairfax, VA**

Education

The Fairfax County Public School System has the tenth largest enrollment in the nation with more than 133,000 students in 208 schools. Academically, Fairfax County students consistently rank among the top students in the country. The mean Scholastic Aptitude Test score for seniors in 1991 was 975, compared with 896 nationally. Fairfax County students accounted for 44 percent of the state's National Merit Scholarship semi-finalists in 1991. Twenty-one of the County's 23 high schools produced at least one semi-finalist. More than 91 percent of the 1991 Fairfax County graduating classes progressed to post-secondary education.

The Fairfax County Public School System provides a variety of specialized programs for Fairfax County students. A program for Gifted and Talented students is offered in each of the County's 23 high schools. The Fairfax County Public School System has gained national recognition for several innovative programs such as English as a Second Language and the Foreign Language Immersion program in which elementary school students are offered the standard curriculum taught in English and one of three foreign languages: Spanish, French or Japanese. Currently, 10 elementary schools offer the program.

The Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology is perhaps the most notable innovation of the Fairfax County Public School System in recent years. The school opened in 1985 due, in large part, to a partnership between the school system and private industry. Thomas Jefferson High School was established to provide accelerated learning programs for students with advanced aptitudes in science, mathematics and engineering. Over half of the Fairfax County School Systems' teachers have masters or doctoral degrees. The highly educated and experienced personnel and innovative programming combine to offer one of the most respected and accomplished education systems in the nation. Additionally, more than 100 private and parochial schools are also located in Fairfax County, offering programs from pre-school education through high school.

The region also offers a wide variety of trade and technical schools for residents and employees who are interested in obtaining technical or occupational degrees and certified training or retraining. The myriad of educational opportunities have helped distinguish the Fairfax County labor force and general population as one of the most highly educated in the nation.

Libraries

The Fairfax County Public Library System is the largest public library system in Virginia with a total circulation topping eight million items in 1991. The system operates 22 separate facilities throughout Fairfax County and the City of Fairfax, and offers a wide variety of educational resources and services.

The metropolitan area also boasts several of the most highly respected repositories of information in the world. The Library of Congress contains more than 81 million items in 470 different languages. The Folger Shakespeare Library contains one of the largest collections of Shakespearean literature in the world. The National Library of Medicine, located at the National Institute of Health, is the world's largest medical library.

Health & Social Services

Fairfax County residents are served by five fully accredited hospitals. The Inova Health System operates four of the five facilities. The cornerstone of the Inova Health System is Fairfax Hospital, a 656-bed facility that offers the only Level One Trauma Center and the Women and Children's Center, the only pediatric intensive care unit in northern Virginia.

Fairfax Hospital was the first hospital in the metropolitan area to perform heart and lung transplants. In addition, Inova operates Fair Oaks Hospital, a 160-bed facility in western Fairfax County, opened in 1987, Mount Vernon Hospital, a 235-bed facility in southeast Fairfax County, and Jefferson Hospital, a 120-bed facility located in Alexandria. Inova also operates two 24-hour emergency care

- Department of Community Action
- Department of Health
- Department of Housing and Community Development
- Department of Human Development
- Office for Children
- Office of Human Rights
- Office of Human Services

Protective Services

The Fairfax County Police, and Fire and Rescue Services are the largest and among the best equipped in the State of Virginia. Over time, both departments have received national recognition for the services provided to County residents and businesses.

The Fairfax County Police Department is staffed by more than 975 officers and over 400 civilian personnel. A national survey of law enforcement agencies ranked Fairfax County as one of the safest counties of comparable size in the nation. Since 1980, the population in Fairfax County has increased by 27 percent. The crime rate over the same time period has decreased by 25 percent per 100,000 residents.

The Fire and Rescue Departme[illegible]'s staffed by more than 1,400 career firefi[illegible] support staff and volunteers. The Coun[illegible] fire stations are staffed with emergency medical technicians. The department is also equipped with 18 state-of-the-art Mobile Intensive Care Units.

Shopping

Fairfax County has more than 200 shopping centers totaling over 27 million square feet of retail space. The centers range in size from the small specialty centers with ten or fewer stores to super regional malls with more than 150 stores. The County boasts four super regional malls with national anchors like Neiman Marcus, Macy's, Nordstroms, Bloomingdales, and Lord & Taylor.

In 1990, Fairfax County welcomed a number of internationally renowned retailers to Tysons Corner including Tiffanys, Hermes, Gucci, and Fendi. Tysons Corner has one of

the largest concentrations of retail space on the east coast with two super regional malls and more than four million square feet of retail space.

Super Regional Malls

Center	Stores	Gross Floor Area
Fair Oaks Mall	210	1,546,392
Galleria at Tysons II	120	800,000
Springfield Mall	250	1,500,000
Tysons Corner Shopping Center	235	2,082,877

Parks and Recreation

Over five million people visited Fairfax nty parks in 1991. Several park systems er abundant recreational opportunities with 335 parks totaling more than 30,000 acres.

The Fairfax County Park Authority manages four marinas, five golf courses, and eight recreation centers. Each of the recreation centers is equipped with an indoor swimming pool, weight room, multi-use courts and auxiliary fitness rooms. Throughout the year, classes are offered in swimming, boating, tennis, golf, fishing, and more.

The Department of Recreation also provides a wide variety of recreational programs year-round. These are available to all age groups from toddlers to senior citizens, and include arts and crafts, music, dance, martial arts, aerobics, and horseback riding.

The National Park Service and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority also operate parks in Fairfax County. The National Park Service operates six parks in the County, the most notable being Great Falls Park, located along the Potomac River at its fall line. In addition to viewing the falls, visitors can take in such historic sites as the nation's first canal system, designed by George Washington; and, the ruins of Matil- ıville, built in 1790. Recreational activities ıclude fishing, rock climbing, whitewater boating, and hiking.

football team, the Washington Bullets basketball team and the Washington Capitals hockey team. Spring and summer belong to the Baltimore Orioles baseball team.

Cultural Attractions

The Washington, D.C. area offers an abundance of cultural attractions. Area residents can enjoy the symphony, opera, ballet, modern dance, theater, jazz, country or popular music nearly any night of the week at one of the many cultural venues located throughout the region. The day-tripper can venture into Washington, D.C., to visit one of the numerous museums.

Fairfax County offers several popular attractions that enrich the cultural fabric of the region. Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts is the nation's only national park for the performing arts. The park consists of three separate facilities: The Filene Center, an open air pavilion that seats 3,000 under roof and 4,000 on the lawn; the Barns, a 350-seat indoor theater used primarily in the fall and winter; and, the Theater in the Woods, a facility devoted to performances for children. Events are scheduled year-round at the park.

The George Mason University Center for the Arts offers programs devoted to the performing arts including ballet, dance, opera, symphony, jazz and theater. The season runs from September through April.

The Patriot Center at George Mason University is a 10,000-seat multi-purpose arena. Programs include concerts, shows, Broadway musicals and sporting events year-round.

The Fairfax County Council of Arts, a private, non-profit organization funded by the County government, corporations and individuals, creates an environment for the arts and artists to flourish and enrich the culture and quality of life in Fairfax County. The Fairfax Symphony and the Fairfax Choral Society are two of the more renowned groups. In addition, a number of smaller community theaters offer programs presented by regional performing arts groups.

Fairfax County is located only a short distance from some of the nation's leading cultural attractions. The Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts presents world-class entertainment, year-round in the center's theater, anywhere in the world. Among the most notable galleries and museums are the Corcoran Gallery of Art, the National Gallery of Art and the Smithsonian Institute. The Smithsonian Museum Group consists of 13 museums including the Hirshhorn Museum of Modern Art, the National Air and Space Museum, the National Museum of American Art, the National Museum of American History, the National Museum of Natural History, the National Portrait Gallery, and the National Zoological Park.

Other popular attractions in Washington, D.C. include the Capitol building, the White House, the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, and the Vietnam War Memorial. All of these attractions are free to the public.

Historic Sites

Fairfax County is rich in history. Throughout the years, much time and effort has been put forth to preserve the County's past for future generations to enjoy. *Mount Vernon,* the home of George Washington, is the County's most popular attraction and the most visited historic home in America. The estate and mansion have been restored to their original colonial state. *Gunston Hall,* another restored colonial plantation, was the home of George Mason, one of the authors of the United States Constitution. *Woodlawn Plantation,* the estate of Nellie Custis, George Washington's daughter, provides a glimpse of plantation life in the mid-1800s. *The Pope-Leighey House,* designed and built by Frank Lloyd Wright in the 1940s, is one of only a few remaining examples of Usonian architecture on public display. *Colvin Run Mill* is a working 19th century grist mill; also located on the grounds are the miller's house, a general store and a dairy barn. Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run is an 18th century working farm. The farm has been restored to depict the lifestyle of the small farmer in colonial times.

Historians and sightseers alike can experience the thrill of rediscovering our nation's past in Fairfax County. For more information on tourist attractions in the County, interested parties may contact the Fairfax County Convention and Visitors Bureau at (703)790-FFAX.

The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority operates nine parks in Fairfax County. Activities include golf, boating, swimming, and camping. Trap and skeet shooting are available at the Bull Run Public Shooting Center, the only public shooting center in northern Virginia.

Fairfax County residents can also enjoy the excitement of world-class professional sports, year-round. The fall and winter months are dominated by the three-time Super Bowl Champion Washington Redskins opera house and concert hall. The National Symphony Orchestra, the Washington Opera, and the American Film Institute are all based at the Kennedy Center. Other theaters located in Washington, DC include the National Theater, Arena Stage and Ford's Theater.

Patrons of the fine arts and history buffs can enjoy touring the many galleries and museums of downtown Washington. The nation's capital offers some of the finest collections of art and historical artifacts found

Fairfax County-Operated Recreation Centers

Name	Location
George Washington Recreation Center	Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon Recreation Center	Huntington
Oak Marr Recreation Center	Oakton
Providence Recreation Center	Merrifield
Robert E. Lee Recreation Center	Franconia
South Run Recreation Center	Lorton
Spring Hill Recreation Center	McLean
Wakefield Park Recreation Center	Springfield

Fairfax County-Operated Nature Centers

Name	Location
Hidden Oaks Nature Center	Annandale
Hidden Pond Park	Springfield
Huntley Meadows Park	Mount Vernon
Riverbend Nature Center	Great Falls
Riverbend Park	Great Falls

Public Golf Courses

Name	Holes/Par	Location
*Burke Lake Golf Course	18/54	Fairfax Station
*Greendale Golf Course	18/70	Franconia
Herndon Centennial Golf Course	18/71	Herndon
*Jefferson Golf Course	9/34	Merrifield
Penderbrook Golf Course	18/72	Fairfax Center
*Pinecrest Golf Course	9/35	Annandale
Pohick Bay Regional Park Golf Course	18/72	Gunston
Reston South Golf Course	18/71	Reston

*operated by the Fairfax County Park Authority

Regional Areas of Interest

Fairfax County is within a one day or weekend ride of a number of popular attractions throughout the region. For those who enjoy the mountains, Skyline Drive in the Blue Ridge Mountains offers scenic overlooks of Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. Also located along the Blue Ridge Mountains are several limestone caverns including Skyline, Luray, and Shenandoah. During the winter months, skiers can enjoy Virginia's slopes at Bryce, Massanutten, and Wintergreen as well as resorts located nearby in West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

When temperatures begin to warm, County residents can head east to the shore. Popular beach resorts include Virginia Beach, Virginia; Ocean City, Maryland; and Dewey Beach, Delaware. Those who fish are drawn to the Chesapeake Bay for some of the best angling available on the east coast. The Bay is famous for its shell fish, including soft shell crabs, oysters, and clams.

Historic attractions throughout the region include:

- *Jamestown*, the first permanent English settlement in the new world.
- *Williamsburg*, the capital of colonial Virginia, restored to its original state.
- *Yorktown*, site of the surrender of Cornwallis during the Revolutionary War.
- *Charlottesville*, home of Thomas Jefferson's estate, Monticello, and the University of Virginia.
- *Richmond*, the capital of the Confederate States of America and today's Virginia state capital.
- *Annapolis*, home of the US Naval Academy, and today's Maryland state capital.
- *Baltimore*, one of the nation's leading seaports and home to the National Aquarium.

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Introduction

Fairfax County, situated in the northeastern corner of the Commonwealth of Virginia, is one of ten counties and five cities in Virginia and Maryland that comprise the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). The 399-square mile County is home to approximately 827,000 people and nearly 375,000 jobs. The climate is moderate, with the average annual temperature and precipitation reaching 54 degrees F and 44 inches, respectively.

Fairfax County enjoys an abundance of resources that make it one of the best places in the country to work and live. These attributes—its multi-modal transportation network, diversified and dynamic business base, highly trained workforce, competitive tax structure, historically low unemployment, and high quality of public services—are the lifeblood of any community; many of these are highlighted in the *Economic Overview*.

Transportation

Roads

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) owns, constructs, and maintains nearly all of the 51 miles of interstate roads, 151 miles of primary roads, and 2,270 miles of secondary roads in Fairfax County. The mass transit needs of the region are served by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). Through a County-wide transportation plan that addresses both long-range and day-to-day transportation issues, the County Office of Transportation helps guide VDOT and WMATA in allocating dollars and services and in completing local road bond projects. Funding sources include the federal and state governments as well as County bonds and specially designated tax districts.

Passenger Rail Service

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) was created in 1967 by an interstate agreement between Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia to operate a 103-mile, 87-station rapid rail system. Metrorail (whose color-coded lines are collectively known as Metro) links downtown Washington, D.C., the Pentagon and Crystal City, Washington National Airport, and suburban Maryland with many prominent Fairfax County business and residential hubs.

Currently, six stations on two Metro lines are located in the County. They include the West Falls Church, Dunn Loring, and Vienna Stations on the Orange Line; and the Van Dorn Street (situated on the City of operation in summer 1992. Eight round trips per weekday—four trains on an eastern route and four on a western route traveling into Washington, D.C., and four on each line back to the suburbs—are initially planned.

Amtrak, the national commuter rail line, provides service between Union Station and major eastern cities, with connections to other areas. It maintains suburban stations at Alexandria and several Maryland locations. As an added convenience to area residents, Amtrak also operates an auto ferry service between Lorton, in the southeastern part of Fairfax County, and Sanford, Florida. Additionally, Greyhound Bus Lines, with stations in Springfield and Washington, D.C., provides intra-city transit service, as do a number of private charter and tour group operators.

Commercial Rail Service

Northern Virginia industry is as well-served by rail as the residential community. Two of the largest railroads in the country are headquartered within a few hours drive of Fairfax County: CSX Corporation in Richmond and Norfolk Southern Corporation in Norfolk. Major north-south rail lines maintained by RF&P, CSX, and Southern Railway (an independent Norfolk Southern subsidiary), and east-west tracks belonging to CSX and Norfolk Western Railway (also a Norfolk Southern division) traverse Fairfax County and its adjoining counties, connecting the area with points north, south, and west.

Bus Service

Metrobus, the bus system also operated by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, complements Metrorail service. WMATA provides 99 Metrobus routes that link residential neighborhoods with commercial hubs in Fairfax County and beyond, including the Pentagon/Crystal City in Arlington and Washington, D.C. Metrobus service is augmented by other more localized bus lines, including the Fairfax Connector.

Airports

A primary advantage of Fairfax County as a business location is its exceptional access to not one, but three major airports: Washington Dulles International Airport, located on the County's western border; Washington National Airport, in neighboring Arlington County; and the regional Baltimore-Washington International Airport, between Baltimore and Washington, D.C. The chart below provides statistics for Washington Dulles International and National Airports.

Washington Dulles International Airport also is home to Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) #137. FTZs are sites where foreign volumes of virtually all types of cargo and is the nation's leading handler of foreign trade tonnage. The ice-free port's interconnecting transportation systems—five railroads, 10 airlines, 135 motor freight carriers, and 50-foot deepwater river channels—promote efficient service to destinations here and abroad.

Four miles east of Fairfax County is the port at the City of Alexandria on the Potomac River, which transports newsprint. Fifty miles west of Fairfax County is the Virginia Inland Port (VIP) at Front Royal, a collection point for containerized cargo from northern Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Ohio. At this facility, containers are loaded onto special trains for direct shipment to the port at Hampton Roads. Shippers pay only the cost to the VIP, thereby giving Hampton Roads a cost-competitive edge over other regional ports.

Business

There were approximately 18,800 business establishments in Fairfax County in the first half of 1991, according to the Virginia Employment Commission (VEC). These firms accounted for projected annual gross wages totaling $11.4 billion.

The County business base is characterized by the predominance of several types of industries, including high-tech services and research and development; headquarters operations, whether international (Mobil Corp.), national (General Dynamics), or regional (EDS); trade and professional associations; business services; and retail firms. The chart on the reverse side lists the number of business establishments, their employment, and the average weekly wages per employee for the 10 largest industries in the County during the first half of 1991.

High-Tech and Defense

Two often intertwined business sectors—high-tech and defense—merit special discussion because they are so well-represented by County firms whose services and products are often "hidden" within the broader manufacturing and business services designations. For the purposes of this report, the term "high-tech" is applied to those businesses that manufacture electronics and related equipment, chemicals, and instrumentation; provide communications, computer/data processing, engineering, and allied technical services or conduct laboratory research and development and testing services.

Using this definition, there were approximately 1,620 high-tech businesses employing about 66,200 workers in Fairfax County in 1989, according to the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Alexandria/Fairfax County border), Huntington, and Franconia/Springfield Stations, all on the Yellow Line. Franconia/Springfield is under construction; completion is anticipated in 1997. The entire Metrorail system is expected to be completed by 2001.

Fairfax County also has been working with a partnership between the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Northern Virginia and the Potomac and Rappahanock Transportation Commissions to provide Virginia Railway Express (VRE) commuter rail service. Approximately 4,500 round-trip passengers per day are expected to use the 18-station VRE system, which began

Airport Statistics

	WASHINGTON DULLES	WASHINGTON NATIONAL*
Number of air carriers	20	10
Daily domestic flights	301	900
Destinations served nonstop	70	63
International flights per week	152	—
Nonstop international destinations	15	—
1991 passengers (est.)	10.7 million	15.1 million
1991 freight (est., in lbs.)	207.7 million	32.0 million
1991 mail (est., in lbs.)	76.1 million	95.8 million
On-airport employment	10,000	10,600

*Washington National Airport provides domestic service only.

Source: Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Office of Air Carrier Affairs.

or domestic merchandise may enter a U.S. Customs port of entry and, under certain conditions, not be subject to duties or excise taxes. While in the Zone, goods may be stored, tested, sampled, assembled, or otherwise processed. Taxes are paid only when goods leave the Zone.

Ports

Within a three hour drive of Fairfax County is one of the finest natural harbors in the world. Hampton Roads, a marine terminal complex and Foreign Trade Zone in southeastern Virginia, is capable of handling large

The County's proximity to the Pentagon and Washington, D.C., and its technically skilled labor force have helped the area to become one of the largest concentrations of government contractors in the nation, particularly in the defense sector. It is estimated that Fairfax County holds 30 percent defense prime contracts in the metropoli Washington, D.C. area. More than 700 County firms received nearly $3 billion in defense prime contracts during federal fiscal year 1991—over five times the amount in 1980.

Major Employers

An FCEDA survey of Fairfax County base sector firms, conducted in 1989–90, indicated that 83 percent employed 50 or fewer workers. However, Fairfax County also can lay claim to an impressive number of companies with 200 or more employees. Among the largest of that group—those with over 1,000 employees—are the following businesses:

- AT&T
- BDM International
- C&P Telephone Company (Bell Atlantic)
- Computer Sciences Corp.
- EDS Corp. (General Motors)
- Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.
- GTE Government Systems
- MCI
- Mitre Corp.
- Mobil Corp.

- Nissan Motor Corp. (Japan)
- Northern Telecom (Canada)
- Oldelft Corp. (Netherlands)
- Professional Services Industries, Inc. (Switzerland)
- Rolls-Royce USA (Great Britain)
- Sharp Electronics Corp. (Japan)
- SICPA Securink Corp. (Switzerland)
- SPOT Image Corp. (France)
- Tiber Construction Company (Germany)
- Vie de France Bakery Yamazaki (Japan)
- Vie de France Corp. (France)

Retail

Fairfax County's reputation as a shopping destination has been well-documented nationally. This is, in part, due to a median household income of $69,000 and a per capita income of over $32,000. Fairfax County is home to the metropolitan Washington, D.C. region's three largest shopping centers: Tysons Corner Center, with 230 shops and 2.1 million total square feet of space; Springfield Mall, which has 220 stores and 1.7 million total square feet; and Fair Oaks Mall, with 210 shops and 1.4 million total square feet. Additionally, community shopping facilities dot residential neighborhoods and commercial areas.

County businesses generated more than $6 billion in taxable sales in 1991. The importance of the retail sector is underscored the fact that Fairfax County accounts for

As of yearend 1991, the total office inventory stood at 69.0 million square feet, with the largest proportion of space concentrated in the business hubs of Tysons Corner (28.3 percent), Reston (15.2 percent), Merrifield (9.6 percent), and Fairfax Center (7.7 percent). The total industrial/hybrid inventory was 34.8 million square feet as of December 1991, largely centered in Springfield (24.0 percent), Newington/Lorton (23.4 percent), Chantilly (15.6 percent) and Merrifield (8.7 percent).

Government

Fairfax County operates under the Urban County Executive form of government, one of several county administrative systems authorized under Virginia statute. The Fairfax County policy-making body is the Board of Supervisors, comprised of a chairman elected at-large, and one member from each of nine Magisterial Districts. These officials are elected to concurrent four-year terms by voters of the district in which a board member resides.

Commercial and residential development in the County is guided by the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinance. The County has maintained for many years a triple-A bond rating from both Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service on its general obligation debt. This rating, conferred on only a small number of cities and counties nationally, allows Fairfax County to borrow

Average Annual Unemployment Rates (%), 1980–1991

	Fairfax County	Washington, D.C. MSA	Northern Virginia	Virginia	United States
1980	2.5	5.0	3.1	5.1	6.8
1981	3.2	5.7	3.7	5.0	7.6
1982	3.8	6.0	4.5	7.7	9.7
1983	2.8	5.2	3.2	6.1	9.6
1984	2.6	4.2	2.8	4.9	7.5
1985	2.6	3.7	2.8	5.6	7.2
1986	2.4	3.5	2.5	5.0	7.0
1987	1.9	3.1	2.0	4.2	6.2
1988	1.7	2.9	1.8	3.9	5.5
1989	1.7	2.7	1.8	3.9	5.3
1990	2.0	3.4	2.2	4.2	5.5
1991	3.0	4.4	3.4	5.7	6.7

Sources: D.C. Department of Employment Services; Virginia Employment Commission.

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- Navy Federal Credit Union
- PRC, Inc. (Black & Decker)
- TRW
- US Sprint
- USAA
- Unisys Corp./Paramax

Additionally, Fortune 500 corporations such as Mobil, General Dynamics, and Lafarge have made Fairfax County their headquarters location. Other domestic and foreign corporate headquarters in the County include American National Red Cross, BDM International, Cable & Wireless Communications, Eurotherm International, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (Freddie Mac), GTSI, HFSI, ICF International, Legent, Mars, MHS Holdings (Mohasco), Mitel, Molson Breweries USA, NVR, Navy Federal Credit Union, Northern Telecom, Ogden/ERC, Orbital Sciences, Primark, Rolls-Royce, Vie de France, and WorldCorp.

International Firms

Approximately 100 foreign-based or -affiliated firms are located in Fairfax County, exceeding that of any other metropolitan Washington, D.C., jurisdiction. Many of these companies are divisions of businesses based in western Europe, Japan and Canada. They have chosen a Fairfax County location because of its skilled workforce; competitive tax structure; proximity to the federal government, clients, and corporate competitors; and convenient access to Washington Dulles International Airport to the west and Washington National Airport to the east.

To further promote economic and cultural exchange programs, the County has established a sister-city relationship with Essonne, France, a community that resembles Fairfax in its size, closeness to a major city (Paris), the presence of international corporations, and its high-tech business composition.

Foreign firms in Fairfax County and their nation of origin include the following:

- Airbus Industrie of North America (France, Federal Republic of Germany, Great Britain, Spain)
- Aimpoint USA (Sweden)
- BCI Protocol (Canada)
- BHP-Utah International, Inc. (Australia)
- BT North America (Great Britain)
- CAP Gemini America (France)
- CASA Aircraft USA, Inc. (Spain)
- Cable & Wireless (Great Britain)
- Canon USA (Japan)
- Danieli of America, Inc. (Italy)
- Eurotherm Corp. (Great Britain)
- Fujitsu America, Inc. (Japan)
- G & D America (Germany)
- Hermes-USA (France)
- Lafarge Corp. (France)
- Marben (France)
- Molson Breweries USA (Canada/Australia)
- NEC America, Inc. (Japan)

Business Composition

CATEGORY	NO. ESTABLISHMENTS	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE/EMPLOYEE
Retail Trade	3,023	65,335	$305
Government (local, state and federal)	123	61,140	595
Services	8,948	130,635	622
Business Services	2,065	46,685	656
Hotels/Lodging	70	4,372	288
Engineering/Management	1,941	31,963	827
Legal Services	320	2,157	813
Health Services	1,227	19,357	590
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,804	28,439	618
Construction	2,184	21,834	536
Transportation, Communications and Public Utilities	509	21,382	763
Wholesale Trade	1,381	21,205	961
Manufacturing	479	18,907	701

Sources: Virginia Employment Commission, *Covered Employment and Wages in Virginia (Fairfax County)*, first quarter 1991 (September 1991) and second quarter 1991 (January 1992). Excludes self-employed persons and vacant positions.

20 percent of all retail sales and 33 percent of all retail space in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

Employment and Unemployment

Fairfax County's civilian labor force—the available pool of non-military workers over age 16—was nearly one-half million in 1991 (22.5 percent of the metropolitan Washington, D.C. workforce, and 15.7 percent of that of the Commonwealth of Virginia). Employed residents—those working outside as well as within the County—stood at roughly 483,000 during the same period.

Unemployment in Fairfax County was 3.0 percent in 1991. Although the recent national recession increased the County's unemployment rate, the figure remained significantly lower than 1991 unemployment figures for the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area (4.4 percent), northern Virginia (3.6 percent), Virginia (5.6 percent), and the United States (6.7 percent). A historical perspective of unemployment rates for Fairfax County and these areas is provided in the chart below.

Commercial Real Estate

Local real estate activity is examined in depth by the FCEDA in the semiannual *Real Estate Market Review*. As a mature market, Fairfax County has built up substantial inventories of office and industrial/hybrid space. Office space has grown 267 percent from the 1980 level of 18.8 million square feet; industrial hybrid space, 137 percent since its 1980 level of 14.7 million square feet.

money at very low interest rates, thereby saving taxpayers millions of dollars annually.

Fairfax County provides urban-scale public services to all residents within its borders. In Virginia, cities and counties are distinct units of government and do not overlap. However, within the County are three incorporated towns—Clifton, Herndon, and Vienna—which are overlapping units of government within the County. Ordinances and regulations of the County generally apply to these towns, with certain limitations set forth by state law.

Summary

Fairfax County's many attributes ensure its continued success as one of the nation's most desirable environments in which to work and live. It offers urban-scale diversity and amenities in an attractive suburban setting. Thousands of firms have opened their doors in the past decade to take advantage of the County's excellent public schools, colleges and universities; strategic access to airports and Washington, D.C.; highly skilled labor force; mature and diversified business base; competitive tax structure; high-quality commercial real estate; and lovely and varied residential communities.

The overall vibrancy of the County, combined with the high level and quality of its public services, have proven very effective at attracting—and retaining—businesses and residents alike.

Prince William County Chamber of Commerce

Scott E. Gibb, President

Dear Newcomer:

Prince William County, named for the second son of King George II of England, was established in 1731 and was originally about 2,000 square miles in area. By 1759 the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Fauquier and Loudoun had been carved from it, leaving an area of some 345 square miles today. The areas of Manassas and Manassas Park add 8.1 square miles and 1.7 square miles, respectively to the total. Land comprises 347 square miles of the county and water covers the remaining 7.7 square miles.

The county is situated in northern Virginia and is bounded by the Potomac River to the east, Fairfax and Loudoun counties to the north, Fauquier County to the west and southwest, and Stafford County to the south.

The altitude in Prince William County ranges from 25 to 1,300 feet above sea level. The relatively mild climate (mean annual temperature 56 degrees Fahrenheit) and annual precipitation of 40.5 inches allow for a growing season of over six months.

Prince William County ranks as the sixth largest jurisdiction in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The number of residents in the county has increased steadily since the 1950s. Between 1960 and 1990 the population went from 50,164 to 215,686. With an estimated increase in 2010 of 350,000.

The average Prince William resident is 29.2 years old. He or she is part of an average household of 3.4 persons; that household had a median income $49,453 and it occupies one of the county's 74,765 housing units.

Prince William County is taking an increasingly important role in the regional economy, a role reflected in the changing character of the county's tax base, jobs and development.

Employment in the service sector has grown from 15% in 1986 to nearly 17% in 1990. Another growth area is the manufacturing sector, in which jobs have increased 6% since 1986.

Prince William County consistently ranks among the highest jurisdictions in the state in percentage of employed residents. The estimated 1992 civilian labor force in the county was 112,772. As of November of 1992, the unemployment rate was 4.5%.

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For comparison purposes, the November 1992 unemployment rate was 5.4% in all of Virginia and 6.8% for the entire United States.

Interstate routes through the county are I-66, which runs east-west operating just north of Manassas and Manassas Park, and I-95, a north-south route lying west of Quantico, Dumfries and Woodbridge and east of Dale City and Occoquan. Other routes following a north-south direction are U.S. 1, 28, 29/211 and 15; those going east-west are 234, 663, 619 and 640.

Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) assists commuters by providing bus services and coordination of carpooling and vanpooing options. Under the umbrella logo COMMUTERIDE, the commuter bus service has developed routes during peak travel hours into the greater Washington Metropolitan employment area, Pentagon, Crystal City and Vienna Metro (from Manassas).

In addition, COMMUTERIDE also provides matching services for commuters in carpools and vanpools. Approximately 300 privately owned and operated vanpools provide transportation services throughout Northern Virginia, Washington, D.C. and Maryland, also during peak employment hours.

The Virginia Railway Express offers a new commuter rail service from Manassas and Woodbridge to Union Station, Monday through Friday. Connections can be made with Metro bus and subway systems at several locations in Northern Virginia and Washington D.C.

Prince William County is situated near Washington Dulles International Airport (about 20 minutes) and Washington National Airport (about 25 minutes). Closer to home, and on a smaller scale, is the Manassas Municipal Airport. Serving as the number-one reliever airport for both Dulles and National, Manassas Municipal accommodates corporate jet aircraft, offers aircraft sales, maintenance and charter service, as well as flight lessons.

There are two Chambers of Commerce in Prince William County. The Prince William County-Greater Manassas Chamber serves primarily Western Prince William County, Manassas and Manassas Park. The Prince William County Chamber serves primarily Eastern Prince William County and is located in the Woodbridge area.

As a united force the Chambers represent approximately 1400 member businesses with over 3,000 business representatives. The Chambers share 100 members who belong to both organizations.

Located minutes south of the Capital Beltway, Prince William County extends from the Potomac River to the Appalachian foothills. Rich in history and scenic beauty, the County also offers a relatively stable local economy and a growing array of employment, shopping and recreation opportunities.

Prince William County is among the fastest-growing areas in the United States. As the County has grown, so has the selection of housing. Realtors and builders say the best sellers in Prince William continue to be single-family, detached homes. According to sales records, single-family home prices range from around $120,000 to $265,000 and up; townhouses from $100,000 to $150,000; and condominiums from $70,000 to $90,000. New construction prices for single-family homes typically range from around $200,000 to $265,000 and up, depending on location and the type of construction. Generally, townhouses are about the only homes available in the lower price brackets and single-family homes under $100,000 are increasingly difficult to find.

The strongest areas of sales growth are in the Route 95 corridor and the busy eastern end of the County. However, with the door apparently open for continued growth and urbanization, the Route 66 corridor and the western end of the county appear poised for considerable development, including many new residences and a possible regional mall near Haymarket.

Prince William rental statistics show little price change in recent years, with rents generally ranging from $700 to $1,000 per month for detached homes; $600 to $900 for townhouses; and $600 to $800 for apartment complexes. As in neighboring communities, affordable housing for low-income families continues to be a problem in Prince William.

Prince William's internal growth combined with proximity to the Washington, D.C. and Richmond metropolitan areas, should only serve to expand the housing opportunities.

In Virginia, it is necessary to register to vote only once. For registration sites in Prince William County and information call the Registrar's office at 335-6470.

Real estate and personal property taxes are collected by Prince William County. In addition, the four incorporated towns in the county may assess and collect their own taxes. The cities of Manassas and Manassas Park collect taxes separately from the county.

Real property in Prince William County is taxed at a base rate of $1.36 per $100 of assessed value. Some communities have additional fire and rescue and/or recreation levies. Personal property is taxed at a base rate of $3.70 per $100 of assessed value.

Prince William County levies a tax on tangible personal property used in a trade or business (such as furniture, fixtures, machinery and tools) located in Prince William County on January 1st. A return must be filed with the Assessments Office on or before April 5th. Businesses must report their personal property and/or equipment, stating the date of purchase for each item and original purchase price. For further information, call 792-7427.

Prince William residents are aware of their personal responsibility for protecting, preserving and enhancing the beauty of the county. Recycling is a way of life, saving taxpayers' money, precious landfill space, resources and energy.

Adopt-a-Highway, Adopt-a-Spot and Adopt-a-Stream are litter control programs in Prince William County that give citizens and organizations the opportunity to play an active part in helping to clean up litter and promote recycling.

Potomac Hospital is a 153-bed, acute-care facility with a medical staff of approximately 170 physicians representing over 30 different medical specialties. Potomac Physician Line is a free referral service available to the community (670-1502).

Prince William Hospital is a private nonprofit community hospital accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. Established in 1964, the 170-bed hospital has grown to include a six-bed intensive-care unit, a five-bed cardiac-care unit, a stepdown telemetry unit, medical-surgical units, inpatient and outpatient surgery, oncology and pediatrics. A free physician referral service is available by calling 369-8198.

Public school policy in Prince William County is set by the county School Board. The School Board holds public meetings during the school year on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 7:15 p.m. in the board meeting room.

Total enrollment in the Prince William Public Schools for 1991-92 was 43,308. Teacher salaries range from $25,387 a year for a bachelor's degree with no experience to $48,019 for a doctorate with 26 years' experience. Forty-two percent of teachers and administrators hold advanced degrees.

Prince William County is a veritable gold mine when it comes to leisure time activities for residents and visitors alike. The 5,000 acre Manassas National Battlefield Park, the 16,000 acre Prince William Forest National Park, and the 400 acre Conway Robinson State Forest, along with the county's own 23 parks, offer opportunities to enjoy the natural resources and scenic beauty of the area. Hiking and picnicking areas are available at many of the parksites at no charge to the public. For more information please contact the Prince William Park Authority (703) 792-6611.

One of the largest outlet malls, Potomac Mills, with over 180 shops, is located in Prince William County. The historic town of Occoquan is four compact blocks of specialty stores and restaurants. There are also many varied shopping malls which feature unique stores and restaurants from which to choose.

If you need any additional information please contact the Prince William County Chamber of Commerce at (703) 590-5000.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Gibb
President

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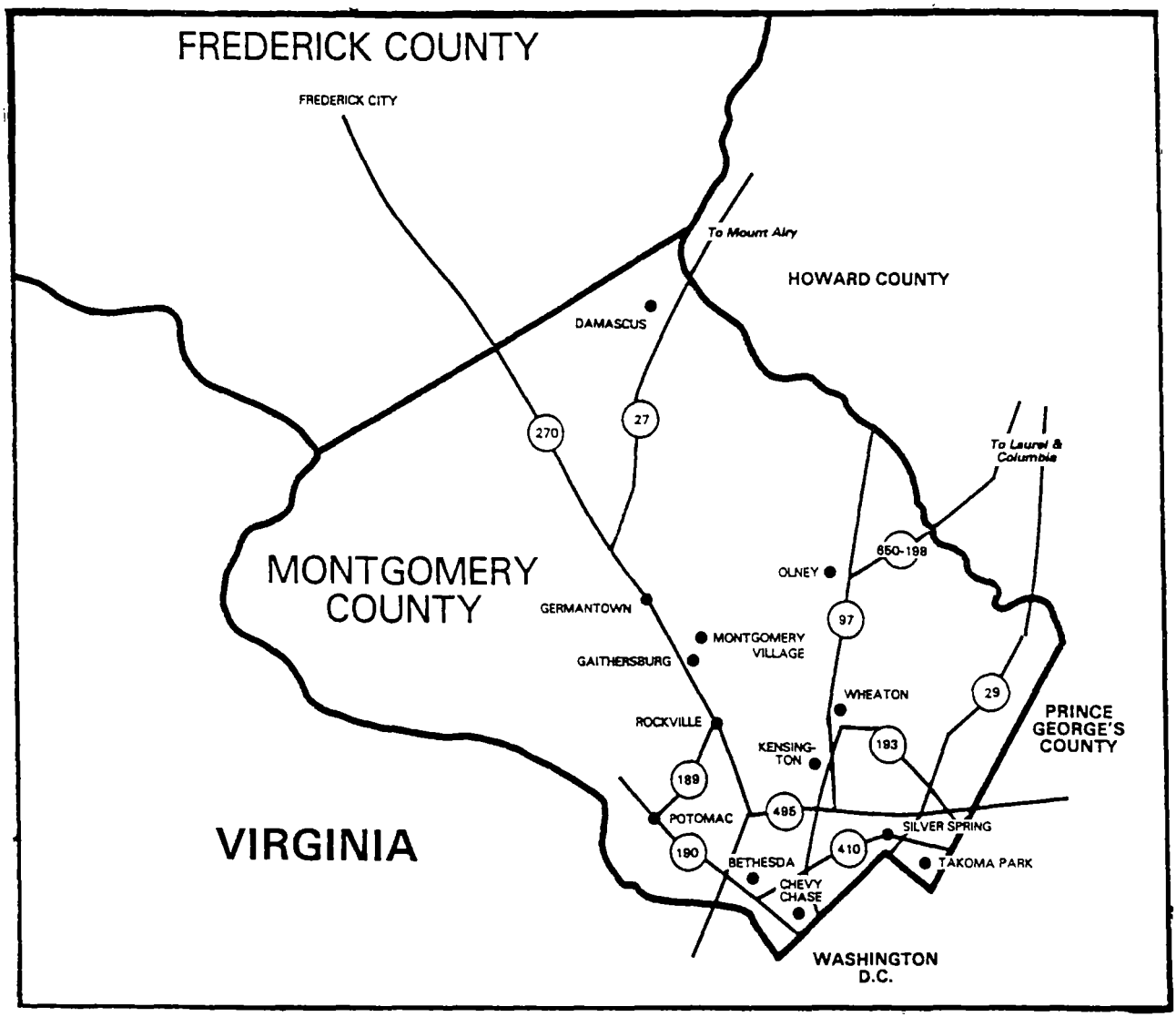
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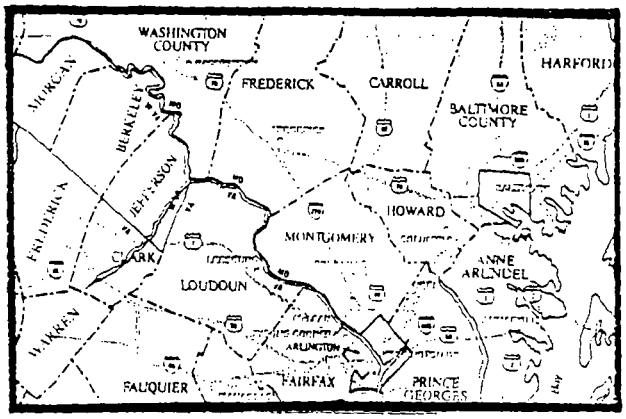

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population	
1980	665,571
1990	757,027
2000 (estimate)	807,800

Population by age group	
Younger than 19	194,300
20 to 34	187,800
35 to 44	129,700
45 to 64	156,100
65 to 74	49,500
75 and older	25,100

Total personal income	
	$23.6 billion*

Per capita income	$31,175
Size of labor force	430,142
Unemployment rate	3.3%

Number of workers and average weekly wage by industry		
Services	146,332	$532
Trade	88,900	$377
Government	77,609	$606
Construction	36,401	$572
FIRE	31,140	$568
Transportation/communications/ utilities	11,674	$695
Manufacturing	19,530	$627

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

Existing office space ..... 38.6 million square feet

Largest projects under development

Washingtonian Center (Ackerman & Company), 5.5 million square feet

Tower Oaks (Tower Companies), 2.5 million square feet

Kentlands (Joseph Alfandre Company), 2.2 million square feet

Silver Triangle (Moor & Associates, Inc.), two million square feet

West-Farm Technology Park (West*Group), two million square feet

Quince Orchard Corporate Park (Quadrangle Development), 1.5 million square feet

Cloverleaf Center (Manekin Corp.), 1.5 million square feet

Shady Grove Life Sciences Center (M.C. Office of Economic Development), two million square feet

Number/value of commercial building permits. 134/$221.3 million

GEOGRAPHY

Square miles 495

Acres of parkland 27,246

ECONOMY

Largest private employers and number of employees

- IBM Corporation 7,800
- Marriott Corporation 5,200
- Giant Food Corporation 4,300
- C&P Telephone Company 4,500
- Vitro Corporation 3,500

Retail sales ..... $6.6 billion*

Number of hotels/rooms 49/6,696

Sales tax 5%

Personal property tax ..... $2.013/$100 assessed value

Real estate property tax ..... $2.013/$100 assessed value

EDUCATION

Number of public schools (elementary, middle, high) 173

Public school enrollment 107,783

Total public school budget ..... $719.2 million

Expenditure per pupil $6,673

Average SAT scores ..... Verbal: 463 Math: 526

High school graduates ..... 94.3% of adult population

College graduates ..... 55% of adult population

Postsecondary school enrollment

- Montgomery College 22,359
- University of Maryland (Shady Grove) 4,629
- Johns Hopkins University 4,100
- Columbia Union College 1,356

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Number of housing permits (sale and rental)

1990	3,232
1991	3,279**

Number of new homes sold

1990	2,681
1991	2,960
Average base price of new single-family house	$126,460
Average base price of new townhouse	$84,700
Average base price of new two-bedroom condo	$86,840

SOURCES: *Montgomery County Office of Economic Development; Residential statistics provided by Housing Data Reports*
FOOTNOTES: *1990 figures, **estimated **DATE:** 1992

HOW HIGH SCHOOLS PERFORMED

Percentages and achievement levels

SCHOOL	READING	MATH	WRITING	DROPOUTS	ATTENDANCE	COLLEGE BOUND	LOW INCOME
Bethesda-Chevy Chase	96.9 S	87.6 S	95.0 S	1.4 S	94.0 S	80.1	11.4
Montgomery Blair	96.9 S	81.0 S	95.9 S	3.5 NM	91.7 NM	70.8	22.6
Winston Churchill	99.5 E	90.7 E	97.7 E	0.3 E	94.6 S	94.0	1.6
Damascus	99.6 E	86.6 S	97.3 E	2.2 S	91.9 NM	68.1	2.5
Albert Einstein	96.6 S	78.0 NM	96.1 E	3.3 NM	90.4 NM	64.1	23.6
Gaithersburg	97.6 E	80.3 S	93.5 S	1.7 S	92.2 NM	71.7	9.4
Walter Johnson	96.7 S	84.2 S	92.1 S	1.6 S	93.7 NM	80.0	4.2
John F. Kennedy	97.6 E	82.6 S	95.2 S	4.1 NM	90.8 NM	67.7	13.1
Col. Zadok Magruder	96.9 S	88.0 S	92.5 S	2.1 S	93.6 NM	75.9	15.8
Richard Montgomery	97.6 E	90.4 E	93.5 S	2.0 S	93.8 NM	77.5	11.1
Paint Branch	99.7 E	84.3 S	97.2 E	1.7 S	93.5 NM	77.5	4.7
Poolesville	97.1 E	83.8 S	91.4 S	1.3 S	94.5 S	58.4	8.0
Quince Orchard	98.8 E	90.5 E	97.7 E	1.2 E	93.8 NM	76.6	5.4
Rock Terrace	NA	NA	NA	0.0 E	94.4 S	NA	30.9
Rockville	98.4 E	86.2 S	95.3 S	2.9 S	92.5 NM	75.5	6.7
Seneca Valley	98.6 E	88.3 S	95.0 S	0.7 E	93.7 NM	68.9	9.5
Sh[illegible]d	97.4 E	84.3 S	92.1 S	2.2 S	93.4 NM	73.1	11.6
Sp[illegible]ook	97.4 E	78.1 NM	95.4 S	4.0 NM	92.8 NM	81.1	14.7
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Thomas S. Wootton	99.2 E	91.4 E	98.2 E	1.7 S	94.9 S	90.8	1.4

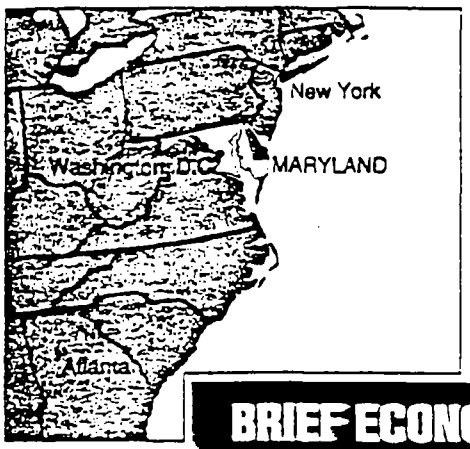
SOURCE: Montgomery County Public Schools

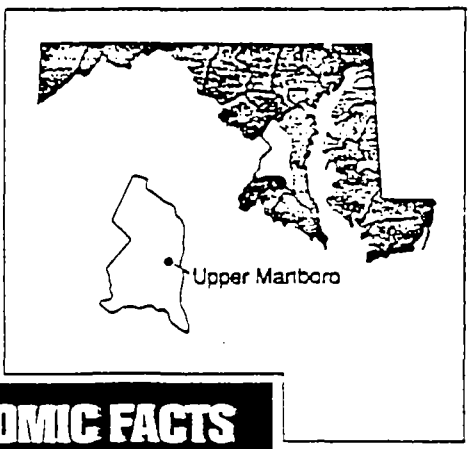
COUNTY-BY-COUNTY PERFORMANCE

COUNTY	READING	MATH	WRITING	DROPOUTS	COLLEGE BOUND	LOW INCOME	PER PUPIL SPENDING
Anne Arundel	97.4 E	81.6 S	89.9 NM	5.0 NM	59.5	11.8	$5,837
Calvert	98.1 E	78.3 NM	94.0 S	2.8 S	48.2	12.9	$5,165
Charles	96.2 S	83.3 S	92.9 S	3.5 NM	50.2	17.1	$5,227
Frederick	97.9 E	87.5 S	96.0 E	1.8 S	58.4	13.0	$5,300
Howard	98.5 E	82.7 S	96.1 E	2.0 S	77.5	5.9	$6,695
Montgomery	98.0 E	84.8 S	94.8 S	2.3 S	75.5	17.0	$7,591
Prince George's	94.5 NM	58.5 NM	92.9 S	3.9 NM	53.9	28.6	$5,803
St. Mary's	98.4 E	77.6 NM	87.0 NM	5.4 NM	38.2	21.3	$5,179

SOURCE: Maryland State Department of Education

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND





BRIEF ECONOMIC FACTS

Prince George's County, in the Maryland suburbs of Washington, D.C., borders Washington, D.C. on the northeast and is 37 miles south of Baltimore. Business is largely clustered in the northern part of the County; as one moves south and east, it becomes more suburban. The southernmost part is rural. The County has both a foreign trade zone and an enterprise zone.

More than 13,135 businesses employ about 236,830 workers; 400 of these businesses have 100 or more workers. Major employers include Goddard Space Flight Center, Andrews Air Force Base, the University of Maryland, Computer Sciences Corp., Arbitron, Biospherics, Digital Equipment, OAO, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, Giant Food and Litton Amecom.

The County's Entrepreneurial Development Program is nationally recognized for its assistance to entrepreneurs and small and minority-owned businesses. The County's office development has brought an influx of professional workers, scientists, and technicians. During the past 8 years, the total amount of office space in Prince George's County has tripled , and the tax base has doubled .

LOCATION

Highway distance from Upper Marlboro

	(in miles)	(in kilometers)
Baltimore	37	60
Boston	429	690
Chicago	690	1,110
New York	233	375
Philadelphia	133	214
Pittsburgh	240	368
Richmond	100	161
Washington, D.C.	19	31

POPULATION

	Prince George's County	Maryland
1980	665,071	4,216,975
1990	729,268	4,781,468
1995*	749,800	4,994,250
2000*	772,400	5,180,975
2010*	840,900	5,524,350

*Projection

Incorporated Towns (1990) include: Bladensburg, 8,064; Bowie, 37,589; Cheverly, 6,023; College Park, 21,927; District Heights, 6,704; Greenbelt, 21,096; Hyattsville, 13,864; Laurel, 19,438; Mount Rainier, 7,954; New Carrollton, 12,007; Seat Pleasant, 5,359; Upper Marlboro, 745.

U.S. Bureau of the Census, April 1, 1990
Maryland Office of Planning

POPULATION DISTRIBUTION

	Male		Female		Total	
Age	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Under 5	28,479	8.1	26,930	7.2	55,409	7.6
5-19	74,879	21.2	72,301	19.2	147,180	20.2
20-44	165,387	46.8	177,378	47.2	342,765	47.0
45-64	64,682	18.3	68,889	18.3	133,571	18.3
65 and over	19,996	5.6	30,347	8.1	50,343	6.9
Total	353,423	100.0	375,845	100.0	729,268	100.0

U.S. Bureau of the Census, April 1, 1990 (released by the Maryland Office of Planning)

October, 1991

INCOME

Effective Buying Income (EBI)—Dec. 1989

Distribution — Percent Households

	Prince George's County	Maryland	U.S.
$ 0- 9,999	6.3	11.1	17.7
10,000-19,999	11.3	15.2	21.1
20,000-34,999	23.0	23.4	25.9
35,000-49,999	20.4	19.3	16.7
50,000 and over	39.0	18.7	18.6
Median Household	$41,370	$35,185	$25,976
Average Household	$49,167	$43,555	$35,179
Per Capita	$17,620	$15,920	$13,158
Total EBI (Millions)	$12,552.3	$75,101.9	$3,287,489.3

Effective Buying Income-Is personal income less personal tax and nontax payments. It is commonly known as "disposable personal income."

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TAXES

Fiscal 1992

	Prince George's County	Maryland
Effective Tax Rate	**$0.992**	**$0.084**
Tax Rate Per $100	$2.48*	$0.21
Assessment Ratio For New Manufacturers		
Real Property	40.0%	40.0%
Machinery, tools and equipment	Exempt	Exempt
Manufacturer's inventories	Exempt	Exempt
Warehousing inventories	Exempt	Exempt

Note: Enterprise-zone incentives are available.
Maryland does not impose a State personal property tax on business.
*In addition, there are special area taxes such as fire, park and planning, sanitary commission, metropolitan district, etc., which vary from one location to another.

LABOR

Civilian Labor Force and Unemployment Rate

	Prince George's County
Civilian Labor Force	
1990 average	421,642
Unemployment Rate	
1990 average	3.9%

Note: While the figures above are restricted to the County, the labor drawing area is enlarged to include Prince George's County plus portions of Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Howard, and Montgomery Counties and a large part of the remaining Washington, D.C. MSA.

Estimated Labor Potential

		Prince George's County
1. 1990 average unemployment		16,596
2. Underemployment		6,200
3. Public high school graduates expected to enter the labor force		4,900
4. Residents commuting outside the county to work		181,927
5. Residents planning to enter the labor force	male	6,000
	female	11,200
Total		226,823

TRANSPORTATION

Highways: I-95, I-495, U.S. 1, I-595, U.S. 301, and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

Rail: CSX Transportation, Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail), Amtrak Metroliner (passenger service from D.C. to New York with intermediate stops, including the Capital Beltway Station in the County), and MARC (the Maryland Rail Commuter line with stops between Baltimore and Washington, D.C.).

Metro: Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). Rapid rail system serving Washington and nearby suburban areas.

Truck: More than 90 freight lines serve the County. Most of the County lies within the Washington Commercial Zone as defined by the I.C.C.

Water: Served by the Port of Baltimore, 50' channel; 2nd largest U.S. port in automobile imports/exports.

Air: Served by Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI), which operates a door-to-door limousine service to the county through its Greenbelt limousine terminal. Dulles International (IAD) and Washington National (DCA) Airports also serve the County.

UTILITIES

Electricity: Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, Potomac Electric Power Company, and Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Gas: Natural gas is supplied by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company and Maryland National Gas Company.

Water and Sewer: Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

Telecommunications: Major suppliers include Bell Atlantic's C&P Telephone Co., AT&T, MCI, Comsat, and U.S. Sprint.

LIFESTYLE

Climate

Yearly Precipitation (Inches)	42.73
Yearly Snowfall (Inches)	17.4
Summer Temperature (°F)	75.3
Winter Temperature (°F)	35.8
Duration of Freeze-Free Period	175 days

Maryland State Office of Climatology
Data is based on 30 year averages.

General Information

County Seat - Upper Marlboro
Government - Charter form of government. County Executive and nine County Council members elected for four-year terms.
Elevation - sea level to 365 feet.
Land Area - 487 square miles

Recreation

Prince George's County offers a diversity of leisure-time options for both participants and spectators. Its park system includes 16,000 acres of parkland and extensive leisure-service programs provided by the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission; these services include: 33 community centers; 22 recreational buildings; 7 swimming pools; 2 ice rinks; 4 golf courses; 1 miniature golf course; a trap and skeet range; an equestrian center; an airport; a marina; a performing arts center and cultural arts center; and a gymnastics center.

The County also has many independently operated recreational facilities. Sports spectators enjoy events at the region's universities (especially the University of Maryland); at the Capital Centre (Washington Capitals and Bullets); and at the County's race tracks -- Freestate, Laurel, and Rosecroft.

In many towns, there are landmarks and historic sites testifying to growth and progress spanning 3 centuries. In addition, the recreational and cultural richness of the Nation's Capital is just across the County line including the Smithsonian Museum, Kennedy Center, National Art Gallery and Ford Theater.

INCENTIVES

Industrial Property

The County currently offers over 2,700 acres of developable industrial property located in industrial park settings. Many park settings offer a variety of office buildings and industrial facilities. More sites are available for heavier manufacturing or distribution operations. Major transportation routes such as the I-95 beltway, the Balto-Washington Parkway, US 50 and other major arterials provide easy access to most sites. Railroad access (such as CSX, Amtrak, and the Washington Metropolitan Metro trains) is available to ship cargo and provide transportation for employees. The total inventory is currently estimated at over 21 million sq. ft. Of the 1.8 million sq. ft. of space added in 1990, 37% was absorbed. Some 40 projects have been designated "Priority Projects" which entitles them to expedited permit processing.

Financing

Maryland's financial-assistance programs provide new and expanding businesses with a comprehensive array of financing alternatives including insurance for working capital loans and for long-term financing of fixed assets. Insured financing can mean greater leverage and lower financing costs. In addition, Maryland offers small business surety-bond financing, equity financing for franchises, and export financing for pre-export working capital and for shipments.

Employee Training

Maryland's training programs assist in providing new and expanding businesses with the skilled manpower they need to operate profitably. The programs offer funding assistance for short-term training which is usually conducted during the pre-employment, start-up phase of operations. Program design is flexible and tailored to meet the needs of the company. These programs will assist in recruiting personnel and will screen applicants for the skills and aptitudes that the company specifies.

Foreign Trade Zone

A special interest to firms engaged in import/export activity is the Prince George's County Foreign Trade Zone. The Zone comprises 35 acres within a 1,280 acre planned employment center and is available on a lease or build-to-suit basis for prospective tenants.

Enterprise Zone

A 70-acre site in Capitol Heights is a State enterprise zone. The benefits of locating in an enterprise zone include both potential property-tax and state income-tax credits for eligible new or expanding firms.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTACT

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TDD/TTY (410) 333-6926

County:
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Landover, Maryland 20785
Telephone: (301) 386-5600
Fax: (301) 386-5607

EMPLOYMENT

Industry	1989 Employment	Percentage	Weekly Wage
Federal Government	24,137	8.7	$619
State Government	12,848	4.7	531
Local Government	25,003	9.1	566
Private Employment	213,934	77.5	433
Construction	26,635	9.0	520
Manufacturing	11,953	4.3	574
Durable Goods	5,573	2.0	585
Nondurable Goods	6,380	2.3	564
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	16,954	6.1	561
Wholesale and Retail Trade	81,638	29.6	365
Wholesale	14,828	5.4	597
Retail	66,810	24.2	314
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	13,399	4.9	444
Services & Other	63,355	23.0	419
Total	275,922	100.0	$466

Maryland Department of Economic and Employment Development

Wage Rates: * Sept. 1990 / March 1991

	Average Hourly Wage	Minimum Starting Wage
Accounting clerk	$7.10	$5.25
Accounting clerk, senior	10.74	7.95
Assembler, trainee	8.61	7.47
Computer programmer	13.27	11.17
Computer operator	10.96	7.95
Drafter	12.85	7.75
Electrician	13.83	12.90
Electronics technician	15.05	8.75
Shipping/receiving clerk	10.42	5.25
Secretary	11.57	7.85
Forklift operator	12.90	6.25

* *Area Wage Survey, D.C. - MD - VA. Metropolitan Area, March, 1991*, U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; and *1990 Maryland Wage and Salary Survey*, Maryland Manufacturers Association.

SELECTED INDUSTRIES

Firm	Product	Employment
Amecom Division-Litton Industries	Communications equipment	1,150
Andrews Air Force Base	Home of Air Force One	6,727
Arbitron Co.-Div. of Control Data Corp.	Audience research-broadcasting industry	1,275
Beltsville Agricultural Research Center & Lab.	Agricultural research-U.S. Gov't.	1,700
Capital Centre	Entertainment/sports complex	400
Citizens Bank	Financial service	500
Mario Furniture	Furniture retail	800
Computer Sciences Corp.	Computer systems & software	3,000
Digital Equipment	Data processing equip.	3,750
Giant Food, Inc.	Retail grocery	6,376
Greenhorne & O'Mara	Engrs./land planning	600
Harry Diamond Labs	Research & development	2,100
Goddard Space Flight Center	Space satellites & rocket systems	3,873
Bendix	Field engineering service	500
Hechinger Co.	Retail hardware & home repair	500
OAO Corp.	Space systems/computer software	400
Safeway Stores, Inc.	Retail grocery	2,820
United Parcel Service	Package delivery	2,606
U.S. Bureau of the Census	Economic/demographic surveys	4,582
University of Maryland	State university	9,440
Encore Marketing International	Marketing travel	700

EDUCATION

Public Schools
Number: 117 Elementary
44 Secondary
11 Middle/Combined

Enrollment:
108,868 (1990-91)

Cost/Pupil:
$5,471 (1989-90)

Staff/1,000 students:
67 (1990-91)

Nonpublic Schools
Number: 103

18,192 (1990-91)

Science and Technology Education
A specialized instructional course for high school students is offered at the Eleanor Roosevelt High School in Greenbelt and at the Oxon Hill Senior High School. Special programs are available at the Howard S. Owens Science Center and the Challenger Learning Center, both located in Lanham.

Vocational Education
Five vocational-technical schools and all 22 senior high schools in the County offer career vocational education.

Higher Education
The University of Maryland in College Park (enrollment of 34,837) is one of the 10 largest campuses in the U.S. Prince George's Community College in Largo -- a two-year college -- has an enrollment of 13,100. Bowie State University -- a four-year college -- has 4,200 students. Capitol College, a four-year institution in Beltsville, has an enrollment of 750.

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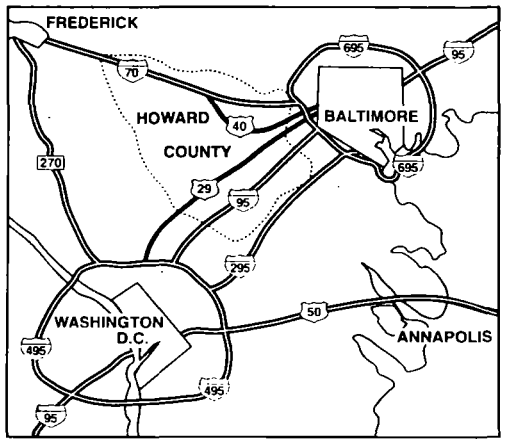

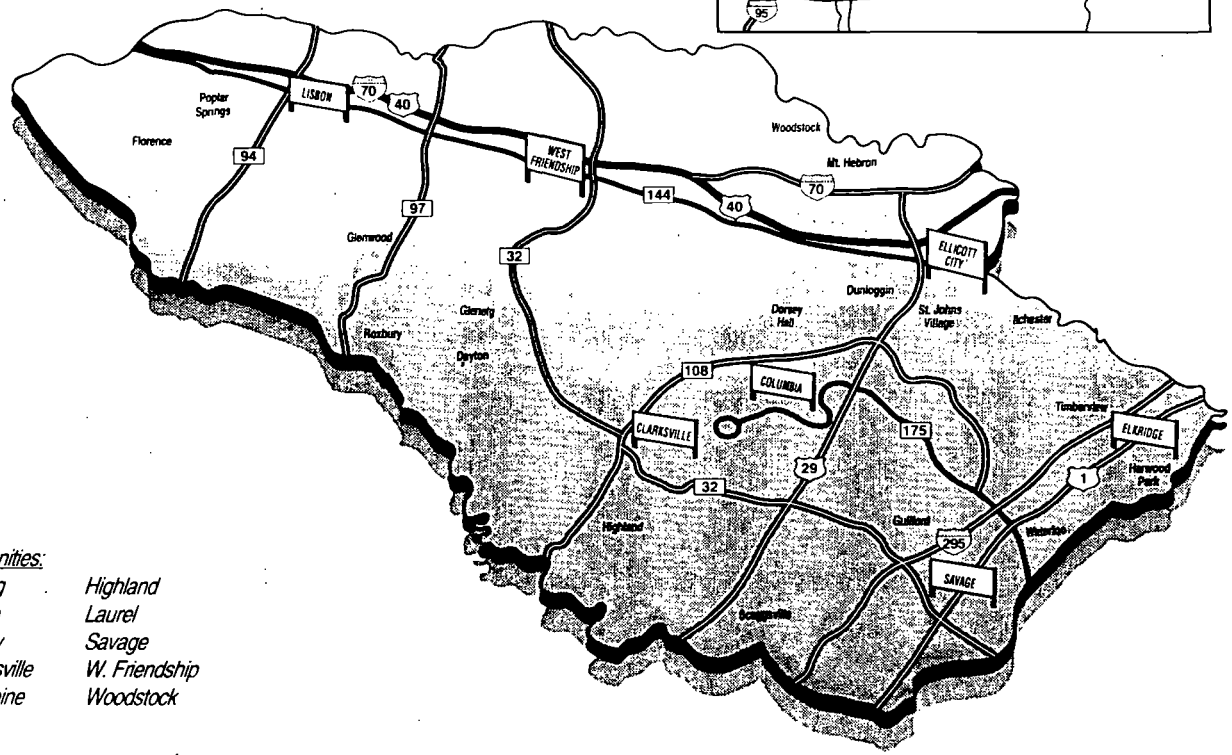

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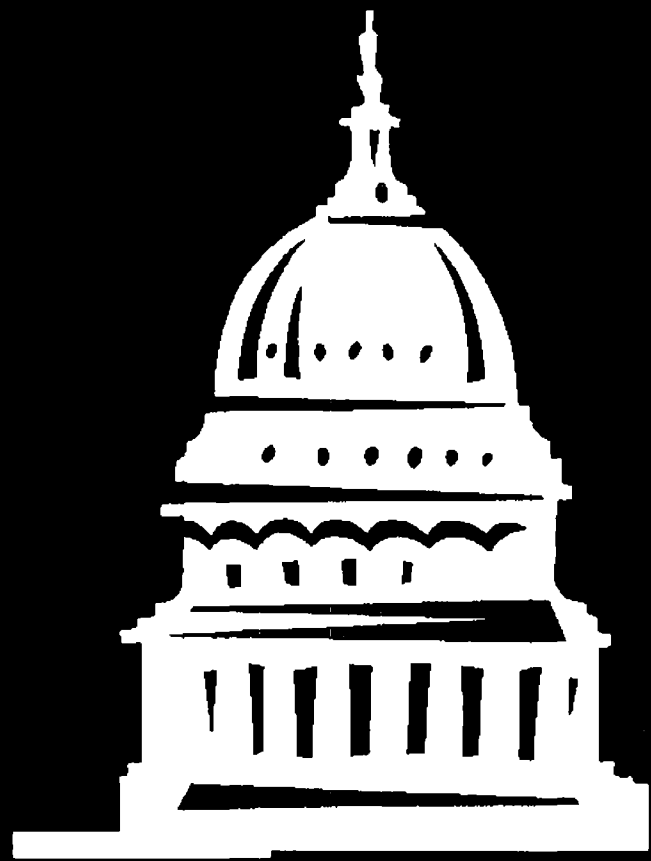

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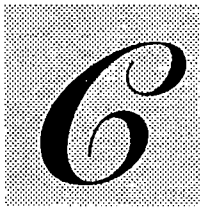

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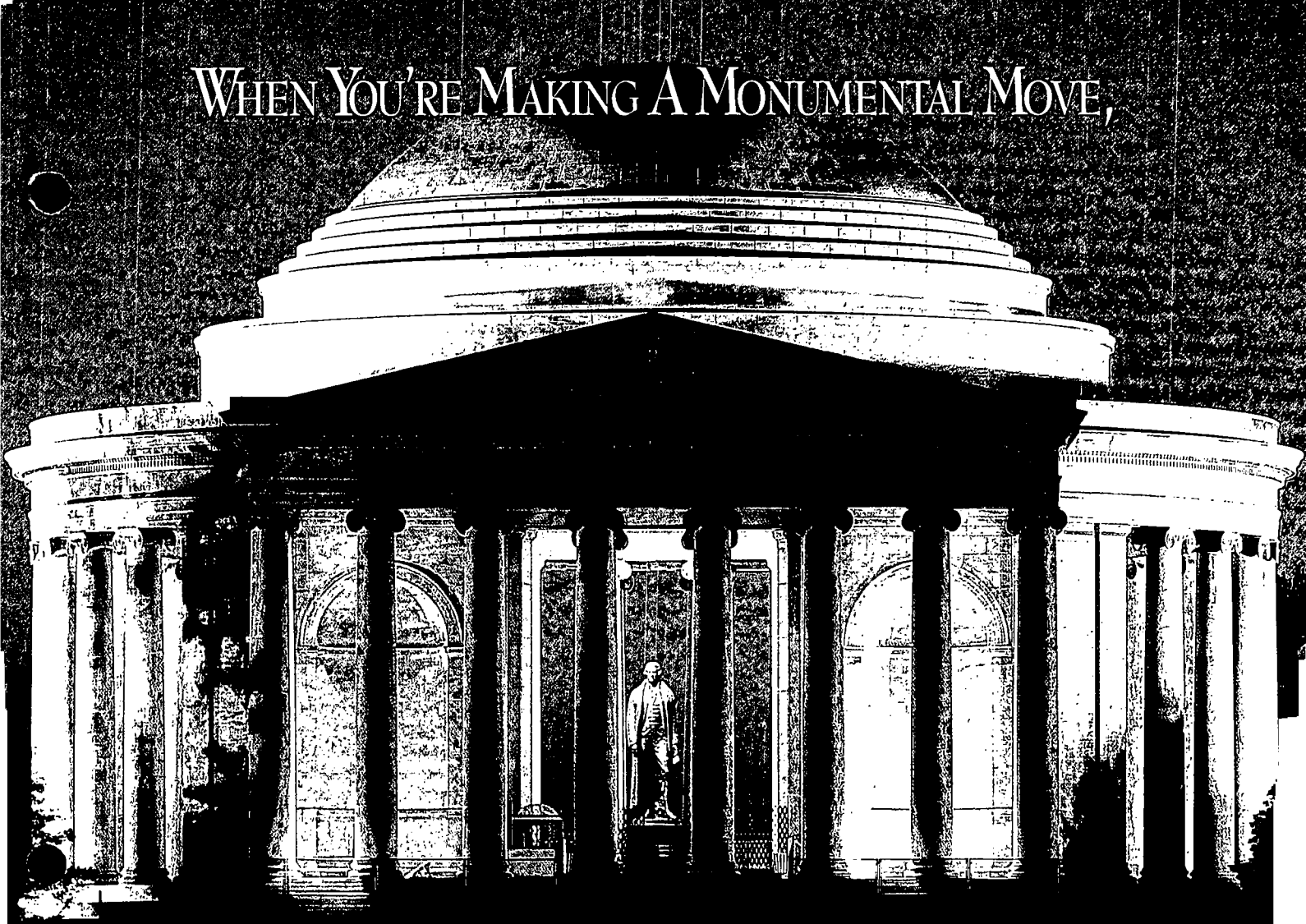

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