

**Town of Arlington
Community Development Block Grant
Mid-Year Report
February 6, 2019**

CDBG Subrecipients are working hard to serve the people of Arlington. At just over halfway through the 2018-2019 grant year, all CDBG subrecipients have made real progress achieving their anticipated outcomes. These accomplishments are outlined below.

Through the public service programs, over 2,000 people have been served since July 1, 2018. With just over half of the fiscal year over, the Arlington Boys and Girls Club, Operation Success, the Council on Aging's Volunteer Coordinator, and Fidelity House have already met or exceeded their anticipated outcome goals. Six additional subrecipients are more than halfway to their goal, and one subrecipient is just under halfway to their goal of the number of people they anticipated serving this grant year.

This year's public facilities and improvements grantees are also making great progress: the DPW and their contractors have installed a total of 140 ADA-compliant curb cuts: 85 in the areas of Lowell Street, Eastern Avenue, and Victoria Road and, in addition to the annual work, 55 curb cuts were installed in the Sunnyside neighborhood.

In past years, CDBG funds supported Food Link's public service programming. For years Food Link has been growing; this year the organization purchased a building to better serve the community and run their programs. This fall, with the help of CDBG, Food Link purchased 108 Summer Street for their new operations facility. This new building will continue to allow Food Link to deliver food to the many Arlington organizations that benefit from the hard work of so many volunteers including: Arlington Boys and Girls Club, Arlington EATS, the Arlington Food Pantry, the Senior Center, the Arlington Housing Authority including Chestnut Manor, Cusack Terrace, Drake Village, and Menotomy Manor, Eliot Community Human Services – YAVP, Fidelity House, Neighbors Eating All Together (NEAT), Thompson School, and the Wayside Youth & Family Supports STEPS.

CDBG also continued to fund affordable housing through two subrecipients: the Housing Corporation of Arlington (HCA) and the Arlington Home Rehabilitation Loan Program. HCA has continued to update their portfolio of affordable rental housing by completing capital improvements on five units, nearly to their goal of updating six units. The Arlington Home Rehabilitation Loan Program completed work on one home and is in the process of working with two additional, eligible homeowners. While there has been a slight increase in interest in the program, three completed projects would be one-quarter of their goal of twelve households.

The work to create ADA-compliant trails at Spy Pond is currently out to bid. The work is expected to begin in March 2019 and be completed by June 2019. Plans and construction documents for ADA-complaint pathways and overlooks have been created.

Envision Arlington's annual survey is again mostly digital with some paper copies available at the Robbins Library and the Senior Center. As of early February, and with another month to go, Envision Arlington has already received 3,300 surveys, one thousand surveys more than were received last year.

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TOWN OF ARLINGTON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
MID-YEAR PROGRESS REPORT, FISCAL YEAR 2019

CDBG Program Activity	Organization/Department	Total Anticipated	Total Served to Date
REHABILITATION/ HOUSING			
Affordable Housing Capital Improvements	Housing Corporation of Arlington	6 Units	5 Units
Arlington Home Improvement Loan Program	Weatherization and Housing Rehabilitation Office	12 Households	1 Household
PUBLIC SERVICES			
Summer Scholarships	Arlington Boys and Girls Club	52 People	64 People
Jobs, Jobs, Jobs Program	Arlington Boys and Girls Club	8 People	6 People
Athletic Fee Scholarships	Arlington High School	30 People	24 People
Operation Success Learning Center	Arlington Housing Authority	20 People	28 People
Mental Health Services for Youth and Families	Arlington Youth Counseling Center (AYCC)	15 People	8 People
Adult Day Health Services/Scholarships	Council on Aging	28 People	19 People
Transportation Enterprise Fund	Council on Aging	265 People	168 People
Volunteer Coordinator	Council on Aging	495 People	1633 People
Jobs, Jobs, Jobs Program	Fidelity House	4 People	6 People
Menotomy Manor Outreach Program	Fidelity House	100 People	99 People
Program Scholarships	Recreation Department	60 People	26 People
Sub-total		1077 People	2081 People
PUBLIC FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS			
ADA-Compliant Spy Pond Trails	Conservation Commission+ Planning and Community Development Department	1 Trail	0 Trails
Curb Cut Ramp Project	Arlington Commission on Disability	50 Curb Cuts	85 Curb Cuts
ADA-Compliant Curb Cut Ramps+Sidewalk	Arlington Department of Public Works	50 Curb Cuts	55 Curb Cuts
Acquisition of Operations Location	Food Link, Inc.	1 Building	1 Building
PLANNING			
Planners	Planning and Community Development Department	Exempt	
Planning Studies	Planning and Community Development Department	Exempt	
Annual Town Survey 2018	Envision Arlington	Exempt	
ADMINISTRATION			
Grants Administrator (salary + benefits)	Planning and Community Development Department	Exempt	
General Administration	Planning and Community Development Department	Exempt	

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