



Fiscal Affairs Advisory Commission
Report to the County Board

FY 2022 Proposed Budget

Budget Area:	Fire Department
FAAC Reviewers:	Brian Sigriz, Thelma Askey, Lauren Harris, Chanda Choun
Date of FAAC Action:	3/18/2021

FAAC Opinion

The current Budget proposal reflects the discipline and fiscal restraint traditionally demonstrated by Fire Department leadership. It also reflects responsiveness to new priorities such as Kelly Day implementation and renewed attention to diversity and inclusion efforts.

FAAC Recommendation #1			
The FAAC recommends that the County Board adopt the current budget proposal for the Fire Department			
Vote	Yes: 10	No: 0	Abstain: 0
Comments			

Future Considerations

FAAC supports the continued funding and implementation of the Kelly Day schedule. Should funds become available, FAAC would support filling frozen positions. However, the department should evaluate whether certain functions can be better performed by civilian as opposed to uniformed personnel. Both efforts should help with overtime expenses and reduce diversion to other emergency management efforts (911 calls). FAAC will continue to evaluate the diversity and inclusion efforts already pursued by the Fire Department over the past several years and renewed efforts on data collection and analysis. FAAC supports efforts to recruit from applicants residing in Arlington County.