

Volunteer Fairfax helps to build a stronger community through service. As a respected leader of local volunteerism for more than 33 years, Volunteer Fairfax connects individuals, youth, seniors, families and corporations to opportunities in the Fairfax County area.

2007-08: Full Speed Ahead!

Volunteer Fairfax spent the year focused on expanding the reach and visibility of its programs and services as well as building the capacity of the nonprofit sector.

Volunteer Fairfax promoted volunteerism with its monthly radio show on eight Clear Channel stations, and in October 2007, was the focus of a feature article in *The Washington Post*.

In late winter, the center focused on its nonprofit training series and the annual Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards. New award categories for youth and the number of hours served added depth to the ceremony.

As spring flowed into summer, the center's corporate partners geared up for their annual employee volunteer projects. More than 1,200 corporate employees came out to help the nonprofit community during these days of service.

In October, Volunteer Fairfax put together the biggest VolunteerFest® to date, with more than 1,100 volunteers.

As part of VolunteerFest®, the center

collaborated with the Fairfax County Health Department to run a special exercise to practice dispensing antibiotics in response to a bioterrorism attack.

With hints of snow in the air, volunteers stuffed and delivered toy and book-laden backpacks to plant the seeds of volunteerism in more than 2,200 children in four Fairfax County Public Elementary Schools.

As a leading-edge program resource center, the Volunteer Center of NW-Chicago used the center's Alternative Community Service Program (ACS) as a model to start their own.

Thanks to all the corporations, foundations, local governments, nonprofits, volunteers and individual donors who support the work of Volunteer Fairfax and make all these accomplishments possible.

Community Impact

\$1.1 Million in volunteer hours donated to the community through center programs and services.

5,320 individuals and groups that volunteered through a program or service of Volunteer Fairfax.

1,450 individuals and groups honored through 15 years of the Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards.

1,157 volunteers impacted the community at VolunteerFest®.

1,227 corporate volunteers worked with area nonprofits to provide needed services.

60 agencies received grants to hire paid interns through the ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program.

11 sessions on volunteer management and emergency response offered through the Training Series.

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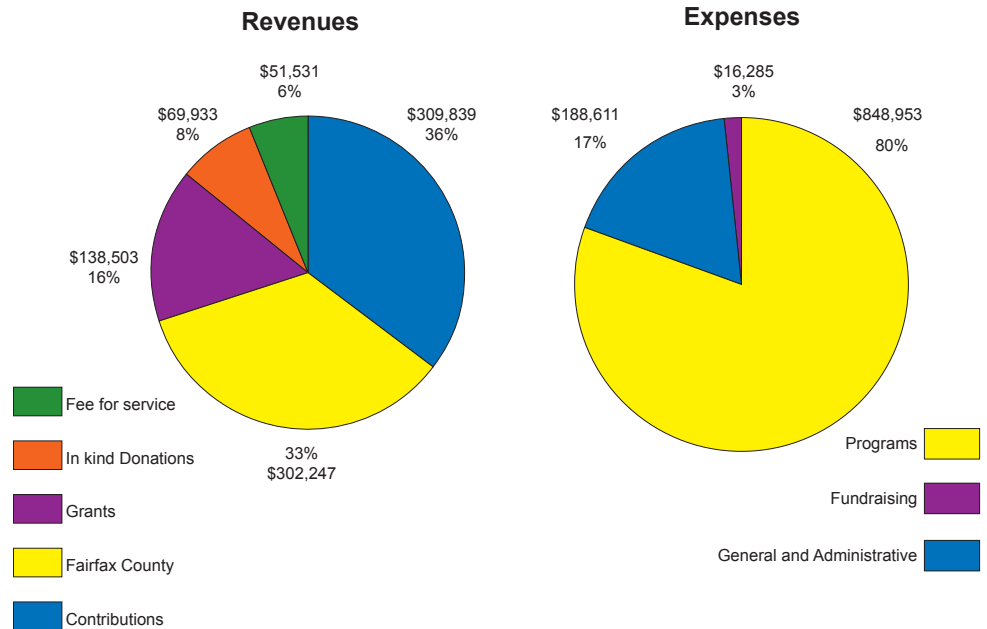
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