APPLICATION FORM

All applications must include the following information. Separate applications must be submitted for each eligible program. **Deadline: June 1, 2016.** Please include this application form with electronic entry.

PROGRAM INFORMATION	
County: Prince William County	
Program Title: Vacancy Impact R	eport
Program Category:	
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Title:Acting County Executive	
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2016 Virginia Association of Counties Achievement Award Submission

Vacancy Impact Reporting

Prince William County is one of the fastest growing communities in the nation. Its annual budget must fund critical needs and services to ensure our Community's continued success. Under the direction of the Board of County Supervisors (BoCS), the budget supports the County's Strategic Vision: Prince William County will be a Community of Choice with a strong, diverse economic base, where individuals and families choose to live and businesses chose to locate. The BoCS must balance competing demands to fund programs and services with residents' and business' desire for low tax rates. Since one of the greatest portions of the budget is the cost of employee salaries and benefits, there is close examination of position vacancies during the budget process.

Two years ago, the BoCS began regularly reviewing the monthly position

Vacancy Report prepared by Human Resource's (HR) Recruitment division. While

the monthly report provided detailed vacancy information such as days vacant and
the status in the hiring cycle, it did not provide an opportunity for departments to
explain impacts to services and programs if a vacant position was eliminated.

Often, departments found themselves in a reactive mode as questions were asked
about the need to fill positions.

In response to the need for timely information on the impact of eliminating positions, in FY 2016, the Deputy County Executive assembled a cross-functional work team to create a new automated Vacancy Impact Report. The team was comprised of HR, Budget and Department of Information Technology (DoIT) staff. Its goal was to produce a new report to assist the BoCS as they considered impacts of elimination of vacant positions. The result of this collaboration is the Vacancy Impact Report.

This Report provides the BoCS with timely, comprehensive information throughout the budget process. Through our Budget website, citizens can also view the recruitment status of all position vacancies and the impact of eliminations.

The Vacancy Impact Report identifies the department, program, activity, position number, position title, total cost (percentage of general funds and non-general funds), whether the position is in a mandated activity, the total days vacant, the recruitment status and the impact of eliminating the vacancy. The reports are sorted in three ways: Exempt Only Report which represents any position vacancy that BoCS budget guidance has exempted from budget cuts (For FY17 it includes uniformed Public Safety vacancies.) The second report, Mandated Services Only Report includes vacancies that support federal or state mandated County services. The third report, Not Mandated/Not Exempt Only Report lists all remaining

vacancies not exempted by BoCS budget guidance or identified as providing mandated services.

Just in time for the FY 17 budget process, the cross-agency team launched the new automated, streamlined version of the Vacancy Impact Report. Funding sources of every newly budgeted position are imported into a new database maintained by DoIT staff. A new Vacancy Impact tab was added to the same screen department Human Resources Liaisons already use to update their monthly vacancy information (See samples). Departments easily update their vacancy's impact as soon as positions become vacant instead of in a haphazard manner during the annual budget process. This real-time reporting saves hundreds of hours of staff time by eliminating the need to gather, track, edit and verify information manually. As the result of the Recruitment Division's ongoing training throughout all agencies, timely and accurate reports are available upon request.

In FY16, the manual information provided through these reports proved to be instrumental in the deliberations of the BoCS. Vacancy Impact Reports effectively communicated the cost-benefit value of each vacant position. The BoCS is currently reviewing current information as part of their FY17 budget deliberations via new automated Vacancy Impact Reports.

These reports promote general government accountability through the transparency of sharing position vacancy costs and information to the BoCS and

general public. Perhaps the biggest achievement of this innovation is the culture change this reporting has brought to the County. Today, departments clearly understand the need to take timely action to fill position vacancies. From the moment a position becomes vacant, departments are documenting the impact of not filling their position in addition to formalizing coordination with HR to fill the position as quickly and efficiently as possible. Together, we plan, track and report on vacancies' status throughout the hiring cycle. The result is our decision makers always have reliable, quick access to the vacancy information they need year round and citizens have open access to position vacancy information.

2016 Virginia Association of Counties Achievement Award Summary

Like many fast growing communities in the nation, each year, the Prince
William County Board of County Supervisors (BoCS) closely reviews position
vacancies for possible reductions and savings during the budget process. A crossagency team was assembled by the Deputy County Executive in Fiscal 2016 (FY16)
to create a Vacancy Impact Report to assist the BoCS with deliberations about
vacant County positions for possible elimination or to reduce costs.

In FY16, Human Resources Recruitment, Budget and Department of Information Technology staff collaborated and created a Vacancy Impact Report. The report identifies the department, program, activity, position number, position title, total cost, percentage of general funds and non-general funds, whether it is a mandated activity, the total days vacant, the recruitment status and the impact of eliminating the vacancy.

The cross-agency team didn't stop with their success after the FY16 budget adoption, the team created real-time Vacancy Impact reporting capability in time for the FY 17 budget process. Vacancy impacts are now updated by departments as soon as positions become vacant using a desktop tab on the same tool they use to update monthly vacancy recruitment status. Information is now available year-round instead of only during the annual budget process. This real-time reporting

2016 Virginia Association of Counties Achievement Award Overview

A cross- agency team in Prince William Count was assembled by the Deputy County Executive in Fiscal 2016. Their challenge was to create a Vacancy Impact Report to assist the Board of County Supervisors (BoCS) with deliberations about vacant County positions for possible elimination or to reduce costs during budget deliberations. A team comprised of Human Resources, Budget and Department of Information Technology staff collaborated and created a Vacancy Impact Report.

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Vacancy Impact - Exempt Programs

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