



# Arlington County Civic Federation

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**FY2023 Report**  
**Susanne, Chair/POC**

### Report from the Revenues & Expenditures Committee POC, 6-20-2023

I have served as the point of contact (POC) for the ACCF's Revenues & Expenditures Committee for the past 2 years.

By way of explanation as to the purpose of the committee, I refer to this description, found in the Civic Federation Procedures document, which was created via the Board of Directors' resolutions:

<https://www.civfed.org/newContent/general/ACCF%20Procedures%20by%20Board%20Resolution.pdf>

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As POC, I keep the ACCF board, members and R&E abreast of significant matters relating to the county's finances as well as the larger financial environment in which Arlington County operates.

Below is a newsletter article from the R&E Committee published in Jan. 2023:

### **FY2022 Arlington County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**

Section 15.2-2511 of the Code of Virginia requires that all general-purpose local governments publish within six months of the close of each fiscal year a complete set of financial statements presented in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

The financial statements must be audited in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS) by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. On December 16, 2022, Arlington County published its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR, formerly the CAFR) for FY2022 online: <https://www.arlingtonva.us/files/sharedassets/public/budget/documents/accountingreporting-and-control/final-fy22-acfr-12-15-2022-online-version.pdf>

Though the financial statements in the front are audited by an external auditor (Cherry Bekaert), there also is a wealth of unaudited statistical information (covering the last 10 fiscal years) found at the end of the report. Everything from the county's borrowing to expenditures by category to tax revenues by source to the number of county employees by department (and more) is available in one place.

Submitted by Suzanne Sundburg, Chair, ACCF Revenue and Expenditures Committee, contact at [rev.expend.chair@civfed.org](mailto:rev.expend.chair@civfed.org).

As the POC, I raise specific items, including the annual county budget, and ask R&E members for guidance in identifying topics for discussion and review. When R&E members identify topics to pursue, I coordinate these suggestions.



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R&E has produced both reports and resolutions in the past. Changes during 2022–2023 as to how draft resolutions are handled on and off the floor of the chamber created challenges, and R&E produced no resolutions in the current year.

As an example of R&E's committee work products, see the report, resolution and presentation delivered in April 2022:

**Report: Impacts of Rising Real Estate Assessments/Tax Burden on Vulnerable Residents: The Arlington County Manager's FY2023 Proposed Budget Arlington County Civic Federation Revenues & Expenditures Committee April 2022:** <https://www.civfed.org/newContent/2022-04/2022-04%20ACCF%20Rev&ExpComm%20Res%20FY23%20Assessment%20and%20Tax%20Burden%20Report%20on%20Impacts.pdf>

**Report Appendix A:** <https://www.civfed.org/newContent/2022-04/2022-04%20ACCF%20Rev&ExpComm%20Res%20FY23%20Assessment%20and%20Tax%20Burden%20APPENDIX%20A%20County%20Vacancies.pdf>

**Approved Resolution:** <https://www.civfed.org/newContent/2022-04/2022-04%20ACCF%20Rev%26ExpComm%20Res%20FY23%20Assessment%20and%20Tax%20Burden%20APPROVED.pdf>

**Resolution Presentation:** <https://www.civfed.org/newContent/2022-04/2022-04%20ACCF%20Rev&ExpComm%20Res%20FY23%20Assessment%20and%20Tax%20Burden%20PRESENTATION.pdf>

Prior R&E Resolutions can be reviewed here: <https://www.civfed.org/archives/resolutions/>. Prior reports and meeting materials can be reviewed in the Meeting Archives: <https://www.civfed.org/archives/meeting-archive/>.

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