

**City of Alexandria, Virginia
FY 2024 Proposed Operating Budget & CIP
Budget Questions & Answers**

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Question: Would it be possible to get a budget memo for costs to run a similar voucher program for security cameras as done in PG County?

Response:

The program in Prince George's County appears to be in the proposal stage and is being considered by the county board. If approved as written, residents would be eligible to receive \$200 to purchase cameras, such as Ring doorbell cameras, and an additional \$100 to cover any recurring costs. The City of Alexandria Police Department (APD) has reached out to the Prince George's County District 7 Councilmember's Office to gather further details, however, there is no data currently accessible regarding the budget for the program because it is still in the early stages. APD recommends conducting further research once this program is adopted in Prince George's County to provide a comprehensive evaluation of the program including participation rates. There are over 42,000 residential properties in the City excluding apartments, of which approximately half are single family detached or row homes and half are condos. For order of magnitude, a \$20,000 pilot program could serve 67 households using the amounts proposed in Prince George's County, with \$13,333 going to subsidize one-time purchase costs and \$6,667 going to fund ongoing subscription costs.