

The Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural has historically used the national volunteer service rate estimated by The Independent Sector. However, for future reports, the department will use The Independent Sector's rate calculated for the State of Virginia.

The following table details information for each department.

Department	Number of Volunteers	Number of Hours Donated	Hourly Rate	Value of Volunteer Time	Cost of Staff Supervision	Cost of Additional Supplies, Materials & Other Expenses Related to Volunteer Assignments
Community and Human Services	510	20,426	20.93	427,516	725	2,547
Fire	14	3,889	22.67	88,164	0	104,730
Health	197	1,110	21.95	24,365	0	0
Historic Alexandria	316	20,326	21.45	435,993	0	0
Library	NA ¹	7,315	20.93	153,103	0	0
Police	35	6,437	20.93	134,726	0	1,000
Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities	5,210	41,858	20.85	872,740	0	0
Sheriff	256	2,616	20.93	54,753	0	0
				70,994 ²		
Total	6,538	103,977		2,262,353	725	108,277

As noted in previous budget memoranda, most departments utilizing volunteers have a dedicated staff person responsible for recruiting, training and matching volunteers to specific program or operational needs. Last fiscal year, a series of meetings were convened with these individuals to discuss and identify actions needed to enhance the City's overall efforts to recruit, manage and retain volunteers. Staff is in the process of preparing a report with recommendations for the City Manager's review and consideration.

¹ Library staff only tracks the number of hours provided by volunteers and not the number of volunteers providing services.

² This figure represents the value of services provided by Modified Release Program participants detailed by the Sheriff Department to assist Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities and Transportation and Environmental Services with beautification projects and weather related emergency projects.