

Issue Analysis Form



Date: November 15, 2017
Item: FOLAR Funding Request
Lead Department(s): Finance
Contact Person(s): Betsy Drewry

Description and Current Status

The Friends of the Lower Appomattox River (FOLAR) made a request for the FY2018 Budget of \$9,300 which was not funded in the adopted FY2018 budget.

Their funding request is attached.

If the board would like to consider honoring some or all of FOLAR's funding request, the following amounts in the adopted budget are available:

0100-01-001-0100-45600 - BOS County Contributions - \$2,000

There is also funding available in the **General Fund Contingency** 0100-09-401-0917-49199 as follows:

Adopted Contingency:	\$435,732
Used / Transferred to Date:	(170,850)
Uncommitted Contingency	\$264,882

A draft resolution is attached showing approval of full \$9,300 funding request (\$2,000 in County BOS contributions and \$7,300 from General Fund Contingency). The Board may revise according to amount they wish to contribute to FOLAR, if any.

\$2,240.00 was provided to FOLAR by Parks & Recreation in FY2017 from proceeds from the ARRP 5K Trail Run. No other County contributions have been made to FOLAR in past years.

Government Path

Does this require IDA action?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does this require BZA action?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does This require Planning Commission Action?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does this require Board of Supervisors action?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Does this require a public hearing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If so, before what date?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Fiscal Impact Statement

Potential impact is up to \$9,300 from FY2018 budget (\$2,000 in County BOS contributions and \$7,300 from General Fund Contingency).

County Impact

Support of FOLAR and future expectation of County Contribution.

Notes



COUNTY OF PRINCE GEORGE
 P O BOX 68
 PRINCE GEORGE, VA 23875

**FY2018 BUDGET REQUEST
 FOR USE BY OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS**

SUBMIT TO BETSY DREWRY, FINANCE DIRECTOR BY JANUARY 4, 2017
bdrewry@princegeorgecountyva.gov

Requesting Organization:	Friends of the Lower Appomattox River (FOLAR)
Contact:	Wendy austin, Executive Director
Contact Phone #:	804-543-0325 (M)
Contact E-Mail:	contactus@folar-va.org or austinwam@gmail.com

Address:	1964 Wakefield Street, P.O. Box 1808 Peterburg, VA 23805
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Organization's Mission:	FOLAR works in partnership with communities to conserve and protect the Appomattox River for all to enjoy
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FY2018 Budget Request:	\$9,300
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FY2017 Budget Request:	\$9,300
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\$ Difference (FY18 to FY17)	\$ -
% Difference (FY18 to FY17)	0.00%

Explanation of Request Increase/Decrease:	Calculated as \$0.25 per resident of P.G County FOLAR is requesting the same per capital rate from the other five localities along the lower Appomattox River corridor.
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Expected Use of Requested Funds:	For administration and operation expenses that are necessary to continue FOLAR's daily work. Includes program management and marketing work/systems
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Estimated Number of Prince George County Residents benefiting from this organization in 2016	All of the approximately 37, 300 Prince George County residents are impacted by and benefit from protecting and enhancing the Appomattox River.
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Is this budget request part of a Contractual arrangement with your organization? Yes or No	No contract
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If Yes, attach copy of contract

Attach detailed budget documents and other supporting documentation as needed

For County Use ONLY	
FY2017 Award, If Any	
Expenditure Code, If approved	

PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY FY 2018 FUNDING REQUEST Supporting Documentation



FOLAR is a registered 501c3 organization; EIN: 30-0289556 celebrating its 15th year of service to the communities along the lower Appomattox River.

In the coming year, FOLAR will continue a funding campaign to raise another \$500,000+ in support of completion of the 23 mile Appomattox River Trail (ART) using the trail and signage plan developed in 2016 with support from the Cameron Foundation. The master plan includes prioritization of trail sections for development based on use levels and feasibility and provides identification of federal, state, and private funding opportunities for trail development.

USE OF REQUESTED FUNDS: The funding requested from Prince George County will be invested in the administration and operation functions that are necessary to continue FOLAR's daily work toward enhancing the quality of life and increasing the culture of health for individuals and families in Prince George County and surrounding communities.

In Prince George County, FOLAR has worked with the county to privately fund and develop the 65 acre Appomattox Regional Riverside Park on the river with 1.5 miles of trail including fitness trail, picnic pavilions, a canoe/kayak launch, an observation-fishing pier, and restrooms. FOLAR volunteers regularly assist with monitoring and maintaining the area. In 2016, FOLAR collaborated with the Parks & Recreation Department to support the inaugural 5K Trail Run attracting 100 participants.

FOLAR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES: FOLAR organizes streamside restoration projects; park, trail, and water access developments; environmental stewardship and educational programs; and eco-tourism events along the lower Appomattox River that engage residents, visitors, business, and communities to protect and conserve the Appomattox River. Program goals include:

- **Appomattox River Trail System:** Link recreational, cultural and natural features, and historic sites on both sides of the river. In addition to increasing the opportunity for ecologic, health and educational benefits, many studies demonstrate that well maintained waterfronts, parks, and trails increase nearby property values and serve as a catalyst for economic development.
- **Connect People to the River.** Provide learning opportunities to people of all ages. The **FOLAR Environmental Stewardship Scholarship** promotes continuing education by awarding scholarships for any course of study at institutions of higher education to local high school graduates who demonstrate academic achievement and commitment to community service.
- **Monitoring and Protecting Water Quality:**
 - Build and maintain partnerships with local governments and private organizations in order to maximize the benefits communities receive from maintaining a healthy river;
 - Promote citizen participation in river monitoring and train volunteers in water quality monitoring; and
 - Organize regular regional river/corridor cleanup campaigns
- **Promote Tourism and Economic Development:** Increase awareness, use, and appreciation of the river and trails through outstanding recreational events and activities like the annual "Battle or Paddle,, and RiverFest.

FOLAR 2016 Community Impact

SPRING

Virginia General Assembly allocates \$100,000 toward Appomattox River Trail development.

FOLAR Annual Spring Clean-up of eight sites along the River with **200+ volunteers, including Perdue Farms, remove 4,700lbs of trash.**

Inaugural Appomattox River Regional Park 5K with Prince George Parks and Recreation, Virginia Special Olympics, and Riverside Regional Jail has **100+ runners.**

James River Advisory Council honors FOLAR with **Stewards of the River Community Partnership Award.**



2nd Annual FOLAR RiverFest with over 20 partner vendors provides **800+ children and adults with outdoor learning and activities.**

\$100,000 grant from the Cameron Foundation funds the **Trail Master Plan & Signage/Branding Design Plan;** includes community outreach meetings in August and September and numerous regional stakeholder meetings throughout the year.



SUMMER

FOLAR competes in the Hopewell Downtown Partnership's 3rd Annual "Get Your Butts to Broadway" BBQ Competition to raise community awareness, raise funds, and recruit members.

Youth Camps: With Petersburg's Week of Wonder (W.O.W) Camp and Hopewell's Parks and Recreation Department, FOLAR volunteers provide **50+ children with a river experience** to learn about fishing, water quality testing, and the river's ecology.



FALL

Achieves goal of **removing 10,000lbs of trash from the River at organized clean-ups through the year:**



- Fort Lee Soldiers at City Park, Hopewell
- Prince George Appomattox Regional River Park and Petersburg Ferndale Park in Dinwiddie
- Hopewell Youth at Mansion Hills and Bluffs site
- Appomattox Garden Club, Wonder City Garden Club, Keep Hopewell Beautiful, and the City of Hopewell at Ashford Plaza
- Chesapeake Bay Foundation's "Clean the Bay" Day at Hopewell Marina, Weston Manor & City Point
- Hopewell Cogeneration Day of Service at City Park
- James River Advisory Council's 17th Annual James River Regional Clean Up at Petersburg Patton Park

9th Annual "Paddle or Battle" **10 mile kayak race achieves record number of registrants.**

Receives the Cameron Foundation **Handy L. Lindsey, Jr. Award for Excellence in Organizational Management.**

FOLAR Environmental Stewardship Scholarship launched through contribution from the Victor and Reiko Liu charitable fund with the John Randolph Foundation as administrator will provide scholarships to local youth.

Wilderness Inquiry and NPCA return for 3rd "Canoemobile" providing **environmental field trips to 200+ Hopewell students.**



\$63,600 grant from Crater Health District funds **Neighborhood Trail Access** project to provide more opportunities for physical activity.

WINTER

Inaugural "FOLAR Fall Fling" fundraiser and annual meeting **honors retiring long-time Board Chair, Wayne Walton,** along with a record twelve community volunteers and organizations and major financial contributors who have helped advance conservation and stewardship of the Appomattox River. Raises funds to further FOLAR mission. Introduces 2017 Board Officers.

Forward in 2017 with FOLAR

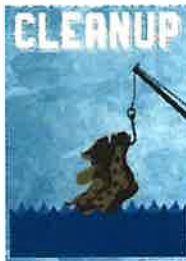
Rolling out the Plan!

Presentations of the Appomattox River Trail Master Plan and Signage Master Plan

Ten months in the making including your input, information from previous and current plans, and of course, walking and observing the beautiful riverside. We'll be scheduling community meetings or contact us to bring the plan to your group or neighborhood. We'll need everyone's involvement to "complete the trail!"



2017 EVENTS on the Appomattox River



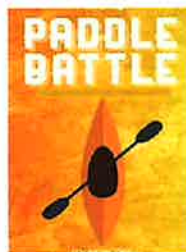
Annual Appomattox River Spring Clean-up – Saturday, March 25, 2017. We'll meet at different sites along the river to restore healthy shorelines by removing litter, debris, and trash.

Appomattox Regional Riverside Park 5K TRAIL RUN – Saturday, April 8th. Prince George County hosts a run through the woods and along the Appomattox River Trail (ART).



RiverFest! on the ART – Saturday, April 29th. A day of family fun to celebrate and learn about our river heritage, nature, and recreation at historic Ferndale Appomattox Riverside Park.

JRAC Annual Regional River Clean-up – Saturday, September 9th. Join the regional clean-up of the James River and its tributaries (Hint: Appomattox River). FOLAR volunteers will meet at sites along the river.



10TH Annual Paddle or Battle the Appomattox River – Saturday, September 30th. A leisurely paddle or race to the finish.

FOLAR FALL FLING – The first one was so much fun we've started planning for 2017!

FOLAR Board Meetings

The FOLAR Board of Directors meets every other month on the last Wednesday of the month to plan projects, mark progress, and chart the future of the organization. If you are interested in helping to guide the development of FOLAR and working to achieve our mission to conserve and protect the Appomattox River for all to enjoy, please join our membership and attend our meetings. Membership information and meeting dates are published at www.folar-va.org and updated on Facebook.



**Friends of the Lower Appomattox River (FOLAR)
Board of Directors, 2017**

Locality	Member
<u>Chesterfield</u>	Heather Barrar, VICE-CHAIR Principal Planner for Chesterfield County P.O. Box 40 9800 Government Center Parkway Chesterfield, VA 23832 804-748-1778/BarrarH@chesterfield.gov
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County of Prince George
Budgeted Contingency FY2018

		Remaining Contingency Available - Running Total
Budgeted Contingency - FY2018 Adopted	\$ 435,732 See page 135 of budget book	
Hold in Reserve for SAFER Local Match or Appropriation to hire additional Part Time EMS Workers	\$ (37,850) Approved 10/10/2017	\$ 397,882
Appropriation / Budget Transfer Human Services HVAC Work	\$ (33,475) Approved 8/8/2017	\$ 364,407
Appropriation / Budget Transfer SRO Grant - Local Match	\$ (12,270) Approved 8/8/2017	\$ 352,137
Amendment / Budget Transfer to Add Communications Officer / Dispatcher	\$ (87,255) Approved 8/8/2017	\$ 264,882
Revised Contingency Budget FY2018	\$ 264,882	
FOLAR Request	\$ (7,300) Considering 11/14/2017	\$ 257,582
Remaining Contingency Available if FOLAR Request Approved	\$ 257,582	

Board of Supervisors
County of Prince George, Virginia

Resolution

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George held in the Boardroom, Third Floor, County Administration Building, 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, Virginia this 14th day of November, 2017:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Vote:</u>
William A. Robertson, Jr., Chairman	
Donald R. Hunter, Vice-Chairman	
Alan R. Carmichael	
Hugh G. Mumford	
T. J. Webb	

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On motion of _____, seconded by _____, which carried unanimously, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION; AUTHORIZATION OF CONTRIBUTION TO FOLAR AND BUDGET TRANSFER FROM CONTINGENCY (\$9,300 FOLAR)

WHEREAS, The Prince George County Board of Supervisors authorizes a County Contribution to the Friends of the Lower Appomattox River (FOLAR) of \$_____ (up to \$9,300) based on their FY2018 funding request to the County; and

WHEREAS sufficient funding exists in the Adopted FY2018 Prince George County budget from:

Board of Supervisors Contributions (0100-01-001-0100-45600) - \$2,000
General Fund Contingency (0100-09-401-0917-49199) - \$7,300

BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George this 14th day of November, 2017, does hereby authorize a contribution to FOLAR in the amount of \$_____ (up to \$9,300), with \$2,000 coming from existing BOS transfer budget and another \$_____ (up to \$7,300) from the General Fund Contingency the following increase of funds and transfers among accounts within the 2017-2018 Budget, such line items increased and changed as follows, which monies to be expended for purposes authorized and approved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George:

<u>FUND/ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Budget Transfer:	
<i>Expenditure – Transfer From / Reduce:</i>	
0100-09-401-0917-49199 General Fund Contingency	\$7,300
<i>Expenditure – Transfer To / Increase:</i>	
0100-01-001-0100-45600 General Fund BOS Contributions	\$7,300

A Copy Teste:

Percy C. Ashcraft
County Administrator