



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of June 13, 2009**

DATE: June 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation Funds

C. M. RECOMMENDATION:

Appropriate \$53,294 from the Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation (101.364501) to the Department of Human Services (101.56402) for implementation of substance abuse prevention programming.

ISSUES: This is a request to accept and appropriate \$53,294 for specified activities. No local match is required and no issues have been identified.

SUMMARY: The Department of Human Services applied for and received a three-year grant from the Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation to implement the Strengthening Families substance abuse prevention program.

BACKGROUND: The Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation awards grants to implement evidence-based substance abuse prevention programs. The Department of Human Services was awarded a grant for fiscal years 2010-2012. The first year of funding will be used to support a part-time substance abuse prevention specialist (\$35,520) to implement the program. This is a limited-term contract position with no benefits. The position will terminate upon expenditure of grant funds. FY10 funding will also be used for training purposes, computer equipment, and program supplies (\$18,404). The Strengthening Families Program runs for seven weeks. Four sessions of the program will be completed in the first year, with added sessions in subsequent years. This evidence-based substance abuse prevention program serves families with youth between the ages of 10 and 14.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. No local match funds are required. All expenditures are covered by grant funds. The grant period runs from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012. This 36-month grant period will impact three County fiscal years:

- 12 months for FY2010 (7/1/09 through 6/30/10) – \$53,294
- 12 months for FY2011 (7/1/10 through 6/30/11) – \$64,349
- 12 months for FY2012 (7/1/11 through 6/30/12) – \$69,957

County Manager: _____

County Attorney: _____

Staff: Tom Wallace, Child & Family Services, DHS