



2025 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025



A Letter from the Executive Director

I am pleased to present the 2025 NOVA Parks Annual Report to the Community. This report is designed to provide a clear and accessible overview of our regional park authority, its financial performance, and the amenities and open spaces we proudly offer to the residents of Northern Virginia.

Our goal is to help readers gain a deeper understanding of NOVA Parks and to reinforce our mission to be *the best of Northern Virginia through nature, history, and great family experiences*. This report also reflects our continued commitment to the communities we serve across our six partner jurisdictions, the NOVA Parks Board of Directors, and the broader region. Through financial and demographic insights, we aim to demonstrate both accountability and our pride in serving this vibrant region.

To learn more about NOVA Parks, explore amenities and offerings, or review detailed financial documents such as the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, please visit novaparks.com.

Justin M. Wilson

Executive Director



ABOUT NOVA PARKS

In the late 1950's, the Northern Virginia Planning District Commission and a group of residents from several local jurisdictions came together to protect Northern Virginia's rich heritage of woods, meadows, lakes and streams from the threat of suburban sprawl. These residents, working with their local governments—Fairfax County, Arlington County and the City of Falls Church—organized under the Virginia Park Authorities Act in 1959 as the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA). They came together to plan, acquire develop and operate a system of regional parks for all Northern Virginians to enjoy.

Today, NOVA Parks (as the organization came to be known in 2014) represents three counties and three cities – Arlington County, Fairfax County, Loudoun County, the City of Alexandria, the City of Falls Church and the City of Fairfax. NOVA Parks staff, volunteer board members appointed from each jurisdiction, and many friends of the regional parks working together have preserved over 12,700 acres of rolling and wooded Virginia countryside and created a priceless legacy for future generations.

Through your regional parks, NOVA Parks provides more than two million residents with some of the finest recreational facilities in the country. By pooling their funds, these local governments find that each dollar they contribute to NOVA Parks is multiplied by contributions from other member jurisdictions and sometimes augmented even more by state and federal grants and private donations. Being a member of NOVA Parks is a sound economic investment.

From a wavepool to nature trails, from golfing to boating, there's a regional park that is just right for you. Come for the day, a weekend or a week. NOVA Parks' regional parks are yours to enjoy!



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NOVA Parks is governed by a 12-member policy-making Board. Each of the six member jurisdictions appoints two representatives to serve on the Board, providing regional guidance and oversight for the organization. Together, they help shape the vision and strategic direction of NOVA Parks.



Michael Nardolilli
Arlington County



Paul Ferguson
Arlington County



Scott Price
City of Alexandria



Sean Kumar
City of Alexandria



Douglas Stewart
City of Fairfax



Mark Chandler
City of Fairfax



Dave Gustafson
City of Falls Church



Paul Baldino
City of Falls Church



Stella Koch
Fairfax County



Patricia Harrison
Fairfax County



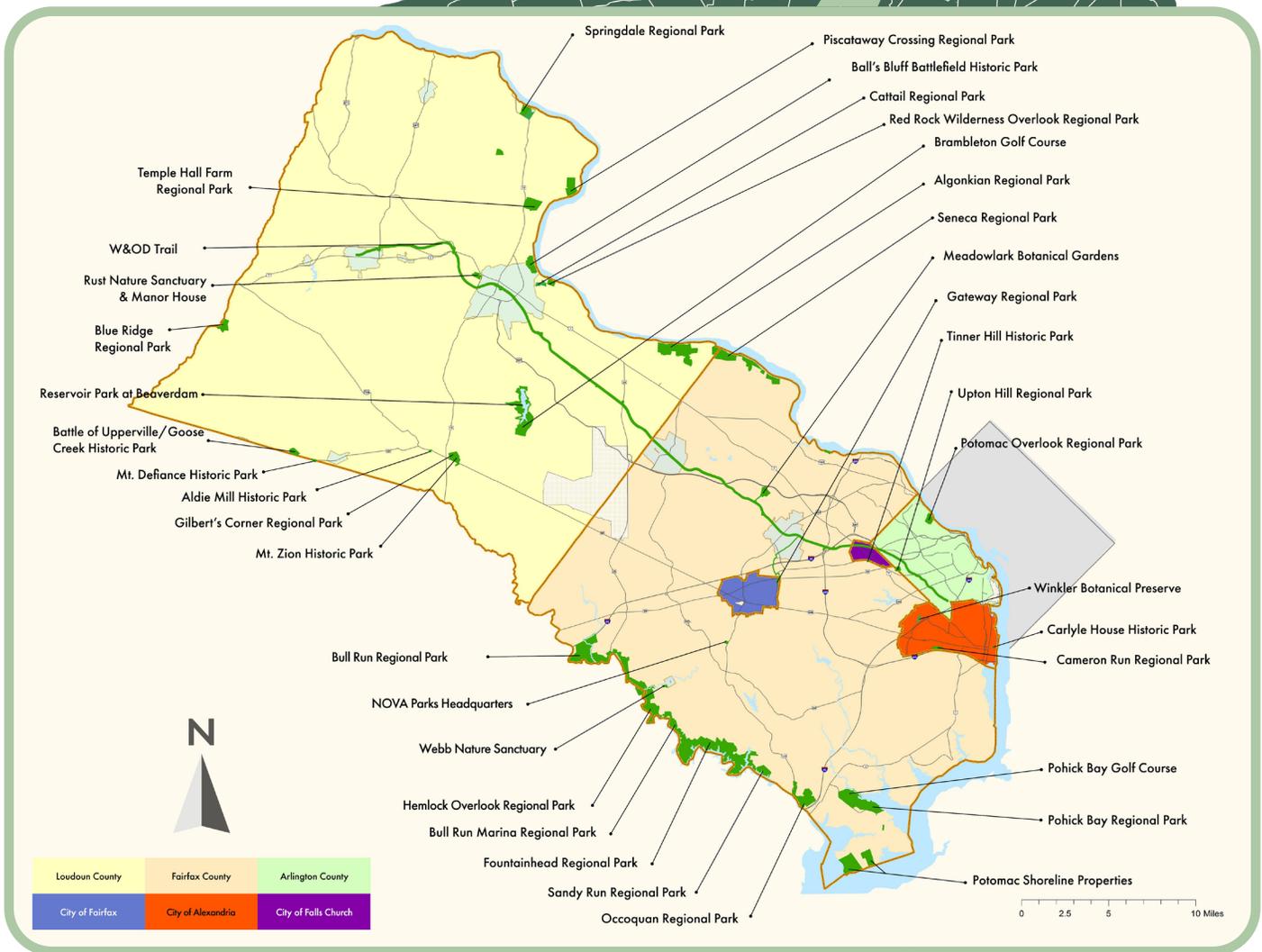
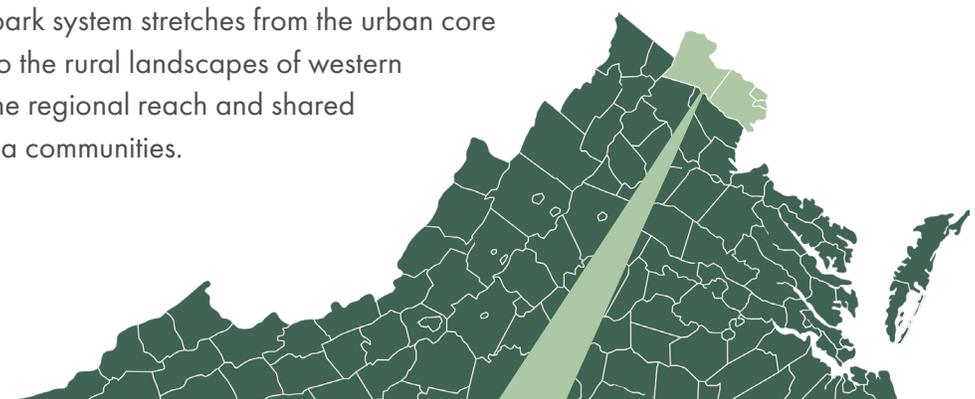
Cate Magennis Wyatt
Loudoun County



James Bonfils
Loudoun County

GEOGRAPHY

NOVA Parks spans six member jurisdictions—Arlington, Fairfax, and Loudoun Counties, and the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church. Together, these areas encompass more than 37 regional parks and over 12,700 acres of protected land. The park system stretches from the urban core of Arlington and Alexandria to the rural landscapes of western Loudoun County, illustrating the regional reach and shared investment of Northern Virginia communities.





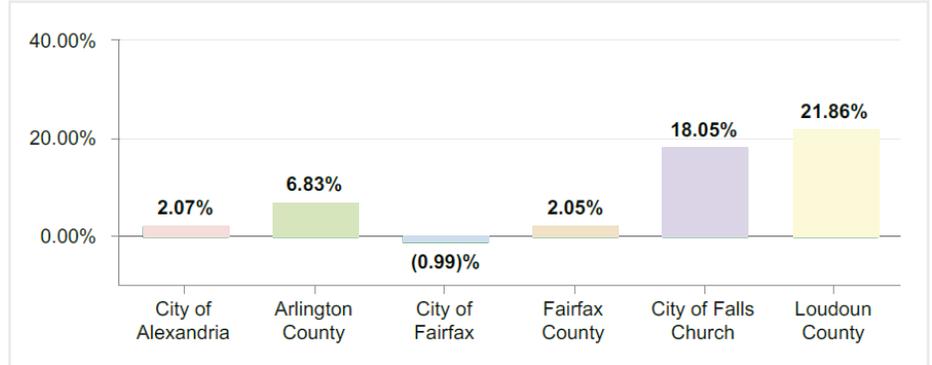
COMMUNITY PROFILE

BY JURISDICTION

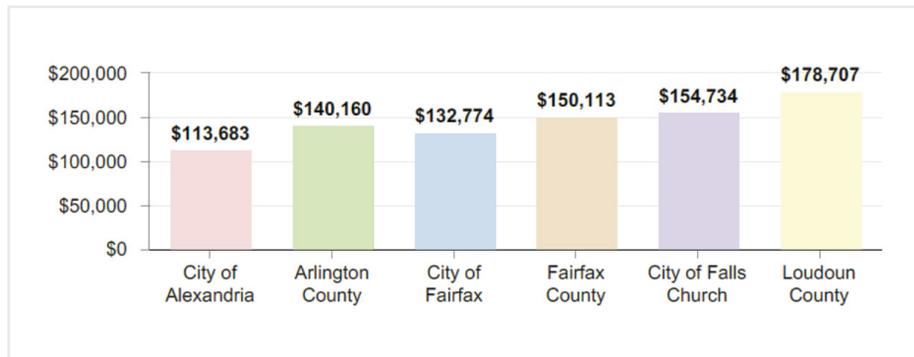
POPULATION

City of Alexandria	159,102
Arlington County	239,807
City of Fairfax	26,340
Fairfax County	1,160,925
City of Falls Church	15,034
Loudoun County	443,380
Total Population	2,044,588

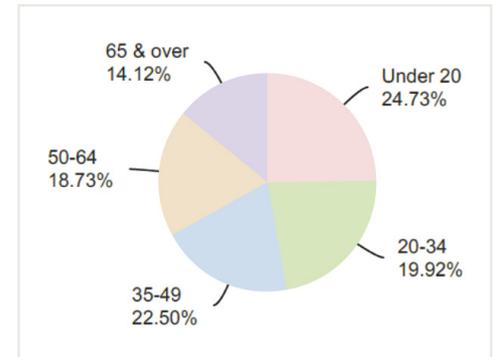
POPULATION GROWTH | YEARS 2014-2024



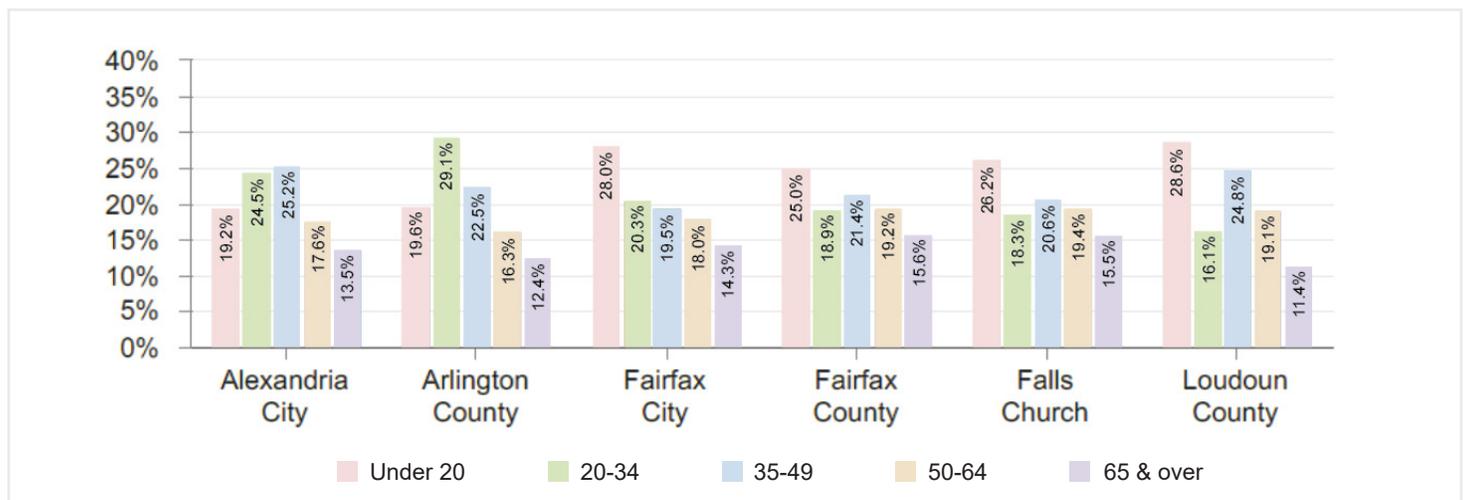
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME



AGE TOTAL



AGE DISTRIBUTION



Population: Annual Estimates of the Resident Population for Incorporated Places in Virginia: April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2024. Published on May 2025 by U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/popest/2020s-total-cities-and-towns.html

Population Growth: July 1, 2024 Population Estimates for Virginia and its Counties and Cities. Published on January 27, 2025 by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, Demographics Research Group, demographics.coopercenter.org

Median Household Income: Ranking by Median Household Income. datacommons.org/ranking/Median_Income_Household/County/

Age Total and Age Distribution: 2023 Population Estimates: Age and Sex (Virginia Localities). Data Source: United States Census Bureau, Population Division. Data Set: 7/1/2023 County Characteristics Resident Population Estimates. Data formatted and posted at demographics.coopercenter.org by the UVA Weldon Cooper Center, Demographics Research Group.

AMENITY HIGHLIGHTS



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Parks with Trails



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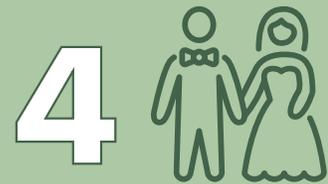
Nature Center



Campgrounds



Ropes Course



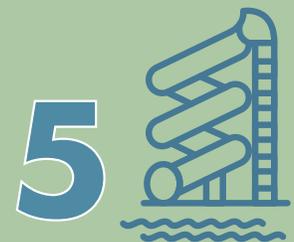
Event Venues



Boat Rental Facilities



1 Working Farm



Waterparks



18-Hole Golf Courses

4 Historic Sites



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Gardens



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Holiday Light Shows

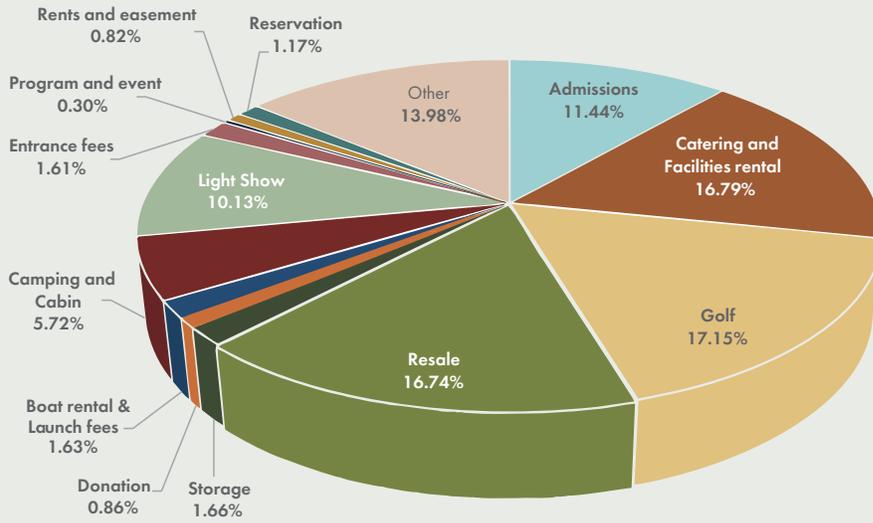


AMENITIES BY REGIONAL PARK

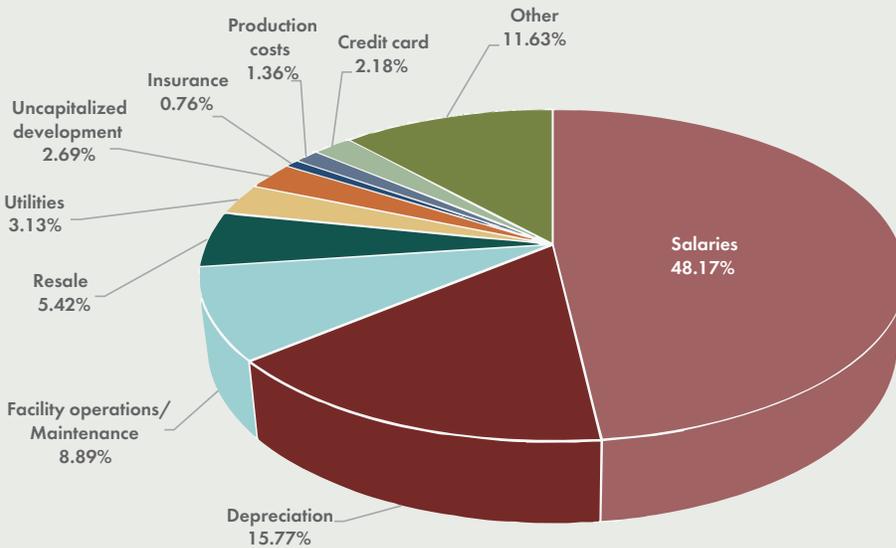
	Aldie Mill	Algonkian	Ball's Bluff	Blue Ridge Park	Brambleton	Bull Run Marina	Bull Run Park	Bull Run Shooting Center	Cameron Run	Carlyle House	Fountainhead	Gateway	Gilbert's Corner	Goose Creek	Hemlock Overlook	Meadowlark Gardens	Mt. Defiance	Mt. Zion	Ocoquan	Piscaway Crossing	Pohick Bay	Potomac Overlook	Red Rock	Reservoir Park	Rust Manor House & Sanctuary	Sandy Run	Tinner Hill	Temple Hall Farm	Upton Hill	W&OD	Webb Sanctuary	Winkler Botanical Preserve		
AMENITIES																																		
18-hole Golf Course/Driving Range		●			●																	●												
Archery/Shooting Facilities & Pro Shop								●																										
Batting Cage									●											●										●				
Boat Launch		●				●				●										●	●	●		●										
Boat Rentals										●										●	●			●										
Boat/RV Storage		●					●													●	●													
Botanical/Display Gardens										●						●							●										●	
Camping-Family & Group				●			●														●													
Crew Practice/Racing		●			●																			●		●								
Disc Golf Course							●															●												
Event/Wedding Venues		●		●					●							●				●				●										
Family Vacation Cabins/Cottages		●					●															●												
Fishing Pier										●														●										
Food/Drink Concessions		●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●					●					●	●			●					●	●				
Historic Battlefield/ Church/Museum	●	●								●			●	●		●	●																	
Holiday Light Show							●	●								●																		
Horse Trails		●	●		●	●				●					●					●	●								●	●	●			
Ice Skating Rink								●																										
Interpretive Farm																														●				
Meeting & Reception Room(s)	●	●							●							●				●	●			●					●					
Mini-Golf Course		●							●													●								●				
Mountain Bike Trails											●																				●			
Nature Center																							●											
Outdoor Learning Center															●																			
Outdoor Pool/ Waterpark/Slide		●					●	●														●								●				
Play Grounds		●					●	●												●	●	●							●	●	●			
Rental Picnic Shelters/ Picnic Areas		●					●	●	●	●	●									●	●	●		●			●	●	●					
Ropes Course															●																●			
Sport Field/Court		●					●	●												●														
Special Events Center							●																											
Visitor's Center																●								●					●					
Walking/Hiking Trails	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	

FUNDING & STAFFING

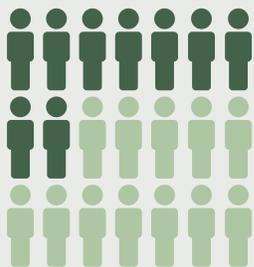
REVENUES FY2024



EXPENSES FY2024



WORKFORCE FY2025



148.00 Full-Time FTEs



197.84 Part-Time FTEs



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