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Woodbridge Does Well in Budget Actions Approved by the BOCS

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA... At their Tuesday meeting, The Board of County Supervisors appended the FY 2012 budget to appropriate carry-over funds. This end of year budgeting exercise appropriated funds to new or existing programs for one time expenses and added \$48 million to county reserves.

The Woodbridge District received significant funding to support several of its programs. “We did very well in the carry-over budget” said Woodbridge District Supervisor, Frank Principi. “In a time where many counties and states are slashing budgets and cutting projects, we are able to maintain and expand our programs.”

The appropriations to the Woodbridge District have extended many of Supervisor Principi’s existing projects. The Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail will receive funding to help connect an 8 mile stretch in Woodbridge from \$2 million allocated for local trails. Another \$7.8 million has been set aside for potential cost overruns during the expansion of the Route 1 corridor.

Further benefits to Woodbridge residents will come from the \$1.2 million designated for the construction of the VRE Kiss and Ride at the Woodbridge VRE Station, and from the \$90,000 intended for a new commuter lot at Tackett’s Mill. Woodbridge Seniors will benefit from the new bus route being established between the Woodbridge Senior Center and doctors’ offices.

The county’s actions come during a time of successful financial management and economic stability. Last month, Prince William County received the AAA bond rating from Standard and Poors. This distinction is shared by only 0.4% of local governments throughout the country.

Principi has held the position of District Supervisor since 2008. His office has been working toward improving transit alternatives, employing smart growth principles, and maintaining the safety and integrity of Woodbridge neighborhoods. For more information about the end of year budget actions or to learn more about the Woodbridge District, contact the Woodbridge District office at 703-792-4646, or visit their website at www.NewWoodbridge.org.

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