

# City of Alexandria, Virginia

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: DECEMBER 7, 2011

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ABI LERNER, P.E. DEPUTY DIRECTOR, T&ES

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM #3 – ALEXANDRIA QUALITY OF LIFE  
COMMUNITY INDICATOR SYSTEM

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**ISSUE:** Consideration of the Alexandria Quality of Life Community Indicator (AQLI) System and Headline Indicators.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Transportation Commission review the draft AQLI System and Headline Indicators, and provide input on the Headline Indicators at its December 7 meeting.

**DISCUSSION:** Over the last year, the City of Alexandria, the Alexandria Community Trust, Virginia Tech, and the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria have been working collaboratively to develop the Alexandria Quality of Life Community Indicator (AQLI) System.

Attached for your review and consideration is the most recent set of indicators for the community indicator system. These indicators have been developed with extensive community input from subject matter experts, commissions, partnerships, and City staff. The indicators listed are intended to describe our community's condition and provide a means to measure progress towards the community's goals.

We are specifically asking for feedback on the headline indicators. This list has already been through intensive vetting, but before it is finalized we ask that you consider the following questions:

- Are there any fatal flaws among the indicators (e.g., something extremely important missing or needing clarification)?
- Do you have any issues, concerns or advice about specific indicators?

Input on the headline indicators is required by December 9, 2011. A draft report of the headline indicators and their data will be released in January 2012. A draft set of supplemental indicators are also included in order for you to better see the full scope of the indicators.

**Attachment 1:** Alexandria Quality of Life Indicators System Table