
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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Budget Bill - HB1700 (Chapter 854)

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Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired

Item 355	First Year - FY2019	Second Year - FY2020
Rehabilitation Assistance Services (45400)	\$13,397,938	\$13,397,938 \$14,082,547
Low Vision Services (45401)	\$441,285	\$441,285
Vocational Rehabilitation Services (45404)	\$8,339,166	\$8,339,166
Community Based Independent Living Services (45407)	\$4,095,980	\$4,095,980 \$4,490,589
Vending Stands, Cafeterias, and Snack Bars (45410)	\$521,507	\$521,507 \$811,507
Fund Sources:		
General	\$1,981,012	\$1,981,012 \$2,375,621
Special	\$504,731	\$504,731 \$794,731
Trust and Agency	\$150,000	\$150,000
Federal Trust	\$10,762,195	\$10,762,195

Authority: § 51.5-1 and Title 51.5, Chapter 1, Code of Virginia; P.L. 93-516 and P.L. 93-112, Federal Code.

A. It is the intent of the General Assembly that visually handicapped persons who have completed vocational training as food service managers through programs operated by the Department be considered for food service management position openings within the Commonwealth as they arise.

B. 1. The annual federal vocational rehabilitation grant award that will be received by the Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) is estimated at \$11,442,719 for federal fiscal year 2018; \$11,442,719 for federal fiscal year 2019; and \$11,442,719 for federal fiscal year 2020. In addition to the base annual award amount, DBVI may request up to \$1,500,000 of additional federal reallocation dollars in each of these years. Assuming these amounts, the annual 21.3 percent state matching requirement would equate to \$3,632,832 for federal fiscal year 2018; \$3,632,832 for federal fiscal year 2019; and \$3,632,832 for federal fiscal year 2020.

2. Based on the projection of federal award funding in paragraph A.2., DBVI shall not request federal vocational rehabilitation grant dollars in excess of \$12,942,719 for federal fiscal year 2018; \$12,942,719 for federal fiscal year 2019; and \$12,942,719 for federal fiscal year 2020, without prior written concurrence from the Director, Department of Planning and Budget. Any approved increases in grant award requests shall be reported by DARS to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees within 30 days.