

COUNTY OF VENTURA | CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

INTERNAL AUDIT DIVISION

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Fiscal Year 2016-17

I am pleased to present "The Year in Review" to highlight important accomplishments of the Internal Audit Division for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. This report reflects information within our *Report on Prior Year Performance* provided to the Board of Supervisors on October 10, 2017.

Jeffery S. Burgh Auditor-Controller

- Issued <u>13 audit reports</u> containing <u>37 recommendations</u> to strengthen internal controls over areas including cash handling, credit card expenditures, private vehicle mileage reimbursements, and utility billing and collections management.
- Obtained a 97% agreement rate with departments to implement recommended corrective actions.
- Identified \$21,204 in cost savings/avoidance or revenue enhancement opportunities.
- Handled 177 new issues identified through the Employee Fraud Hotline, which was the highest reporting volume since inception of the Hotline in 2001.
- Continued the **Control Self-Assessment Program** by providing feedback on 11 department self-assessments of internal controls and launching 4 engagements to validate the internal controls reported.
- Compiled the **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards** for the County's FY 2015-16 Single Audit, and performed follow-up procedures on the 2 Single Audit findings and 2 Management Letter observations.
- Reviewed 15 audits of Federal award subrecipients for compliance with audit reporting standards.
- Monitored the audits of approximately **90 special districts and joint powers authorities**.

For further details about these and other audit-related matters, please contact us as noted above or visit our website http://www.ventura.org/auditor-controller.

These accomplishments were made possible by our outstanding team of Internal Auditors:

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