

COUNTY OF VENTURA | CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

INTERNAL AUDIT DIVISION

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Fiscal Year 2019-20

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, 2020. This report reflects information within our *Report on Prior Year Performance* provided to the Board of Supervisors on September 1, 2020.

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- Issued <u>12 audit reports</u> containing <u>72 recommendations</u> to strengthen areas including administration and oversight of contracts with external service providers, outside bank accounts, internal service funds, and cash collections.
- Obtained a 100% agreement rate with departments to implement recommended corrective actions.
- Identified \$60,677 in cost savings/avoidance or revenue enhancement opportunities.
- Handled 67 new issues identified through the Employee Fraud Hotline.
- Passed an external quality assurance review with the <u>highest possible rating</u>.
- Assisted departments with COVID-19-related tasks.
- Continued the **Control Self-Assessment Program** by completing the final two engagements to validate the internal controls reported by two departments for the current program cycle.
- Compiled the **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards** for the County's FY 2018-19 Single Audit and performed follow-up procedures on the Single Audit findings.
- Reviewed **16 audits of Federal award subrecipients** for compliance with audit reporting standards.
- Monitored the audits of 96 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, which, as of June 30, 2020, included:

Carlo Aldeguer Andrew Huey
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