

### COUNTY OF VENTURA | CALIFORNIA

## OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

### INTERNAL AUDIT DIVISION

# THE YEAR IN REVIEW

#### Fiscal Year 2020-21

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, 2021. This report reflects information within our *Report on Prior Year Performance* provided to the Board of Supervisors on September 14, 2021.

Jeffery S. Burgh Auditor-Controller

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- Issued <u>11 audit reports</u> containing <u>54 recommendations</u> to strengthen areas including contract and policy compliance, documentation for claimed costs, and fiscal controls.
- Obtained a 100% agreement rate with departments to implement recommended corrective actions.
- Identified \$1,011,667 in cost savings/avoidance or revenue enhancement opportunities.
- Handled 63 new issues identified through the Employee Fraud Hotline.
- Assisted departments with COVID-19-related tasks.
- Revised the **Control Self-Assessment Program** materials for re-launch in calendar year 2020 and provided feedback on all 16 department self-assessments completed during FY 2020-21.
- Compiled the **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards** for the County's FY 2019-20 Single Audit and performed follow-up procedures on the Single Audit findings.
- Reviewed **20 audits of Federal award subrecipients** for compliance with audit reporting standards.
- Monitored the audits of 97 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 <a href="http://www.ventura.org/auditor-controller">http://www.ventura.org/auditor-controller</a>.

These accomplishments were made possible by our outstanding team of Internal Auditors, which, as of June 30, 2021, included:

Carlo Aldeguer Johanna Garcia
Ruben Alvarez Jennifer Pedreira
Claire Burdick Shannon Perreyclear

