

### COUNTY OF VENTURA | CALIFORNIA

## OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

#### INTERNAL AUDIT DIVISION

# THE YEAR IN REVIEW

#### Fiscal Year 2023-24

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, 2024. This report reflects information within our *Report on Prior Year Performance* provided to the Board of Supervisors on September 10, 2024.

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- Issued <u>14 audit reports</u> containing <u>35 recommendations</u> to strengthen areas including contract compliance, employee eligibility for certification pay, and installment payment plans for defaulted property taxes.
- Obtained a 100% agreement rate with departments to implement recommended corrective actions.
- Identified \$80,178 in cost savings/avoidance or revenue enhancement opportunities.
- Handled <u>59 new issues</u> identified through the Employee Fraud Hotline.
- Continued the **Control Self-Assessment Program** by providing feedback on the one department self-assessment completed during FY 2023-24 and validating the internal controls reported by one department.
- Compiled the **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards** for the County's FY 2022-23 Single Audit.
- Reviewed 15 audits of Federal award subrecipients for compliance with audit reporting standards.
- Monitored the audits of approximately 100 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="https://www.ventura.org/auditor-controllers-office">https://www.ventura.org/auditor-controllers-office</a>.

These accomplishments were made possible by our outstanding team of Internal Auditors, which, as of June 30, 2024, included:

Carlo Aldeguer Jennifer Pedreira
Ruben Alvarez Shannon Perreyclear
Oz Aral Dave Waters

