

# **AUDIT HIGHLIGHT**

# **JUNE 16, 2011**

High Impact Audit

## INTERNAL CONTROL AUDIT: PUBLIC DEFENDER REVOLVING FUNDS PROCESS Audit No. 1053

### WHY IS THIS AUDIT IMPORTANT?

The Public Defender maintains three revolving funds: a regular revolving fund in the amount of \$50,000, a Special Use Revolving Fund in the amount of \$250,000 and a Delta Special Revenue Fund in the amount of \$5,000.

During the audit period, the Public Defender incurred approximately **\$1.5 million in revolving fund expenditures**. This audit evaluated the Public Defender's internal controls to ensure revolving funds are adequately safeguarded; transactions are processed in accordance with County policy; and transactions are properly authorized, recorded completely, accurately and processed timely.

### WHAT THE AUDITORS FOUND?

#### **Successes**

Our audit found internal controls are in place to ensure revolving funds are adequately safeguarded; transactions are processed in accordance with County policy; and transactions are properly authorized and recorded completely, accurately and processed timely.

#### Audit Findings and Control Recommendations

We identified **two (2) Control Findings** to enhance existing revolving funds process and controls with regards to the resolution of long-outstanding reconciling items on bank reconciliations and the need to increase the frequency of revolving fund replenishment requests.