



# Internal Audit Department

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#### **AUDIT HIGHLIGHT**

### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2011**

# RESULTS OF CONTINUOUS AUDITING USING CAATS: Auditor-Controller, Human Resources, & County Procurement Office

**Duplicate Vendor Payments and Other Routines** Audit No. 1139-C

#### WHAT WE FOUND?

<u>Duplicate Vendor Payments</u>: Our review of \$234 million vendor disbursements processed during August 2011 found that 100% of invoices were paid only once. Of the 13,383 invoices processed during August 2011, we identified **no** potential duplicate payments made to vendors.

Employee-Vendor: All potential employee-vendor matches identified to date have been researched and resolved to HRD's satisfaction. Our next analysis will be performed at September 30, 2011.

Working Retirees: As of 8/25/11, no OC working retirees exceeded the annual limits of 960 or 720 hours mandated by Government Code Sections 31680.6 & 31641.04.

Payroll Direct Deposit: No findings resulted from the payroll direct deposit CAAT routine this month.

In Home Supportive Services: As reported in our August 2011 CAAT report (1139-B), we identified 92 active County employees who are also IHSS providers. Of the 92 matches, 21 were resolved in a prior analysis performed by SSA and 14 were determined to have no conflict with County employment by HRD. The remaining 57 are undergoing review by SSA.

#### WHY IS THIS ANALYSIS IMPORTANT?

Vendor Payments: For FY 10-11, established vendor payments were about \$2.4 billion (this amount is a subset of the total payments and does not include miscellaneous vendor payments; see report for details). To date, we have identified \$980,675 in duplicate payments made to vendors of which the County has collected \$954,858 or 97%.

Working Retirees: As of 8/25/11, OC working retiree/extra-help data is:

Department	No. of Working Retirees	Total FY Hours To Date
Sheriff-Coroner	60	8,224
Health Care Agency	11	1,385
District Attorney	11	1,306
Assessor	6	461
OC Public Works	2	292
County Counsel	1	158
Human Resources	1	112
Total	92	11,938

Payroll Direct Deposit: For FY 10-11, direct deposits for regular payroll were about \$1.3 billion.

In Home Supportive Services: Evaluate IHSS providers (15,850 at 5/31/11) to identify matches with active County employees for potential conflicts of interest with County employment.

## CAATS - Cited as a Best Practice by the Institute of Internal Auditors