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**County of Orange Receives National Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting  
for the 30th Consecutive Year**

**Santa Ana, CA** — The Orange County Auditor-Controller’s Office is proud to announce that the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the County of Orange the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

This year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that Orange County has received this distinguished award, an exceptional streak that underscores the County’s long-standing commitment to transparency, integrity, and excellence in financial reporting.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting. The County’s ACFR was evaluated by an impartial panel and judged to meet the rigorous standards of the GFOA’s Certificate Program. These standards require governments to go beyond minimum reporting requirements and demonstrate a strong “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate their financial story.

“I am incredibly proud of our team for earning this award for the 30<sup>th</sup> year in a row,” said Andrew Hamilton, Orange County Auditor-Controller. “This achievement reflects the dedication, professionalism, and unwavering commitment of our staff to provide accurate, transparent, and high-quality financial information to the residents of Orange County.”

In addition to the Certificate of Achievement, the Auditor-Controller’s Office will also receive the Award of Financial Reporting Achievement (AFRA), presented to the department primarily responsible for preparing the County’s award-winning report.



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The Auditor-Controller's Office remains committed to upholding the highest standards of financial reporting and financial stewardship on behalf of the residents, stakeholders, and community partners of Orange County.

**ABOUT:**

The Orange County Auditor-Controller's Office and its 400+ employees work to ensure the County operates financially responsibly, effectively, and with transparency. Duties including payroll for over 18,000 employees, general accounting services, property tax allocation, budget control, accounts payable, and financial reporting.

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