

Division: Auditor

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

The Auditor is elected by voters countywide. The Auditor's Office's mission is to promote accountable and equitable county government. We independently examine county programs; receive and investigate reports of suspected fraud, waste, and abuse of position; and serve as an impartial resource to help people resolve issues with county programs. The Auditor's Office serves the public interest by finding out how well the county government is working, recommending improvements, and reporting to the public on our work. We adhere to high ethical standards; use an equity lens and a trauma-informed approach continually in our work; and value accountability, inclusion, and equity, particularly racial equity.

The County Charter directs the Auditor to conduct performance audits of all county operations and financial affairs. Through audits and follow-up efforts, auditors provide systems-level accountability to the public. The Charter also directs the Auditor to conduct County Ombudsperson work. The ombudsperson is a resource for people having trouble resolving problems with county programs. The ombudsperson conducts impartial investigations into administrative acts, recommends changes, and can issue reports to support high standards in the provision of county services. The Auditor created the Good Government Hotline for employees and the public to confidentially report potential fraud, waste, or abuse of position in County government. County Code entrusts the hotline's ongoing operation to the Auditor. The hotline helps ensure that County government resources are used efficiently and ethically.

Equity Statement

The Government Alliance on Race and Equity defines racial equity as meaning that race can no longer be used to predict life outcomes and outcomes for all groups of people are improved. Our office uses this definition because history shows that a focus on racial equity can result in better outcomes for all people. We use an iterative equity lens in our work, and our work products regularly articulate inequities so government and community members can address them.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$2,950,586	\$0	\$3,161,223	\$0
Contractual Services	\$210,090	\$0	\$217,030	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$115,475	\$0	\$114,831	\$0
Internal Services	\$245,646	\$0	\$256,605	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$3,521,797	\$0	\$3,749,689	\$0
Total Expenses:	\$3,521,797		\$3,749,689	
Program FTE	15.00	0.00	15.00	0.00
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Minimum number of reports (audits, follow-ups, ombudsperson, hotline, annual).	16	12	12
For audit reports with recommendations, percent with at least one focused on supporting racial equity.	100%	100%	100%