

# INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT



Second & Final Close-Out Follow-Up Internal Control Audit:
OC Community Resources/
OC Animal Care Cash Receipts

As of December 3, 2021

Audit No. 2039-O (Reference 1815-F2) Report Date: January 20, 2022

#### **Recommendation Status**

FIRST FOLLOW-UP SECOND FOLLOW-UP

2

**Implemented** 



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**In Process** 



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**Not Implemented** 



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Closed



Second Follow-Up totals represent findings that were In Process or Not Implemented at First Follow-Up

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Subject:

To: Dylan Wright

**OC Community Resources Director** 

From: Aggie Alonso, CPA, CIA, CRMA

Internal Audit Department Director

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Resources/OC Animal Care Cash Receipts

We have completed a follow-up audit of OC Community Resources/OC Animal Care (OCAC) cash receipts process as of December 3, 2021, original Audit No. 1815, dated September 30, 2019. Details of our results immediately follow this letter. Additional information including background and our scope is included in Appendix A.

Our second follow-up audit concluded OCAC implemented the five (5) remaining recommendations from the original audit. Because the recommendations were implemented, this report represents the final close-out of the original audit.

We appreciate the assistance extended to us by OCAC personnel during our follow-up audit. If you have any questions, please contact me at 714.834.5442 or Assistant Director Scott Suzuki at 714.834.5509.

#### Attachments

Other recipients of this report:

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OC Community Resources/OC Animal Care Distribution

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RESULTS			
FINDING No. 1	Point-of-Sale System User & Account Management		
CATEGORY	Control Finding		
RECOMMENDATION	OCAC perform a formal management user-access certification review for appropriateness to ensure:		
	A. Access is restricted to individuals with a direct business need and access is disabled when no longer required.		
	B. Users are not assigned to inactive user groups.		
	C. User group rights are restricted to direct business need.		
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. OCAC has performed a formal management user-acces certification review for its point-of-sale system and worked with OCIT to restrict access to individuals with a direct business need and assign users to active groups. We verified that access has been revoked for the seven users identified in our original audit finding as no longer requiring access.  Based on the actions taken by OCAC, we consider this recommendation implemented.		

FINDING No. 2	Password Configuration Policy for POS System		
CATEGORY	Control Finding		
RECOMMENDATION	OCAC implement or enable password policy features in the POS system to conform to the County's password policy, where technically feasible, and seek a feature that requires automated, mandatory password changes in any future upgrade or replacement of the POS system.		
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. OCAC worked with OCIT to:		
	<ul> <li>Implement password policy features in the POS system to align with the County's Cybersecurity Policy, including automatic password expiry every 90 days.</li> </ul>		
	Establish and distribute to all OCAC staff, a written internal policy and procedure effective November 2021.		
	Based on the actions taken by OCAC, we consider this recommendation implemented.		

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FINDING No. 3	Handwritten Cash Receipt Books
CATEGORY	Control Finding
RECOMMENDATION	<ul> <li>OCAC should:</li> <li>A. Appoint a cash receipt books custodian.</li> <li>B. Conduct documented, independent inventories of handwritten cash receipt books.</li> <li>C. Update their policy and procedures regarding inventory of cash receipt books.</li> </ul>
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. We determined in our first follow-up audit that OCAC appointed cash receipt book custodians for their units and conducted documented, independent inventories of handwritten cash receipt books. Since then, OCAC has drafted an update to their policy and procedures (P&Ps) regarding inventory of cash receipt books. As per department policy, the P&Ps have been submitted to their human resources division for review and approval with employee unions before it can be finalized.  Based on the actions taken by OCAC, we consider this recommendation implemented.

FINDING NO. 5	Business Continuity Plan
CATEGORY	Control Finding
RECOMMENDATION	OCAC establish a written policy and procedure detailing a business continuity plan in the event the POS system becomes inoperable.
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. OCAC has drafted an update to their policy and procedures (P&Ps) regarding inventory of cash receipt books to include a business continuity plan in the event the POS system becomes inoperable. As per department policy, the P&Ps have been submitted to their human resources division for review and approval with employee unions before it can be finalized.  Based on the actions taken by OCAC, we consider this recommendation implemented.

FINDING NO. 6	Supervisory Review of Sales Voids
CATEGORY	Control Finding

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RECOMMENDATION	OCAC supervisors should:			
	A. Review voided transactions on a daily basis.			
	B. Document their review of the Journal Entry Reports by initialing and dating.			
CURRENT STATUS	Implemented. OCAC conducts weekly supervisory reviews of Journal Entry Reports, which include voided transactions for all its units, and documents review by initialing and dating. We validated a sample of recent journal entry reports and did not note any exceptions. In addition, in the first follow-up audit, we confirmed OCAC conducts weekly reviews due to staffing constraints, which satisfies the intent of the recommendation.  Based on the actions taken by OCAC, we consider this recommendation implemented.			
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APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION			
SCOPE	Our follow-up audit was limited to reviewing actions taken by OCAC as of December 3, 2021 to implement the five (5) remaining recommendations from our first follow-up Audit No. 1939-I, dated December 18, 2020.		
BACKGROUND	The original audit evaluated operational effectiveness of internal control over the cash receipts process. The first follow-up audit concluded OCAC implemented two (2) recommendations and was in process of implementing five (5) recommendations.		

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#### APPENDIX B: FOLLOW-UP AUDIT IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

Implemented	In Process	Not Implemented	Closed
The department has implemented our recommendation in all respects as verified by the follow-up audit. No further follow-up is required.	The department is in the process of implementing our recommendation. Additional follow-up may be required.	The department has taken no action to implement our recommendation. Additional follow-up may be required.	Circumstances have changed surrounding our original finding/ recommendation that: (1) make it no longer applicable or (2) the department has implemented and will only implement a portion of our recommendation. No further follow-up is required.