Inspector General

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) serves the residents of Miami-Dade County by identifying fraud, mismanagement, waste and abuse of power in County projects, programs and contracts. Created by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in response to the public's demand for more accountable government, the enacting legislation ensures that the OIG is independent and autonomous, so that it may carry out its oversight of such a large and diverse government without political interference.

As part of the General Government strategic area, the OIG routinely reviews and evaluates proposals, contracts and programs for a range of management criteria. The OIG also investigates a variety of cases, including contractors doing business with and/or receiving funds from the County and cases of employee and official misconduct.

The OIG's jurisdiction encompasses all County departments, agencies, instrumentalities and the programs thereunder. This jurisdiction extends to all County employees, public officials, elected officials and vendors and contractors doing business with the County. The OIG has been designated a criminal justice agency by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is accredited by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation based upon statewide standards for Offices of Inspectors General.



FY 2023-24 Adopted Operating Budget

Revenues by Source (dollars in thousands)



TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



The FY 2023-24 total number of full-time equivalent positions is 42

DIVISION: INSPECTOR GENERAL

The OIG's principal objective is to promote honesty and efficiency in government and to prevent and detect misconduct, fraud and abuse in County programs and contracts. The OIG strives to ensure that taxpayers get a fair and honest accounting of their money and, where possible, seeks appropriate remedies to recover public funds.

- Communicates the Office's accomplishments through report distribution, website communication and public awareness initiatives
- Investigates, audits and inspects programs, projects and contracts to detect and prevent fraud, mismanagement, waste and abuse
- Provides all professional support to these functions including publicly reporting findings
- Publicly reports findings and initiates or makes civil, administrative and criminal referrals where necessary

Strategic Objectives - Measures

Objectives	B 4			FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 22-23	FY 23-24
	Measures		Actual	Actual	Budget	Projection	Target	
Promote honesty and efficiency in government	Complaints received*	IN	\leftrightarrow	272	409	300	500	450
	Percentage of complainants receiving feedback about initial disposition of complaint within 30 days*	oc	Ŷ	100%	96%	100%	96%	100%
Increase the public's awareness of the OIG's findings by providing easy access to reports and information distributed by the OIG via the Internet	Reports issued*	OP	\leftrightarrow	12	9	20	15	10
	Advisory memoranda issued*	ОР	\leftrightarrow	18	24	20	10	15
	Contracts/ programs audited and reviewed**	OP	\leftrightarrow	76	53	35	25	35

*FY 2021-22 Actual revised for the FY 2023-24 Adopted Budget due to more up-to-date information

**FY 2020-21 Actual included auditing 46 emergency construction contracts awarded through the Miscellaneous Construction Contract 7040 and 7360 programs

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The FY 2023-24 Adopted Budget includes charges of one quarter of one percent to certain procurement and construction contracts (\$4 million), estimated reimbursements of \$807,000 for audits and investigative work performed for Aviation (\$400,000), Water and Sewer (\$25,000), Solid Waste Management (\$25,000), Transportation and Public Works (\$100,000), the County Civil and Probate Courthouse project (\$132,000) and the Miami-Dade County School Board (\$125,000)
- In April 2022, the OIG underwent a reaccreditation review by the Florida Commission on Law Enforcement Accreditation; this reaccreditation takes place every three years, with the OIG's initial accreditation having taken place in 2010; in November 2022, the OIG passed a peer review by the Association of Inspectors General; the peer review also takes place every three years; these external reviews are important measures to assure that the OIG's operations adhere to professional standards
- OIG auditors are engaged in auditing departmental utilization of County Miscellaneous Construction Contracts (MCC) Programs 7040 and 7360; the auditors are assessing departmental compliance with program rules for accessing the contracting pools, observance of rotational policy, emergency usage and adherence with prompt payment provisions; these MCC programs are the County's main vehicle for procuring construction services under \$5 million; audits of contract utilization by the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department and the Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development Department were completed in FY 2021-22; an audit of the Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department's utilization of the MCC program is in progress
- In FY 2022-23, OIG auditors initiated a review of construction engineering inspection (CEI) services in relation to the payment for these services that are structured as time and material versus lump sum
- In FY 2023-24, the OIG will continue its contract oversight of the County's Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS); this \$160 million contract involves the installation of new synchronized traffic signals and video detection technology throughout the County's 3,000 intersections; this project is expected to be completed in 2025; additional DTPW projects monitored by OIG contract oversight specialists include the acquisition of 60-foot electric busses for the South Dade Bus Rapid Transit Corridor and the funding of the Tri-Rail Downtown Miami Link using County Transportation Surtax dollars, which is anticipated to begin revenue service in 2023
- OIG contract oversight activity continues at the Water and Sewer Department (WASD) as the Consent Decree (CD) Program nears completion; additional WASD projects being monitored are the Oxygen Trains and Oxygen Production Facility for the North District Wastewater Treatment Plant, the planning and design for a new South Dade Maintenance Facility, and the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Solution
- The OIG is monitoring negotiations and work activities on several of the SMART Plan transit corridors including the Interim Agreement for the Rapid Transit Solution for the Beach Corridor Trunck Line, which expired in October 2022 without the parties achieving a mutually acceptable Project Agreement; the County Administration announced its intent to redesign the Beach Corridor's project delivery approach from a Public-Private Partnership (P3) to a Design/Build model; the OIG has also been monitoring construction progress on the South Dade Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Project
- Pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding with the County Administration, which provides funding for independent and external oversight (\$132,000), the OIG will continue monitoring the new Civil and Probate Courthouse project; OIG oversight activities involving the design of the building began in FY 2020-21; at present, monitoring is focused on the continued construction of the building which includes the monitoring of the procurement of furniture, fixtures and equipment by the County
- The Contract Oversight group also performs oversight activities at PortMiami; the Seaport Department asked that the OIG participate in the monitoring of the change order review process for capital construction activities; the solicitation of the PortMiami Fumigation and Cold Chain Processing Program is being monitored by the Contract Oversight unit; other projects being monitored at the Seaport are the Design-Build for the Re-Alignment of the North Bulkhead Cruise Berths (1-6) and the Acquisition of the new Parking Access and Revenue Control System

- Other County projects being monitored include the Replacement Jail-Site 1 Training and Treatment Center, the Non-Competitive Acquisition of the NG011 System and the helicopter purchase for the Miami-Dade Police Department, and the purchase of a new Computer Aided Dispatch System for the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department; additional monitoring includes the Rickenbacker and Venetian Causeways, the proposed Town Center Container Park in Homestead and the conversion of the former South Florida Evaluation and Treatment Facility into the New Mental Health Diversion Facility in South Florida
- OIG investigations into vendor and contractor activities touch multiple departments including WASD, the Department of Transportation and Public Works, Seaport, Public Housing and Community Development, Regulatory and Economic Resources, and Aviation
- OIG investigative priorities include conflicts of interest, exploitation of one's official position, and criminal charges of official misconduct and organized schemes to defraud
- In FY 2022-23, the OIG partnered with the U.S. Department of Justice's South Florida Public Corruption Task Force; several cases completed this year involved public servants defrauding federal coronavirus relief programs; the OIG's partnership with the Public Corruption Task Force will continue in FY 2023-24

	(dollars in thousands)						
Line-Item Highlights	Actual	Actual	Budget	Projection	Adopted FY 23-24		
	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 22-23			
Advertising	0	0	0	0	0		
Fuel	0	0	0	0	0		
Overtime	0	0	0	0	0		
Rent	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Services	1	2	3	2	4		
Temporary Services	0	0	0	0	0		
Travel and Registration	9	32	35	28	37		
Utilities	18	12	20	20	15		

SELECTED ITEM HIGHLIGHTS AND DETAILS

OPERATING FINANCIAL SUMMARY

(dollars in thousands)	Actual	Actual	Budget	Adopted
(uonars in thousands)	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24
Revenue Summary				
General Fund Countywide	862	1,622	1,141	3,633
Carryover	2,064	1,795	1,793	322
Departmental Oversight	663	1,032	1,032	807
(MOUs)	005	1,052	1,052	007
Fees and Charges	5,194	4,547	4,335	4,000
Interest Earnings	4	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	12	23	0	10
Total Revenues	8,799	9,019	8,301	8,772
Operating Expenditures				
Summary				
Salary	5,086	5,282	5,942	6,168
Fringe Benefits	1,640	1,680	1,953	2,189
Court Costs	1	0	2	2
Contractual Services	78	37	4	4
Other Operating	109	126	230	248
Charges for County Services	59	57	95	86
Capital	31	44	75	75
Total Operating Expenditures	7,004	7,226	8,301	8,772
Non-Operating Expenditures				
Summary				
Transfers	0	0	0	0
Distribution of Funds In Trust	0	0	0	0
Debt Service	0	0	0	0
Depreciation, Amortizations and Depletion	0	0	0	0
Reserve	0	0	0	0
Total Non-Operating Expenditures	0	0	0	0

	Total F	unding	Total Positions					
(dollars in thousands)	Budget	Adopted	Budget	Adopted				
Expenditure By Program	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 22-23	FY 23-24				
Strategic Area: General Government								
Inspector General	8,30	1 8,772	42	42				
Total Operating Expenditure	es 8,30	1 8,772	42	42				