



# HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

## Office of the County Auditor

Harford County Council  
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### **Report Highlights**

This annual summary is required by the OCA Rules of Procedure.

### **What We Found**

The Office's Quality Assurance procedures meet internal audit and governmental auditing standards.

Dear Council Members:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for the Office of the County Auditor, this report summarizes the activities of the Office for fiscal year 2024.

### **Status of Planned Audits**

- 12 Complete (23 reports)
- 1 In Progress
- 2 Postponed (1 now complete)

A detailed status of the Audit Plan was provided to you during the June 18, 2024 Auditor Update presentation; a comprehensive report detailing the current status of the recent and prior audit findings will be provided to you as a separate report.

In addition to performing audits, this year the office has completed fiscal notes for 56 Bills and Resolutions and earned more than 168 Continuing Professional Education credits.

### **Quality Assurance and Improvement**

In accordance with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, the Office has a Quality Assurance and Improvement Program (QAIP). Internal assessments are performed for every engagement to confirm that audits are performed in accordance with governmental and internal auditing standards. Our QAIP also involves an annual review of completed projects, continuous review of our audit methodology and input from our stakeholders. An external assessment of the Office's procedures, conducted in November 2022, resulted in a Pass rating. We have completed the internal QAIP review for FY2024 and found that audit standards were met.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work of everyone working in the Office this year. I am available to respond to any questions you have regarding this report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chrystal Brooks, CPA".

Chrystal Brooks

CPA, CGFM, CIA, CISA, CGAP, CRMA

County Auditor

cc: Mr. Bob Cassilly, County Executive  
Mr. Robert McCord, Director of Administration  
Audit Advisory Board Members