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Highlights

Internal Audit Report to the
Board of Supervisors

Why We Did This Report

Each year Internal Audit issues dozens of reports to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) so they can ensure Maricopa County government is accountable to its citizens. This report provides the BOS with a concise summary of these reports, and communicates highlights of the many activities and accomplishments of the Internal Audit Department.

FY08 Primary Goals:

Customer Satisfaction:

The BOS, Chiefs of Staff, and Board-appointed Audit Committee members are our primary customers.

Goal: 95% Result: 100%

Audit Plan

We strive to complete our BOS Audit Plan each year and report this information to the BOS.

Goal: 95% Result: 100%

Recommendations Implemented

We allow up to three years for a recommendation to be implemented.

Goal: 95% Result: 96.6%



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Internal Audit Performance Report Fiscal Year 2008

Annual Results

Improving County Performance

Agencies concurred with and committed to the implementation of 99% of our FY08 audit recommendations.

One County department placed so much importance on implementing Internal Audit recommendations that they included it as a strategic goal.

Achieving Audit Excellence

The Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA) awarded the Knighton Gold Award to Maricopa County Internal Audit for the Environmental Services audit report. The international Knighton Award recognizes the best performance audit report issued by ALGA members each year.



ALGA also awarded to Maricopa County Internal Audit, the Website Gold Award in its inaugural year.

Emphasizing the Need for a Strong Internal Audit Function

At Maricopa County, bond rating agencies Fitch and Moody's consider the existence of an internal audit function as a key component of strong management practices.

Moody's uses the Financial Condition Report prepared by Internal Audit to evaluate trends, and considers the County's audit function a deterrent to fraud.

Thanking Our Supporters

We appreciate the Board of Supervisors, the Citizen's Audit Advisory Committee, and County administration for their continued, strong support for the County audit function.

"Do the Right Things Right!"

Maricopa County Internal Audit Department