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Inspector General Awards Contract to Audit the District's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Under D.C. Law, the Office of the Inspector General is required to award and administer a contract with an outside firm to audit the District's financial statements.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (May 9, 2025) – District of Columbia Inspector General Daniel W. Lucas is pleased to announce the Office of the Inspector General's (OIG) award of a contract to CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP (CLA), to audit the District's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for fiscal years 2025 through 2029. This critical audit ensures the integrity, transparency, and accountability of the District's financial operations, reinforcing public trust in the stewardship of taxpayer resources.

District management is responsible for preparing and presenting the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements. The OIG-administered independent audit verifies the accuracy of the District's financial statements and assesses the effectiveness of internal controls, delivering an unbiased opinion on the District's fiscal health.

CLA will also audit the District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA)—a related organization to the District's financial statements—further improving the efficiency and effectiveness of this vital oversight engagement.

“The ACFR audit is a cornerstone of transparent governance,” said Inspector General Lucas. “By overseeing the independent auditors' work, we ensure an impartial and rigorous examination of the District’s finances -- equipping residents, policymakers, and investors with reliable information to make informed decisions.”

The FY 2025 ACFR audit process will begin with the issuance of the OIG’s engagement letter, which will be available on the OIG’s website at oig.dc.gov. The OIG expects the FY 2025 ACFR audit to be completed by February 1, 2026, in accordance with District statutory requirements. The resulting ACFR audit reports will also be available online.

To learn more about last year’s ACFR audit, please visit <https://www.oig.dc.gov/oig-services/reports/annual-comprehensive-financial-report>.

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The Office of The Inspector General for the District of Columbia independently audits, inspects, and investigates matters pertaining to the District of Columbia government in order to: prevent and detect corruption, mismanagement, waste, fraud, and abuse; promote economy, efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability; inform stakeholders about issues relating to District programs and operations; and recommend and track the implementation of corrective actions.

The Inspector General is Mr. Daniel W. Lucas.

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