



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORT

May 24, 2024

The Honorable Muriel E. Bowser
Mayor of the District of Columbia
The John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 316
Washington, DC 20004

Subject: **Ronald Allen Jr. Ordered to Pay \$31,044 in Restitution Related to Fraud |**
OIG No. 22-00229

Dear Mayor Bowser:

In July and September of 2021, Ronald Allen Jr., a District resident, submitted false earnings information on separate applications to the Stronger Together by Assisting You (STAY DC) program, a District government program designed to help cover rent and utilities for renters suffering hardship from the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, Mr. Allen fraudulently obtained \$31,044 from the program. Further, Mr. Allen admitted that he did not use any of the money he received to pay for his outstanding rent or utilities obligations.

On March 12, 2024, Mr. Allen pleaded guilty in D.C. Superior Court to one count of First-Degree Felony Theft and one count of Misdemeanor False Statements. On May 3, 2024, the D.C. Superior Court sentenced Mr. Allen to five years of probation, mandatory participation in 100 hours of community service, and full restitution of \$31,044. In addition, the Court assessed Mr. Allen \$150 under the Victims of Violent Crime Compensation Act of 1996.

If you would like additional information, please contact me or Kathryn Jones, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, at (202) 727-5864 or kathryn.jones@dc.gov, referencing OIG control number 22-00229.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Lucas", is written over a light blue circular background.

Daniel W. Lucas
Inspector General

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