

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS
SINGLE AUDIT REPORTS AND SCHEDULES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2014

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Single Audit Reports and Schedules
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS
BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Judge and County Commissioners
Washington County
Brenham, Texas

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Washington County, Texas (the "County"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 15, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on

the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Rutledge Crain & Company, PC
June 15, 2015

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH
MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

The Honorable Judge and County Commissioners
Washington County
Brenham, Texas

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Washington County, Texas' (the "County") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect of the County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2014. The County's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulation, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the County's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required OMB Circular A-133

We have audited the financial statements of the County, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and have issued our report thereon dated June 15, 2015, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and

relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Rutledge Crain & Company, PC

June 15, 2015

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS
Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
December 31, 2014

Not applicable

WASHINGTON COUNTY, Texas
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

A. Summary of Auditors' Results

The auditors' report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements.

No reportable conditions were disclosed during the audit of the financial statements.

No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Washington County, Texas were disclosed during the audit.

No reportable conditions in the internal over major federal award federal programs were disclosed during the audit.

The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award federal programs for Washington County, Texas expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.

The federal programs tested as a major federal programs included:

U. S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development – 14.239, HOME Investment Partnerships

The threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B federal programs was \$300,000.

The County did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

B. Findings Related to the Financial Statements Which are Required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards.

No findings to be reported.

C. Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards

No findings to be reported.

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS
Corrective Action Plan
December 31, 2014

Not applicable

WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS
 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
 December 31, 2014

| Federal Grant /Pass Through Grantor/Program Title | Federal CFDA Number | Pass-Through Grantor's Number | Current Period Expenditures | |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Direct Grants | | | | |
| U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development | | | | |
| Passed Through to Subrecipient - Brazos Valley Affordable Housing Corp. | | | | |
| <u>HOME Investment Partnerships</u> | 14.239 | MC10DC480233 | \$ 501,363 | # |
| <u>HOME Investment Partnerships</u> | 14.239 | Program Income | 26,364 | # |
| | | | <u>527,727</u> | |
| Indirect Grants | | | | |
| U. S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development | | | | |
| Passed Through Texas Department of Agriculture | | | | |
| Community Development Block Grant (States Program) | 14.228 | 713509 | 28,157 | |
| U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services | | | | |
| Passed Through Office of Texas Attorney General | | | | |
| Child Support Enforcement | 93.563 | | <u>17,978</u> | |
| Total Federal Expenditures | | | <u>\$ 573,862</u> | |
| # Major programs | | | | |

A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal award programs of Washington County, Texas (the "County"). The County's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the County's basic financial statements. All federal awards received directly by the primary government from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, are included in the scope of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations* and are included on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental funds, which are described in Note 1 of the County's Annual Financial Report.

B - CONTINGENCIES

The County participates in several federal award programs, which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective federal award programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the County has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivable at December 31, 2014 may be impaired. In the opinion of management, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants.

C - SUBRECIPIENTS

Of the federal expenditures presented in the schedule, the County provided federal awards to subrecipients as follows:

| <u>Federal program Title</u> | <u>Grant Number</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| HOME Investment Partnerships | See Schedule of Federal Expenditures | <u>\$527,727</u> |