



COUNTY OF BARNSTABLE, MASSACHUSETTS

Independent Auditor's Reports Pursuant
to Government Auditing Standards
and Uniform Guidance

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

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**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**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable County Commissioners
County of Barnstable, Massachusetts

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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County of Barnstable, Massachusetts (the County), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2023.

Report on 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) as a basis for designing 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Report on 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 financial statements. 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 County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Andover, Massachusetts
March 31, 2023



**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM,
REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE, AND
REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable County Commissioners
County of Barnstable, Massachusetts

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the County's (the County) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on

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compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to County's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material, noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on County's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about County's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of County's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of County's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.



We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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 the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2023 which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit



was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance 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 basic 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.



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March 31, 2023

COUNTY OF BARNSTABLE, MASSACHUSETTS

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

<u>Federal Agency</u>		Federal	Pass Through		
Cluster		AL	Identifying	Federal	Pass Through
Pass-through Agency			Number	Expenditures	to
Program Title		<u>Number</u>			<u>Sub-Recipient</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>					
Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture					
COVID-19 - Farmers Market and Local Food Promotion Program	10.175	AGR Buy Local FY 22	\$ 121,882	\$ -	
SNAP Cluster					
Passed Through the University of Massachusetts					
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.551	22-016553	22,926	-	
Total SNAP Cluster			22,926	-	
Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture					
Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program	10.913	22AQUACAPECODCOOP000	50,000	-	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			194,808	-	
<u>U.S. Department of Commerce</u>					
Direct Federal Program					
Economic Development Support for Planning Organizations	11.302	Not Applicable	69,411	-	
Economic Development Cluster					
Economic Adjustment Assistance	11.307	Not Applicable	531,247	193,995	
COVID-19 - Economic Adjustment Assistance	11.307	Not Applicable	135,633	-	
Total Economic Adjustment Assistance	11.307		666,880	193,995	
Total Economic Development Cluster			666,880	193,995	
Passed Through the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute					
Sea Grant Support	11.417	A101383	333,284	-	
Sea Grant Support	11.417	A101584	9,532	-	
Sea Grant Support	11.417	A101478	10,123	-	
Sea Grant Support	11.417	A101480	64,011	-	
Sea Grant Support	11.417	A101500	4,039	-	
Sea Grant Support	11.417	A101572	28,374	-	
Total Sea Grant Support	11.417		449,363	-	
Total U.S. Department of Commerce			1,185,654	193,995	
<u>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</u>					
Direct Federal Program					
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	Not Applicable	785,489	-	
Continuum of Care Program	14.267	Not Applicable	198,799	-	
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			984,288	-	
<u>U.S. Department of Justice</u>					
Passed Through the Massachusetts Victim and Witness Assistance Board					
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	VOCA2021BCCC	190,186	-	
Passed Through the Massachusetts Childrens Alliance					
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	VOCA 2019-V2-GX-0025	79,064	-	
Total Crime Victim Assistance	16.575		269,250	-	
Total U.S. Department of Justice			269,250	-	
<u>U.S. Department of Transportation</u>					
Highway Planning and Construction Cluster					
Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Transportation					
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	114677	472,300	-	
Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster			472,300	-	
Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Transportation					
Metropolitan Transportation Planning and State and Non-Metropolitan					
Planning and Research	20.505	112302	209,993	-	
Metropolitan Transportation Planning and State and Non-Metropolitan					
Planning and Research	20.505	110885	10,579	-	
Total Metropolitan Transportation Planning and State and					
Non-Metropolitan Planning and Research	20.505		220,572	-	
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			692,872	-	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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U.S. Department of Treasury

Passed Through the Massachusetts Executive Office for Administration and Finance				
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	FY21COUNTYBARNSCOVID	54,185	-
Direct Federal Program				
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	Not Applicable	145,081	-
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			199,266	-

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Direct Federal Program				
Southeast New England Coastal Watershed Restoration Program	66.129	Not Applicable	30,884	-
Passed Through the University of Southern Maine				
Southeast New England Coastal Watershed Restoration Program	66.129	SNEP1-09	38,446	-
Total Southeast New England Coastal Watershed Restoration Program	66.129		69,330	-
Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection				
Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants	66.460	CTEQE5014CTYBARNSTABLE1902319	66,310	-
Direct Federal Program				
Science To Achieve Results (STAR) Research Program	66.509	Not Applicable	196,164	-
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency			331,804	-

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health				
Medical Reserve Corps Small Grant Program	93.008	MRC 14-0099	321	-
Medical Reserve Corps Small Grant Program	93.008	MRC 15-0099	229	-
Total Medical Reserve Corps Small Grant Program	93.008		550	-
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069	Not Available	138,979	-
Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs	93.136	INTF2354M04160222077	104,266	-
COVID-19 - Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases	93.323	INTF5264P01223127033	114,124	-
Passed Through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs				
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Research, Demonstrations and Evaluations	93.779	CTELD0364SHINEPROGRAM2014barn	69,087	-
Passed Through Outer Cape Health Services				
Rural Health Care Services Outreach, Rural Health Network Development and Small Health Care Provider Quality Improvement	93.912	HRSA grant #P10RH41766	10,000	-
Passed Through the Massachusetts Department of Public Health				
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	INTF2903PO1190128223	147,122	-
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	INTF2354M78220129146	122,557	-
Total Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959		269,679	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			706,685	-

U.S. Corporation for National and Community Service

Passed Through the Massachusetts Service Alliance				
AmeriCorps	94.006	Not Available	404,074	-
Total U.S. Corporation for National and Community Service			404,074	-

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Passed Through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency				
COVID-19 - Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	CTFEMA4496BRNST00513	111,531	-
Passed Through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security				
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	FYEMPG2100000BARN5	21,771	-
COVID-19 - Assistance to Firefighters Grant	97.044	CT-DFS-1000	39,855	-
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			173,157	-
Total Federal Expenditures			\$ 5,141,858	\$ 193,995

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the County of Barnstable, Massachusetts (the County) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County.
- Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited to reimbursement.
- Expenditures awarded from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), must be presented on the Schedule when; 1) FEMA has approved the County's project worksheet (PW) and 2) the County has incurred the eligible expenditures. The \$111,531 reported for Disaster Grants – Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters), AL 97.036, represents expenditures incurred in prior years that were approved by FEMA during fiscal year 2022.

Note 2. De Minimis Cost Rate

The County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3. Donated Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (Unaudited)

During fiscal year 2022 the County did not receive donated PPE from federal sources.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP:

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified? ☐ yes ☒ no
- Significant deficiencies identified? ☐ yes ☒ none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

☐ yes ☒ no

Federal Awards

Internal control over major federal programs:

- Material weaknesses identified? ☐ yes ☒ no
- Significant deficiencies identified? ☐ yes ☒ none reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs:

Home Investment Partnerships Program

Unmodified

Highway Planning and Construction Cluster

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?

☐ yes ☒ no

Identification of major federal programs:

Assistance Listing Number(s)

14.239

20.205

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

Home Investment Partnerships Program

Highway Planning and Construction Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

☒ yes ☐ no

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None.

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None.

SECTION IV - SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

<u>Finding #</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Finding/Noncompliance</u>	Current Year <u>Status</u>
2021-001	Coronavirus Relief Fund	Improve Controls and compliance with Subrecipient Monitoring Process (Significant Deficiency)	Resolved