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Workforce Development Department: Review of Certified Statement of Assets Transferred Date of Transfer – March 28, 2020



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**SUBJECT: Review of Certified Statements of Assets Transferred
Date of Transfer March 28, 2020**

In compliance with Article V, Section 1, of the San Bernardino County Charter, we have completed a review of the Workforce Development Department's (Department) Certified Statement of Assets Transferred (CSAT) form for the incoming official Sandy Harmsen, Interim Director, as of the date of transfer of March 28, 2020. The primary objectives of the review were to determine if the CSAT form was accurate, complete and filed timely with the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (ATC), as required by the County Charter.

Our review determined that the form was complete, however was not filed in a timely manner, and there were balances which were reported inaccurately.

The Department is responsible for correcting the amounts on the CSAT form within 30 days of receipt of this report. The updated CSAT form should be maintained at the department level and available upon request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Purpose

In accordance with Article V, Section 1 of the San Bernardino County Charter, each County officer or employee in charge of any office, department, service, or institution of the County, and the executive head of each special district whose affairs and funds are under the supervision and control of the Board of Supervisors or for which the Board is ex-officio, is required to make and file with the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (ATC) a complete detailed inventory of all property belonging or pertaining to his/her office within five days after assuming the duties of the office.

Departments are responsible for completing their own Certified Statement of Assets Transferred (CSAT) form when there is a change in Department Head. The 2018 Internal Controls and Cash Manual (ICCM) Chapter 17-Transfer of Assets and Other Property states that incoming officials must complete and submit the CSAT form and worksheet to the ATC's Internal Audits Section (IAS).

Scope and Objectives

Our review examined the CSAT form completed by the Workforce Development Department (Department) for the incoming official Sandy Harmsen, Interim Director, as of the date of transfer of March 28, 2020.

The objectives of our review were to determine whether the form was accurate, complete and filed timely.

Methodology

The CSAT form and supporting documentation provided by the Department were reviewed to verify that the amounts entered on the CSAT form were correctly stated in accordance with the ICCM Chapter 17-2 Transfer of Assets and Other Property.

Purpose, Scope, Objectives and Methodology



The following procedures were performed in accordance with the related ICCM requirements:

ICCM Requirement	Procedure Performed
ICCM Chapter 17-2 states that incoming officials must total all money not held in the County Treasury that the department is responsible for.	Department-provided cash balances were compared the IAS cash database.
ICCM Chapter 17-2 states that balances of all trust and agency funds must be reconciled to the balance as of the transfer date.	Department-provided records were reviewed along with the SAP crosswalk on the Enterprise Financial Management System website to determine if trust or agency funds were present.
ICCM Chapter 17-3 states that fixed asset amounts from the quarterly equipment, vehicle and software reports from General Accounting should be reconciled as of the transfer date.	Department-provided fixed asset balances were compared to the SAP fixed asset report.

Additionally, we determined whether the annual reporting of sensitive equipment was filed with the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (ATC), a Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form was submitted to ATC Accounts Payable and whether the assigned County credit cards and/or Cal-Cards were cancelled with the Purchasing Department.



Summary

The Workforce Development Department (Department) reported the following on the Certified Statement of Assets Transferred (CSAT) form:

Asset	Amount
Cash	\$ 1,000
Agency Funds	727,024
Fixed Assets	23,804

A sensitive equipment listing has been filed with the Internal Audits Section (IAS) within the last year.

The following conditions were noted:

- The Department was required to submit the CSAT no later than April 3, 2020 and the CSAT was completed on April 29, 2020, therefore was 18 business days late.
- Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form was not submitted to the ATC's Accounts Payable Section cancelling the outgoing officer's signature authority.
- As of April 20, 2020, assigned County credit cards and/or Cal-Cards were not cancelled with the Purchasing Department. Cancellation occurred on April 24, 2020 after IAS followed up with the Purchasing Department.
- Agency funds were reported as \$727,024 on the CSAT. However, the SAP crosswalk does not list any agency funds for the Department. IAS compared the fund number reported to the County Budget Book and determined that it was a special revenue fund, and not an agency fund. Therefore, the amount reported on the CSAT was \$727,024 higher than official County records.
- Fixed assets were reported as \$23,804 on the CSAT; however, the amount did not agree with the SAP fixed assets records. SAP reported a total of \$182,703 in fixed asset acquisition cost. The Department reported the difference between the acquisition cost and accumulated depreciation as total fixed assets. The amount reported should be based on acquisition cost, without accumulated depreciation subtracted out. Therefore, the amount reported on the CSAT was \$158,899 lower than official County records.



Conclusion

The Department's CSAT form for the incoming official Sandy Harmsen, Interim Director with the transfer date of March 28, 2020 was complete but not filed timely and there were balances that did not agree to official County records. In addition, the Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form was not submitted to the ATC's Accounts Payable Section to cancel the outgoing officer's signature authority. Furthermore, the assigned County credit cards and/or Cal-Cards were not cancelled by the Department or outgoing officer. Cancellation occurred after IAS followed up with the Purchasing Department.

We recommend that the Department investigate the differences and ensure that Department records can be reconciled to County official records for all asset categories. We further recommend that the Department submit a Signature/Fund Custodian Authorization form to ATC's Accounts Payable Section to cancel the outgoing officer's signature authority immediately. Lastly, we recommend that the Department return assigned County credit cards and/or Cal-Cards to the Purchasing Department immediately, if they have not already been returned subsequent to the fieldwork date.