


**Date:** December 30, 2014  
**To:** Council of the District of Columbia  
**From:** Kathleen Patterson   
District of Columbia Auditor  
**Subject:** Activity Report – December 2014

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This report provides information on the activities of the Office of the District of Columbia Auditor (ODCA) for December 2014. The report includes reports issued, announcements, and the status of current audit projects.

**[Audit Reports:](#)**

**[DC Public Education Reform Amendment Act \(PERAA\) Report No. 3 Supplemental: The Impact of Replacing Principals on Student Achievement in DC Public Schools \(DCPS\)](#)**

**Released:** December 3, 2014

**Summary:** This is a supplemental addendum to the third report in a series of interim reports on the implementation of the 2007 Public Education Reform Amendment Act (PERAA) required under a contract with the National Academy of Sciences (NAS). The third report addressed human resources and includes two parts and this supplemental addendum. [Report No. 3 Part I](#) (released June 30, 2014), focused on teacher effectiveness (as measured by IMPACT) and teacher retention in District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS). [Report No. 3 Part II](#) (released August 22, 2014) provided information on trends in teacher effectiveness by ward and socioeconomic status (SES) in DCPS. This [supplemental](#) addendum provides information on principal retention in DCPS.

**[Advisory Neighborhood Commission Security Fund Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2014](#)**

**Released:** December 12, 2014

**Summary:** As required by law (D.C. Code § 1-309.14), the Office of the District of Columbia Auditor issued the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) Security Fund Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2014. The Advisory Neighborhood Commission Security Fund (Fund) was established for the purpose of insuring Advisory Neighborhood Commissions against unauthorized expenditures or loss of funds. The Fund does not cover any loss as the result of an expenditure authorized by a vote of a Commission. The Fund is held in the custody of a Board of Trustees composed of the Secretary of the District of Columbia, the General Counsel to the Council of the District of Columbia, and the District of Columbia Auditor.

On October 1, 2013, the beginning balance of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission Security Fund was \$58,509.59. Deposits of \$3,076.716 and no disbursements during FY 2014 resulted in a Fund balance of \$61,586.30, as of September 30, 2014.

**Announcements:**

On December 11, 2014, Lawrence Perry, Acting District of Columbia Auditor, appeared before the Committee on Business, Consumer and Regulatory Affairs to discuss SBE expenditures by District agencies and report on the Office of the District of Columbia Auditor’s compliance with fiscal year (FY) 2014 Small Business Enterprise expenditure goals. Read the entire testimony [here](#).

On December 4, 2014, Chairman Mendelson swore in the Hon. Kathleen Patterson as D.C. Auditor. Mendelson nominated Patterson for the position in October and she was confirmed last month. Patterson, a former Councilmember, represented Ward 3 on the Council from 1995-2007. She began her term as D.C. Auditor on December 15, 2014.

In order to provide the incoming Bowser administration an opportunity to provide comments, ODCA will release the Fraud Prevention Fund Review in January 2015. The review was previously scheduled to be released in December 2014.

**Current Audits:**

Item #	Audit Name	Origination	Audit Agency	Audit Purpose	Audit Phase/Status
1	<a href="#">DDOE Anacostia River Fund Audit</a>	Discretionary	District Department of the Environment (DDOE)	To determine whether the department managed the Anacostia River Cleanup and Protection Program in an effective and efficient manner and complied with rules, regulations, and laws.	Final Report Issued 10/30/2014
2	<a href="#">ANC Annual Report</a>	D.C. Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANC)	To present a consolidated annual report of the financial activity of all Advisory Neighborhood Commissions regarding the expenditure of District funds and quarterly financial reports that were submitted to the Office of the District of Columbia Auditor for FY 2013	Final Report Issued 10/21/2014

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3	D.C. Public Charter Schools Audit	Discretionary	D.C. Public Charter Schools	To determine whether the operations of the D.C. Public Charter Schools were efficient, effective, economical, and complied with rules, regulations and laws	Reporting
4	<a href="#">ANC 1A Audit</a>	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 1A	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Final Report Issued 11/20/2014
5	<a href="#">ANC 5B Audit</a>	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 5B	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Final Report Issued 11/6/2014
6	ANC 8E Audit	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 8E	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Reporting
7	ANC 5C Audit	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 5C	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Field Work

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8	ANC 6E Audit	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 6E	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Field Work
9	ANC 7F Audit	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 7F	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Field Work
10	ANC 8D Audit	DC Code § 1-309.13(d)(1)	ANC 8D	To determine whether ANC Commissioners administered and operated ANC financial accounts in accordance with applicable District laws and regulations	Field Work
11	DCPS Capital Improvement Fund Audit	D.C. Code § 38-2973.05	Department of General Services (DGS)	To evaluate the use of the DCPS Capital Improvement Fund to include a school and project specific audit of all expenditures for school facility capital improvements, maintenance, repairs, and operating costs and to determine whether the District met the process, quality, schedule, and cost objectives of the Facilities Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan and Budget for FY 2010 through 2013	Field Work
12	BOE Election Preparedness Review	Councilmember McDuffie	Board of Elections	To determine BOE's preparedness for the November 4, 2014 general election	Ongoing

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13	<a href="#">TANF Employment Program Vendor Review</a>	Councilmember Graham	Department of Human Services (DHS)	To determine costs, levels of participation, and outcomes of TANF Employment Programs	Final Report Issued 11/4/2014
14	BOE Voter Files Audit	Discretionary	Board of Elections	To determine whether the voter files were accurate and complied with relevant rules, regulations and laws	Survey
15	Saint Elizabeths Audit	Discretionary	Department of Behavioral Health (DBH)	To determine whether the operations of Saint Elizabeths were efficient, effective, economical, and complied with rules, regulations and laws	Survey
16	Sick and Safe Leave Audit	D.C. Code § 32-131.15	Department of Employment Services (DOES)/ Department of Human Resources (DCHR)	To determine whether employers met the posting requirements of the Act; agencies met the administrative requirements of the Act; and to determine whether there was an economic impact on the private sector as a result of the Act	Field Work
17	Homeless Programs Audit	Councilmember Cheh	Homeless programs affiliated with Nonprofit Organizations	To review homeless programs affiliated with nonprofit organizations to determine redundancy, waste, inefficiency, and inadequate accountability	Survey

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18	<a href="#">Certification of OCFO Revenue Estimate</a>	D.C. Code § 1-206.03	Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO)	To review, analyze and assess the reasonableness and attainability of the CFO's FY 2015 local source revenue estimate, and to determine if the issuance of the proposed general obligation bonds would cause the District to exceed its debt ceiling, as outlined in D.C. Code 1-206.03(b)(1)	Final Report Issued 11/25/2014
19	Public Private Developer Review	Councilmember Bonds	Public Private Developers	Review files and invoices of selected developers with CBE agreements. Currently conducting pre-audit data collection and audit will proceed only if preliminary research indicates a concern.	Pre-Audit Research Underway
20	<a href="#">PERAA Report #3</a>	D.C. Code § 38-193	District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)	To present evaluation results for 2012 – 2013 with a five-year trend analysis for human resource operations and human capital strategies of DCPS, with an emphasis on teachers and principals. Parts 1 and 2 have already been published. Summative report will be published in FY 2015.	Final Report Issued Part I 6/20/2014 Part II 8/22/2014 Supplemental 12/3/2014
21	<a href="#">PERAA Report #5</a>	D. C. Code § 38-193	District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)	To present evaluation results for 2009 – 2010 with a five-year trend analysis for certain business practices and strategies of DCPS	Final Report Issued 11/5/2014

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22	PERAA Summative Report	D. C. Code § 38-193	District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)	To present a comprehensive report covering five years regarding implementation of PERAA and whether sufficient progress in DCPS education was achieved to warrant continuation of the provisions and requirements of PERAA or whether a new law, and a new system of education, should be enacted.	Ongoing
23	Fraud Prevention Fund Review	D.C. Code § 22-3226.14(d)	Office of the Mayor/ Task Group to Combat Fraud	To determine whether the Prevention Fund was maintained as a non-lapsing fund, funds were not commingled with the General Fund, the Prevention Fund consisted of fines paid, and funds were used in a manner consistent with all rules, regulations and laws	Reporting
24	<a href="#">ANC Security Fund Review</a>	D.C. Code § 1-309.14(f)	Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANC)	To present the Security Fund Annual Financial Report of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission for FY 2014	Final Report Issued 12/12/2014
25	Events DC Audit	D.C. Code § 10-1203.05(a)	Washington Convention and Sports Authority (Events DC)	To determine whether Events DC is achieving goals	Planning
26	MPD Patrol Services and School Security Bureau Audit	Risk Based Audit	Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)	To determine whether the MPD Patrol Services and School Security Bureau is achieving goals	Planning