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AWARDS CEREMONY

October 13, 2020



Council of the
INSPECTORS GENERAL
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CIGIE AWARDS—2020

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THE HONORABLE MICHAEL E. HOROWITZ

CIGIE Chair

Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice

THE HONORABLE MICHAEL RIGAS

CIGIE Executive Chair

Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget

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ANTHONY FAUCI, M.D.

Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

(NIAID), U.S. National Institutes of Health

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ALLISON C. LERNER

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Inspector General, National Science Foundation

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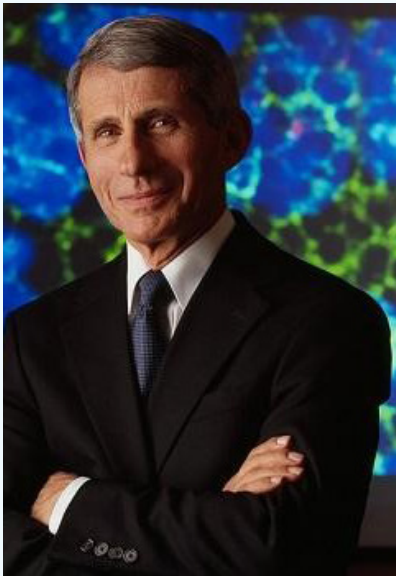
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ALLISON C. LERNER

CIGIE Vice Chair

Inspector General, National Science Foundation

“God Bless America”



ANTHONY S. FAUCI, M.D.

Anthony S. Fauci, M.D. is director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) at the U.S. National Institutes of Health, where he oversees an extensive research portfolio focused on infectious and immune-mediated diseases. As the long-time chief of the NIAID Laboratory of Immunoregulation, Dr. Fauci has made many seminal contributions in basic and clinical research and is one of the world's most-cited biomedical scientists. He was one of the principal architects of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), a program that has saved millions of lives throughout the developing world. .



Michael Rigas
Executive Chair

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Executive Chair

Michael Rigas currently serves as the Acting Director of the United States Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and the Deputy Director for Management at the United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Rigas was nominated by President Trump and in March 2018 was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate to Deputy Director of OPM. At OPM, Rigas has overseen the successful effort to eliminate a background investigation backlog of over half a million investigations and has helped facilitate transferring the National Background Investigation Bureau from OPM to DOD.

As Acting Director of OPM, he has provided agencies with multiple flexibilities they need to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, including hiring, pay and leave flexibilities. As a result the federal workforce was able to move to an immediate maximum telework posture, the first time in history, while continuing to execute on its mission for the American people.

Rigas has over 25 years of professional experience in the private, public and non-profit sectors, with a record of improving organizational performance and streamlining operations.

Prior to his current role, he served twice as an appointee at the General Services Administration (GSA), most recently as Senior Advisor and previously as Associate Administrator where he worked to increase Federal Government contracting with woman-owned, veteran-owned and service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, and improved his department's scorecard from "red" to "green."

Mr. Rigas spent more than a decade in the private sector, including Mellon Financial Corporation and Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. He holds an M.A. in public administration from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government and B.A. and M.A. in economics from Boston University.



Michael E. Horowitz
Chair

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Chair

Welcome to the 23rd annual awards ceremony of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. This is a special day for our award winners and their families, and an extraordinary day for our community. Extraordinary, because we gather today as one—not 75—in order to celebrate the remarkable achievements of all. These achievements over the past year serve to promote accountability within the individual agencies we oversee and increase public trust in the institution of government as a whole

Together, we are a 13,000-strong team of government oversight professionals. Together, we perform, each year, thousands of audits, investigations, inspections, evaluations, and reviews which help ensure efficiency in government operations and the realization of billions of dollars in savings. The collective impact of that work, visible at a glance on Oversight.gov, is breathtaking.

Each report publicly posted on Oversight.gov is a powerful reminder of why we are here and the tremendous value we bring to the table. Of those reports, a significant number was deemed consequential enough in their own right to merit an award nomination, fully and vigorously supported by leadership. A very few, truly the best of the best in a year of very stiff competition, reflected work so powerful, that it serves as an exemplar to all and is deserving of an award.



Allison C. Lerner
Vice Chair

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Vice Chair

Congratulations to each of you for your remarkable achievements. You are outstanding representatives of the entire IG community and demonstrate through your commitment to public service, professionalism, and an exceptional quality of work. What a strong and dedicated staff we have in our community.

We are extremely proud to be able to join with the IG community today in recognizing your accomplishments. The challenges that we often face in conducting effective oversight are many, and the results are not always welcomed, but through your efforts the American people are better served by the organizations you oversee. Thank you for your dedication to our mission and congratulations again on your well-deserved awards.



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In Remembrance

LIVES LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY

We would also like to recognize all OIG employees who have lost their lives while performing their official duties. We salute their service to the IG community and honor their sacrifice.

U.S. Agency for International Development

Oscar C. Holder

Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector

Sidney B. Jacques

Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector

A 1962 plane crash of a Royal Nepal airlines plane in the Himalayas resulted in the deaths of Mr. Holder and Mr. Jacques.

Charles Hega

Auditor

William Stanford

Auditor

In 1984, a terrorist shot and killed Mr. Hega and Mr. Stanford during a Pakistan International Airline plane hijacking in Tebran, Iran.

Robert Hebb

Auditor

Rolando Barahona

Auditor

A Honduran airliner crashed on approach to the airport in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, resulting in the deaths of Mr. Hebb and Mr. Barahona in 1989.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Paul Broxterman

Special Agent

A victim of the Oklahoma City Bombing, Special Agent Paul Broxterman was the first HUD OIG agent killed in the line of duty. He was in his office at the Alfred Murrab Federal Building, which was destroyed on April 19, 1995.

Abdon Cabello

Special Agent

Abdon Cabello, a criminal investigator, collapsed and died suddenly on Monday, April 5, 1999, during physical training at the Basic Criminal Investigator Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia. He was 37 years old.

U.S. Department of Justice

William “Buddy” Sentner, III

Special Agent

In June 2006, Special Agent Sentner was shot and killed while executing arrest warrants on six Bureau of Prisons correctional officers at the Federal Correctional Institution in Tallahassee, Florida.

U.S. Postal Service

Greg R. Boss

Special Agent

On November 8, 2005, Special Agent Greg Boss was killed by an aggressive driver in a vehicle accident while on-duty in Colorado.

Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction

Paul Converse

Auditor

On March 23, 2008, the International Zone in Baghdad was hit by indirect fire. During one of the attacks, Paul Converse was seriously wounded. He died from his injuries on March 24, 2008.

U.S. Department of State

Alan V. Gowing

Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Office of Security and Intelligence Oversight

On December 11, 1997, Mr. Gowing died while leading a security oversight inspection of the U.S. embassy in Baku, Azerbaijan.

U.S. Department of Transportation

David J. Hoeffler

Special Agent

David J. Hoeffler, a criminal investigator, collapsed and died suddenly on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, during physical training in Columbus, Ohio



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Special Category Awards

ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

ORR

Brooke Adams	Seta Hovagimian
Bahar Adili	Claire Huerta
Jeff Arman	Joel Hurford
Heather Barton	Signe Jones
Mike Barton	Lonie Kim
Nancy Bibb	Tom Komaniecki
Gwendolyn Booker	Michael Kvassay
Benjamin Bourgeois	Paul Lazor
Elisabeth Bryant	Juanita Lee
Jeffrey Bullock	Carla Lewis
Laura Canfield	Tom Lin
Frances Cardona Latorre	Juliet Lo
Marilyn Carrion	Lauren Mackin
Katherine Cartwright	Ann Maxwell
Ellen Chen	Amitava Mazumdar
Blaine Collins	Conswelia McCourt
Jon Paul Correira	Diana Merelman
Michael Coy	Julie Miller
Abigail Cummings	Kelsey Minchew
Kirsten Dalboe	Morsal Mohamad
Louis Day	Ana Monterrosa
Brenda Delasanta	Zunara Naeem
Nicole Faison	Angeles Narvaez Rivera
Lisa Ferraro	Amir Nicolas
Tiffany Friguletto	Mike Novello
Alfred Gary <i>Auditor</i>	Francine Olguin
William Grayson	Lyndsay Patty
Delphine Hanna	Jorge Pimentel Frometa
Camille Harper	Bryan Pittman
Keith Harris	Stephanie Pizzillo
Maritza Hawrey	Diani Popoca
Crystal Hines	James Potter
Christpoher Holder	Judith Potter
	Christina Price

Eurika Ramdas	Wayne Southwell
Malathi Rao	Catie Spivey
Thomas Rauch	Cynthia Stasch
Tony Rawlins	Jessica Swanstrom
John Retzloff	Peter Taschenberger
Glenn Richter	Allyson Thompson
Brenda Ross Few	Margarita Velez
Melissa Rumley	Sonia Viramontes
Frances Russo	Jennifer Wagner
Chelsea Samuel	Amelia Wentz
Nanette Sanchez	Ann Wieland
Marta Sanchez Jauregui	Tesia Williams
Louise Schoggen	Sylvie Witten
Christopher Seidel	Hong Yang
Todd Silver	Peili Yao
Gary Simpson	Olga Yavorsky
Jared Smith	Mildred Yilmaz
Brianna So	Sarah Zamani
Jennifer Sobota	
Eric Sorenson	

In recognition of comprehensive and multifaceted oversight that improved safety and well being of migrant children in custody of the Department of Health and Human Services.

GASTON L. GIANNI, JR. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Transportation DOT OIG Air Carrier Safety Oversight Team

Marshall Anderson <i>Project Manager</i>	Ruth Foyere <i>Senior Analyst</i>
Audre Azuolas <i>Senior Technical Writer</i>	Kevin George <i>Project Manager</i>
Curt Boettcher <i>Senior Analyst</i>	Seth Kaufman <i>Deputy Chief Counsel</i>
Nathaniel Caldwell <i>Senior Auditor</i>	Anne Longtin <i>Senior Analyst</i>
Susan Crook Wilson <i>Writer Editor</i>	Eboni Noland <i>Auditor</i>

Tina Nysted
Program Director

Wayne Van De Walker
Senior Auditor

Mark Perrill
Senior Analyst

Taniesha Willis
Senior Analyst

Petra Swartzlander
Senior Statistician

In recognition of helping to restore public confidence in FAA's ability to consistently and effectively oversee air carrier maintenance programs.

GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Failures Implementing Aspects of the VA Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017 Team

Domingo A. Alvarez
Administrative Investigator

Sarah S. Lanks
Attorney Advisor

Sabrina L. Gregory
Auditor

Jonathan M. Lebruto
Attorney Advisor

Dyanne M. Griffith
Attorney Advisor

R. James Mitchell, Esq.
Acting Assistant Inspector General

Michele L. Hale
Administrative Investigator

Samantha R. Petrich
Attorney Advisor

Daniel J. Hollis
Administrative Investigator

Martha R. Plotkin
Special Assistant–Attorney Advisor to the Inspector General

Nathan J. Landkammer
Special Agent in Charge

Barbara H. Wright
Senior Attorney Advisor

In recognition of the team's meaningful contributions to furthering Congress's goals of protecting whistleblowers and enhancing the accountability of VA officials for misconduct and poor performance.

SENTNER AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND COURAGE

U.S. Department of Justice

Emergency Support Function 13, COVID 19 Response Team

Rolando Alvarez
Special Agent

Joseph Losavio Jr
Special Agent

Morning D Johnson
Special Agent

Shawn K McAleer
Special Agent

Greg Jones
Special Agent

Andrew J Reyes
Special Agent

Lucas J Alfaro <i>Special Agent</i>	Amy C McAleese <i>Special Agent</i>
Jeffrey D Ball <i>Special Agent</i>	Kenyelle Plummer <i>Special Agent</i>
Kenneth R Benson <i>Special Agent</i>	Joshua E Preuss <i>Special Agent</i>
Michael Cohen <i>EOT Medical Advisor</i>	Christina C Ramirez <i>Special Agent</i>
Curtis L Collison III <i>Special Agent</i>	Justin W Reedy <i>Special Agent</i>
John Croes <i>Special Agent</i>	Dennis Rude Jr. <i>Special Agent</i>
Michael Dillinger <i>EOT Logistics</i>	Scott J Schneckeburger <i>Special Agent</i>
Christian Dunkle <i>Special Agent</i>	Gregory E Schossler <i>Assistant Special Agent in Charge</i>
Tom Floersch <i>EOT Logistics</i>	Brent Steele <i>Special Agent</i>
Olivia S Fowler <i>Special Agent</i>	James J.M. Stephens <i>Special Agent</i>
Adam Globerman <i>EOT Incident Commander</i>	Brian Stoia <i>Special Agent</i>
Lauren S Hanover <i>Special Agent</i>	Paul E Sullivan <i>Special Agent</i>
Ken Harris <i>EOT Operations</i>	Jin Tae Kim <i>Special Agent</i>
Tyson Howard <i>Special Agent</i>	Jeremy Thornton <i>Special Agent</i>
Andre L Jacobs II <i>Special Agent</i>	Eric R Wiggam <i>Special Agent</i>
Kelsi Larsen <i>Special Agent</i>	Trenton Williams <i>Special Agent</i>
Derek Maloney <i>Special Agent</i>	Wendy S Wingers <i>Assistant Special Agent in Charge</i>
Dennis E Matulewicz Jr., <i>Special Agent</i>	

In recognition of their contribution to the United States government's effort to combat the COVID 19 pandemic as part of Emergency Support Function 13, and in recognition of their courage and sacrifice in heeding the call to service.

JUNE GIBBS BROWN CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Defense

Glenn A Fine

Principal Deputy Inspector General Performing the Duties of the Inspector General

In recognition of more than 20 years of service and leadership in the IG community that produced vital oversight of critical programs, advanced independence of IGs, increased transparency, and helped improve inspector general communities.

AWARD FOR INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT

U.S. Department of Justice

Kelly McFadden

Director, Financial Statement Audit Office

In recognition of outstanding leadership in simplifying the government wide financial reporting model, including by eliminating agency Closing Package Financial Statement Audits and integrating them into General Purpose Financial Statement Audits.



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Barry R. Snyder
Joint Award

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Insys

Vivian Barrios
FBI Special Agent

David Lazarus
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Paul Baumrind
FBI Special Agent

John Lee
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Christina Cortright
Assistant Special Agent in Charge

Patrick Luk
Assistant Special Agent in Charge

Susan Poswistilo
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Sharon Moorefield
Special Agent FDA

Lindsay Walford
Special Agent

Kerri Navarro
Assistant Special Agent in Charge

Michael Ahearn
Special Agent

Todd Prough
Special Agent, DEA

Darren Bartnick
Assistant Special Agent in Charge

Mary Riordan
Senior Counsel

Robert Bosken
Resident Agent in Charge Veterans Affairs

Sandra Sands
Senior Counsel

Maurice Peter Cote
Special Agent

Stacey Schlender
Staff Operations Specialist, FBI

Terrence Dupont
FBI Special Agent

Danielle Schrage
Postal Inspector, USPS

Lisa Fernandez
DEA Diversion

Christopher Silvestro
Special Agent DOD

Katie Fink
Senior Counsel

Gary Smith
Investigator, DOL – Employee Benefits Security Administration

Christopher Gleason
Special Agent, U.S. Office of Personnel Management FBI

Kurt Soo Hoo
Special Agent

Marc Heggemeyer
Special Agent

Christine Tang
Senior Investigator DOL

Matthew Hirschy
Special Agent USPS OIG

Scott Wisnaskas
Special Agent

Benjamin Hochberger
Special Agent DOD

Fred Wyshak
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Brigid Horan
Forensic Accountant, FBI

Nathaniel Yeager
Assistant U.S. Attorney

*In recognition of outstanding work investigating and prosecuting a first of its kind
criminal case against an opioid manufacturer and its executives.*



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Awards for Excellence

AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
Agency for International Development
Awards Oversight Audit Team

Tanner Horton Jones
Associate Counsel

Steven Ramonas
Auditor

Mary Llacer Salcedo
Auditor

Karen Sloan
Communications Officer

Ryan McGonagle
Assistant Director

Brian Smith
Auditor

Carlos Molina
Auditor

Allison Tarmann
Writer Editor

Laura Pirocanac
Writer Editor

In recognition of exceptional performance in helping USAID better manage and protect the billions of dollars it awards annually and ensure promised outcomes are achieved.

U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA OIG Audit Midwestern Region's EQIP Audit Team

Keith Arnold
Senior Auditor

Lance Jenkins
Senior Auditor

Melissa Bentley
Senior Writer Editor

Yarisis Rivera Rojas
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Jason Brammer
Senior Auditor

William Walker
Director

Larry Ellis
Assistant Director

Noble Wheeler
Senior Auditor

Christopher Harris
Senior Auditor

In recognition of the team's outstanding efforts and rigorous research that identified serious deficiencies in payment calculation methodology for the multi billion dollar Environmental Quality Incentives Program.

Amtrak
Acela 21 Program Audit Team

Melissa Hermes
Senior Audit Manager

Andrew Mollohan
Senior Auditor Lead

J.J. Marzullo
Senior Director

Alison O'Neill
Communication Analyst

In recognition of excellence in identifying significant vulnerabilities and program deficiencies in Amtrak's new \$2.1 billion Acela high speed rail program.

U.S. Department of Defense

Audit of the DoD's Management of the Third Party Collection Program for Medical Claims

Jacob Belko
Team Leader

Peggy Huchinson
Auditor

Cameron Charbonneau
Auditor

Nicole Panichella
Auditor

Henry David Barton
Quantitative Methods

Bryan Prorok
Team Leader

Travis Duling
Team Leader

Eric Thacker
Program Director

Paul Hadjiyane
General Counsel

Christopher Tischer
Editor

Michael Hepler
Program Manager

Amber White
Team Leader

In recognition of exceptional effort on the audit of DoD's management of the third-party collection program for medical claims related to \$70.7 million in uncollected debt from 9 military facilities.

Cybersecurity Over DoD Controlled Unclassified Information Audit Team

James Bausman
Auditor

Anissa M Nash
Program Director

Gregory A Crawford
Project Manager

Candace Patterson
Auditor

Wendy Farrell
Editor

Juan P Pellicier
Senior Auditor

Vaughn Hatton
Auditor

Abraham J Smith
Information Technology Specialist

Yunho "Deb" Ko
Senior Auditor

Richard M Sudder II
Associate General Counsel

In recognition of the exceptional effort on the Audit of Protection of DoD Controlled Unclassified Information on Contractor Owned Networks and Systems that will reduce vulnerabilities on DOD systems.

U.S. Department of Education

Disaster Recovery Audit Team

James Bennett
Auditor

Giovanni Brignoni
Auditor

William Bennett
Auditor

Nancy Buckheit
Statistician

Selina Boyd
Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

Oscar Camacho
Auditor

Grace Chien
State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team

Carla McKenzie
Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General

Lavoris Coure
Auditor

Jillisa Milner
Managing Editor

Keith Cummins
Acting Director, State and Local Advisory and Assistance Team

Bobby Nathan
Auditor

Erin Dollard
Auditor

Antigone Potamianos
Counsel to the Inspector General

Alyce Frazier
Regional Inspector General for Audit

Ben Sanders
Auditor

“The Late” Christopher Gamble
Regional Inspector General for Audit

Juan Santiago
Auditor

Tracie Goff Smith
Auditor

Francisco Scharschmidt
Auditor

Myra Hamilton
Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

Silvia Segura
Auditor

Doral Hill
Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

Geraldine Soriano
Auditor

Alex Legkiy
Auditor

Zachary Sudiak
Director, Technology and Analytic Services

Suzanne Lu
Auditor

Vanessa Walters
Auditor

Jonatan Maldonado
Auditor

In recognition of outstanding audit work that identified significant internal control weaknesses by recipients of Department of Education disaster recovery funds and led to improved processes to ensure these vital funds are used as required.

U.S. Department of Energy

Department of Energy’s Quality Assurance: Commercial Grade Dedication of Items Relied on for Safety Audit Team

Bruce Miller
Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Inspections (Separated)

Ben Wagar
Auditor in Charge

Lindsey Poppe
Auditor

Doug Wheeler
Auditor (Separated)

Deborah Thomas
Regional Director/Team Leader

In recognition of outstanding audit work that identified weaknesses in quality assurance, specifically in the area of commercial grade dedication, for two Department of Energy nuclear facilities.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Preventing and Detecting Cyber Threats

Judy Hoyle
IT Auditor in Charge

Tom Ritz
Referencer

Alexander Kreckel
IT Specialist

Cam Thurber
Associate Counsel

Stacey Luck
Associate Counsel

Sharon Tushin
Senior Advisor to the IG

Joe Nelson
IT Audit Manager

Jin Zhu
IT Auditor

In recognition of exceptional teamwork in auditing and making recommendations to enhance the FDIC's prevention and detection of cyber threats.

Federal Housing Finance Agency FHFA Network and Systems Internal Penetration Test Team

Jackie Dang
IT Audit Director

Nick Peppers
IT Specialist

Dan Jensen
Auditor in Charge

In recognition of excellent audit work that found FHFA's network, systems, and information were not sufficiently protected against insider threats.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Authorized Generics

Jeffrey Cohen
Director

Cassandra Sheppard
Senior Auditor

Mari Farthing
Writer Editor

Meagan Summers
Auditor

Robert Fry
Evaluations Manager

Amanda Weeks
Deputy Director

Natalie Hull
Senior Auditor

Christopher Weiser
Senior Counsel

Kelsey Minchew
Auditor

Patricia Wheeler
Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

Matthew Odum
Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit Services

In recognition of exemplary efforts in providing information that helped lead to a statutory change resulting in estimated savings to the Medicaid drug rebate program of \$3.15 billion over 10 years.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Limitations of CBP OFO's Screening Device Used to Identify Fentanyl and Other Narcotics Audit Team

Christine Haynes
Director

Renee Foote,
Auditor

Loretta Atkinson,
Audit Manager

Ryan Ten Eyck
Program Analyst

Enrique Leal
Auditor in Charge

Deborah Mouton-Miller,
Communications Analyst

Clarence Brown
Auditor

Ebenezer Jackson
Independent Referencer

Julian Brown,
Auditor

In recognition of outstanding efforts that identified significant limitations in drug identification equipment deployed to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry.

The Criminal Alien Program Team

Melissa Brown
Program Analyst

Levino Johnson
Program Analyst

Priscilla Cast
Auditor in Charge

Sean Pettersen
Director

Jason Connor
Program Analyst

Karen Sheen
Audit Manager

Kevin Dolloson
Communications Analyst

Joshua Simon
Program Analyst

Kate Fishler Koroktova
Auditor

Chris Yablonski
Auditor in Charge

Robert Greene
Director

In recognition of outstanding achievement in auditing U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Criminal Alien Program and in reporting challenges with safety, resources, research, and information technology systems.

U.S. Department of Justice

DOJ OIG Audits of Controls over Weapons, Munitions and Explosives Team

Kate Bodan
Program Manager

Christina Manzanares
Auditor

Rebecca Quinson
Assistant Regional Audit Manager

Michael Nishi
Auditor

In recognition of the team's exceptional efforts in undertaking a series of five audits assessing DOJ components' controls over weapons, munitions, and explosives, and for offering recommended improvements for the management of this lethal property.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Efforts to Identify Homegrown Violent Extremists through Counterterrorism Assessments Audit Team

Todd A Anderson
Assistant Regional Audit Manager

Michelle M Proesel
Assistant Regional Audit Manager

Abigail A Farthing
Program Analyst

Sean M Relay
Senior Policy Advisor

James W Morrissey
Auditor in Charge

Bret C Watson
Auditor

In recognition of the team's exceptional performance in its examination of the FBI's efforts to identify homegrown violent extremists, including its prompt notification to FBI, DOJ, and other federal leadership of an existing national security threat.

U.S. Department of Labor

MSHA Civil Monetary Penalty Program Audit Team

Carolyn Cayode Gorman
Assistant Counsel, New York, NY

Leslie Antoinett Hunter
Program Analyst, Washington, D.C.

Brian Devaney
Audit Manager, New York, NY

Fangfang Xu
IT Data Scientist Specialist, Washington, D.C.

Stephen Fowler
Audit Director, Washington, D.C.

In recognition of exemplary work identifying weaknesses in MSHA's Civil Monetary Penalty program through extensive use of data analytics and recommending changes that should deter unsafe mine conditions and increase safety for miners.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NASA Office Of Inspector General Nasa's Management Of Space Launch System Program Costs and Contracts

Susan Bachle
Team Leader

Frank Martin
Analyst

Ridge Bowman
Director, Space Operations Directorate

Sara McGrath
Editor

Cedric Campbell
Associate Counsel to the IG Central Region

Robert Proudfoot
Analyst

Kevin Fagedes
Project Manager

Karlo Torres
Auditor

Dan Fenzau
Auditor

In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork in its review of NASA's Space Launch System costs and contracts.

National Science Foundation

Audit Execution Team supported by Compliance Analytics Team, Office of Counsel, and Communications Analyst

Jennifer Miller
Director, Compliance Analytics

Ashley Lippolis Aviles
Senior Program Analyst

Emma Bright
Management Analyst

Brittany Moon
Project Manager

Darrell Drake
Senior Auditor

Melissa Prunchak
Audit Manager

Philip Emswiler
Senior Program Analyst

Wendell Reid
Audit Manager

Heather Gallagher
Senior Auditor

Holly Snow
Project Manager

Ruth Gonzalez
Project Manager

Kelly Stefanko
Audit Manager

Jeanette Hyatt
Senior Auditor

Lisa Vonder Haar
Inspector General Chief of Staff

Elizabeth Kearns
Supervisory Senior Audit Manager

Nacole White
Senior Program Analyst

Jennifer Kendrick
Assistant Counsel

Vashti Young
Audit Manager

Elizabeth Lewis
Executive Officer/Communications Analyst

In recognition of Implementation of a new audit approach resulting in stronger, more holistic internal audit findings and recommendations, resulting in improved oversight of millions of dollars of Federal funds.

National Security Agency

Audit of the Agency's Information System Decommissioning Process

Sara Good
Auditor

Kyle Koslowski
Senior Auditor

Katrina Gray
Senior Auditor

For exemplary team performance conducting a mission critical audit of NSA's Information System Decommissioning Process, which identified significant and systemic deficiencies.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission NRC Cyber Security Inspections Audit Team

Magdala Boyer
Management Analyst

Paul Rades
Team Leader

Amy Hardin
Audit Manager

John Thorp
S. Technical Advisor

*For exceptional performance in identifying ways to improve the effectiveness of
NRC's nuclear power plant cyber security inspection program.*

Small Business Administration Audit Team for SBA's Oversight of the SCORE Association, Report 19 12

Bret Blake
Auditor

Leslie Kobus
Auditor

Riccardo Buglisi
Director, Contracting and Business Development Group

Christina Sweet
Audit Manager

Anita Dumsch
Auditor

*In recognition of excellence in identifying significant deficiencies in SBA's oversight of the SCORE
Program's use of federal funds, performance reporting, and internal controls for reporting fraud.*

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction Afghan Anti Corruption Strategy Team

Christopher Borgeson
Senior Program Manager

Luis Vertiz
Program Analyst

Margaret Tiernan
Senior Program Analyst

Anthony Warren
Senior Auditor

*In recognition of excellence in assessing the implementation of the Afghan government's
national anti corruption strategy and ministries' action plans.*

Afghanistan UH 60s Procurement Audit Team

Jeffrey Brown
Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Inspections

Carole Coffey
Senior Program Manager

Jerry Clark
Senior Analyst

Robert Vainshtein
Analyst

*In recognition of exemplary audit work to provide critical information for Congressional decision
making and saving over \$460 million in the UH 60 program in Afghanistan.*

Social Security Administration

Manually Processed Social Security Administration Workloads

Mark Bailey
Director

James Kim
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In recognition of demonstrating through its audits that manual actions processed by Agency employees were error prone and resulted in over \$1.3 billion in improper payments.

U.S. Department of State

U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief Audit Team

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In recognition of the exemplary examination of the Department of State's coordination and oversight of the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) that resulted in timely changes to the annual PEPFAR Country Operational Plan process.

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In recognition of Transmission System Perimeter Security Audit.

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In recognition of outstanding achievement to improve the integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Federal Aviation Administration's award practices for its multibillion dollar major program contracts.

U.S. Postal Service Advance Electronic Data Holds and Reliability

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In recognition of outstanding achievement in assessing advance electronic data (AED) holds performance and reliability.

Optimization and Service Performance of the U.S. Postal Service's Processing, Transportation, and Delivery Networks

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In recognition of outstanding achievement in evaluating service performance and cost optimization of U.S. Postal Service's transportation, processing, and delivery networks.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Audit Team for Non VA Emergency Care Claims Inappropriately Denied and Rejected

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In recognition of outstanding efforts identifying critical issues and errors in non VA emergency care claims processing that affect veterans and for helping VA ensure veterans do not experience undue financial harm.

EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Agriculture

USDA's Proposal to Reorganize and Relocate ERS and NIFA Inspection Team

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In recognition of the extraordinary efforts from the Offices of Audit and Counsel to determine USDA's authority to realign the Economic Research Service and relocate the Economic Research Service and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

U.S. Department of Defense FBI Submissions

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In recognition of the collaborative efforts of the FBI Project review team concerning deficiencies in reporting criminal history information to the FBI.

USAFRICOM / SOCAFRICA Project Team

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In recognition of USAFRICOM / SOCAFRICA Project Team's efforts on intelligence Requirements for the Commands' counterterrorism mission.

Environmental Protection Agency

Lead Based Paint Renovation Repair and Painting Rule Team

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For outstanding contributions evaluating the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's implementation of the Lead Based Paint Renovation Repair & Painting Rule addressing hazards that disturb lead based paint in target housing and child occupied facilities.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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In recognition for the HHS OIG Medicare Advantage Chart Review Team's work to enhance the financial and program integrity of the Medicare Advantage program and better protects the beneficiaries that it serves.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Troubled Housing Authority Evaluation Team

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In recognition of the team's exceptional skill and dedication when evaluating the Office of Public and Indian Housing's referral process for troubled public housing agencies, which resulted in recommendations that will improve the conditions for public housing.

U.S. Department of Justice

Review of the Drug Enforcement Administration's Regulatory and Enforcement Efforts to Control the Diversion of Opioids Team

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In recognition of sustained contributions and exemplary work in examining the regulatory activities and enforcement efforts of the Drug Enforcement Administration to combat the diversion of opioids to unauthorized users.

Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Pharmaceutical Drug Costs and Procurement Team

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In recognition of sustained contributions and exemplary work in examining the Federal Bureau of Prisons' drug procurement process, the prices it pays for drugs, and its efforts to control drug costs.

Peace Corps

Peace Corps/Comoros Country Program Evaluation Team

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In recognition of the exemplary and timely evaluation of Peace Corps/Comoros, which identified critical improvements needed for Volunteer health and safety support.

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction

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In recognition of evaluations excellence for portfolio of inspections and significant outcomes related to Afghanistan's power sector.

U.S. Department of State Ashgabat Construction Review Team

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In recognition of outstanding analysis and reporting on the Department of State's failure to follow its internal controls for planning of construction projects that resulted in a U.S. embassy being built in the wrong location and wasted \$151 million.

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In recognition of outstanding contributions to successfully implement the first peer review process for the Inspector General Inspection and Evaluation community.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
**OIG Inspection of Veterans Health Administration's COVID 19 Screening Processes
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*In recognition of exemplary efforts to provide real time information under challenging conditions to the
Department of Veterans Affairs on COVID 19 screening processes and pandemic readiness.*

Review Team for Exempt Veterans Charged VA Home Loan Funding Fees

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*In recognition of exceptional efforts in identifying that the Department of Veterans Affairs improperly charged home
loan funding fees to disabled veterans, resulting in \$415 million refunded to approximately 123,000 veterans.*

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Agency for International Development

Digital Forensics and Investigative Technology (DFIT) Team

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*In recognition of exceptional performance in developing and executing a digital forensics capability
that fully recognized the worldwide needs of the USAID OIG workforce.*

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Cybersecurity Vulnerability

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In recognition of the Advanced Cybersecurity Hunt Team's outstanding work to identify cybersecurity threats occurring on HHS networks.

U.S. Department of Transportation DOT OIG Marad Network Security Audit Team

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In recognition of the team's collaborative efforts to strengthen the Maritime Administration's network security.

INVESTIGATION AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Agency for International Development Haiti Global Health Supply Chain Team

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In recognition of exceptional performance in a non permissive environment to identify and address systemic health supply chain fraud, reduce risks of theft of medicines, and improve USAID assistance delivery.

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In recognition of the exceptional collective effort culminating in the arrest and prosecution of a dangerous fugitive on wire fraud, weapons/narcotics use, and aggravated identity theft, defrauding Amtrak by a complex, dark web financial fraud scheme.

U.S. Department of Defense

The Rami Ghanem Counter Proliferation Investigative Team

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In recognition of The Rami Ghanem Counter Proliferation Investigative Team's exceptional performance and dedication. Their efforts are a credit to the DoD IG and Department of Homeland Security, Commerce, and Justice.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

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In recognition of the team's outstanding collaboration on a successful international investigation of criminal activities contributing to the failure of one of Puerto Rico's largest banks.

Federal Housing Finance Agency

Fraud Investigation of Former Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas Executives

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In recognition of the outstanding investigative work that resulted in the conviction of three former executives of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas for defrauding the Bank of over \$1.2 million.

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In recognition of the outstanding performance of multiple law enforcement agencies during the high profile investigation of Wells Fargo for fraudulent and unethical banking practices.

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In recognition of hard work and determination resulting in three criminal convictions and record setting civil settlements in a major set aside contract fraud case.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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In recognition of outstanding efforts to protect missing foster care children.

U.S. Department of Justice Crossfire Hurricane Review Team

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In recognition of the team's outstanding work in examining FISA applications and other aspects of the FBI's investigation into whether individuals associated with the 2016 Trump for President Campaign coordinated with the Russian government.

U.S. Department of Labor

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In recognition of outstanding efforts that successfully dismantled an organized fraud group, which led to 4 convictions in this \$27 million health care fraud investigation involving the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

National Science Foundation

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In recognition of the outstanding commitment, dedication, initiative, and teamwork demonstrated in the successful investigation and prosecution of Yibeng Percival Zhang.

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In recognition of outstanding team performance by multiple law enforcement entities resulting in a \$45 million settlement and \$500,000 in fines.

Special Inspector General for Troubled Asset Relief Program SIGTARP Investigations Division

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In recognition of Investigating and Prosecuting a \$23 Million Fraud that Contributed to the Failure of Country Bank, Resulting in \$70 Million in FDIC Losses and \$4 Million in TARP Losses.

Social Security Administration
“Gateway Carrier” Investigative Team

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In recognition of the successful, ground breaking efforts of the SSA OIG Major Case Unit’s investigative work to effectively prevent and deter the routing of millions of impersonation scam calls to the U.S. public.

U.S. Department of State
Fraudulent Visa Conspiracy Investigation Team

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In recognition of unparalleled investigative work that identified, disrupted, and neutralized a multi national conspiracy that provided fraudulent visas to foreign citizens and allowed them to illegally enter the United States.

U.S. Department of Transportation

Ryan Fletcher
Special Agent

In recognition of the superior investigative efforts that resulted in the first successful criminal conviction for the operation of an unregistered Unmanned Aircraft System.

U.S. Postal Service Piney Point Prosecution Team

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In recognition of outstanding joint investigative efforts and achievements regarding a complex Provider Fraud scheme.

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U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Kristofor Raper
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In recognition of the personal sacrifice, exceptional investigative work, and unwavering dedication demonstrated in successfully investigating one of the most important homicide investigations in VA OIG history.

MANAGEMENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Defense

Brooke M Harris
Supervisory Criminal Investigator

In recognition of Resident Brooke M. Harris' demonstrated hard work and exceptional performance while leading the DCIS, Tampa Resident Agency. Her efforts were a credit to the DoD IG and the Department of Defense.

Mchael E Shanker
Supervisory Investigator (Whistleblower Reprisal)

In recognition of excellence in management as Deputy Director, Whistleblower Reprisal Investigations Directorate. His integrity, vision, and work ethic make him the consummate manager.

U.S. Department of Transportation DOT OIG FRANCHISE FUND TEAM

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In recognition of exemplary efforts to enhance the Federal Aviation Administration's oversight transparency of its Franchise Funds operations and activities.

MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Agency for International Development

Global Health Oversight Efforts

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