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Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget

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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

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  
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  
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 Tehran, 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 Murrah 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
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Brooke Adams
Bahar Adili
Jeff Arman
Heather Barton
Mike Barton
Nancy Bibb
Gwendolyn Booker
Benjamin Bourgeois
Elisabeth Bryant
Jeffrey Bullock
Laura Canfield
Frances Cardona Latorre
Marilyn Carrion
Katherine Cartwright
Ellen Chen
Blaine Collins
Jon Paul Correira
Michael Coy
Abigail Cummings
Kirsten Dalboe
Louis Day
Brenda Delasanta
Nicole Faison
Lisa Ferraro
Tiffany Friguletto
Alfred Gary
Auditor
William Grayson
Delphine Hanna
Camille Harper
Keith Harris
Maritza Hawrey
Crystal Hines
Christopher Holder
Seta Hovagimian
Claire Huerta
Joel Hurford
Signe Hurford
Lonie Kim
Tom Komarucki
Michael Kvassay
Paul Lazor
Juanita Lee
Carla Lewis
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Amitava Mazumder
Consuelia McCourt
Diana Merelman
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Bryan Pittman
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Diani Popoca
James Potter
Judith Potter
Christina Price
Eurika Ramdas
Malathi Rao
Thomas Rauch
Tony Rawlins
John Retzloff
Glenn Richter
Brenda Ross Few
Melissa Rumley
Frances Russo
Chelsea Samuel
Nanette Sanchez
Marta Sanchez Jauregui
Louise Schoggen
Christopher Seidel
Todd Silver
Gary Simpson
Jared Smith
Brianna So
Jennifer Sobota
Eric Sorenson
Wayne Southwell
Catie Spivey
Cynthia Stasch
Jessica Swanson
Peter Taschenberger
Allyson Thompson
Margarita Velez
Sonia Viramontes
Jennifer Wagner
Amelia Wentz
Ann Wieland
Tesia Williams
Sylvie Witten
Hong Yang
Pelli Yao
Olga Yavorsky
Mildred Yilmaz
Sarah Zamani

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  
*Project Manager*

Audre Azuolas  
*Senior Technical Writer*

Curt Boettcher  
*Senior Analyst*

Nathaniel Caldwell  
*Senior Auditor*

Susan Crook Wilson  
*Writer Editor*

Ruth Foyere  
*Senior Analyst*

Kevin George  
*Project Manager*

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*Deputy Chief Counsel*

Anne Longtin  
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*Auditor*
Tina Nysted  
*Program Director*

Mark Perrill  
*Senior Analyst*

Petra Swartzlander  
*Senior Statistician*

Wayne Van De Walker  
*Senior Auditor*

Taniesha Willis  
*Senior Analyst*

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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*

Sabrina L. Gregory  
*Auditor*

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Samantha R. Petrich  
*Attorney Advisor*

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

Barbara H. Wright  
*Senior Attorney Advisor*

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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*

Morning D Johnson  
*Special Agent*

Greg Jones  
*Special Agent*

Joseph Losavio Jr  
*Special Agent*

Shawn K McAleer  
*Special Agent*

Andrew J Reyes  
*Special Agent*
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**

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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
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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

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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

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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

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*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Doral Hill  
*Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit*

Alex Legkiy  
*Auditor*

Suzanne Lu  
*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)*

Lindsey Poppe  
*Auditor*

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.

Carla McKenzie  
*Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General*

Jillisa Milner  
*Managing Editor*

Bobby Nathan  
*Auditor*

Antigone Potamianos  
*Counsel to the Inspector General*

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*Auditor*

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*Auditor*

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*Director, Technology and Analytic Services*

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*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*

Dan Jensen
*Auditor in Charge*

Nick Peppers
*IT Specialist*

*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*

Mari Farthing
*Writer Editor*

Robert Fry
*Evaluation Manager*

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*Senior Auditor*

Kelsey Minchew
*Auditor*

Cassandra Sheppard
*Senior Auditor*

Meagan Summers
*Auditor*

Amanda Weeks
*Deputy Director*

Christopher Weiser
*Senior Counsel*

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

Loretta Atkinson,
Audit Manager

Enrique Leal
Auditor in Charge

Clarence Brown
Auditor

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

Priscilla Cast
Auditor in Charge

Jason Connor
Program Analyst

Kevin Dolloson
Communications Analyst

Kate Fishler Koroktova
Auditor

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

Rebecca Quinson
Assistant Regional Audit Manager

Christina Manzanares
Auditor

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

Abigail A Farthing  
Program Analyst

James W Morrissey  
Auditor in Charge

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  
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Brian Devaney  
Audit Manager, New York, NY

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

In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork in its review of NASA’s Space Launch System costs and contracts.
National Science Foundation
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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

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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

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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

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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
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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

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

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

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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

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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

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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.

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Bryan Clark
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In recognition of USAFRICOM / SOCAFRICA Project Team's efforts on intelligence Requirements for the Command's 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 protect the beneficiaries that it serves.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
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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
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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
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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
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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
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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
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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
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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.
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The Inyx, Inc. Investigation

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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.

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

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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.

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

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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.
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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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