

King County Auditor’s Office · 2021-2022 Work Program




Work Initiated in 2019-2020 and Continuing into 2021-2022

Contracting with Women- and Minority-Owned Businesses
Jail Use of Force (Jail Safety)
King County’s Pandemic Response: Emergency Spending; Employee Safety; Telework

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We commit to completing at least ten of the projects below in the 2021-22 biennium, in addition to following up on past recommendations. The current unpredictable nature of the county operating environment means that we are including more flexible audit categories to allow us to respond to the quickly changing environment with timely and appropriate audit work. More specific topics are included in the audit descriptions. These topics are not in priority order.

Performance Audits

Law Enforcement		
Civil Protection Orders	Evaluate the civil protection order process	
Conditions of Confinement	Evaluate the juvenile justice system and/or inmate property management	
Emerging Issues in Criminal Justice	Monitor criminal justice issues and identify high-risk or emerging areas of interest for analysis	
Jail and Alternatives to Incarceration	Evaluate issues related to the planned closure of the downtown jail; Evaluate use of alternatives to incarceration, including pretrial diversion programs	
Jail Health Services	Evaluate the Jail Health Services program	
Transit		
Risk Management	Evaluate areas of high-risk in Metro Transit and the management of that risk; Evaluate safe driving in Metro Transit	
Transit Electrification	Complete our analysis of Transit Electrification based on our interim publication	
Transit Service	Evaluate how service was planned and adjusted during the pandemic	
Capital		
Capital Focus	Evaluate capital financing; Evaluate capital space planning, particularly as it relates to operational decisions secondary to the pandemic; Evaluate equity in capital programs and projects	

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Performance Audits (continued)

General

Assessor	Evaluate property appraisal practices and/or exemption programs
Cost Savings	Evaluate areas for potential fleet savings; County fund balances
Customer Service	Evaluate customer service based on our interim publication
Cyber-Resilience	Evaluate readiness to respond in case of cyberattacks or other adverse technology events
Emergency Resiliency	Evaluate readiness for and resiliency to major emergencies
Equity and Social Justice Implementation	Evaluate implementation of the equity and social justice initiative
Pandemic Response	Evaluate distribution of county COVID funds; Evaluate planning related to pandemic preparedness and response; Evaluate regional coordination during the pandemic; Evaluate selection process for isolation and quarantine sites
Voluntary Separation Program	Evaluate the voluntary separation program

Capital Oversight

Direct Project Oversight

Harborview Project Oversight

Oversight Closeout Reports

Wastewater Treatment Program Savings and Planning

General Oversight Activities

Follow-Up of Past Recommendations

Monitoring of High-Risk Capital Programs

Monitoring of High-Risk County Projects

Project Risk Scoring

Recommend Mandatory Phased Appropriation Code Updates