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"We continue in promoting internal County accountability and integrity, as well as inspiring external public trust." Two-thousand and thirteen was a year of many accomplishments. We continue in promoting internal County accountability and integrity, as well as inspiring external public trust.

We discouraged County fraud by completing over 1,000 investigations of alleged misconduct by County employees and contractors.

We completed nearly 100 internal audits that improved County's internal control, stopped misuse of public funds, and curtailed wasteful spending. We also completed 75 audits of County contractors and provided recommendations to strengthen County contracts.

We provided contract monitoring training for over 950 County staff and contractors.

We visited contracted group homes to increase the awareness of the Children's Ombudsman Program and to provide an independent resource for the children within the Los Angeles County Placement system.

We redistributed approximately \$490 million collected from 71 former redevelopment agencies to 220 local schools and taxing entities, in accordance with two Assembly Bills signed by the Governor.

We continue in optimizing business operations through creative information technology (IT) solutions. For example:

We upgraded the County Enterprise Financial system to give business users a friendlier online experience, including new functionalities that allow County vendors in checking the status of their invoices and payments.

We assisted departments in implementing the automated mileage claim and reimbursement system, which we rolled out last year. To date, 38,000 County employees have signed -up and used the system. A NACO award was presented to us by the National Association of Counties.

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