
TOWN OF BURLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

Federal Single Audit

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Board of Finance
Town of Burlington, Connecticut

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Burlington, Connecticut (the "Town"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 11, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

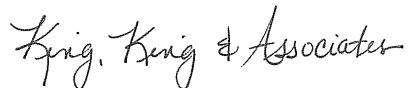
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "King, King & Associates". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "King" appearing twice.

King, King & Associates, CPAs
Winsted, CT
December 11, 2024



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL
PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON THE
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

To the Board of Finance
Town of Burlington, Connecticut

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Town of Burlington, CT's ("Town") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Town's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Town, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of *Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Town and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Town's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Town's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on the compliance about the Town's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Town's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Town's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-001 to be significant deficiencies.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Town of Burlington's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Town of Burlington's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of company, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated December 11, 2024, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



King, King & Associates, CPAs
Winsted, CT
December 11, 2024

TOWN OF BURLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

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FEDERAL GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR PROGRAM TITLE OR CLUSTER TITLE	FEDERAL AL NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH ENTITY'S IDENTIFYING NUMBER	AMOUNTS PROVIDED TO SUBRECIPIENTS	TOTAL EXPENDED
United States Department of the Treasury				
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management:				
COVID - 19 - American Rescue Plan Act - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	12060-OPM20600-29669	_____ -	1,310,189
Total United States Department of the Treasury			_____ -	1,310,189
United State Election Assistance Commission				
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of State:				
Help America Vote Grant	90.401	12060-SOS12500-21465	_____ -	665
Total United States Election Assistance Commission			_____ -	665
United States Department of Homeland Security				
Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection:				
Emergency Management Performance Grant	97.042	12060-DPS32160-21881	_____ -	5,000
Total United States Department of Homeland Security			_____ -	5,000
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ _____ -	\$ 1,315,854

See notes to schedule.

TOWN OF BURLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (“Schedule”) includes the federal grant activity of the Town of Burlington, Connecticut (“Town”) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Town, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, changes in fund balance, or cash flows of the Town.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

Indirect Costs

The Town of Burlington has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate provided under Section 200.414 of the Uniform Guidance.

TOWN OF BURLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

We audited the financial statements of the Town of Burlington, Connecticut as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and issued our unmodified report thereon dated December 11, 2024.

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? Yes No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Yes None Reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

Yes No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? Yes No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Yes None Reported

We have issued an unmodified opinion relating to compliance for major Federal programs.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 516(a) of the Uniform Guidance?

Yes No

Identification of Major Programs

Assistance Listing Number(s)

21.027

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Dollar Threshold

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000.

Low-Risk Auditee

The Town of Burlington, Connecticut did not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

TOWN OF BURLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

- We issued reports, dated December 11, 2024, on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters based on our audit of financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Our report on compliance indicated no reportable instances of.
- Our report on internal control over financial reporting indicated no matters were reported.

III. FEDERAL AWARD - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FINDING 2024-001 – SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY- PROCUREMENT AND SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT- INTERNAL CONTROL OVER VERIFICATION AGAINST THE SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (“SAM”)

Federal Agency: Department of the Treasury

Federal Program Name: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Assistance Listing Number: 21.027

Pass-Through Agency: State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management

Pass-Through Number(s): 12060-OPM20600-29669

Compliance Requirement: Procurement and Suspension and Debarment

Criteria

2 CFR Part 200 *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, (Uniform Guidance) requires compliance with provisions of procurement, suspension, and debarment. Non-federal entities are required to ensure that they do not award contracts or make subawards to any parties that are suspended or debarred from receiving federal funds. This verification is accomplished by checking the System for Award Management (SAM).

Condition

The Town does not have a process in place to check that vendors are not suspended or debarred by checking the System for Award Management (SAM).

Context

There was no process in place to verify that vendors are not suspended or debarred prior to payment. However, none of the vendors selected for testing during the audit were suspended or debarred.

Cause

The Towns procurement and compliance procedures did not include a process for checking and verifying suspension and debarment status of vendors at the time of award or at periodic intervals afterwards.

Effect

Failure to verify suspension and debarment status of parties engaged in federal transactions may result in awards to ineligible parties.

TOWN OF BURLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Recommendation

We recommend that the Town establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure compliance with suspension and debarment requirements. The Town should establish procedures to verify, prior to awarding any federal contract or subaward, that the vendor, contractor, or subrecipient is not listed on the SAM exclusions list or any other relevant suspension and debarment lists. In addition, implement a periodic review process to ensure that current vendors, contractors, and subrecipients remain eligible and are not suspended or debarred. Document that the verification process was performed and maintain supporting documentation.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions

The Town will establish policies and procedures to ensure vendors are not suspended or debarred by checking the System for Award Management (SAM) and maintain documentation showing that verification.