



VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND CONSUMER SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

REPORT ON AUDIT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2022

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AUDIT SUMMARY

Our audit of the federal programs within the Child Nutrition Cluster and the Food Distribution Cluster, administered by the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (Agriculture), for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, found:

- proper recording and reporting of all transactions related to federally donated food, in all material respects, in the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) inventory tracking system;
- no matters involving internal control and its operation necessary to bring to management's attention; and
- no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws and regulations or other matters that are required to be reported.



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February 4, 2023

The Honorable Glenn Youngkin
Governor of Virginia

Joint Legislative Audit
and Review Commission

We have audited the inventory records and operations of the federal programs within the Child Nutrition Cluster and the Food Distribution Cluster, administered by the **Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services** (Agriculture), for the year ended June 30, 2022. We conducted this audit 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, in support of the Commonwealth's Single Audit. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

Audit Objectives

Our audit's primary objective was to audit the Child Nutrition Cluster and the Food Distribution Cluster in support of the Commonwealth's Single Audit. In support of this objective, we evaluated the accuracy of federally donated food in the USDA's inventory tracking system. We reviewed the adequacy of Agriculture's internal controls over compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements.

Audit Scope and Methodology

Agriculture's management has responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal control and complying with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements. Internal control is a process designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements.

We gained an understanding of the overall internal controls, both automated and manual, sufficient to plan the audit. We considered materiality and risk in determining the nature and extent of our audit procedures. Our review encompassed controls over the grant programs within the Child Nutrition Cluster and the Food Distribution Cluster.

We performed audit tests to determine whether Agriculture's controls were adequate, had been placed in operation, and were being followed. Our audit also included tests of compliance with provisions of applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements. Our audit procedures included inquiries of appropriate personnel and inspection of documents, internal control questionnaires, records, grants, and subawards. We performed analytical procedures, including trend analyses of inventory, and tested details of inventory reconciliations of donated food maintained by Agriculture to achieve our objectives.

A nonstatistical sampling approach was used. Our samples were designed to support conclusions about our audit objectives. An appropriate sampling methodology was used to ensure the samples selected were representative of the population and provided sufficient, appropriate evidence. We identified specific attributes for testing each of the samples and, when appropriate, we projected our results to the population.

Conclusions

We found that Agriculture properly stated, in all material respects, the amount of federally donated food it recorded and reported in the USDA's inventory tracking system.

We noted no matters involving internal control and its operation that we consider necessary to be reported to management. The results of our tests of compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

The results for the Commonwealth's Single Audit for the year ended June 30, 2022, are contained in a separate report, which are available on our website at www.apa.virginia.gov.

Exit Conference and Report Distribution

In lieu of an exit conference, management was provided a copy of this report for review on February 23, 2023. This report is intended for the information and use of the Governor and General Assembly, management, and the citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia and is a public record.

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As of June 30, 2022

Joseph Guthrie
Commissioner