



Report Highlights

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Why We Conducted This Audit

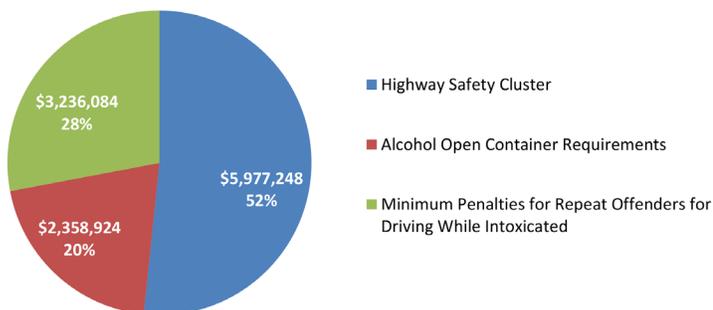
We performed certain procedures at the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC) as a part of the Single Audit of the State of Louisiana and to evaluate LHSC's accountability over federal funds for the Highway Safety Cluster for the period July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

What We Found

- LHSC did not adequately monitor subrecipients of the federal Highway Safety Cluster programs as required by federal regulations. LHSC did not ensure that subrecipients submitted required audits and provided a valid unique entity identifier (or DUNS number). In addition, LHSC did not perform an evaluation of risk for five of 15 subrecipients reviewed.
- LHSC failed to ensure that federal funds were vouchered timely and in accordance with federal regulations for the Highway Safety Cluster, Alcohol Open Container Requirements, and Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving While Intoxicated federal programs. For 40 of 120 transactions tested, LHSC delayed drawing federal reimbursement funds from 62 to 580 days after the expenditure was made. In addition, in four instances LHSC received reimbursement for the same program expenditures twice, resulting in \$9,204 in questioned costs.
- LHSC did not adhere to internal policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance with federal documentation requirements for compensation of personnel services. In a review of 33 payroll-related transactions funded through the Highway Safety Cluster, six time sheets were not approved by the supervisor, and five time sheets were neither certified by the employee nor approved by the supervisor.
- LHSC reported \$11.8 million expenditures during state fiscal year 2018 for aid to local governments, professional services, salaries and related benefits, interagency transfers, and operating services, supplies, and travel. Of this amount, \$11.5 million, or 97%, of expenditures were funded with federal revenue sources.

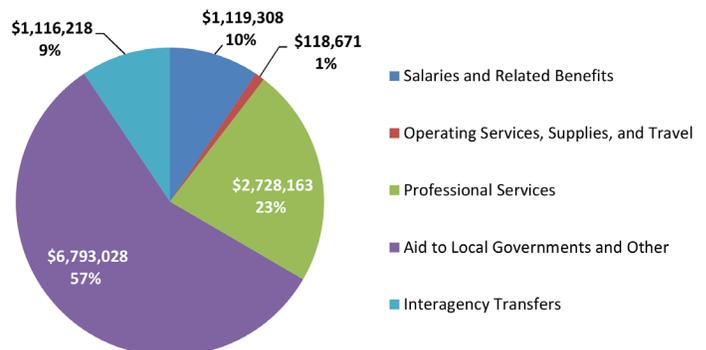
Fiscal Year 2018 Federal Revenues, by Program

Total: \$11,572,256



Fiscal Year 2018 Expenditures

Total: \$11,875,388



Source: Fiscal Year 2018 LHSC ISIS Data

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