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# **AUDITOR GENERAL**

**Halifax Regional Municipality** 

2024-25 Annual Report and 2025-26 Audit Priorities

April 16, 2025

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### What's New

#### **Reports Released**

- Management of Business Continuity Audit
- Enterprise Risk Management Audit
- Diversity and Inclusion Audit
- Review of Supplementary Education Funding for HRCE

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### What's New

#### Follow-up Reports Released

- First time follow-up review:
  - Corporate Real Estate Development and Sale of Industrial Lands, Land and Building Acquisition and Disposal
  - Halifax Water : SCADA System
- Second time follow-up review:
  - LED Streetlight Conversion
  - Fleet Vehicle Use, Car Allowances and Mileage
  - Building Permits and Inspections
  - Halifax Regional Police Information Technology

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### What's New

#### **Reports in Progress**

- Winter Operations Audit
- Recreation Program Planning Audit

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### **Performance Information**

Performance Measures	Target	2024-25
% staff hours on audit versus non-audit activities	85%	88%
% recommendations accepted and plan to implement	100%	100%
% recommendations implemented after 18 months	80%	43%

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### 2025-26 Planned Work

2025-26 Audit Priorities		
Subject	Business Unit	
Capital Budgeting	Finance & Asset Management	
Facility/ Infrastructure Management and Maintenance	Property, Fleet & Environment	
Halifax Water Hiring Processes	Halifax Water	
Enterprise Performance Measurement and Reporting	CAO	

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# 2025-26 Follow-up Reviews

- Follow-up:
  - HRM IT: Management of Cybersecurity
  - Management of Hiring Practices
  - Management of Business Continuity
  - Enterprise Risk Management
- Outstanding recommendations:
  - Management of Accounts Payable
  - Transit Technology Project Management
  - Management of the Fire Inspection Program
  - Management of Respectful Workplaces

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# Questions