



Office of The
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Montgomery County, Maryland

Mid-Year Status of Open Recommendations as of March 1, 2026

AT A GLANCE

- This bulletin provides an update on recommendations categorized as *OPEN* by the Montgomery County Office of Inspector General.
- Engagements covered numerous publicly funded entities, including the Montgomery County Public Schools, Department of Police, Fire and Rescue Service, Department of Transportation, Public Information Office, Department of Finance, Department of Procurement, Department of General Services, Department of Environmental Protection, Office of the County Attorney, and the County's Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice.
- 38 of 84 recommendations remain open.
- 46 recommendations closed between July 1, 2025 and March 1, 2026, subsequent to department action.

The Montgomery County Office of the Inspector General (OIG) provides independent oversight to Montgomery County government and independent county agencies, including Montgomery County Public Schools, to increase accountability and promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in county-funded programs and operations. The OIG's work is guided by professional standards that ensure the trustworthiness and accuracy of its findings and recommendations. The OIG conducts its audits, evaluations, investigations, and reviews under either the Association of Inspectors General [*Principles and Standards for Offices of Inspector General*](#) or the Government Accountability Office's [*Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards*](#). Both standards require that the OIG verify that management has taken appropriate corrective actions to address identified issues.

After the OIG issues reports with associated recommendations, we follow up every 90 days with the respective entity to ensure that progress is being made towards implementing the recommended improvements. This bulletin details the status of recommendations that remain open as of March 1, 2026, and that were closed between July 1, 2025 and March 1, 2026.

The OIG categorizes progress towards implementation of recommendations into the following 4 statuses:

- **Open Unresolved:** No management response, inadequate response, or no agreement on corrective action plan.
- **Open In Progress:** Agreed on planned action, auditee is in the process of implementing stated actions, but no evidence of implementation has yet been provided to the OIG.
- **Open Resolved:** Auditee provided support to OIG indicating implementation was complete, OIG testing to ensure implementation.
- **Closed:** Recommendation has been implemented.

MID-YEAR STATUS OF OPEN RECOMMENDATIONS AS OF MARCH 1, 2026

For a variety of reasons, implementation of recommendations made to address our findings sometimes take longer than the 1 year benchmark that we set. These may include the time-consuming process of drafting and securing approval for new policies and procedures, delivering training, and the execution of studies to assess the full extent of identified issues.

The following tables provide information about the status of OIG recommendations and shows those currently categorized as “open” as well as those that were closed between July 1, 2025 and March 1, 2026. Table 1 displays information about engagements with open recommendations while Table 2 shows engagements where all recommendations have been closed since July 1, 2025.

Table 1: Engagements with Open Recommendations

Publication #	Report Title	Auditee	Date Report Issued	# Findings	# of RECS	# RECS Open	# RECS Closed
OIG-24-09	MCPD Financial Management	MC Police	3/28/2024	6	10	1	9
OIG-25-02	Office of Public Information	PIO	8/15/2024	1	4	1	3
OIG-25-04	Short-Term Residential Rental	Finance & DHCA	10/11/2024	3	7	1	6
OIG-25-06	Field Orders	Procurement, DGS, DEP	2/6/2025	2	2	2	0
OIG-25-07	ATEU	MC Police	1/13/2025	3	3	3	0
OIG-25-09	Review of Transportation Management Districts	DOT	3/17/25	2	3	1	2
OIG-25-13	MCPS Chromebook Inventory Management	MC Public Schools	5/28/25	2	5	4	1
OIG-25-14	DHHS Medical Billing	DHHS	6/6/2025	1	3	1	2
OIG-26-01	Review of MCPS Background Screening Office	MC Public Schools	8/4/2025	5	8	5	3
OIG 26-04	Implementation of the Racial Equity and Social Justice Act	ORESJ	9/28/2025	3	4	4	0
OIG 26-08	Review of Procurement Practices	MC Public Schools	11/17/2025	3	4	4	0
OIG 26-10	Performance Audit of OHR Benefits Administration	OHR	11/3/2025	2	4	4	0
OIG 26-07	Performance Audit of the Fiscal Management Division	MCFRS	12/22/2025	4	7	7	0
TOTAL				37	64	38	26

Table 2: Engagements with All Recommendations Closed

Publication #	Report Title	Auditee	Date Report Issued	# Findings	# of RECS	# RECs Open	# RECs Closed
OIG-24-07	MCPS - Senior Officials	MC Public Schools	1/10/2024	1	2	0	2
OIG-24-08	MCPS Complaint Handling	MC Public Schools	1/24/2024	5	5	0	5
OIG-24-11	Sargent Shriver ES PTA	MC Public Schools	4/4/2024	2	1	0	1
OIG-24-12	Allegations of misuse of PACT grant funds	MC Police	4/17/2024	1	2	0	2
OIG-24-15	Audit of MCDOT	MC Dept. of Transportation	6/24/2024	6	8	0	8
OIG-25-05	Rainscapes Program	Environmental Protection	1/21/2025	1	1	0	1
OIG-25-10	Performance Audit of Purchasing Card Usage & Related Travel Expenses	OCA	4/7/2025	1	1	0	1
TOTAL				17	20	0	20

For the most up to date status of open recommendations at any time, please visit the
OIG's real-time [recommendation status tracker](#).