

(ATTACHMENT 1) MONTHLY REPORT, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, ON ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE OFFICE OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND EFFICIENCY (OAE)

This item initiated by the Office of Accountability and Efficiency.

Current Project Updates

Financial Accountability and Transparency Website

1. Background

The OAE maintains a website to present comprehensive and timely financial and performance data for the public and this is done to fulfill the Board's desire to enhance transparency, oversight, and accountability of financial operations. In 2012, the website was recognized by a national organization as a top website for delivering government openness and transparency. In April of 2017, the office launched the budget proforma and historic enrollment modules.

2. Update

The office has made the FY18 proposed budget available within the budget module within its website, allowing the public to review the budget with additional tools to expand transparency and understanding.

Process Improvements

1. Background

Between May 31, 2016 and June 3, 2016, the OAE led process improvement training for twenty-one Office of Finance and Title I Office staff, with many of them coming from the Financial Planning and Budget Services team. Since that time, the OAE has jointly worked with small groups from these trainees to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of financial and budget processes.

2. Update

Office of Finance

At the request of the Senior Director of Financial Planning and Budget Services, the OAE has initiated a process improvement projects in the grants area. Functionality has been added to create a document repository for the Division of Grant Development and Planning. With this milestone complete, the focus is shifting to improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the monitoring of grants and coordination with the ESEA Coordination and Compliance Manager and the Grant Compliance Specialist are ongoing.