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OIG RELEASES TOP 10 HIGHEST RISK ENTITIES; OPSO AND S&WB TOP THE LIST

As detailed in the City of New Orleans City-Wide Risk Assessment report released today, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) identified the top 10 highest risk entities within the City of New Orleans (City). In 2019 and 2020, the City's risks evolved and the operating environment changed significantly because of the cyberattack and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. To determine its 2021 priorities, the OIG revised its risk assessment in 2020 to account for these evolving risks.

The objective of this risk assessment was to systematically assess risk within the City, including but not limited to, its departments, agencies, districts, and component units. Based on the results of this city-wide risk assessment, the OIG identified the following top 10 highest risk entities.

Top 10 Highest Risk Entities	
1	Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office
2	Sewerage and Water Board
3	Orleans Parish Communication District
4	New Orleans East Hospital
5	Information Technology & Innovation
6	Department of Public Works
7	Finance Department
8	Office of Homeland Security
9	Health Department
10	Procurement Department

“It is essential to develop and incorporate the proper procedures to address both internal and external risks facing the entities and assets associated with the City of New Orleans. In these times of increasing threats and limited resources, it is incumbent upon our office to combine our capabilities with our stakeholders to identify and mitigate threats efficiently and effectively.”

- Edward Michel, Interim Inspector General

In addition to today's report, the OIG released a brief with highlights. Go to www.nolaoig.gov to view all OIG reports.