Inventory for Provision of Governmental Services – Update on Ongoing Research

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Introduction and Overview

- OPPAGA was asked to gather information on non-governmental and quasi-governmental entities that receive state funds.

- Conducted preliminary review to:
  - Determine what information is compiled on such entities
  - Develop a strategy for creating an inventory of these entities
  - Begin compiling information on these entities

- Research activities are ongoing.
Information Sources

Executive Office of the Governor
- Florida Fiscal Portal - Citizen Support & Direct-Support Organization Reports

Florida Legislature
- General Appropriations Act

Department of Economic Opportunity
- Official List of Special Districts

Department of Financial Services
- Catalog of State Financial Assistance
- Quasi Government Revenue and Expenditure Reports
- Local Government Annual Financial Reports
- Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System (FACTS)

Department of Management Services
- State Contracts and Agreements
Contracts & Purchase Orders

- $95 billion in contracts and purchase orders were executed by state entities in the last five fiscal years

- Majority of funds are
  - Awarded in contracts
  - Awarded to vendors that received $100,000 or more in contracts or purchase orders

- Each year, contracts were executed with 4,000 vendors

- 2,300 vendors were awarded at least $100,000
  - The majority of these vendors received funds primarily from agencies in the Government Operations (60%) and Health and Human Services (23%) areas
Special Districts

Revenue Source: 91%
- Have a single revenue source

Most frequent revenue sources across all special districts are:
- 48% - Assessments
- 13% - Tax increment financing
- 12% - Ad valorem
- 10% - Fees

Authority: 82%
- Have authority to issue bonds

Creation: 65%
- Are created by a local ordinance

Type: 64%
- Are independent special districts

Board Selection: 57%
- Have special district board members who are elected

Special Purpose: 41%
- Have special purpose of community development
Entities with a Governance Structure

- Information organized by policy area
  - Criminal and Civil Justice
  - Education
  - Government Operations
  - Health and Human Services

- Compiling information by searching various sources for examples of entities that are not a direct component or unit of a state agency

- Continuing research on
  - Entity type
  - Entity creation
  - Governance structure
Preliminary Takeaways

- The number and types of entities are vast and diverse

- There is diversity among the types of entities seen across our 4 policy areas
  - Criminal and Civil Justice: Non-profit organizations providing direct services such as reentry programming for adult prisoners and juvenile prevention programs
  - Education: DSOs for special purposes such as athletics, fundraising
  - Government Operations: CSOs for state parks, utility authorities, CareerSource Florida, VISIT Florida
  - Health and Human Services: Non-profit organizations providing direct services such as mental health, substance abuse, elder care, child welfare
Questions?
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