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Kane County

Procurement Card Review

December 2023 – November 2024

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Background

Kane County recognizes Procurement Cards are essential for facilitating the purchase of certain goods and services, especially those that may only be procured online, or those required during travel. The Auditor's Office is responsible for auditing the internal controls covering the Procurement Card Program.

The Auditor's Office performs an audit of all Procurement Cards (P-Cards) used for the County and their respective transactions. The Auditor will provide continuous and transparent information regarding P-Card transactions to the County Board and the citizens of Kane County. One of the ways to achieve this is by providing an annual Procurement Card Review. An informational report for P-Card transactions that occur from December through May will be published mid-year and a second report for P-Card transactions from June through November will be published end-of-year (beginning of the new calendar year).

Audit Scope & Methodology

This report will provide information on the P-Card transactions during the 12-month period from December 2023 through November 2024 (Full-Year).

Information was derived from an audit of all P-Card purchase documentation/support imported into the County's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software system, derived from the various County departments/offices, or through the credit card provider's online portal.

Procurement Card User Roles

The *Cardholder* is the County Employee that has been issued a P-Card to be used for the responsible purchase of goods and/or services that are necessary for their department. The purchases must follow the current Financial Policies, Procurement Ordinance, and the Procurement Card agreement and Administrative Procedures.

The departmental *P-Card administrator* is responsible for receiving the billing statements and collecting all P-Card purchase documentation/support for all P-Cards issued to their department.

The *Elected Official* or *Department Head* is accountable for P-Card usage in their areas of responsibility. Their approval, as denoted by signing, must be on the monthly billing statement.

The *System Administrator* is the Director of Purchasing who provides program maintenance and serves as the interface between the Procurement Card provider and the department cardholders.

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Full-Year 12-Month Summary

December 2023 through November 2024

Cardholders per Department

As of December 17, 2024 Kane County had a total of 100 P-Cards issued to department employees as follows:

| Kane County Cardholders | | |
|---|----------------------|--|
| Department | Count of Cardholders | |
| Sheriff | 29 | |
| State's Attorney | 11 | |
| Circuit Clerk | 8 | |
| Court Services/Court Services Admin | 6 | |
| Information Technologies | 5 | |
| Building Management | 4 | |
| Development/ County Development | 4 | |
| Public Defender | 3 | |
| Judiciary and Courts | 3 | |
| Community Reinvestment | 3 | |
| Emergency Management Services | 3 | |
| Coroner | 3 | |
| Transportation | 2 | |
| Finance | 2 | |
| County Clerk | 2 | |
| Environmental Management | 2 | |
| Health | 1 | |
| Animal Control | 1 | |
| Veteran's Commission | 1 | |
| Information Technologies/ Building Management | 1 | |
| County Auditor | 1 | |
| Circuit Clerk | 1 | |
| Human Resources Management | 1 | |
| KaneComm | 1 | |
| County Board | 1 | |
| Law Library | 1 | |
| Grand Total | 100 | |

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Total Procurement Card Purchases by Department

| P-Card Transactions from December 2023 - November 2024 | | | |
|--|---------|----|--------------|
| Total Pu | rchases | | |
| Department | Count | Do | llar Amount |
| Sheriff | 1864 | \$ | 521,602.97 |
| IT | 779 | \$ | 298,091.68 |
| State's Attorney | 733 | \$ | 160,302.13 |
| Court Services | 601 | \$ | 147,511.09 |
| Transportation | 582 | \$ | 127,319.00 |
| Health | 202 | \$ | 113,719.32 |
| Building Management | 273 | \$ | 72,255.08 |
| Community Reinvestment | 180 | \$ | 64,944.16 |
| Coroner | 246 | \$ | 61,310.45 |
| Animal Control | 249 | \$ | 47,380.02 |
| Information Technologies | 63 | \$ | 25,502.59 |
| Circuit Clerk | 95 | \$ | 23,688.79 |
| Emergency Management Services | 105 | \$ | 23,083.44 |
| Judiciary | 129 | \$ | 21,415.01 |
| Public Defender | 108 | \$ | 20,860.61 |
| KaneComm | 124 | \$ | 19,758.50 |
| Court Services/Court Services Admin | 83 | \$ | 19,222.88 |
| Workforce Development | 53 | \$ | 13,580.76 |
| Finance | 82 | \$ | 11,530.08 |
| Development | 78 | \$ | 10,980.18 |
| Judiciary and Courts | 35 | \$ | 10,752.40 |
| County Clerk | 83 | \$ | 9,875.37 |
| Environment Mgmt | 79 | \$ | 9,527.09 |
| Veteran's Commission | 49 | \$ | 8,743.35 |
| Human Resources | 25 | \$ | 8,216.34 |
| Water Resources | 19 | \$ | 4,986.93 |
| Law Library | 44 | \$ | 4,524.72 |
| County Board | 21 | \$ | 2,113.20 |
| Human Resources Management | 1 | \$ | 1,217.63 |
| Environmental Management | 3 | \$ | 893.90 |
| County Auditor | 2 | \$ | 53.11 |
| Development/ County Development | 1 | \$ | 50.00 |
| Grand Total | 6991 | \$ | 1,865,012.78 |

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Top Vendors during the 12 Month Summary

December 2023 through November 2024:

| Top 10 Vendors Used | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| Rank | Vendor | Number of Transactions | | |
| 1 | AMAZON | 2106 | | |
| 2 | UBER TRIP 25 | | | |
| 3 | COMCAST CHICAGO 18 | | | |
| 4 | UNITED AIRLINES 18 | | | |
| 5 | WAL-MART 12 | | | |
| 6 | AMERICAN AIRLINES 105 | | | |
| 7 | MEIJER 69 | | | |
| 8 | ZOOM 68 | | | |
| 9 | GODADDY.COM 61 | | | |
| 10 | FOX VALLEY ANIMAL WELF 59 | | | |
| | Total | 3207 | | |

The above 10 vendors accounted for 45.87% of total procurement card purchases (Number of Transactions) with *Amazon* accounting for 30.12% of the total purchases (Number of Transactions).

| | Top 10 Vendors Paid | | | |
|------|---------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Rank | Vendor | Total Dollars Spent | | |
| 1 | AMAZON | 296,981.11 | | |
| 2 | UNITED AIRLINES | 39,983.61 | | |
| 3 | COMCAST CHICAGO | 39,445.77 | | |
| 4 | ZOOM | 37,122.28 | | |
| 5 | AMERICAN AIRLINES | 31,166.26 | | |
| 6 | WAL-MART | 28,424.27 | | |
| 7 | PAYPAL | 28,063.67 | | |
| 8 | FS COM INC * | 24,956.50 | | |
| 9 | PULSEWAY | 23,166.00 | | |
| 10 | 4IMPRINT, INC | 22,685.66 | | |
| | Total | 571,995.13 | | |

The above 10 vendors accounted for 30.67% of total procurement card purchases (Total Dollars Spent) with *Amazon* accounting for 15.92% of the total purchases (Total Dollars Spent).

- FS Com Inc. provider of IT products and solutions for networking, data centers, and telecom customers.
- The following 6 vendors were included in both the top 10 vendors *used* (Number of Transactions) and top 10 vendors *paid* (Total Dollars Spent): Amazon, United Airlines, Comcast Chicago, Zoom, Wal-Mart, and American Airlines.

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Review Scope

We conducted our review of procurement card transactions from December 2023 through the end of November 2024. To accomplish our objectives, we performed the following:

- Obtained a listing of all procurement cardholders and reviewed transactions for compliance to cardholder agreements
- Examined all cardholder receipts and credit card statements for the 12-month testing period
- Verified whether appropriate levels of management review and approval existed and were exercised
- Receipt on file for every purchase, if not, then the missing receipt affidavit was completed
- Verified no tax was charged, and if tax was charged on a purchase, determine if a credit was received

Overall Findings: 12-Month Summary

December 2023 through November 2024

Of the 6991 Procurement Card transactions reviewed, the following general issues were identified:

- 12.52% of the documentation/support for the purchase lacked a description of the County/Business purpose or the County/Business purpose was not obvious¹
- 5.59% of the purchases included taxes paid, approximately \$11,270.90
- 2.1% had a missing receipt affidavit submitted in lieu of the receipt

¹ Per Kane County Financial Policies, Section 12. Other Financial Policies, a) Departmental Credit Cards Issued by the County, subsection 8) Internal Controls Regarding Procurement Card Program, "The procurement card administrator for a County department shall ensure that the County and/or business purpose of each County department expense is clearly indicated on the documentation for each expense...."

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Trend - Procurement Card Usage by Fiscal Year

As indicated below, over the past several years, the number of P-Card purchases has followed the trend in an increased amount of spending:

| Procurement Card Purchases (Fiscal Year) | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Year | Total Expenditures | | |
| 2018 | \$ | 769,897.00 | |
| 2019 | \$ | 958,198.00 | |
| 2020 | \$ | 1,147,773.00 | |
| 2021 | \$ | 1,182,842.29 | |
| 2022 | \$ | 1,305,479.47 | |
| 2023 | \$ | 1,732,568.00 | |
| 2024 | \$ | 1,865,012.78 | |

