

2025-2026 IMPACT REPORT

June 2025 - May 2026



Northern California East Bay

President's Message

As I reflect on my first year serving as president, I am filled with pride for what we have accomplished together. None of it would have been possible without the dedication of our officers, board members, volunteers, sponsors, speakers, and members. Serving alongside such a committed group of professionals has been both an honor and a privilege. I am deeply grateful for their support and commitment throughout the year.

Our chapter remained focused on advancing the internal audit profession while creating meaningful opportunities for our members to learn and connect. We delivered nine events, providing more than 30 hours of professional education to our members. We invested in certification support and saw certification attainment grow by 9%.

We expanded our impact beyond our membership by establishing a partnership with CSU East Bay. We continued our advocacy efforts and were honored to earn the 2026 IIA Advocacy Key, recognizing our chapter's contribution to advancing the profession through grassroots engagement with policymakers.

As we celebrate these accomplishments, we also recognize an important transition. Four of our longest-serving board members are retiring from chapter leadership. Their years of service and dedication have helped shape our chapter and establish the foundation upon which we continue to build. We are deeply grateful for their contributions and the impact they have made.

Thank you for being part of our chapter community. The achievements highlighted in this report reflect what is possible when dedicated professionals come together in service of our members and our profession.

With gratitude,
Melissa Rice
Chapter President

Programming & Events



2

member events hosted



8

training events held



30

CPE Offered

Programming & Events

Date	Event Title	CPE Offered
08/20/25	Internal Audit's Evolving Imperative: Building Resiliency Across a Dynamic Risk Landscape (In-Person, Joint Event with IIA San Jose)	1.5
10/23/25	Internal Audit Technology Framework and AI Risk Considerations and Use Cases for Internal Audit (In-Person, Chapter Only)	2.0
11/05/25	Snip and Sip: An Evening of AI Knowledge Sharing and Connection (In-Person, Joint Event with IIA San Jose, Sponsored by DataSnipper)	1.0
12/03/25-12/04/25	West District 2 Virtual Seminar (Virtual, Joint Event with IIA Hawaii, Northern Nevada, Sacramento, San Francisco & San Jose)	8.0
02/19/26	The AI-Enabled Auditor: Practical Tools to Improve Efficiency and Stay Ahead (Virtual, Joint Event with IIA San Jose)	1.0
03/18/26	Annual Membership Meeting (In-Person)	0
04/02/26	The AI Control Nexus: Governing Security, Privacy, and Assurance (In-Person, Joint Event with IIA San Jose & ISACA Silicon Valley)	7.0
05/07/26	Member Event: Chapter May Social Programming Event: Workshopping Beyond IQ - Progress Your Career with Emotional Intelligence (In-Person, Chapter Only)	1.5
05/20/26-05/21/26	West District 2 Virtual Seminar (Virtual, Joint Event with IIA Hawaii, Northern Nevada, Sacramento, San Francisco & San Jose)	8

Membership & Certification

358

total members

\$3,000

certification support invested

6

certification grants awarded

30%

certified members



9%

certification growth

Leadership Academy

In April, two chapter officers attended the IIA Leadership Academy in Orlando, FL. This annual leadership development program brings together chapter leaders from across North America to strengthen governance, share leading practices, and explore the future of the internal audit profession.



(L-R) Officers Danielle Frei & Melissa Rice

2

officers attended



West District 2 Representatives

Academic Outreach



CSU East Bay Business Career Association Night

2

student events

24

student members added



CSU East Bay Beta Alpha Psi Pizza Night

Through our Academic Relations efforts, the chapter connects with students and universities to promote awareness of internal auditing as a rewarding career path. These engagements help develop the next generation of professionals while strengthening the future of our profession. The IIA offers free student memberships, giving students access to grants & scholarships, career resources and discounts on IIA credentials.

Advocacy

4

congressional letters sent



2

responses received

2025-2026 Officers, Committee Chairs and Members

Positions	
President	Melissa Rice
Senior Vice President	Manisha Anarkat
Programming Officer	Michelle Dizon
Treasurer	Anya Glvental
Secretary	Miguel Barajas
Certifications Officer	Iresh Anarkat
Membership Officer	Paul Becker
Chapter Achievement Program	Ken Mejica
Academic Relations Chair	Perry Liu
Academic Relations Committee	Amos Njoh
Advocacy Chair	Eric Susterka
Technology Chair	Jonathan Smith
Hospitality Chair	Danielle Frei
Newsletter Editor	Phillip Poma
Academic Board Advisor	Nancy Yuen
Audit Committee	Janice Lee
Programming Committee	Maricel Ortega
Programming Committee	Amreen Sukhyani
Record Retention	Cliff Cyr

2025-2026 Governors

Positions	
Governor	Ahmed Tantawy
Governor	Bill Warner
Governor	Ahmed Ghafouri
Governor	Dino Mendoza
Governor	Dina Lam
Governor	Todd Bishop
Governor	Kathryn Kark

Help Shape the Future of Our Chapter

Get Involved. Make an Impact.



Why Volunteer?

Our chapter thrives because members choose to share their time and talents in support of the profession and one another. Volunteering is an opportunity to build relationships, grow as a leader, and contribute to programs that benefit hundreds of internal audit professionals throughout our community.

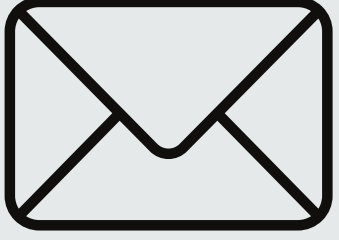
Whether you're looking for a long-term role or a one-time volunteer opportunity, we'd love to have you join us.

[Get Involved Today.](#)



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