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## OSC Seeks Public Comment on FY 2017-2022 Strategic Plan

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The U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) has released a draft of its strategic plan for fiscal years (FY) 2017-2022. OSC welcomes comments from the public to help strengthen and clarify the agency's strategic direction. OSC's Strategic Planning Team will assess any comments submitted by the deadline.

Comments on the draft plan are due by 5pm Eastern Time on September 1, 2016. The draft plan can be found [here](#). Comments should be sent via email to [OSCStrategicPlan@osc.gov](mailto:OSCStrategicPlan@osc.gov). Alternately, comments can be sent by mail to:

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Questions about the plan can be directed to [OSCStrategicPlan@osc.gov](mailto:OSCStrategicPlan@osc.gov).

Congress requires that Executive Branch agencies develop strategic plans. The strategic planning process offers a unique opportunity for an agency to reflect on its statutory mission and mandates, reassess prior goals and objectives, and identify new goals and objectives that will enable the agency to fulfill its mission and vision. This process—and the resulting strategic plan—also serves to notify Congress and stakeholders of major factors that may affect the agency's ability to meet its statutory obligations.

In April 2016, Special Counsel Carolyn Lerner launched the strategic planning process for OSC. To be successful, this strategic planning effort requires input from OSC employees as well as key stakeholders from outside the agency. Accordingly, Ms. Lerner assembled a Strategic Planning Team that is diverse and representative of the entire agency to work on this project. She also tasked Associate Special Counsel Louis Lopez with leading the agency's efforts to develop the new strategic plan. This Strategic Planning Team met regularly over a six-month time period to conduct an organizational review of OSC's programs and services, and then identify new strategic goals, objectives, strategies, and metrics for the strategic plan.

OSC's last strategic plan covering FY 2012-2016 can be found [here](#).

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