



MAKING MONITORING MEANINGFUL

Providing Meaningful Monitoring[™] to grant programs serving vulnerable populations.

The Vander Weele Group provides oversight of federal and state grant funds, specializing in programs that serve vulnerable populations, such as children, at-risk youth, and economically disadvantaged families. We perform fiscal and programmatic reviews of grantees based on federal and state statutes, regulations, and guidance. Our proprietary software enhances the efficiency of the monitoring process. Along the way, we support teams in thinking through ways to make oversight programs both efficient and meaningful. Our highly qualified staff has a broad array of expertise, including extensive experience in working directly with vulnerable populations, and in monitoring the programs that serve them. Formed in 2003, the Vander Weele Group has offices in Chicago, Springfield, and Flossmoor, Illinois.

Services Offered

- Turn-key Grants Monitoring Programs
- Fiscal and Programmatic Reviews
- Training
- Technical Assistance
- Risk Assessments and Forensic Reviews
- Data Analytics
- Customized Monitoring Tools

Our Story

- Founded in 2003 by Maribeth Vander Weele, reporter, author, and former Inspector General of Chicago Public Schools and Public Building Commission of Chicago.
- Provided broad monitoring and investigative services to corporate and public sector clients.
- In 2018, committed to a sole focus on fiscal and programmatic oversight of federally funded programs for at-risk populations.

Our Client Work

- Monitored effectiveness and spending of federal grant monies at 183 schools in 23 states for the Bureau of Indian Education.
- Monitoring federal grants for Chicago Public Schools (the nation's third largest school system) and other districts.
- Monitoring grant-funded services provided to 20,000 children with disabilities under age 3.
- Monitoring day care and home visiting programs throughout the State of Illinois.
- Managing grants oversight for Illinois Racing Board Foundation.
- Managed grants application process for State early education program.
- Served as outsourced Inspector General for construction program budgeted at nearly \$600 million.
- Performed more than 175 investigative projects for a Fortune 500 Company.
- Analyzed \$40 million in credit card payments, \$7 billion of payroll spending, and 230,000 school misconduct reports.
- Developed policies, procedures, and manuals for substance abuse, suicide prevention, zero tolerance for weapons, sexual harassment, search and seizure, drug and alcohol testing, anti-bullying, and more.