HOCKING COUNTY

SINGLE AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Hocking County, prepared by Millhuff-Stang, CPA, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. Hocking County is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

November 01, 2022

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Independent Auditor's Report

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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Hocking County, Ohio (the County), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General, Motor Vehicle Gas Tax, Board of Developmental Disabilities, and Emergency Medical Services Funds for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of the Hocking Valley Community Hospital, which is the sole discretely presented component unit. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Hocking Valley Community Hospital is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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Emphasis of Matter – COVID-19

As discussed in Note 22 to the financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the County. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

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Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 11, the schedules of the County's proportionate share of the net pension and OPEB liabilities (assets), and the schedules of County contributions on pages 99 through 102 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statement themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2022, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Millhuff-Stang, CPA, Inc. Wheelersburg, Ohio

September 30, 2022

The discussion and analysis of Hocking County's financial performance provides an overall review of the County's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2021. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the County's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the County's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2021 are as follows:

Overall:

Total net position increased \$20,272,583.

Total revenue was \$45,322,625 in 2021.

Total program expenses were \$25,050,042 in 2021.

Governmental Activities:

Total revenue was \$40,822,475 in 2021, while total expenses, including transfers out, were \$24,630,079.

Program expenses were primarily composed of health, public works, public safety, legislative and executive, judicial, economic development and assistance, and human services, where expenses were \$5,227,595, \$4,739,117, \$4,557,836, \$4,729,996, \$2,505,818, \$1,357,884, and \$932,988, respectively, in 2021.

Business-Type Activities:

Total revenue, including transfers in, was \$4,518,570 for business-type activities, while program expenses were \$438,383.

Using these Basic Financial Statements

These basic financial statements consist of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Hocking County as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The statement of net position and statement of activities provide information about the activities of the whole County, presenting both an aggregate view of the County's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term and what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the County's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of Hocking County, the General Fund, the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund, the Board of Developmental Disabilities Fund, and the Emergency Medical Services Fund are the major governmental funds for the County. The Sewer Fund is the County's major Enterprise Fund.

Reporting the County as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains a large number of funds used by the County to provide programs and activities, the view of the County as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2021?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the County's *net position* and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader, for the County as a whole, whether the *financial position* of the County has improved. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the County's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required or mandated programs and other factors.

In the statement of net position and the statement of activities, the County is divided into three distinct kinds of activities:

Governmental Activities – Most of the County's programs and services are reported here including general government (legislative and executive and judicial), public safety, public works, health, human services, economic development and assistance, and conservation and recreation.

Business-Type Activities – These services are provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all of the expenses of the goods or services provided. The County's wastewater treatment operations are reported as business-type activities.

Component Units – The Hocking Valley Community Hospital is reported as a component unit of the County as more fully described in Note 1 to the basic financial statements.

Reporting the County's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the County's major funds begins on page 9. Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the County's major funds. The County uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the County's most significant funds. The County's major governmental funds are the General Fund, the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund, the Board of Developmental Disabilities Fund, and the Emergency Medical Services Fund. The County's major enterprise fund is the Sewer Fund.

Governmental Funds Most of the County's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual*, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed *short-term view* of the County's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance various County programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the financial statements.

Proprietary Funds Proprietary funds use the same basis of accounting as business-type activities; therefore, these statements will essentially match the information provided in the statements for the County as a whole.

The County as a Whole

Recall that the statement of net position provides the perspective of the County as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the County's net position for 2021 compared to the prior year:

			1	Tab Net Po	le 1 osition						
				Governmental Activities Business-Type Activities							
Assets		2021	2020*		2021		2020	2021		2020	
Current & Other Assets	\$	42,391,237	\$ 32,807,599	\$	762,103	\$	395,197	\$	43,153,340	\$ 33,202,796	
Capital Assets, Net		32,763,704	32,446,012	1	5,994,250		,836,021		48,757,954	44,282,033	
Total Assets		75,154,941	65,253,611	1	6,756,353	12	,231,218		91,911,294	77,484,829	
Deferred Outflows of Resources											
Pensions		2,630,353	2,575,349		13,851		30,461		2,644,204	2,605,810	
OPEB		1,284,202	1,665,504		6,733		19,096		1,290,935	1,684,600	
Total Deferred Outflows		3,914,555	4,240,853		20,584		49,557		3,935,139	4,290,410	
Liabilities											
Current and Other Liabilities		2,748,267	2,069,687		852,076		352,759		3,600,343	2,422,446	
Non-Current Liabilities:											
Due within One Year		430,675	471,069		19,588		18,131		450,263	489,200	
Due in More than One Year:											
Net Pension Liability		12,076,629	14,833,289		64,454		97,705		12,141,083	14,930,994	
Net OPEB Liability		-	9,916,267		-		65,960		-	9,982,227	
Other Amounts		2,043,610	2,204,297		3,242,832	3	,261,812		5,286,442	5,466,109	
Total Liabilities		17,299,181	29,494,609		4,178,950	3	,796,367		21,478,131	33,290,976	
Deferred Inflows of Resources											
Taxes		10,461,814	9,619,789		-		-		10,461,814	9,619,789	
Pensions		5,273,082	3,341,270		35,943		20,725		5,309,025	3,361,995	
OPEB		4,320,818	1,516,591		27,565		9,391		4,348,383	1,525,982	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	5	20,055,714	14,477,650		63,508		30,116		20,119,222	14,507,766	
Net Position											
Net Investment in Capital Assets		30,705,384	30,971,333	1	1,904,584	8	,234,178		42,609,968	39,205,511	
Restricted		20,509,338	15,141,800		-		-		20,509,338	15,141,800	
Unrestricted (Deficit)		(9,500,121)	(20,590,928)		629,895		220,114		(8,870,226)	(20,370,814)	
Total Net Position	\$	41,714,601	\$ 25,522,205	\$ 1	2,534,479	\$8	,454,292	\$	54,249,080	\$ 33,976,497	

*Certain balances were restated. See Notes 7 and 13 of the notes to the basic financial statements for additional information.

Total governmental activities assets increased by \$9,901,330 The increase in total assets is primarily due to increases in equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents, taxes receivable, and intergovernmental receivables. Capital assets in the governmental activities increased \$317,692 from 2020 to 2021, due to additions which were partially offset by current year depreciation and disposals. Total assets in the business-type activities increased \$4,525,135 from 2020 to 2021, primarily due to capital asset additions which were partially offset by additional depreciation expense for capital assets placed in service in 2021. Current and other liabilities for governmental activities increased primarily due to increases in accrued wages and contracts payable.

Current and other liabilities in business-type activities increased primarily due to contracts payable related to the sewer line projects ongoing at the end of 2021. Long-term liabilities in governmental activities decreased mainly due to decreases in Net Pension Liability and OPEB Liability. Long-term liabilities in business-type activities decreased due to decreases in Net Pension Liability and OPEB Liability.

Deferred outflows of resources for governmental activities decreased due to decreases in the deferred outflow related to OPEB due to actuarial calculations which was partially offset by increases in deferred outflows related to pension due to actuarial calculations. Deferred inflows of resources in governmental activities increased due to increases in deferred inflows related to PEB due to actuarial calculations, and OPEB due to actuarial calculations.

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2021 and 2020.

Table 2 shows the change	ges in net posit	Table		20.						
		Changes in Ne	et Position							
		2021			2020					
	Governmental	Business-Type		Governmental	Business-Type					
	Activities	Activities	Total	Activities	Activities	Total				
Revenues										
Program Revenues:										
Charges for Services and Sales	\$ 5,003,057	\$ 377,181	\$ 5,380,238	\$ 4,314,221	\$ 243,027	\$ 4,557,248				
Operating Grants and Contributions		-	11,088,008	10,607,691	-	10,607,691				
Capital Grants and Contributions	1,079,494	4,122,969	5,202,463	1,995,061	2,063,513	4,058,574				
Total Program Revenues General Revenues:	17,170,559	4,500,150	21,670,709	16,916,973	2,306,540	19,223,513				
Property Taxes	10,440,147	-	10,440,147	9,691,247	-	9,691,247				
Sales Taxes	6,595,580	-	6,595,580	5,795,281	-	5,795,281				
Grants and Entitlements	3,906,175	-	3,906,175	1,567,361	-	1,567,361				
Other Taxes	2,327,627	-	2,327,627	1,554,992	-	1,554,992				
Interest Earnings	18,717	-	18,717	331,203	-	331,203				
Miscellaneous	363,670	-	363,670	719,005	-	719,005				
Total General Revenues	23,651,916	-	23,651,916	19,659,089	-	19,659,089				
Total Revenues Program Expenses	40,822,475	4,500,150	45,322,625	36,576,062	2,306,540	38,882,602				
General Government:										
Legislative and Executive	4,729,996	-	4,729,996	5,320,179	-	5,320,179				
Judicial	2,505,818	-	2,505,818	3,795,458	-	3,795,458				
Public Safety	4,557,836	-	4,557,836	8,353,366	-	8,353,366				
Public Works	4,739,117	-	4,739,117	5,510,824	-	5,510,824				
Health	5,227,595	-	5,227,595	6,777,902	-	6,777,902				
Human Services	932,988	-	932,988	1,212,792	-	1,212,792				
Economic Development										
and Assistance	1,357,884	-	1,357,884	191,700	-	191,700				
Conservation and Recreation	503,978	-	503,978	245,572	-	245,572				
Interest and Fiscal Charges	56,447	-	56,447	41,781	-	41,781				
Wastewater Treatment	-	438,383	438,383	-	414,891	414,891				
Total Expenses	24,611,659	438,383	25,050,042	31,449,574	414,891	31,864,465				
Transfers	(18,420)	18,420	-	(33,455)	33,455					
Total Transfers	(18,420)	18,420	-	(33,455)	33,455	-				
Change in Net Position	16,192,396	4,080,187	20,272,583	5,093,033	1,925,104	7,018,137				
Net Position - Beginning of Year	25,522,205	8,454,292	33,976,497	20,429,172	6,529,188	26,958,360				
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 41,714,601	\$ 12,534,479	\$ 54,249,080	\$ 25,522,205	\$ 8,454,292	\$ 33,976,497				

Governmental Activities

Governmental net position increased \$16,192,396 from 2020 to 2021. Total governmental activities revenues increased \$4,246,413 due primarily to increases in property taxes, sales taxes, operating grants, and other taxes.

Expenses decreased \$6,837,915 primarily due to the significant reduction of expenses due to OPEB actuarial calculations which reduced the Net OPEB liability.

The County receives diverse types of revenues to provide for the vast number of programs provided by the County. Operating grants and contributions provide 27% of total revenues for governmental activities. Property taxes and sales taxes provide 26% and 16% of total revenues for governmental activities, respectively.

Health, public works, public safety, legislative and executive, and judicial comprise 21%, 19%, 19%, 19%, and 10%, respectively, of total expenses for governmental activities.

The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and sales, grants, and contributions offsetting those services. Table 3 shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and various unrestricted federal and state grants and entitlements.

Table 3 Total Cost of Program Services Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services					Net Cost o	f S	ervices
		2021		2020		2021		2020
General Government - Legislative and Executive	\$	4,729,996	\$	5,320,179	\$	2,620,220	\$	3,340,884
General Government - Judicial		2,505,818		3,795,458		941,093		1,531,577
Public Safety		4,557,836		8,353,366		1,814,049		4,806,472
Public Works		4,739,117		5,510,824		(1,658,795)		(999,506)
Health		5,227,595		6,777,902		2,703,743		4,729,823
Human Services		932,988		1,212,792		752,887		856,439
Economic Development and Assistance		1,357,884		191,700		154,227		20,023
Conservation and Recreation		503,978		245,572		57,229		205,108
Interest and Fiscal Charges		56,447		41,781		56,447		41,781
Total Expenses	\$	24,611,659	\$	31,449,574	\$	7,441,100	\$	14,532,601

70% of governmental activities are supported through program revenues.

Business-Type Activities

Business-type activities include wastewater treatment.

For business-type activities, charges for services and sales increased \$134,154, capital grants and contributions increased \$2,059,456 and wastewater treatment expenses increased \$23,492, resulting in an increase in net position of \$4,080,187. Charges for services and sales accounted for 8.4% of total revenues of \$4,500,150. The increase in capital grants and contributions is due to more intergovernmental funding for sewer projects in 2021 then what was received in 2020.

The County's Funds

Information about the County's major governmental funds starts on page 16. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues and other sources of \$42,133,822 and expenditures and other uses of \$35,409,909.

The net change in fund balance for the year was most significant in the Board of Developmental Disabilities Fund which experienced an increase in fund balance of \$1,981,281 primarily due to an increase in intergovernmental and tax revenues.

The General Fund experienced an increase in fund balance of \$1,225,766 due to revenues and other financing sources exceeding expenditures and other financing uses due to an increase in property tax and sales tax revenues.

The Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund experienced an increase in fund balance of \$380,622 primarily due to revenues exceeding expenditures as the County expended less in capital outlay than in the prior year.

The Emergency Medical Services Fund experienced a decrease in fund balance of \$93,713 due to expenditures exceeding revenues.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The County's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During the course of fiscal year 2021 the County amended its General Fund budget numerous times.

For the General Fund, budget basis actual revenue and other financing sources were \$12,859,806, above final budget estimates of \$9,377,261 which resulted in a \$3,482,545 difference. Tax revenues made up the majority of this difference.

Budget basis actual expenditures and other financing uses were \$11,801,686, below final budget estimates of \$12,538,730 which resulted in a \$737,044 difference. Of this difference, legislative and executive and judicial expenditures and transfers out made up the majority of the difference. Total actual expenditures and other financing uses on the budget basis were \$1,058,120 below revenues and other financing sources.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal 2021 the County had \$48,757,954 (net of accumulated depreciation) invested in construction in progress, land, land improvements, buildings, machinery and equipment, vehicles, infrastructure, a wastewater treatment plant and collection system; \$32,763,704 in governmental activities. Additional information regarding capital assets is shown in Note 7 to the basic financial statements. Tables 4.1 and 4.2 show fiscal 2021 and 2020 balances by governmental activities and business-type activities:

Table 4.1
Capital Assets At December 31
(Net of Depreciation)
Governmental Activities

	 2021		2020*
Land	\$ 1,078,080	\$	1,003,080
Construction in Progress	50,853		605,396
Land Improvements	309,430		243,098
Buildings	5,458,470		5,362,768
Machinery and Equipment	3,714,640		2,941,203
Vehicles	2,176,914		2,487,459
Infrastructure	 19,975,317		19,803,008
Total	\$ 32,763,704	\$	32,446,012

Table 4.2 Capital Assets At December 31 (Net of Depreciation) Business-Type Activities

	 2021	2020*		
Land	\$ 29,000		\$	29,000
Construction in Progress	4,371,746			5,811,865
Wastewater Treatment Plant	9,548			13,234
Vehicle	7,689			12,815
Collection System	 11,576,267			5,969,107
Total	\$ 15,994,250		\$	11,836,021

*Certain balances were restated and reclassified. See Note 7 of the notes to the basic financial statements for additional information.

Debt

At December 31, 2021 the County had \$1,058,320 in governmental activities long-term loans and notes, \$290,692 due within one year. At December 31, 2021, the County had \$3,244,927 in business-type activity bonds and loans, \$17,700 due within one year.

Tables 5 and 6 summarize bonds and notes/loans outstanding for the past two years:

Table 5 Outstanding Debt At December 31 Governmental Activities										
		2021		2020						
Long TermNotes/Loans	\$	1,058,320	\$	1,343,407						
Total	\$	1,058,320	\$	1,343,407						
Outstanding D			31							
		2021		2020						
OWDA Loan Revenue Bonds	\$	2,925,927 319,000	\$	2,926,750 335,700						
Total	\$ 3,244,927 \$ 3,262,450									

All long-term notes and loans and revenue bonds outstanding for governmental activities are general obligations of the County for which the full faith and credit of the County is pledged for repayment. For additional information regarding bonds and long-term notes and loans payable see Note 13 to the basic financial statements.

Current Financial Related Activities

Hocking County is strong financially at the present time. However, as the preceding information shows, the County heavily depends on its property taxpayers as well as intergovernmental monies. Since the property tax revenues do not grow at the same level as inflation and because state and federal mandates continue without providing the additional revenue resources needed to continue such programs, the County will be faced with significant challenges over the next several years to contain costs and ultimately consider the possibility of having to go back to the voters for an additional real estate tax levy.

This scenario requires management to plan carefully and prudently to provide the resources to meet taxpayer needs over the next several years. In addition, the County's system of budgeting and internal controls has made significant improvements over the past several years. All of the County's financial abilities will be needed to meet the challenges of the future.

Contacting the County's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Kenneth R. Wilson, County Auditor at Hocking County, 1 East Main Street, Logan, Ohio 43138, phone at (740) 385-2127, or e-mail at kwilson@co.hocking.oh.us.

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Hocking County Statement of Net Position As of December 31, 2021

	Primary Government						Component Unit		
	G	overnmental	B	isiness-Type					
		Activities		Activities		Total		Hospital	
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	¢	24 412 552	¢	242.056	¢	24 655 609	\$		
Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments in Segregated Accounts	\$	24,412,552 83,691	\$	243,056	\$	24,655,608 83,691	Э	- 12,277,740	
Receivables:		85,091		-		85,091		12,277,740	
Taxes		12,026,759		-		12,026,759		_	
Accounts, Net		2,605		67,301		69,906		6,494,023	
Intergovernmental		4,401,583		444,174		4,845,757		-	
Materials and Supplies Inventory		63,440		-		63,440		468,121	
Prepaid Items		-		-		-		1,376,890	
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments									
in Segregated Accounts		-		-		-		218,052	
Net Pension Asset				-		-		125,889	
Net OPEB Asset (See Note 11)		1,400,607		7,572		1,408,179		1,530,733	
Nondepreciable Capital Assets		1,128,933		4,400,746		5,529,679		1,101,167	
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net		31,634,771		11,593,504		43,228,275		10,534,254	
Total Assets		75,154,941		16,756,353		91,911,294		34,126,869	
Deferred Outflows of Resources									
Pensions		2,630,353		13,851		2,644,204		2,612,405	
OPEB		1,284,202		6,733		1,290,935		1,081,057	
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		3,914,555		20,584		3,935,139		3,693,462	
Liabilities				,					
Accounts Payable		641,228		-		641,228		2,533,488	
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable		811,332		6,398		817,730		1,101,342	
Contracts Payable		1,000,000		739,529		1,739,529		-,	
Intergovernmental Payable		295,707		939		296,646		-	
Retainage Payable		-		105,210		105,210		-	
Self-insurance Liabilities		-		-		-		340,435	
Unearned Revenue		-		-		-		1,749	
Long-term Liabilities:							•		
Due Within One Year		430,675		19,588		450,263		5,385,349	
Due in More Than One Year:				. .					
Net Pension Liability (See Note 10)		12,076,629		64,454		12,141,083		13,267,661	
Other Amounts Due in More than One Year		2,043,610		3,242,832		5,286,442	·	2,338,118	
Total Liabilities		17,299,181		4,178,950		21,478,131		24,968,142	
Deferred Inflows of Resources									
Property Taxes Not Levied to Finance Current Year Operations		10,461,814		-		10,461,814		-	
Pensions		5,273,082		35,943		5,309,025		5,883,032	
OPEB		4,320,818		27,565		4,348,383		4,756,634	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		20,055,714		63,508		20,119,222		10,639,666	
Net Position									
Net Investment in Capital Assets		30,705,384		11,904,584		42,609,968		8,586,671	
Restricted for:									
Debt Service		78,357		-		78,357		-	
Capital Projects		531,273		-		531,273		-	
Hocking County 911		987,905		-		987,905		-	
Senior Citizens		654,805		-		654,805		-	
Motor Vehicle Gas Tax		3,593,913		-		3,593,913		-	
Board of Developmental Disabilities		5,437,090		-		5,437,090		-	
Emergency Medical Services		498,054		-		498,054		-	
Real Estate Assessment Municipal Court Special Projects		1,354,566 265,768		-		1,354,566 265,768		-	
Wireless 911		433,909		-		433,909		-	
American Rescue Plan Act		1,821,008		-		1,821,008		-	
Other Purposes		4,852,690		-		4,852,690		218,052	
Unrestricted (Deficit)		(9,500,121)		629,895		(8,870,226)		(6,592,200)	
	¢		¢	· · · ·	¢		¢		
Total Net Position	\$	41,714,601	\$	12,534,479	\$	54,249,080	\$	2,212,523	

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

		-		Pro	gram Revenues			
	Expenses		Charges for vices and Sales		erating Grants Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions		
Governmental Activities								
General Government:								
Legislative and Executive	\$	4,729,996	\$ 1,594,185	\$	515,591	\$	-	
Judicial		2,505,818	1,081,771		482,954		-	
Public Safety		4,557,836	1,030,377		1,613,689		99,721	
Public Works		4,739,117	146,350		5,406,542		845,020	
Health		5,227,595	961,875		1,561,977		-	
Human Services		932,988	93,236		86,865		-	
Economic Development								
and Assistance		1,357,884	34,457		1,169,200		-	
Conservation and Recreation		503,978	60,806		251,190		134,753	
Interest and Fiscal Charges		56,447	 					
Total Governmental Activities		24,611,659	 5,003,057		11,088,008		1,079,494	
Business-Type Activities								
Wastewater Treatment		438,383	 377,181				4,122,969	
Total Business-Type Activities		438,383	 377,181				4,122,969	
Total Primary Government	\$	25,050,042	\$ 5,380,238	\$	11,088,008	\$	5,202,463	
Component Unit								
Hospital	\$	28,111,222	\$ 40,861,124	\$	6,062,956	\$	-	
Total Component Unit	\$	28,111,222	\$ 40,861,124	\$	6,062,956	\$	-	

General Revenues and Transfers

Property Taxes Levied for: General Purposes Other Purposes Sales Taxes Levied for: General Purposes Other Purposes Other Taxes Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs Interest Earnings Miscellaneous Transfers *Total General Revenues and Transfers*

Change in Net Position

Net Position Beginning of Year

Net Position End of Year

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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		· ·	ense) Reven s in Net Pos			
Governmental Activities			ess-Type ivities	 Total		mponent Unit Hospital
\$	(2,620,220) (941,093) (1,814,049) 1,658,795 (2,703,743) (752,887)	\$	- - - -	\$ (2,620,220) (941,093) (1,814,049) 1,658,795 (2,703,743) (752,887)	\$	
	(154,227) (57,229) (56,447) (7,441,100)		- - -	 (154,227) (57,229) (56,447) (7,441,100)		
		4	4,061,767 4,061,767	 4,061,767 4,061,767 (3,379,333)		

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-	,312,584	-	3,312,584	
-	,127,563	-	7,127,563	
-	,429,248	-	5,429,248	
-	,166,332	-	1,166,332	
-	,327,627	-	2,327,627	
-	,906,175	-	3,906,175	
104,652	18,717	-	18,717	
47,881	363,670	-	363,670	
-		 18,420	(18,420)	
152,533	,651,916	 18,420	23,633,496	
18,965,391	,272,583	4,080,187	16,192,396	
(16,752,868)	,976,497	 8,454,292	25,522,205	
\$ 2,212,523	,249,080 \$	\$ \$ 12,534,479	41,714,601	\$

Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds As of December 31, 2021

	 General	М	otor Vehicle Gas Tax	De	Board of evelopmental Disabilities	I	Emergency Medical Services	G	Other overnmental Funds	G	Total overnmental Funds
Assets											
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,459,999	\$	3,298,834	\$	5,506,736	\$	686,753	\$	9,460,230	\$	24,412,552
Cash and Cash Equivalents in Segregated Accounts	-		-		-		80,262		3,429		83,691
Receivables:											
Taxes	4,191,581		-		3,852,692		2,804,125		1,178,361		12,026,759
Accounts, Net	-		-		-		-		2,605		2,605
Intergovernmental	563,439		2,407,963		191,855		107,740		1,130,586		4,401,583
Interfund	777,664		-		-		-		-		777,664
Materials and Supplies Inventory	 1,786		61,654		-		-		-		63,440
Total Assets	\$ 10,994,469	\$	5,768,451	\$	9,551,283	\$	3,678,880	\$	11,775,211	\$	41,768,294
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances											
Liabilities											
Accounts Payable	\$ 223,101	\$	332,144	\$	5,860	\$	42,411	\$	37,712	\$	641,228
Contracts Payable	-		-		-		-		1,000,000		1,000,000
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	326,550		91,128		77,640		194,786		121,228		811,332
Intergovernmental Payable	67,747		7,046		16,637		31,764		172,513		295,707
Interfund Payable	 		-		-		-		777,664		777,664
Total Liabilities	 617,398		430,318		100,137		268,961		2,109,117		3,525,931
Deferred Inflows of Resources											
Property Taxes Not Levied to Finance Current Year Operations	3,139,357		-		3,791,200		2,759,369		771,888		10,461,814
Unavailable Revenues - Delinquent Taxes	50,919		-		104,716		44,756		387,520		587,911
Unavailable Revenues - Grants	 284,442		1,682,566		118,140		107,740		19,875		2,212,763
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	 3,474,718		1,682,566		4,014,056		2,911,865		1,179,283		13,262,488
Fund Balances											
Nonspendable	617,360		61,654		-		-		-		679,014
Restricted	-		3,593,913		5,437,090		498,054		10,000,635		19,529,692
Committed	100,198		-		-		-		-		100,198
Assigned	1,179,601		-		-		-		-		1,179,601
Unassigned (Deficit)	 5,005,194		-		-		-		(1,513,824)		3,491,370
Total Fund Balances	 6,902,353		3,655,567		5,437,090		498,054		8,486,811		24,979,875
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,											
and Fund Balances	\$ 10,994,469	\$	5,768,451	\$	9,551,283	\$	3,678,880	\$	11,775,211	\$	41,768,294

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities As of December 31, 2021

Total Governmental Fund Balances		\$ 24,979,875
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Certain receivables reported as revenues on the statement of activities are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore		32,763,704
are reported as deferred inflows in the funds. Taxes Intergovernmental	587,911 2,212,763	
Total		2,800,674
The net pension/OPEB liabilities (assets) are not due and payable in the current period; therefore, the liabilities (assets) and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	2,630,353 1,284,202	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB Net pension liability	(5,273,082) (4,320,818) (12,076,629)	
Net OPEB asset	1,400,607	(16,355,367)
Long-term liabilities, including notes, capital leases and the long-term		
portion of compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Compensated Absences Long Term Notes	(1,317,159) (1,058,320)	
Capital Lease Obligations	(98,806)	 (2,474,285)
Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 41,714,601

Hocking County Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	General	Motor Vehicle Gas Tax	Board of Developmental Disabilities	Emergency Medical Services	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues						
Taxes	\$ 8,926,310	\$ -	\$ 3,704,687	\$ 2,655,463	\$ 4,261,372	\$ 19,547,832
Intergovernmental	1,599,359	4,875,744	1,524,433	224,786	7,726,364	15,950,686
Charges for Services	1,908,209	114,447	7,170	859,265	1,381,970	4,271,061
Fees, Licenses and Permits	11,962	-	-	-	86,389	98,351
Fines and Forfeitures	99,083	13,661	-	-	520,901	633,645
Interest	12,550	5,301	-	-	866	18,717
Miscellaneous	93,767	73,988	10,884	2,230	182,801	363,670
Total Revenues	12,651,240	5,083,141	5,247,174	3,741,744	14,160,663	40,883,962
Expenditures						
Current:						
General Government:						
Legislative and Executive	2,762,933	-	-	-	2,918,169	5,681,102
Judicial	2,416,104	-	-	-	869,643	3,285,747
Public Safety	4,682,108	-	-	-	3,059,947	7,742,055
Public Works	26,343	3,663,101	-	-	-	3,689,444
Health	59,809	-	3,215,893	3,710,396	263,402	7,249,500
Human Services	516,864	-	-	-	616,794	1,133,658
Conservation and Recreation	334,714	-	-	-	158,729	493,443
Economic Development and Assistance	49,858	-	-	-	1,308,090	1,357,948
Capital Outlay	88,748	874,046	-	-	2,171,938	3,134,732
Debt Service:						
Principal	121,214	161,785	-	104,977	213,017	600,993
Interest and Fiscal Charges	9,059	3,587		20,084	23,717	56,447
Total Expenditures	11,067,754	4,702,519	3,215,893	3,835,457	11,603,446	34,425,069
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,583,486	380,622	2,031,281	(93,713)	2,557,217	6,458,893
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)						
Issuance of OWDA Loans	-	-	-	-	194,692	194,692
Inception of Capital Lease	88,748	-	-	-	-	88,748
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	966,420	966,420
Transfers Out	(446,468)		(50,000)		(488,372)	(984,840)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(357,720)		(50,000)		672,740	265,020
Net Changes in Fund Balances	1,225,766	380,622	1,981,281	(93,713)	3,229,957	6,723,913
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	5,676,587	3,274,945	3,455,809	591,767	5,256,854	18,255,962
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 6,902,353	\$ 3,655,567	\$ 5,437,090	\$ 498,054	\$ 8,486,811	\$ 24,979,875

Hocking County Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 6,723,913
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital asset additions exceeded depreciation in the current period. Capital Asset Additions Current Year Depreciation Total	3,333,953 (2,836,326)	497,627
Governmental funds only report the disposal of assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the statement of activities, a gain or loss is reported for each disposal. These are the amounts of the loss on the disposal of capital assets and the proceeds received. Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets Total	(179,935)	(179,935)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. Taxes Intergovernmental Total	(184,478) 122,991	(61,487)
Contractually required pension contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows.		1,709,742
Except for amounts reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension liability are reported as pension expense in the statement of activities.		(831,604)
Except for amounts reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net OPEB liability (asset) are reported as OPEB expense in the statement of activities.		8,133,062
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term notes and loans in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances that are reported as other financing sources are not reported as revenues in the statement of activities.		(194,692)
Repayment of bond principal and long term notes principal are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces liabilities in the statement of net position and does not result in an expense in the statement of activities. Repayment of capital leases obligations are expenditures in the		479,779
governmental funds, but the repayment reduces liabilities in the statement of net position and does not result in an expense in the statement of activities.		121,214
New capital lease obligations in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances that are reported as other financing sources are not reported as revenues in the statement of activities.		(88,748)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Increase in Compensated Absences Total	(116,475)	 (116,475)
Net Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 16,192,396

Hocking County Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

		Budgeted	Amo	unts				ariance with inal Budget:
		Original		Final		Actual		Positive (Negative)
Revenues								
Taxes	\$	6,416,200	\$	6,416,200	\$	8,645,152	\$	2,228,952
Charges for Services	Φ	1,247,585	ψ	1,247,585	ψ	1,636,266	φ	388,681
Fees, Licenses and Permits		1,247,505		1,000		2,225		1,225
Fines and Forfeitures		102,200		102,200		96,844		(5,356)
Intergovernmental		1,163,263		1,163,263		1,574,292		411,029
Interest		143,700		143,700		160,890		17,190
Other		61,020		86,564		487,036		400,472
Total Revenues		9,134,968		9,160,512		12,602,705		3,442,193
Expenditures								
Current:								
General Government:								
Legislative and Executive		2,635,122		2,830,192		2,627,463		202,729
Judicial		2,453,826		2,749,421		2,528,958		220,463
Public Safety		4,320,407		4,790,724		4,672,591		118,133
Public Works		29,545		29,653		26,860		2,793
Health		80,286		103,805		75,624		28,181
Human Services		551,013		578,630		550,046		28,584
Conservation and Recreation		345,209		349,618		339,214		10,404
Community and Economic Development		58,433		58,538		49,605		8,933
Capital Outlay		88,748		88,748		88,748		-
Debt Service:		,		,		,		
Principal Retirements		121,214		121,214		121,214		-
Interest		9,059		9,059		9,059		-
Total Expenditures		10,692,862		11,709,602		11,089,382		620,220
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		(1,557,894)		(2,549,090)		1,513,323		4,062,413
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Inception of Capital Lease		88,748		88,748		88,748		-
Transfers In		12,000		12,000		46,618		34,618
Advances In		103,001		116,001		107,144		(8,857)
Transfers Out		(300,789)		(638,740)		(575,301)		63,439
Advances Out		(50,000)		(190,388)		(137,003)		53,385
Other Financing Sources		-		-		14,591		14,591
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(147,040)		(612,379)		(455,203)		157,176
Net Change in Fund Balance		(1,704,934)		(3,161,469)		1,058,120		4,219,589
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		3,081,900		3,081,900		3,081,900		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		282,528		282,528		282,528		-
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$	1,659,494	\$	202,959	\$	4,422,548	\$	4,219,589

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	 Budgeted Original	Amo	unts Final		Actual		Actual		Actual		Variance with Final Budget: Positive (Negative)
Revenues											
Charges for Services	\$ 100,200	\$	100,200	\$	117,056	\$	16,856				
Fines and Forfeitures	12,000		12,000		13,661		1,661				
Intergovernmental	5,010,000		5,010,000		4,882,821		(127,179)				
Interest	20,000		20,000		5,769		(14,231)				
Other	 100,000		101,923		73,988		(27,935)				
Total Revenues	 5,242,200		5,244,123		5,093,295		(150,828)				
Expenditures											
Current:											
Public Works	5,173,200		5,543,341		4,696,331		847,010				
Debt Service:	, ,		, ,		, ,		,				
Principal Retirements	165,334		165,334		161,785		3,549				
Interest and Fiscal Charges	3,666		3,666		3,587		79				
mores and rised charges	 2,000		5,000		0,007						
Total Expenditures	 5,342,200		5,712,341		4,861,703		850,638				
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 (100,000)		(468,218)		231,592		699,810				
Other Financing Sources:											
Transfers In	 100,000		100,000				(100,000)				
Tatal Other Firmering Services	 100.000		100.000				(100,000)				
Total Other Financing Sources	 100,000		100,000				(100,000)				
Net Change in Fund Balance	-		(368,218)		231,592		599,810				
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,836,423		1,836,423		1,836,423		_				
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	368,218		368,218		368,218		-				
The fear Encamorances appropriatea	 500,210		500,210		500,210						
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 2,204,641	\$	1,836,423	\$	2,436,233	\$	599,810				

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) Board of Developmental Disabilities Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final		Actual		Variance with Final Budget: Positive (Negative)		
		8	 	 		(
Revenues Property Taxes Charges for Services Intergovernmental Other		,355,762 ,404,790 35,000	\$ 3,355,762 - 5,930,378 35,000	\$ 3,704,687 19,720 1,517,478 14,884	\$	348,925 19,720 (4,412,900) (20,116)	
Total Revenues		,795,552	 9,321,140	 5,256,769		(4,064,371)	
Expenditures Current: Health	3,	,257,925	 3,939,771	 3,392,970		546,801	
Total Expenditures	3,	,257,925	 3,939,771	 3,392,970		546,801	
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	5,	,537,627	 5,381,369	 1,863,799		(3,517,570)	
Other Financing Use: Transfers Out		(50,000)	 (50,000)	 (50,000)		-	
Total Other Financing Use		(50,000)	 (50,000)	 (50,000)		-	
Net Change in Fund Balance	5,	,487,627	5,331,369	1,813,799		(3,517,570)	
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	3,	,296,337 181,846	 3,296,337 181,846	 3,296,337 181,846		-	
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$8,	,965,810	\$ 8,809,552	\$ 5,291,982	\$	(3,517,570)	

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) Emergency Medical Services Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Budgeter Original	d Amounts Final	Actual	Variance with Final Budget: Positive (Negative)
	Oliginal	Tillal	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues				
Property Taxes	\$ 2,010,000	\$ 2,010,000	\$ 2,655,463	\$ 645,463
Charges for Services	790,000	1,424,794	852,744	(572,050)
Intergovernmental	200,000	200,000	224,786	24,786
Other			2,230	2,230
Total Revenues	3,000,000	3,634,794	3,735,223	100,429
Expenditures				
Current:				
Health	3,323,700	3,873,630	3,782,447	91,183
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirements	104,977	104,977	104,977	-
Interest & Fiscal Charges	20,084	20,084	20,084	
Total Expenditures	3,448,761	3,998,691	3,907,508	91,183
Net Change in Fund Balance	(448,761)	(363,897)	(172,285)	191,612
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	566,643	566,643	566,643	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	80,918	80,918	80,918	
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 198,800	\$ 283,664	\$ 475,276	\$ 191,612

Hocking County Statement of Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund As of December 31, 2021

Assets	Sewer Fund
Current Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash	
and Cash Equivalents	\$ 243,056
Intergovernmental Receivable	444,174
Accounts Receivable (net of	(7.201
allowance, where applicable)	67,301
Total Current Assets	754,531
Noncurrent Assets	
Non-depreciable Capital Assets	4,400,746
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	11,593,504
Net OPEB Asset	7,572
Total Noncurrent Assets	16,001,822
Total Assets	16,756,353
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Pensions	13,851
OPEB	6,733
OI EB	0,755
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	20,584
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	6,398
Intergovernmental Payable	939
Contracts Payable	739,529
Retainage Payable	105,210
Total Current Liabilities	852,076
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Compensated Absences - Net of Current	17,493
OWDA Loan Payable	2,925,927
Revenue Bonds - Net of Current	319,000
Net Pension Liability	64,454
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	3,326,874
Total Liabilities	4,178,950
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Pension	35,943
OPEB	27,565
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	63,508
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	11,904,584
Unrestricted	629,895
Total Net Position	\$ 12,534,479

Hocking County Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Sewer Fund
Operating Revenues	
Charges for Services	\$ 377,181
Total Operating Revenues	377,181
Operating Expenses	
Salaries and Wages	91,288
Fringe Benefits	(1,116)
Contractual Services	89,580
Depreciation	217,431
Materials and Supplies	16,601
Other	15,396
Total Operating Expenses	429,180
Operating Loss	(51,999)
Nonoperating Expenses	
Interest and Fiscal Charges	(9,203)
Total Nonoperating Expenses	(9,203)
Change in Net Position Before	
Capital Contributions and Transfers	(61,202)
Transfer In	18,420
Capital Contributions - Intergovernmental	4,122,969
Total Capital Contributions and Transfer In	4,141,389
Change in Net Position	4,080,187
Net Position	
at Beginning of Year	8,454,292
Net Position	
at End of Year	\$ 12,534,479

Hocking County Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Sewer Fund
Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents:	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 383,361
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(128,239)
Cash Payments to Employees for Services and Benefits	(133,957)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	121,165
Cash Flows from Noncapital	
Financing Activities:	
Operating Transfers-In	18,420
Cash Flows from Capital and Related	
Financing Activities:	
Proceeds from OWDA Loans	4,028,207
Payments for Capital Acquisitions	(3,870,314)
Capital Contributions- Intergovernmental	3,678,795
Principal Payments	(4,045,730)
Interest Payments	(9,203)
Net Cash Used for Capital	
and Related Financing Activities	(218,245)
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(78,660)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	321,716
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 243,056
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net	
Cash Provided by Operating Activities:	
Operating Loss	\$ (51,999)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to	
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:	
Depreciation	217,431
Pension Expense (Gain) Not Affecting Cash	(1,423)
OPEB Expense (Gain) Not Affecting Cash	(42,995)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	6 1 0 0
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	6,180
Decrease in Accounts Payable	(6,662)
Increase in Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	1,071
Decrease in Intergovernmental Payable	(438)
Total Adjustments	173,164
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 121,165

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds

December 31, 2021

	Custodial Funds
Assets:	
Current assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$5,238,092
Segregated cash accounts	680,546
Taxes receivable	33,061,520
Due from other governments	1,976,114
Total assets	40,956,272
Liabilities:	
Due to other governments	1,581,877
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Property taxes	32,533,832
Net Position:	
Restricted for Individuals, Organizations and Other Governments	\$6,840,563

Hocking County Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

_	Custodial Funds
Additions:	
Intergovernmental	\$3,573,444
Amounts received as fiscal agent	2,762,761
Licenses and permits and fees for other governments	462,792
Fines and forfeitures for other governments	7,079,456
Property tax collections for other governments	32,617,370
Total additions	46,495,823
Deductions:	
Distributions as fiscal agent	\$2,304,900
Distributions of state funds to other governments	3,353,193
Licenses and permits and fees disbtributions to other governments	245,507
Fines and forfeitures disbtributions to other governments	7,552,372
Property tax distributions to other governments	32,572,580
Total deductions	46,028,552
Change in fiduciary net position	467,271
Net position, January 1	6,373,292
Net position, December 31	\$6,840,563

NOTE 1 - REPORTING ENTITY

Hocking County, Ohio (the County), was organized on March 1, 1818. The County is governed by a board of three Commissioners elected by the voters of the County. Other officials elected by the voters of the County that manage various segments of the County's operations are the County Auditor, County Treasurer, Recorder, Clerk of Courts, Coroner, Engineer, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Municipal Court Judge, a Probate/Juvenile Judge and a Common Pleas Court Judge. Although the elected officials manage the internal operations of their respective departments, the County Commissioners authorize expenditures as well as serve as the budget and taxing authority, contracting body and the chief administrators of public services for the entire County.

<u>Reporting Entity:</u> The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the County are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the County. For Hocking County, this includes the Hocking County Board of Developmental Disabilities and departments and activities that are directly operated by the elected County officials.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the County is financially accountable. The County is financially accountable for an organization if the County appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the County is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the County is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the County is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the County is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations for which the County approves the budget, the issuance of debt or levying of taxes.

Discretely Presented Component Unit: The component unit column in the basic financial statements identifies the financial data of the County's component unit, Hocking Valley Community Hospital. This component unit is reported separately from the primary government to emphasize that it is legally separate from the County. Note 25 provides significant disclosures related to this component unit.

<u>Hocking Valley Community Hospital</u> - Hocking Valley Community Hospital is organized as a county hospital under provisions of the general statutes of the State of Ohio. The Board of Trustees are appointed by the County Commissioners and the Probate and Common Pleas Court Judges. The Hospital began operations in 1966 and has a 25-bed acute care unit and a 10-bed geriatric unit. Hocking Valley Community Hospital operates on a fiscal year ending December 31. The County has issued debt on behalf of the Hospital using the County's general taxing authority and the Hospital pays the debt service on this debt. Because the Hospital is a county hospital as defined under the Ohio Revised Code and the County does use their taxing authority to issue debt on behalf of the Hospital, the Hospital is presented as a component unit of Hocking County. Separately issued audited financial statements can be obtained from Hocking Valley Community Hospital, 601 State Route 664 North, Logan, Ohio 43138.

<u>NOTE 1 - REPORTING ENTITY – (CONTINUED)</u>

The County is associated with certain organizations, three of which are defined as jointly governed organizations, and two joint ventures. These organizations are presented in Notes 16 and 17 to the basic financial statements. These organizations are:

- Athens-Hocking-Vinton Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health District
- Athens/Hocking Joint Solid Waste Management District
- · Buckeye Joint-County Self-Insurance Council
- · Corrections Commission of Southeastern Ohio
- · South Central Ohio Job and Family Services

As the custodian of public funds, the County Treasurer invests all public monies held on deposit in the County treasury. In the case of the districts and agency listed below, the County serves as fiscal agent, but the districts and agency are not fiscally dependent on the County. Accordingly, the activity of the following districts and agency are presented as custodial funds within the County's basic financial statements.

- · Hocking County Soil and Water Conservation District
- · Hocking County General Health District
- · Hocking County Family and Children First Council

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Hocking County have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Following are the more significant of the County's accounting policies.

Basis of Presentation: The County's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the County as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the County that are governmental in nature, those that are considered business-type activities, and discretely presented component units.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activities and discretely presented component unit of the County at year end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the County's governmental activities, business-type activities, and the discretely presented component unit. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department, and therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and interest that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the County, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental program, business-type activity, or discretely presented component unit activity is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the County segregates transactions related to certain County functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the County at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

Fund Accounting: The County uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain County functions or activities. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash, other financial resources, and deferred outflows of resources, together with all related liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and residual equities or balances, and changes herein, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. For financial statement presentation purposes, the various funds of the County are grouped into the following generic fund types under the broad fund categories governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the County are financed. The acquisition use and balances of the County's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities (except those accounted for in enterprise funds) are accounted for through governmental funds. The following are the County's major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for all financial resources of the County except those accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the County for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

<u>Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund</u> – This fund accounts for state gasoline tax and motor vehicle registration fees for maintenance and improvement of County roads and bridges and township bridges. The primary source of revenue for this fund is intergovernmental monies.

<u>Board of Developmental Disabilities Fund</u> – This fund accounts for the operation of a school and the costs of administering a workshop for the developmentally disabled. Revenue sources are a county-wide property tax levy and state and federal grants.

<u>Emergency Medical Services Fund</u> – This fund accounts for monies received from a county-wide tax levy, grant monies and charges for services to operate the County's Emergency Medical Services.

The other governmental funds of the County account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted for a particular purpose, debt service and capital projects.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows.

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> – Enterprise funds may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services. The following is the County's major enterprise fund:

 $\underline{Sewer Fund}$ – This fund accounts for the provision of wastewater treatment services to residential and commercial users within the County. Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the County, these revenues are fees for wastewater treatment services provided. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the fund.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and custodial funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the County under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and therefore not available to support the County's own programs. The County only reports custodial funds, which are used to account for and maintain assets held by the County or as a fiscal agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governmental units and other funds. These assets include: property and other taxes, as well as other intergovernmental resources that have been collected and which will be distributed to other taxing districts located in Hocking County.

Measurement Focus:

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the County are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position.

Fund Financial Statements

All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, deferred outflows of resources, current liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reflects the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliations with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide financial statements for governmental funds. Like the government-wide financial statements, the proprietary funds are accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net position. The statement of cash flows reflects how the County finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

Basis of Accounting: Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting; proprietary funds and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred inflows of resources for unavailable revenues, the presentation of expenses versus expenditures, the recording of deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to net pension/OPEB liabilities (assets), and the recording of net pension/OPEB liabilities (assets).

<u>Revenues – Exchange and Nonexchange Transactions</u>

Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, are recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On the modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means the resources will be collected within the current year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. For the County, available means expected to be received within sixty days after year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the County receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, sales taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the year in which the sales are made. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the County must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the County on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered both measurable and available at year end: sales taxes, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, state-levied locally shared taxes (including gasoline tax and motor vehicle license tax), grants, and interest. The permissive sales taxes, various State of Ohio non-reimbursable grants, local government, local government revenue assistance, gasoline tax, motor vehicle license tax, and undivided library taxes are recognized as receivables in accordance with the fiscal year of the State of Ohio that ends June 30, 2022. Therefore, six months of receivables have been recorded for these revenue types.

Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditures/expenses) until then. The County recorded a deferred outflow of resources as of December 31, 2021, for pensions/OPEB. The deferred outflows of resources related to the pension are explained in Note 10. The deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB are explained in Note 11. The County also reports a deferred inflow of resources which represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenues) until that time. For the County, these amounts consist of intergovernmental receivables which are not collected in the available period and pensions/OPEB. Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of December 31, 2021, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2022 operations, have also been recorded as deferred inflows of resources.

The difference between deferred inflows on the statement of net position and the balance sheet is due to delinquent property taxes, intergovernmental grants, and special assessments not received during the available period. These were reported as revenues on the statement of activities and not recorded as deferred inflows on the statement of net position. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are only reported on the Statement of Net Position. (See Notes 10 and 11, respectively)

Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

Budgetary Process: The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, other than custodial funds, legally are required to be budgeted and appropriated. The legal level of budgetary control is at the object level within each department. Budgetary modifications may only be made by resolution of the County Commissioners.

The amounts reported as the original and final budgets on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the original and final amended official certificate of estimated resources at the time the original and final appropriations were passed. The County Commissioners legally enacted several supplemental appropriation resolutions during the year. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior years. The amounts reported as the final appropriation amounts passed by the Commissioners during the year.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>: Cash balances of the County's funds, except cash held by a trustee or fiscal agent and in segregated accounts, are pooled and invested in short-term investments in order to provide improved cash management. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the County's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents" on the balance sheet and statement of net position. For reporting purposes, "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents" is defined as cash on hand, demand deposits and investments held in the County treasury. Cash and cash equivalents that are held separately within departments of the County and not held with the County Treasurer are recorded in the financial statements as "Cash and Cash Equivalents in Segregated Accounts." For cash flow reporting purposes, the County's proprietary funds consider cash and cash equivalents to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash and Cash and Cash and Cash Equivalents" is considered to be cash and equivalents since these assets are available on demand.

During fiscal year 2021, investments were limited to STAR Ohio, Municipal Issues, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Banks, money market funds, and negotiable certificates of deposit.

STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio), is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The County measures their investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value. For 2021, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, twenty-four hours advance notice is appreciated for deposits and withdrawals of \$100 million or more. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$250 million per day. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Interest is distributed to the General Fund, the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund and a non-major special revenue fund. The interest earned during 2021 amounted to \$12,550, \$5,301, and \$866 respectively.

Inventory of Supplies: Inventories of governmental funds are stated at cost while inventories of enterprise funds are stated at the lower of cost or market. For all funds, cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis. The costs of inventory items are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when used.

<u>Prepaid Items</u>: Payments made for services that will benefit periods beyond year-end are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. An asset for prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the payment and an expense or expenditure is reported in the year in which the services are used.

Interfund Assets and Liabilities: Receivables and payables resulting from transactions between funds for services provided or goods received are classified as "Due from Other Funds" or "Due to Other Funds" on the balance sheet. On fund financial statements, outstanding Interfund loans and unpaid amounts for Interfund services are reported as "Interfund receivables/payables." Interfund assets and liabilities within governmental activities are eliminated on the statement of net position.

Capital Assets: General capital assets are capital assets which are associated with and generally arise from governmental activities. They generally result from expenditures in governmental funds. General capital assets are reported in the governmental activities column on the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported on the fund financial statements. Capital assets used by the proprietary funds are reported in both the business-type activities column on the government-wide statement of net position and in the respective funds. In the case of land, buildings, and certain Enterprise Fund assets, the capital asset values initially were determined at December 31, 1995, assigning original acquisition costs when such information was available. In cases where information supporting original costs was not available, estimated historical costs were developed. Donated capital assets are capitalized at acquisition value on the date donated. For all other assets, capital assets were recorded at original cost. The County has a comprehensive inventory management system to monitor and track capital assets and related depreciation. The County has established a capitalization policy of \$1,000 as the threshold for which capital assets are to be reported with the exception of infrastructure, for which the capitalization threshold is \$50,000. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized at cost.

Public domain (infrastructure) general capital assets consisting of roads, bridges, and guardrails have been capitalized.

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. Depreciation has been provided on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives
Buildings	40-60
Land improvements	15-25
Machinery and equipment	5-20
Vehicles	5
Wastewater Treatment Plant	25
Collection System	40-50
Infrastructure	10-50

Compensated Absences: The County uses the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences". Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the employeer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and by those employees for whom it is probable will become eligible to receive payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at year-end.

County employees earn vacation and sick leave at varying rates depending on length of service and departmental policy. All accumulated, unused vacation time is paid upon separation if the employee has at least one year of service. Accumulated, unused sick leave is paid up to a maximum of 240 hours depending on the length of service.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the County has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employee wage rates at year end taking into consideration any limits specified in the County's union contracts. The entire compensated absences liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "Matured Compensated Absences Payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported. For the proprietary funds, the entire amount of compensated absences is reported as a fund liability.

Intergovernmental Revenues: For governmental funds, intergovernmental revenues, such as grants awarded on a non-reimbursement basis, shared revenues, and entitlements, are recorded as receivables and revenues when measurable and available. Reimbursement-type grants are recorded as receivables and revenues when the related expenditures are incurred. Grants, entitlements or shared revenues received for enterprise fund operating purposes are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which they are earned and become measurable.

<u>Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations</u>: All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported on the government-wide financial statements. All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations payable from the proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. Long-term notes/loans are recognized as liabilities on the fund financial statements when due.

<u>Net Position</u>: Net position represents the difference between assets, liabilities and deferred inflows/outflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings and the effect of deferred outflows and inflows related to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation adopted or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Other purposes restricted net position includes various grants and other resources restricted for various purposes. The County's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available. Of the County's restricted net position, none are restricted by enabling legislation.

<u>Capital Contributions</u>: Capital contributions on the proprietary fund financial statements arise from outside contributions of capital assets, from grants, or from outside contributions of resources restricted to capital acquisition and construction.

<u>Fund Balances</u>: Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Non-spendable - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

Restricted – The restricted fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Committed - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the County Commissioners. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the County Commissioners remove or change the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the County Commissioners.

Unassigned - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The County applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Interfund Transactions: Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide financial statements are reported in the same manner as general revenues. Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as Interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after nonoperating revenues/expenses in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements. Interfund transfers within governmental activities are eliminated on the statement of activities.

Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amount reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB): For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability (asset), deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB, and pension/OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

NOTE 3 - CONVERSION OF OPERATIONS FROM BUDGET BASIS TO GAAP BASIS

While reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) for the General fund and all major Special Revenue Funds are presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- 3. Outstanding year-end encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as restricted, committed or assigned fund balance for governmental funds (GAAP basis).
- 4. Certain other financing sources are recorded on a GAAP basis but are not recorded on a budget basis.

NOTE 3 - CONVERSION OF OPERATIONS FROM BUDGET BASIS TO GAAP BASIS – (CONTINUED)

- 5. Advances-in and advances-out are recorded as other financing sources and uses on a budget basis as opposed to increases or decreases in Interfund receivables or payables on a GAAP basis.
- 6. Certain funds are reported as part of the General fund on a GAAP basis, but are not reported as part of the General fund on the Budget basis.

Adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations at the end of the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis are as follows:

Net Changes in Fund Balances Major Governmental Funds

	General	Motor Vehicle Gas Tax	Board of Developmental Disablities	Emergency Medical Services
GAAP Basis	\$1,225,766	\$ 380,622	\$ 1,981,281	\$ (93,713)
Increases (Decreases) Due to:				
Revenue Accruals	570,064	10,154	9,595	(6,521)
Expenditure Accruals	(227,027)	601,548	(23,934)	7,511
Encumbrances	(333,479)	(760,732)	(153,143)	(79,562)
Perspective Difference: Activity of Funds Reclassified				
For GAAP Reporting Purposes	(177,204)	-	-	-
Budget Basis	\$1,058,120	\$ 231,592	\$ 1,813,799	\$ (172,285)

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

<u>Policies and Procedures</u>: State statute classifies monies held by the County into two categories. Active monies mean an amount of public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demand upon the County treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the County treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Monies held by the County that are not considered active are classified as inactive. Inactive monies may be deposited or invested with certain limitations in the following securities provided the County has filed a written investment policy with the Ohio Auditor of State:

- 1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States, or any book entry, zero-coupon United States Treasury security that is a direct obligation of the United States;
- Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank and Federal Farm Credit Bank. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or its political subdivisions provided the bonds or other obligations of political subdivisions mature within ten years from the date of settlement;

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (CONTINUED)

- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts, in eligible institutions pursuant to ORC sections 135.32;
- 6. No-load money market mutual funds rated in the highest category at the time of purchase by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service or consisting exclusively of obligations described in (1) or (2) above; commercial paper as described in ORC section 135.143 (6); and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided these investments are made only through eligible institutions;
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 8. Securities lending agreements in which the County lends securities, and the eligible institution agrees to simultaneously exchange either securities or cash, equal value for equal value, within certain limitations;
- 9. Up to forty percent of the County's average portfolio in either of the following
 - a. Commercial paper notes in entities incorporated under the laws of Ohio, or any other State, that have assets exceeding five hundred million dollars, which are rated in the highest classification established by two nationally recognized standard rating services, which do not exceed ten percent of the value of the outstanding commercial paper of the issuing corporation and which mature within 270 days after purchase, and the investment in commercial paper notes of a single issuer shall not exceed the aggregated of the percent of interim monies available for investment at the time of purchase;
 - b. Bankers acceptances eligible for purchases by the Federal Reserve System and which mature within 180 days after purchase.
- 10. Up to fifteen percent of the County's average portfolio in notes issued by U.S. corporations or by depository institutions doing business under authority granted by the U.S. or any state provided the notes are rated in the three highest categories by at least two nationally recognized standard rating services at the time of purchase and the notes mature not later than three years after purchase;
- 11. A current unpaid or delinquent tax line of credit, provided certain conditions are met related to a County land reutilization corporation organized under ORC Chapter 1724; and,
- 12. Up to two percent of the County's average portfolio in debt interests rated at the time of purchase in the three highest categories by two nationally recognized standard rating services and issued by foreign nations diplomatically recognized by the United States government. All interest and principal shall be denominated and payable in United States funds.

Reverse repurchase agreements, investments in derivatives, and investments in stripped principal or interest obligations that are not issued or guaranteed by the United States, are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. Bankers' acceptances must mature within 180 days. Commercial paper and corporate notes must mature within 270 days. All other investments must mature within five years from the date of settlement unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the County. Investments must be purchased with the expectation that they will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

<u>Cash on Hand</u> At year end, the County had \$3,320 in un-deposited cash on hand which is included on the financial statements of the County as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the County will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$3,729,458 of the County's bank balance of \$9,276,043 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and uncollateralized. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the County to a successful claim by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The County has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by:

Eligible securities pledged to the County and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured; or

Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposite being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

Investments As of December 31, 2021, the County had the following investment and maturity:

	Weighted Average Maturity							
	C	arrying/Fair		<1 Year]	l - 2 Years		3-5 Years
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	\$	3,937,405	\$	1,235,985	\$	2,023,776	\$	677,644
Money Market Funds		3,709,985		3,709,985		-		-
STAR Ohio		11,250,948		11,250,948		-		-
Federal Farm Credit Banks		854,633		250,178		-		604,455
Federal Home Loan Banks		2,105,655		-		248,603		1,857,052
Municipal Issues		397,209		-		174,443		222,766
Total Investments	\$	22,255,835	\$	16,447,096	\$	2,446,822	\$	3,361,917

The County categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The above chart identifies the County's recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2021. As discussed further in Note 2, STAR Ohio is reported at its share price. All other investments of the County are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

Interest rate risk – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. In accordance with the investment policy, the County manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investment portfolio. The County has no specific investment policy dealing with interest rate risk.

Credit risk – Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The County's investment policy does not address credit risk beyond the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code. Investments in Federal Home Loan Banks and Federal Farm Credit Banks were rated AA+ by Standard & Poor's and Aaa by Moody's. The County's investments in individual marketable certificates of deposit are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Investments in the First American Treasury Money Market Fund and STAR Ohio were rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's. Investments in municipality issues were rated Aa2 by Moody's.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

Concentration of credit risk – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single user. The County's investment policy allows investments in those authorized under the Ohio Revised Code. The County has invested 17.7% in negotiable certificates of deposit, 1.8% in municipality issues, 3.8% in Federal Farm Credit Banks, 9.5% in Federal Home Loan Bank, 50.6% in STAR Ohio, and 16.6% in Money Market Funds.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the County will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. In accordance with the investment policy, all of the County's securities are either insured and registered in the name of the County or at least registered in the name of the County.

NOTE 5 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility personal property located in the County. Taxes collected on real property (other than public utility) in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values as of January 1 of that preceding year, the lien date. Assessed values are established by the County Auditor at 35 percent of appraised market value. All property is required to be reappraised every six years. The last reappraisal was completed in 2016. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. The first payment is due February 14, with the remainder payable by July 18.

Public utility real property taxes collected in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values determined as of December 31 of the second year preceding the tax collection year, the lien date. Certain public utility property currently is assessed at 88 percent of its true value. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same dates as real property taxes described previously.

The County Treasurer collects property tax on behalf of all taxing districts within the County. The County Auditor periodically remits to itself its share of the taxes collected. The County records receipt of these taxes in various funds.

Accrued property taxes receivables represent delinquent taxes outstanding and real and public utility taxes that were measurable and unpaid as of December 31, 2021. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, amounts to be received during the available period are not subject to reasonable estimation at December 31 and are not intended to finance 2021 operations. The receivable is therefore offset by a credit to deferred inflows of resources. On the modified accrual basis, the entire receivable is deferred inflows of resources.

The full tax rate for all County operations for the year ended December 31, 2021, was \$17.45 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real property upon which 2021 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

Real Estate	
Residential/Agricultural	\$ 590,645,070
Commercial/Industrial	54,179,000
Public Utilities	645,500
Minerals	234,750
Tangible Personal Property	
Public Utilities	 315,249,260
Total Property	\$ 960,953,580

NOTE 6 - PERMISSIVE SALES TAX

The County Commissioners, by resolution, imposed a 1.25 percent tax on certain retail sales, made in the County. Vendor collections of the tax are paid to the State Treasurer by the twenty-third day of the month following collection. The State Tax Commissioner certifies to the State Auditor the amount of the tax to be returned to the County. The Tax Commissioner's certification must be made within forty-five days after the end of each month. The State Auditor then has five days in which to draw the warrant payable to the County. Proceeds of the tax are credited entirely to the General Fund. Amounts that have been collected by the State and are to be received within the available period are accrued as revenue. Sales and use tax revenue for 2021 amounted to \$5,429,248.

In 1998, a 911 Sales Tax in the amount of one quarter of one percent on certain retail sales made in the County was imposed. The proceeds from this tax are credited to the Hocking County 911 Fund and are used for 911 purposes. Amounts that have been collected by the State and are to be received within the available period are accrued as revenue. The 911 sales and use tax revenue for 2021 amounted to \$1,166,332.

NOTE 7 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, was as follows:

	Balance at	A 11''		Balance
	January 1, 2021 *	Additions	Deletions	December 31, 2021
Governmental Activities				
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets				
Land	\$ 1,003,080	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 1,078,080
Construction In Progress	605,396	282,665	(837,208)	50,853
Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	1,608,476	357,665	(837,208)	1,128,933
Depreciable Capital Assets				
Land Improvements	382,644	96,671	-	479,315
Buildings	8,191,031	395,544	-	8,586,575
Infrastructure	42,664,828	1,774,046	-	44,438,874
Vehicles	6,425,486	163,966	(234,185)	6,355,267
Machinery and Equipment	6,882,308	1,383,269	(360,407)	7,905,170
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	64,546,297	3,813,496	(594,592)	67,765,201
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Land Improvements	(139,546)	(30,339)	-	(169,885)
Buildings	(2,828,263)	(299,842)	-	(3,128,105)
Infrastructure	(22,861,820)	(1,601,737)	-	(24,463,557)
Vehicles	(3,938,027)	(406,024)	165,698	(4,178,353)
Machinery and Equipment	(3,941,105)	(498,384)	248,959	(4,190,530)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(33,708,761)	(2,836,326)	414,657	(36,130,430)
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	30,837,536	977,170	(179,935)	31,634,771
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 32,446,012	\$ 1,334,835	\$ (1,017,143)	\$ 32,763,704

* - The County restated their beginning vehicle balance due to the acquisition of a vehicle through the issuance of a vehicle loan in the prior year. There was no net effect on beginning net position due to this restatement.

NOTE 7 - CAPITAL ASSETS – (CONTINUED)

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Governmental Activities	
General Government	
Legislative and Executive	\$ 140,938
Judical	126,134
Public Safety	541,177
Public Works	1,827,934
Health	106,278
Human Services	82,088
Conservation and Recreation	11,777
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ 2,836,326

	Balance at			Balance at
	January 1, 2021 *	Additions	Deletions	December 31, 2021
Business Type Activities				
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets				
Land	\$ 29,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,000
Construction in Progress	5,811,865	4,375,660	(5,815,779)	4,371,746
Total Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	5,840,865	4,375,660	(5,815,779)	4,400,746
Depreciable Capital Assets				
Wastewater Treatment Plant	362,982	-	-	362,982
Vehicles	25,630	-	-	25,630
Collection System	7,126,796	5,815,779	-	12,942,575
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	7,515,408	5,815,779	-	13,331,187
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Wastewater Treatement Plant	(349,748)	(3,686)	-	(353,434)
Vehicle	(12,815)	(5,126)	-	(17,941)
Collection System	(1,157,689)	(208,619)	-	(1,366,308)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(1,520,252)	(217,431)	-	(1,737,683)
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	5,995,156	5,598,348	-	11,593,504
Business Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 11,836,021	\$ 9,974,008	\$ (5,815,779)	\$ 15,994,250

* - The County reviewed asset classifications and determined that certain assets had been previously misclassified. This reclassification of beginning balances did not have an impact on previously reported net position.

NOTE 8 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLES

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables is as follows:

Fund/Type	Amount	
Major Funds		
General Fund		
Local Government	\$ 199,001	
Homestead Rollback	153,654	
Other	210,784	
Total General Fund	563,439	
Motor Vehicle Gas Tax		
License, Gasoline & Permissive Taxes	2,407,963	
Total Motor Vehicle Gas Tax	2,407,963	
Board of Developmental Disabilities		
Grants and Entitlements	73,715	
Homestead Rollback	118,140	
Total Board of Developmental Disablilities	191,855	
Emergency Medical Services		
Homestead Rollback	107,740	
Total Emergency Medical Services	107,740	
Total Major Funds	3,270,997	
Other Governmental Funds		
Grants and Entitlements	1,110,711	
Homestead Rollback	19,875	
Total Other Governmental Funds	1,130,586	
Total Intergovernmental Receivables		
Governmental Funds	\$ 4,401,583	
Sewer Fund		
Federal Grants	\$ 444,174	
Total Sewer Fund	\$ 444,174	
Custodial Funds		
License, Gasoline and Permissive Taxes	\$ 866,331	
Undivided Library Tax	508,763	
Local Government	440,237	
Other	160,783	
Total Custodial Funds	\$ 1,976,114	

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; employee injuries; and natural disasters. The Buckeye Joint-County Self-Insurance Council is a jointly governed organization that serves Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Pike, Vinton and Washington Counties, and was formed as an Ohio non-profit corporation for the purpose of establishing an insurance purchasing pool to obtain general liability, law enforcement, professional and fleet insurance. Member counties provide operating resources to the corporation based on actuarially determined rates.

The degree of control exercised by any participating government is limited to its representation on the Board. The Governing Board is composed of at least one County Commissioner from each of the participating counties. The Governing Board annually elects officers that include a President, Vice President, Second Vice-President and two Governing Board members. The Governing Board must approve the expenditures and investments of funds by the officer unless the Governing Board has set specific limits.

In the event of losses, the member will pay the first \$2,500 of any valid claim, except for electrical substations, transformers, and deep well pumps for which the deductible is \$10,000. The Council's liability insurance carrier will pay up to the policy limits, after the deductible. Any liability or judgment that exceeds the policy limits goes back to Hocking County. The agreement between the County and the Council indicates that a voluntary withdrawal or termination by the County shall constitute a forfeiture of any pro-rata share of the Council reserve fund.

In the event of the termination of the Council, after sufficient time for payment of any potential claims and expense, any balance would be refunded to the members of the Council, pro-rated based upon their last year's contribution. During 2021, Hocking County paid \$171,493 to the Council for insurance coverage. This jointly governed organization is a cost-sharing pool.

The County pays the State Bureau of Worker's Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salary. This rate is calculated based upon accident history and administrative costs. The County pays all elected officials' bonds by statute.

The County has not incurred significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year by major category of risk. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE 10- DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Net Pension Liability

Substantially all County employees are covered by the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS).

The net pension liability reported on the statement of net position represents a liability to employees for pensions. Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net pension liability represents the County's proportionate share of the pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of the pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

Net Pension Liability (continued)

Ohio Revised Code limits the County's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The County cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the County does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

The proportionate share of the plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *intergovernmental payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - County employees, participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the member-directed plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings. The combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the combined plan, OPERS invests employer contributions to provide a formula retirement benefit similar in nature to, but less than, the Traditional Pension Plan benefit. Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the member-directed plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional plan. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting <u>https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml</u>, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional plan as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS CAFR referenced above for additional information):

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) (continued)

Group A Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit

or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30

Public Safety

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Law Enforcement

Age and Service Requirements: Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Public Safety and Law Enforcement

Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

Group B

20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30

Public Safety

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Law Enforcement

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

Public Safety and Law Enforcement

Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

Group C

Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

Public Safety

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 52 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit

Law Enforcement

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit

Public Safety and Law Enforcement

Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

Final average Salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career. Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount. When a benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) is provided. This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, the COLA will continue to be a 3 percent simple annual COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

Defined contribution plan benefits are established in the plan documents, which may be amended by the Board. Member-directed plan and combined plan members who have met the retirement eligibility requirements may apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the member's contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member's investment selections. Combined plan members wishing to receive benefits must meet the requirements for both the defined benefit and defined contribution plans. Member-directed participants must have attained the age of 55, have money on deposit in the defined contribution benefits in the member-directed plan consists of the members' contributions, vested employer contributions and investment gains or losses resulting from the members' investment selections.

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) (continued)

Employer contributions and associated investment earnings vest over a five-year period, at a rate of 20 percent each year. At retirement, members may select one of several distribution options for payment of the vested balance in their individual OPERS accounts. Options include the purchase of a monthly defined benefit annuity from OPERS (which includes joint and survivor options), partial lump-sum payments (subject to limitations), a rollover of the vested account balance to another financial institution, receipt of entire account balance, net of taxes withheld, or a combination of these options.

Beginning in 2022, the Combined Plan will be consolidated under the Traditional Pension Plan (defined benefit plan) and the Combined Plan option will no longer be available for new hires beginning in 2022.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

	State and Local	Public Safety	Law Enforcement	
2021 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates				
Employer	14.0 %	18.1 %	18.1 %	
Employee	10.0 %	*	**	
2021 Actual Contribution Rates				
Employer:				
Pension	14.0 %	18.1 %	18.1 %	
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Total Employer	14.0 %	18.1 %	18.1 %	
Employee	10.0 %	12.0 %	13.0 %	

* This rate is determined by OPERS' Board and has no maximum rate established by ORC.

** This rate is also determined by OPERS' Board, but is limited by ORC to not more than 2 percent greater than the Public Safety rate.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll.

The County's contractually required contribution was \$1,718,906 for 2021. Of this amount, \$70,796 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	OPERS
Proportionate Share of the Net	
Pension Liability - Current Year	0.0819910%
Proportionate Share of the Net	
Pension Liability - Prior Year	0.0755400%
Change in Proportionate Share	0.0064510%
Proportion of the Net Pension	
Liability	\$12,141,083
Pension Expense	\$870,262

At December 31, 2021, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred Outflows of Resources	OPERS
Changes in County proportionate share	\$ 925,298
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	 1,718,906
Total	 \$2,644,204
Deferred Inflows of Resources	OPERS
Differences between expected and actual	
economic experience	\$507,871
Differences between projected and actual	
investment earnings	4,732,239
Differences between County contributions	
changes in County proportionate share	 68,915
Total	 \$5,309,025

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

\$1,718,906 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	OPERS
Year Ending December 31:	
2022	(\$1,440,376)
2023	(368,925)
2024	(1,929,020)
2025	(645,406)
Total	(\$4,383,727)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Projections of benefits for financial-reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation. The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions and methods applied to all prior periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 67.

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results, prepared as of December 31, 2020, are presented below for the OPERS Traditional Plan.

Wage Inflation	3.25 percent
Future Salary Increases,	3.25 to 10.75 percent
including inflation	including wage inflation at 3.25
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-January 7, 2013 Retirees	3 percent, simple
Post-January 7, 2013 Retirees	.5 percent, simple through 2021,
	then 2.15 percent, simple
Investment Rate of Return	7.2 percent
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age

In October 2020, the OPERS Board adopted a change in COLA for Post-January 7, 2013 retirees, changing it from 1.4 percent simple through 2020 then 2.15 simple to .5 percent simple through 2021 then 2.15 percent simple.

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant

Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to all of the above-described tables. The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015.

The allocation of investment assets with the Defined Benefit portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined benefit pension plans. The longterm expected rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return were provided by the Board's investment consultant. For each major asset class that is included in the Defined Benefit portfolio's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	25.00 %	1.32 %
Domestic Equities	21.00	5.64
Real Estate	10.00	5.39
Private Equity	12.00	10.42
International Equities	23.00	7.36
Other investments	9.00	4.75
Total	100.00 %	5.43 %

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.2% for the Traditional Pension Plan and the Combined Plan. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the contractually required rates, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

NOTE 10- DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.20 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.20 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.20 percent) than the current rate:

		Current				
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase			
	(6.20%)	(7.20%)	(8.20%)			
County's proportionate share						
of the net pension liability	\$23,159,178	\$12,141,083	\$2,979,553			

Changes between Measurement Date and Report Date

During 2021, the OPERS Board lowered the investment rate of return from 7.2 percent to 6.9 along with certain other changes to assumptions for the actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021. The effects of these changes are unknown.

<u>NOTE 11 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS</u>

Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

The net OPEB liability (asset) reported on the statement of net position represents a liability (asset) to employees for OPEB. OPEB is a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for OPEB is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net OPEB liability (asset) represents the County's proportionate share of the OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net OPEB liability (asset) calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the County's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The County cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which OPEB are financed; however, the County does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including OPEB.

GASB 75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because they benefit from employee services. OPEB contributions come from these employers and health care plan enrollees which pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. Any change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net OPEB liability (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net OPEB liability (asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

The proportionate share of the plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net OPEB liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required OPEB contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *intergovernmental payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

NOTE 11 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – (CONTINUED)

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: the traditional pension plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan; the member-directed plan, a defined contribution plan; and the combined plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care trust, which funds multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. Currently, Medicare-eligible retirees are able to select medical and prescription drug plans from a range of options and may elect optional vision and dental plans. Retirees and eligible dependents enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B have the option to enroll in a Medicare supplemental plan with the assistance of the OPERS Medicare Connector. The OPERS Medicare Connector is a relationship with a vendor selected by OPERS to assist retirees, spouses and dependents with selecting a medical and pharmacy plan. Monthly allowances, based on years of service and the age at which the retiree first enrolled in OPERS coverage, are deposited into an HRA. For non-Medicare retirees and eligible dependents, OPERS sponsors medical and prescription coverage through a professionally managed self-insured plan. An allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium is offered to retirees and eligible dependents. The allowance is based on the retiree's years of service and age when they first enrolled in OPERS coverage.

Medicare-eligible retirees who choose to become re-employed or survivors who become employed in an OPERScovered position are prohibited from participating in an HRA. For this group of retirees, OPERS sponsors secondary coverage through a professionally managed self-insured program. Retirees who enroll in this plan are provided with a monthly allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium. Medicare-eligible spouses and dependents can also enroll in this plan as long as the retiree is enrolled.

OPERS provides a monthly allowance for health care coverage for eligible retirees and their eligible dependents. The base allowance is determined by OPERS.

The heath care trust is also used to fund health care for member-directed plan participants, in the form of a Retiree Medical Account (RMA). At retirement or separation, member directed plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

Effective January 1, 2022, OPERS will discontinue the group plans currently offered to non-Medicare retirees and reemployed retirees. Instead, eligible non-Medicare retirees will select an individual medical plan. OPERS will provide a subsidy or allowance via an HRA allowance to those retirees who meet health care eligibility requirements. Retirees will be able to seek reimbursement for plan premiums and other qualified medical expenses. These changes are reflected in the December 31, 2020, measurement date health care valuation.

In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional pension and combined plans must have twenty or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with a minimum age of 60, or generally 30 years of qualifying service at any age. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. Current retirees eligible (or who become eligible prior to January 1, 2022) to participate in the OPERS health care program will continue to be eligible after January 1, 2022. Eligibility requirements will change for those retiring after January 1, 2022, with differing eligibility requirements for Medicare retirees and non-Medicare retirees. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement 75. See OPERS' Annual Comprehensive Financial Report referenced below for additional information.

NOTE 11 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – (CONTINUED)

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) (Continued)

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postemployment health care through their contributions to OPERS. When funding is approved by OPERS Board of Trustees, a portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans. Health care is not being funded.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2021, state and local employers contributed at a rate of 14.0 percent of earnable salary and public safety and law enforcement employers contributed at 18.1 percent. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund health care.

Each year, the OPERS Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2021. As recommended by OPERS' actuary, the portion of employer contributions allocated to health care beginning January 1, 2021 is 0 percent for both plans. The OPERS Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries to pay a portion of the health care provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The employer contribution as a percentage of covered payroll deposited into the RMA for participants in the Member-Directed Plan for 2021 was 4.0 percent.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The County's contractually required contribution was \$0 for 2021.

OPEB Liabilities (Assets), **OPEB** Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB liability (asset) and total OPEB liability for OPERS were determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2020, by incorporating the expected value of health care cost accruals, the actual health care payment, and interest accruals during the year. The County's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) was based on the County's share of contributions to the retirement plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

Following is information related to the proportionate share, the net OPEB liability and OPEB expense:

	OPERS
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset):	
Current Measurement Date	0.079041%
Prior Measurement Date	0.072269%
Change in Proportionate Share	0.0067720%
Proportionate Share of the Net	
OPEB Pension Liability/(Asset)	(\$1,408,179)
OPEB Expense (Gain)	(\$8,174,340)

OPEB Liabilities (Assets), **OPEB** Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (continued)

At December 31, 2021, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	OPERS
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Changes of assumptions	\$692,278
Changes in proportion and differences	
between County contributions and	
changes in County proportion	\$598,657
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$1,290,935
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and	
actual experience	\$1,270,872
Changes of assumptions	2,281,671
Net difference between projected and	
actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	750,016
Changes in proportion and differences	
between County contributions and	
changes in County proportion	45,824
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$4,348,383

There were no County contributions related to OPEB subsequent to the measurement date. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	OPERS
Year Ending December 31:	
2022	(\$1.552.794)
2022	(\$1,553,784)
2023	(1,089,362)
2024	(325,927)
2025	(88,375)
Total	(\$3,057,448)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan and include the types of coverage provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of costs between OPERS and plan members. The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2020.

Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

The actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions applied to all prior periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 74:

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3.25 percent
3.25 to 10.75 percent
including wage inflation
6.00 percent
3.16 percen
6.00 percent
2.00 percent
2.75 percen
8.5 percent, initial
3.5 percent, ultimate in 2035
10.5 percent, initial
3.5 percent, ultimate in 2030
Individual Entry Age

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006.

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year of 2006. The base year for males and females and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to all of the above described tables. The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended December 31, 2015.

The allocation of investment assets within the Health Care portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of continuing to offer a sustainable health care program for current and future retirees. OPERS' primary goal is to achieve and maintain a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined pension plans. Health care is a discretionary benefit. The long-term expected rate of return on health care investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

For each major asset class that is included in the Health Care's portfolio's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

		Weighted Average Long-Term Expected
	Target	Real Rate of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	(Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	34.00 %	1.07 %
Domestic Equities	25.00	5.64
Real Estate Investment Trust	7.00	6.48
International Equities	25.00	7.36
Other investments	9.00	4.02
Total	100.00 %	4.43 %

Discount A single discount rate of 6.00 percent was used to measure the OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2020. A single discount rate of 3.16 percent was used to measure the OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2019. Projected benefit payments are required to be discounted to their actuarial present value using a single discount rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments (to the extent that the health care fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and (2) tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate are not met). This single discount rate was based on an expected rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00 percent and a municipal bond rate of 2.00 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rate. Based on these assumptions, the health care fiduciary net position and future contributions were sufficient to finance health care costs through 2120. As a result, the long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through the year 2120, the duration of the projection period through which projected health care payments are fully funded.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) calculated using the single discount rate of 6.00percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (5.00 percent) or onepercentage-point higher (7.00 percent) than the current rate:

	Current			
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase	
	(5.00%)	(6.00%)	(7.00%)	
County's proportionate share				
of the net OPEB liability (asset)	(\$350,152)	(\$1,408,179)	(\$2,277,962)	

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rate Changes in the health care cost trend rate may also have a significant impact on the net OPEB liability (asset). The following table presents the net OPEB liability (asset) calculated using the assumed trend rates, and the expected net OPEB liability (asset) if it were calculated using a health care cost trend rate that is 1.0 percent lower or 1.0 percent higher than the current rate.

Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

Retiree health care valuations use a health care cost-trend assumption that changes over several years built into the assumption. The near-term rates reflect increases in the current cost of health care; the trend starting in 2021 is 8.50 percent. If this trend continues for future years, the projection indicates that years from now virtually all expenditures will be for health care. A more reasonable alternative is that in the not-too-distant future, the health plan cost trend will decrease to a level at, or near, wage inflation. On this basis, the actuaries project premium rate increases will continue to exceed wage inflation for approximately the next decade, but by less each year, until leveling off at an ultimate rate, assumed to be 3.50 percent in the most recent valuation.

	Current Health Care			
	Cost Trend Rate			
	1% Decrease	Assumption	1% Increase	
County's proportionate share				
of the net OPEB liability (asset)	(\$1,442,498)	(\$1,408,179)	(\$1,369,780)	

Changes between Measurement Date and Reporting Date During 2021, the OPERS Board made various changes to assumptions for the actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021. The effects of these changes are unknown.

NOTE 12 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Deferred Compensation Plans: The County offers the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Plan and the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Deferred Compensation Plan to its employees and elected officials. The plans were established in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 457, as well as ORC Sections 145.73 and 145.74. Participation in either plan is on a voluntary payroll deduction basis. These plans permit the deferral of compensation until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or for an unforeseeable emergency. Both plans have implemented GASB Statement No. 32 in prior years. In accordance with the pronouncement, all assets and income of the plan are held in trust for the exclusive benefit of the participants and their beneficiaries.

NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The County's long-term obligations at year-end consisted of the following:

	Outstanding 12/31/2020	Increases	Decreases	Outstanding 12/31/2021	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities					
Long-Term Notes (Direct Debt):					
2003 - 4.15% (Original Issue \$277,692) Juvenile Detention Facility Note	\$ 57,405	\$-	\$ 18,325	\$ 39,080	\$ 19,085
2020- 3.29% (Original Issue \$569,639)	5(0,(20		104.077	161662	110 466
Vehicle and Equipment Loan * 2017 - 3.00% (Original Issue \$150,000)	569,639	-	104,977	464,662	110,466
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	60.000		20.000	20.000	20.000
Equipment Loan	60,000	-	30,000	30,000	30,000
2020 - (Original Issue \$127,241)	107.041		25 449	101 702	25 4 4 9
OPWC Loan CR21X- Paving Project	127,241	-	25,448	101,793	25,448
2017 - 0.00% (Original Issue \$36,928)	20.014		2 (28	26.276	2 (28
OPWC Loan CR 15T - County Paving	29,014	-	2,638	26,376	2,638
2018 - 0.00% (Original Issue \$49,000)	20,400		0.000	10 (00	0.000
OPWC Loan CR 15U - County Paving	29,400	-	9,800	19,600	9,800
2018 - 0.00% (Original Issue \$140,000)	50 501		20.015	20 (0)	20 (0(
Excavator Note	58,501	-	28,815	29,686	29,686
2015 - 0% (Original Issue \$7,578)	1 515		1 5 1 5		
OPWC Loan CR08S - 2015 County Paving	1,515	-	1,515	-	-
2020 - (Original Issue \$125,000)					
OPWC Loan CR15W- County Paving Project 2019 - 0% (Original Issue \$100,000)	125,000	-	25,000	100,000	25,000
OPWC Loan CR10V - County Roads	100,000	-	20,000	80,000	20,000
2019 - 0% (Original Issue \$197,000)					
OPWC Loan CR28V - Ohio Avenue Bridge	185,692	-	18,569	167,123	18,569
2021 - OWDA Principal	-	110,899	110,899	-	-
forgiveness HSTS WPCLF					
2021 - OWDA Principal	-	83,793	83,793	-	-
forgiveness HSTS WPCLF					
Total Long-Term Notes	1,343,407	194,692	479,779	1,058,320	290,692
Capital Leases	131,272	88,748	121,214	98,806	69,268
Pension Liability	14,833,289	-	2,756,660	12,076,629	-
OPEB Liability	9,916,267	-	9,916,267	-	-
Compensated Absences	1,200,687	116,472	-	1,317,159	129,663
Total Governmental Long-Term Obligations	\$ 27,424,922	\$ 399,912	\$13,273,920	\$ 14,550,914	\$ 489,623

*- This balance was restated as it had not been included in the prior year; however, due to the restatement of capital assets there was no net effect on beginning net position.

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NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

	Outstanding			Outstanding	Due Within
	12/31/2020	Increases	Decreases	12/31/2021	One Year
Enterprise Activities					
Direct Debt:					
2019 - 1.62% (Original Issue \$270,096)					
OWDA 8617 - Rockbridge to Logan Design	\$ 228,975	\$ 1,499	\$ 3,514	\$ 226,960	\$ -
2019 - 0% (Original Issue \$1,475,000)					
OWDA 8696 - Union Furnace WWS	528,670	77,101	8,795	596,976	-
2019 - 0% (Original Issue \$2,346,834)					
OWDA 8231 - Water Pollution Control	109,521	102,315	15,974	195,862	-
2019 - 0.0% (Original Issue \$3,738,158)					
OWDA 8272 - Water Pollution Control	1,923,847	125,957	143,675	1,906,129	-
2019 - 3.34% (Original Issue \$145,899)					
OWDA 8478 - Fresh Water Fund	135,737	-	135,737	-	-
2020 - (Original Issue \$5,297,160)					
OWDA 9114 - Sanitary Sewer Improvements	-	3,721,335	3,721,335	-	-
1996 - 4.5% (Original Issue \$333,000)					
Rockbridge Sanitary Sewer Revenue Bonds	216,300	-	8,700	207,600	9,200
1991 - 5.875% (Original Issue \$227,000)					
Haydenville Sewer FmHA Revenue Bonds	119,400	-	8,000	111,400	8,500
Total Revenue Bonds and Loans	3,262,450	4,028,207	4,045,730	3,244,927	17,700
Pension Liability	97,705	-	33,251	64,454	-
OPEB Liability	65,960	-	65,960	-	-
Compensated Absences	17,493	-	-	17,493	1,888
Total Enterprise Activities	\$ 3,443,608	\$ 4,028,207	\$ 4,144,941	\$ 3,326,874	\$ 19,588

The County has pledged future sewer customer revenues, net of specified operating expenses, to repay \$207,600 and \$111,400 (original issue amounts of \$333,000 and \$227,000) in sewer revenue bonds issued in 1996 and 1991, respectively. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the construction of the Rockbridge and Haydenville wastewater treatment facilities. The bonds are payable solely from sewer customer net revenues and are payable through 2037. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are generally expected to require approximately 46 percent of net revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$445,992. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total customer net revenues were \$33,435 and \$165,432, respectively.

The compensated absences liability will be paid from the fund, from which the employees are paid, with the most significant funds being the General Fund, Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund, Board of Developmental Disabilities Fund, and the Emergency Medical Services Fund. The County pays obligations related to employee compensation from the fund benefitting from their service.

<u>NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM DEBT – (CONTINUED)</u>

During 2003, the County issued long-term notes at 4.15% in the amount of \$277,692, for the purpose of assisting in the County's share of the Juvenile Detention Facilities. The notes are being paid from the debt service fund.

During 2020, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$125,000 for the County Paving Project. This loan will be repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund.

During 2020, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$127,241 for the purpose of paving. This loan will be repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund.

During 2015, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$7,578 at 0% interest for the purpose of paving two County roads. This loan was issued for a 5-year period and is being paid from the Motor Vehicle and Gas Tax Fund. The loan was paid in full in 2021.

During 2017, the County obtained a loan in the amount of \$150,000 for the purpose of purchasing equipment for the engineer's department. The loan was issued at an interest rate of 3.0% with a final maturity date of October 02, 2022. The loan will be repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund and the loan is secured by the equipment acquired by the loan.

During 2017, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$36,928 at 0% interest for the County Paving Project. This loan is being repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund.

During 2018, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$49,000 at 0% interest for the County Paving Project. This loan is being repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund.

During 2018, the County issued a note in the amount of \$140,000 for the purpose of purchasing an excavator. The loan was issued at an interest rate of 3.0% with a final maturity date of May 12, 2022. The note is being repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund.

During 2019, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$100,000 at 0% interest for the County Paving Project. This loan is being repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund.

During 2019, the County issued an OPWC loan in the amount of \$197,000 at 0% interest for the County Paving Project. This loan is being repaid from the Motor Vehicle Gas Tax Fund. \$185,692 of the loan has been drawn as of December 31, 2020 of which \$167,123 is due as of December 31, 2021.

During 2021, the County issued two OWDA loans totaling \$83,793 for septic tank installations. The loans were repaid through a principal forgiveness program from the OWDA in 2021.

During 2021, the County issued two OWDA loans totaling \$110,899 for septic tank installations. The loans were repaid through a principal forgiveness program from the OWDA in 2021.

During 2020, the County issued an OWDA loan in the amount of \$1,475,000 for the purpose of Union Furnace Sanitary Sewer and WWTP Improvements. \$77,101 was drawn down on the loan during 2021 and \$8,795 was repaid from principal payments by the County during 2021 leaving a balance outstanding of \$596,976 as of December 31, 2021. This loan is not included in the amortization schedule as the loan was not finalized as of December 31, 2021.

During 2019, the County issued OWDA loan 8231 in the amount of \$2,346,834 for the purpose of water pollution control at the Carbon Hill Sewer Facility. The 0% interest loan is split into principal forgiveness and non-principal forgiveness. During 2021 \$102,315 was drawn down on the loan and \$0 in principal forgiveness disbursements were made leaving an outstanding balance of \$195,862 as there were \$15,974 in principal payments made by the County in 2021. This loan is not included in the amortization schedule as the loan was not finalized as of December 31, 2021.

<u>NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM DEBT – (CONTINUED)</u>

During 2019, the County issued OWDA loan 8272 in the amount of \$3,738,158 for the purpose of water pollution control at the Murray System Collection Facility. The 0% interest loan is split into principal forgiveness and non-principal forgiveness. During 2021 \$125,957 was drawn down on the loan and \$98,293 in principal forgiveness disbursements and \$45,382 made by the County leaving an outstanding balance of \$1,906,129 because there was an outstanding balance at the beginning of the year of \$1,923,847. The non-principal forgiveness portion of the loan is scheduled to be repaid in 2065 but this loan is not included in the amortization schedule as the loan was not finalized as of December 31, 2021.

During 2019, the County issued OWDA loan 8478 in the amount of \$145,899 for improvements to the Fresh Water Fund. The loan was paid in full in 2021.

During 2019, the County issued OWDA loan 8617 in the amount of \$270,096 for the purpose of water pollution control at the Rockbridge Sewer Facility. The 1.62% interest loan is scheduled to be repaid by 2051. There was an additional \$1,499 drawn down on this loan during 2021 leaving an outstanding balance of \$226,960 as of December 31, 2021 after the 2021 principal payment of \$3,514 was made. This loan is not included in the amortization schedule as the loan was not finalized as of December 31, 2021.

During 2020, the County entered into OWDA loan 9114 in the amount of \$5,297,160 for the purpose of Enterprise Sanitary Sewer Improvements. The 0% interest loan is split into principal forgiveness and non-principal forgiveness. During 2021 \$3,721,335 was drawn down on the loan and \$3,721,335 in principal forgiveness disbursements were made leaving no outstanding balance as of December 31, 2021. This loan is not included in the amortization schedule as the loan was not finalized as of December 31, 2021.

The County has certain direct borrowings with the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC). In the event of a default, (1) OPWC may apply late fees of 8 percent per year, (2) loans more than sixty days late will be turned over to the Attorney General's office for collection and, as provided by law, OPWC may require that such payment be taken from the County's share of the County undivided local government fund, and (3) the outstanding amounts shall, at OPWC's option, become immediately due and payable.

The County's revenue bonds are secured solely by the revenues of the County's sewer system. In the event of a default, the County's general revenues are not available to be attached to pay off these bonds.

The 2018 Excavator loan has provisions where in the event of default, the Lender may pursue any remedy available under the loan documents, at law or in equity.

During 2020, the County obtained a loan in the amount of \$569,639 for the purpose of purchasing vehicles and equipment for the EMS department. The loan was issued at an interest rate of 3.29% with a final maturity date of August 01, 2025. The loan will be repaid from the EMS Fund and the loan is secured by the equipment acquired by the loan.

<u>NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM DEBT – (CONTINUED)</u>

The following is a summary of the County's future principal and interest requirements for long-term debt:

	Vehicles and Equipment Loan				Equipmen		Sanitary Sewer Revenue Bonds					
Year	Principal	Interest		Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest		
2022	\$110,466	\$	14,595	\$	30,000	\$	912	\$	17,700	\$	15,874	
2023	114,182		10,879		-		-		18,500		14,960	
2024	118,022		7,039						19,500		14,004	
2025	121,992		3,069		-		-		20,500		12,996	
2026	-		-		-		-		21,600		11,934	
2027-2031	-		-		-		-		125,700		41,684	
2032-2036	-		-		-		-		77,500		14,743	
2037			-		-		-		18,000		797	
Totals	\$464,662	\$	35,582	\$	30,000	\$	912	\$	319,000	\$	126,992	

	Juvenile Detention Facility												
	Notes					Excavator Loan							
Year	Principal		Interest		P	rincipal	Interest						
2022	\$	19,085	\$	1,621	\$	29,686	\$	891					
2023		19,995		831		-		-					
Totals	\$	39,080	\$	2,452	\$	29,686	\$	891					

	CR15T OPWC		CR28VOPWC			CR21X OPWC	CR15W OPWC		CR15U OPWC		CR10V OPWC	
	Paving		Paving						Paving		Paving	
	Principal		Principal		Principal		Principal		Principal		Principal	
2022	\$	2,638	\$	18,569	\$	25,448	\$	25,000	\$	9,800	\$	20,000
2023		2,638		18,569		25,448		25,000		9,800		20,000
2024		2,638		18,569		25,448		25,000		-		20,000
2025		2,638		18,569		25,449		25,000		-		20,000
2026		2,638		18,569		-		-		-		-
2027-2031		13,186		74,278		-		-		-		
Totals	\$	26,376	\$	167,123	\$	101,793	\$	100,000	\$	19,600	\$	80,000

Hocking County

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NOTE 14 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

In fiscal year 2021 the County entered into a capital lease for vehicles for the Sheriff's department. In previous fiscal years, the County entered into capital leases for various vehicles and equipment. Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the financial statements for the governmental funds. The leases are being repaid from the General Fund.

The capital assets acquired by the leases have been capitalized in the statement of net position for governmental activities in the amount of \$887,367, which is equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability was recorded on the statement of net position for governmental activities. Principal payments in fiscal year 2021 totaled \$121,214 in the governmental funds. The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2021.

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Amount			
2022	\$ 69,268			
2023	31,606			
Total	100,874			
Less Amount Representing Interest	(2,068)			
Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 98,806			

NOTE 15 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Manuscript Debt

On February 16, 2017, the County issued \$900,000 of general obligation bonds to itself in order to fund municipal courthouse renovations. The bonds carry a 3.00% interest rate and reach final maturity on December 01, 2032. The bonds were purchased from the General Fund. The following table summarizes the principal and interest payments required from the Hall of Justice Fund to the General Fund to retire the debt:

	<u>2017</u>	Hall of Justi	ice Construction					
Year	Pr	incipal	II	nterest				
2022	\$	55,237	\$	19,713				
2023		56,907		18,044				
2024		58,627		16,324				
2025		60,399		14,552				
2026		62,224		12,726				
2027-2031		340,496		34,256				
2032		36,922		553				
Totals	\$	670,812	\$	116,168				

The principal balance outstanding as of December 31, 2021 is reflected as part of Interfund Receivable in the General fund and Interfund Payable in the Hall of Justice fund below.

Interfund Receivable/Payable

As of December 31, 2021, receivables and payables that resulted from various interfund transactions were as follows. Except as noted above, the County's General Fund made advances to other funds in anticipation of intergovernmental grant revenue. These will be repaid in fiscal year 2021.

Hocking County Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

NOTE 15 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS – (CONTINUED)

		Interfund Payables			terfund ceivables
Major Fund:			·		
General		\$	-	\$	777,664
Total Major Fund			-		///,664
Non-Major Special Revenue Funds: Hockiing County Integrated Intervention/CCA			11,433		_
PSI Writer Grant-Common Pleas			941		-
Justice Assistance Grant			9,913		-
Court Covid-119 Grant			23,890		-
Improving Criminal Justice			15,000		-
High Visibility Enforcement			5,343		-
Opioid-Hope Grant			12,332		-
LE Victim Specialist Grant			10,000		-
Innovative Prosecution Solution			18,000		-
Total Non-Major Special Revenue Funds			106,852		-
Non-Major Capital Projects Fund:					
Hall of Justice Construction Fund			670,812		-
Total All Funds			777,664	\$	777,664
<u>Transfers In (Out)</u>	Tr		ers In	Т	ransfers Out
Major Governmental Funds:	11	an <u>s</u> 1			ansiers Out
General Fund	\$		-	\$	446,468
Board of DD			-		50,000
Total Major Governmental Funds			-		496,468
Non-Major Governmental Funds:					
Senior Citizens			-		175,000
Municipal Court Special Projects			-		74,951
Opioid - Hope Grant Opioid - LO			5,811		5,811
Wireless NG 911			-		100,000
Ohio 911 Local Subgrant Program		1	78,993		-
Hocking County 911			-		78,993
Felony Drug Court Probation			12,250		-
Hocking County EM			25,090		-
School Resource Officer			70,000		-
Hall of Justice Bond Retirement			74,951		-
General Obligation Debt Retirement			20,708 00,000		-
County Permanent Improvement Hall of Justice Construction			53,617		53,617
DD Permanent Improvement			50,000		
Capital Projects-Senior Center			75,000		-
Total Non-Major Governmental			6,420		488,372
Major Enterprise Fund-Sewer			8,420		-
TOTAL	\$	98	84,840	\$	984,840

NOTE 15 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS - (CONTINUED)

During the year, the County provided transfers from the General Fund to the various funds to subsidize them in accordance with the funds' needs or to provide resources to make debt service payments. Transfers were made from non-major special revenue funds to the General Fund to reimburse the General Fund for expenses paid on those funds' behalf. All transfers were done in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code.

NOTE 16- JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Athens-Hocking-Vinton Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health District

The County is a member of the Athens-Hocking-Vinton Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health District, which is a jointly governed organization of these three counties. The purpose of the District is to provide alcohol, drug addiction and mental health services to residents of each of these three counties. Each participating county has agreed to levy a tax within their county to assist in the operation of the District, whose passage requires a majority in the total three county districts.

This entity is governed by an eighteen-member board that is responsible for its own financial matters and operates autonomously from Hocking County. The Athens County Auditor serves as fiscal agent for the activities of the Board. Nine of the board members are appointed by the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services, four members are appointed by the Ohio Department of Mental Health, and five members are appointed by the County Commissioners. The District derives its revenue from local property taxes, intergovernmental grants and reimbursements, and other miscellaneous revenue. Hocking County has no ongoing financial interest or responsibility in this District.

Athens/Hocking Joint Solid Waste Management District

The County is a member of the Athens/Hocking Joint Solid Waste Management District, which is a jointly governed organization of these two counties. The purpose of the District is to make disposal of waste in the two-county area more comprehensive in terms of recycling, incinerating, and land filling. The District's sole revenue source is derived from a waste disposal fee for in-district and out-of-district waste. Although the counties contributed amounts to the District at the time of its creation, all contributions have since been returned to the respective counties and no future contributions by the counties are anticipated. Continued existence of the District is not dependent on the County's continued participation, no equity interest exists, and no debt is outstanding.

Buckeye Joint-County Self Insurance Council

The Buckeye Joint-County Self Insurance Council is a jointly governed organization that serves Athens, Hocking, Jackson, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Perry, Pike, Vinton, and Washington Counties and was formed as an insurance purchasing pool for the purpose of providing general liability, law enforcement, professional and fleet insurance. Member counties provide operating resources to the organization based on actuarially determined rates. The degree of control exercised by any participating government is limited to its representation on the Board. Hocking County does not have any ongoing interest or responsibility in the organization.

Ohio Government Risk Management Plan

The Buckeye Joint-County Self Insurance Council belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan; an unincorporated non-profit association with approximately 500 public entity members providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services. Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages, modified for each member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the member's deductible.

The Plan uses conventional insurance coverages and reinsures these coverages. The Plan retains a small portion of the risk as identified in the Plan's financials presented on the website at <u>www.ohioplan.com</u>. The individual members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member.

NOTE 17 – JOINT VENTURES

Corrections Commission of Southeastern Ohio

The County is a participant with Athens, Morgan, Vinton and Perry Counties in the Corrections Commission of Southeastern Ohio (the Commission) which is a joint venture of the participating counties. The purpose of the Commission is to augment the county jail programs and facilities. The operation of the Commission allows for the humane and constitutional detention of persons who cannot be released to less restrictive alternatives. The participating Boards of County Commissioners established the Court of Common Pleas of each participating county, and the current president of each participating Board of County Commissioners. Each county is obligated to provide financial support to this entity through per diem charges and assessments that are based on the number of beds contractually assigned to each county in proportion to the total number of beds of all participating counties. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for this entity and, during 2021, contributed \$1,275,214 toward the operating and capital costs of this facility. However, the County has no explicit equity interest in the Commission. Complete financial statements of the joint venture can be obtained from the Corrections Commission of Southeastern Ohio, 16678 Wolfe Bennett Road, Nelsonville, Ohio 45764.

South Central Ohio Job and Family Services

The County is a participant in the South-Central Ohio Job and Family Services (SCOJFS) which is a joint county department of job and family services pursuant to Chapter 329 of the Ohio Revised Code. Hocking County services previously provided through the Job and Family Services, Children Services, and Child Support Enforcement Agency departments are being provided through the SCOJFS. The SCOJFS is treated by the County as a joint venture of its member counties which include Hocking, Vinton, and Ross.

NOTE 18 – CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The County has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies or their designee. These audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. Based on prior experience, the County Commissioners believe such disallowances, if any, will be immaterial.

The County is a defendant in various lawsuits. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, it is the opinion of the County's counsel that resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the County.

<u>NOTE 19 – ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION</u>

Ohio Revised Code Section 6111.44 requires the County to submit any changes to their sewage treatment system to the Ohio EPA for approval. Through this permitting process, the County would be responsible to address any public safety issues associated with their sewage treatment facilities and the permit would specify the procedures required to dispose of all or part of the sewage treatment plant. At this time, the County has not applied for, nor does it have, an approved permit from Ohio EPA to dispose of all or part of their sewage treatment plant. Due to the lack of specific legal requirements for retiring the sewage treatment plant, the County has determined that the amount of the Asset Retirement Obligation cannot be reasonable estimated at this time.

NOTE 20 - FUND BALANCES

Fund Balances	General	М	otor Vehicle Gas Tax	De	Board of velopmental Disabilities	N	nergency Aedical Services	Go	Other overnmental Funds	Go	Total vernmental Funds
Nonspendable											
Materials & Supplies Inventories	\$ 1,786	\$	61,654	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	63,440
Long Term Advance	615,574		-		-		-		-		615,574
Total of Nonspendable	617,360		61,654		-		-		-		679,014
Restricted For:											
Debt Service	-		-		-		-		78,357		78,357
Capital Projects	-		-		-		-		756,273		756,273
American Rescue Plan Act	-		-		-		-		1,821,008		1,821,008
FEMA - Auto Gas	-		-		-		-		607,365		607,365
Addiction Treatment Project - ADM	-		-		-		-		234,813		234,813
Lodging Tax	-		-		-		-		232,297		232,297
Motor Vehicle Gas Tax	-		3,593,913		-		-		-		3,593,913
Municipal Court Special Projects	-		-		-		-		265,768		265,768
Senior Citizens	-		-		-		-		654,805		654,805
Hocking County 911	-		-		-		-		987,905		987,905
Wireless 911	-		-		-		-		433,909		433,909
Law Library	-		-		-		-		65,701		65,701
Board of Developmental Disabilities	-		-		5,437,090		-		-		5,437,090
Emergency Medical Services	-		-		-		498,054		-		498,054
Real Estate Assessment	-		-		-		-		1,354,566		1,354,566
Other Purposes	-		-		-		-		2,507,868		2,507,868
Total Restricted	-		3,593,913		5,437,090		498,054		10,000,635		19,529,692
Committed	100,198		-		-		-		-		100,198
Assigned											
2022 Appropriations	1,057,756		-		-		-		-		1,057,756
Encumbrances	121,845		-		-		-		-		121,845
Total Assigned	1,179,601		-		-		-		-		1,179,601
Unassigned (deficit)	5,005,194		-		-		-		(1,513,824)		3,491,370
Total Fund Balances	\$ 6,902,353	\$	3,655,567	\$	5,437,090	\$	498,054	\$	8,486,811	\$ 2	24,979,875

<u>NOTE 21 – ACCOUNTABILITY</u>

As of December 31, 2021, the Hall of Justice Construction, OPWC Capital Projects, Hocking County Integrated Intervention/CCA, Sheriff LEBG, Opioid Hope Grant, Court Covid 19 Grant, Magistrate Technology Grant, Innovative Prosecution Solution, High Visibility Enforcement, and Capital Budget Grant funds had a deficit fund balances in the amount of \$670,780; \$600,000; \$6,716; \$2,885; \$12,332; \$22,992; \$524; \$1,006; \$1,212; and \$542, respectively, due to the application of GAAP.

<u>NOTE 22 – COVID-19</u>

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the County. The impact on the County's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated. The County's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined.

NOTE 22 - COVID-19 - (CONTINUED)

During 2021, the County received COVID-19 funding. The County did not subgrant funds to other governments and organization nor were funds returned to any granting agency, and no funds were spent on-behalf of other governments. The County also did not receive on-behalf of grants from another government.

NOTE 23 – CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS AND ENCUMBRANCES

Contractual Commitments					
		Contract	Е	xpended	Remaining
		Amount	to	12/31/21	Balance
TAM Construction, Inc	Enterprise Sanitary Sewer Improvements	\$ 4,490,000	\$	567,904	\$ 3,922,096
<u>Encumbrances</u>					
	Outstanding Balance	e			
General Fund	\$333,479				
Motor Vehicle and Gas Tax Fun	d 760,732				
Board of Developmental Disabil	ities 153,143				
Emergency Medical Services	79,562				

American Rescue Plan Act Non-major Fund Carbon Hill Sewer - Enterprise Fund

<u>NOTE 24 – SUBSEQUENT EVENT</u>

Coronavirus Relief Non-major Fund

In May 2022, the County Commissioners approved a contract with ABM Industries for HVAC system improvements in the amount of \$3,775,000.

112,968

107.806

1,821,007

NOTE 25 - COMPONENT UNIT DISCLOSURES - HOCKING VALLEY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

As indicated in Note 1 to the basic financial statements, the following disclosures are made on behalf of Hocking Valley Community Hospital:

1. **REPORTING ENTITY**

Hocking Valley Community Hospital (the Hospital), located in Hocking County, Logan, Ohio, is organized as a county hospital under provisions of the general statutes of the State of Ohio requiring no specific articles of incorporation. The organization is exempt from Federal income taxes. The Board of Trustees, appointed by the county commissioners and the probate and common pleas court judges, is charged with the management and operation of the Hospital, its finances and staff. The Hospital is considered a component unit of Hocking County, Ohio and is included as a component unit in the basic financial statements of Hocking County.

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*, the Hocking Valley Community Hospital Memorial Fund, Inc. (Foundation) is included as a discretely presented component unit in a separate column in the Hospital's financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Hospital. The Foundation acts primarily as a fundraising organization to supplement the resources that are available to the Hospital in support of its programs. Although the Hospital does not control the timing or the amounts of receipts from the Foundation, the majority of resources, or income thereon, which the Foundation holds and invests, is restricted to support the activities of the Hospital. Because these restricted resources held by the Foundation can only be used by, or for the benefit of the Hospital, it is considered a component unit of the Hospital. The Foundation is a private nonprofit organization that reports under generally accepted accounting principles set forth by Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) standards.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements include the accounts of the Hospital and its component unit, the Foundation. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments, issued in June 1999.* The Hospital follows the "business-type" activities reporting requirements of GASB Statement No. 34, which provides a comprehensive look at the Hospital's financial activities.

The Foundation reports under generally accepted accounting principles set forth by FASB standards. As such, certain presentation features for the Foundation have been conformed to the GASB presentation. There were no significant differences between the two frameworks related to the Foundation.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Proprietary Fund Accounting

The Hospital utilizes the propriety fund method of accounting whereby revenue and expenses are recognized on the full accrual basis. Substantially all revenue and expenses are subject to accrual.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include investments in highly liquid debt instruments with an original maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase.

Inventories

Inventories, consisting primarily of medical supplies and drugs, are valued at the lower of cost, determined by the first-in, first-out method, or market.

Investments

The Hospital records its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Unrealized gains and losses on investments are included in net investment income (loss) in the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

The Foundation records its investments at fair value in accordance with the Investments Topic of the Accounting Standards Codification. Differences between cost and fair value are recognized as unrealized gains or losses in the period in which they occur. The realized gain or loss on investments in the difference between the proceeds received and the cost of investments sold.

The Hospital and Foundation hold investments which are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit. Due to the level of risk associated with these securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the various risk factors will occur in the near term that could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

Donor Restricted Investments

Donor restricted investments consist of assets maintained by the Foundation whose use is restricted by a donor.

Certificates of Deposit

The Hospital records their investments in certificates of deposit at cost while the Foundation records their investments in certificates of deposit at cost plus accrued interest. The certificates of deposit are classified on the statements of net position based on maturity date.

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

The Hospital recognizes as operating revenues those transactions that are major or central to the provision of health care services. Operating revenues include those revenues received for direct patient care, grants received from organizations as reimbursement for patient care, and other incidental revenue associated with patient care. Operating expenses include those costs associated with providing patient care including costs of professional services, operating the hospital facilities, administrative expenses, and depreciation and amortization. Nonoperating revenues include investment income (losses) and grants and contributions received for purposes other than capital asset acquisition. Nonoperating expenses include interest expense, investment losses, and expenses for grants to the Foundation which represent amounts paid to the Foundation for the benefit of Hocking Valley Medical Group (see Note 15).

Capital Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at historical costs. Contributed capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the time of their donation. Expenditures for capital assets must exceed \$5,000 in order for them to be capitalized. Expenditures that substantially increase the useful lives of existing assets are capitalized. Routine maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. All capital assets other than land are depreciated or amortized (in the case of capital leases) using the straight-line method of depreciation using these useful lives:

Buildings and related improvements	10 to 40 years
Fixed equipment	10 to 20 years
Moveable equipment	3 to 20 years
Land improvements	10 to 20 years

Depreciation expense on capital leases is included in depreciation and amortization in the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. The asset and accumulated depreciation are removed from the related accounts when the asset is disposed. Any gain or loss resulting from this disposal is recorded in the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

Compensated Absences

The Hospital's employees earn vacation time at varying rates depending on years of service. Employees may accumulate vacation time, up to 400 hours, to be carried over to the subsequent year. The Hospital's employees also earn sick leave on an annual basis at a flat rate regardless of years of service. Upon retirement, employees age 65 or older with a minimum of 10 years of service, and employees with 30 years of service regardless of age have sick leave balances paid out at 25% of eligible hours at their current rate of pay. The maximum payout is 240 hours. As of December 2021, the liability for accrued vacation and sick leave was \$686,513.

Grants and Contributions

From time to time, the Hospital receives grants and contributions from governmental organizations, private individuals, and private organizations. Revenues from grants and contributions (including contributions of capital assets) are recognized when all eligibility requirements, including time requirements are met. Grants and contributions may be restricted for either specific operating purposes or for capital purposes. Amounts that are unrestricted or that are restricted to a specific operating purpose are reported as nonoperating revenues. Amounts restricted to capital acquisitions are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Restricted Resources

When the Hospital has both restricted and unrestricted resources available to finance a particular program, it is the Hospital's policy to use restricted resources before unrestricted resources.

Net Position

Net Investment in Capital Assets: Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and is reduced by the balances of any outstanding borrowings used to finance the purchase or construction of those assets.

Restricted Net Position: Results when constraints placed on the use of the net position are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, and the like, or imposed by law through constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted Net Position: Consists of remaining net position that does not meet the previously listed criteria.

Risk Management

The Hospital is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or, damage to, and destruction of assets; business interruptions; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising in such matters.

Franchise Fee

Effective July 1, 2009, the State of Ohio began assessing a franchise fee to hospitals to fund health care programs. The Hospital incurred franchise fee expenses of \$848,295 in 2021 and recorded the amount in supplies and other expenses in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Additionally, the Hospital paid the 2021 franchise fee payment in advance, which was reflected in the Statements of Net Position as prepaid expenses as of December 31, 2021. There was no franchise fee liability payable to the State of Ohio at December 31, 2021.

Patient Accounts Receivable and Net Patient Service Revenue

The Hospital recognizes net patient service revenues on the accrual basis of accounting in the reporting period in which services are performed based on the current gross charge structure, less actual adjustments and estimated discounts for contractual allowances, principally for patients covered by Medicare, Medicaid, managed care and other health plans. The Hospital is designated as a critical access facility by the Medicare program. As a result, Medicare inpatient and outpatient services are reimbursed at the approximate cost plus 1% of providing those services subject to the federal sequestration provisions. Payment for the majority of Medicaid inpatient and outpatient services is based on a prospectively determined fixed price. Gross patient service revenue is recorded in the accounting records using the established rates for the type of service provided to the patient. The Hospital recognizes an estimated contractual allowance to reduce gross patient charges to the estimated net realizable amount for services rendered based upon previously agreed-to rates with a payor. The Hospital utilizes the patient accounting system to calculate contractual allowances on a payor-by-payor basis based on the rates in effect for each primary third-party payor. Another factor that is considered and could further influence the level of the contractual reserves includes the status of accounts receivable balances as inpatient or outpatient. The Hospital's management continually reviews the contractual estimation process to consider and incorporate updates to laws and regulations and the frequent changes in managed care contractual terms that result from contract renegotiations and renewals.

Payors include federal and state agencies, including Medicare, Medicaid, managed care health plans, commercial insurance companies, employers, and patients. These third-party payors provide payments to the Hospital at amounts different from its established rates based on negotiated reimbursement agreements. Payment arrangements include prospectively determined rates per discharge, reimbursed costs, discounted charges, and fee schedule payments. Retroactive adjustments under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors are accrued on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined.

The Hospital estimates an allowance for doubtful accounts based on an evaluation of historical losses, current economic conditions, and other factors unique to the Hospital.

Charity Care

The Hospital provides care to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy without charge or at amounts less than established rates. Because the Hospital does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue.

Of the Hospital's total operating expenses (approximately \$25,675,000 during 2021), an estimated \$181,000 arose from providing services to charity patients during 2021. The estimated costs of providing charity services are based on a calculation which applies a ratio of costs to charges to the gross uncompensated charges associated with providing care to charity patients. The ratio of cost to charges is calculated based on the Hospital's total expenses divided by gross patient service revenue. The Hospital participates in the Hospital Care Assurance Program (HCAP), which provides for additional payments to hospitals that provide a disproportionate share of uncompensated services to the indigent and uninsured. Net amounts recognized through this program totaled \$1,610,861 for 2021 and are reported as net patient service revenue in the financial statements.

Pension and Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension and OPEB assets and liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the pension and OPEB, and pension and OPEB income and expense, information about the net position of the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) and addition to/deductions from the OPERS's net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the OPERS.

3. FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES – FOUNDATION

The Foundation performs fund-raising services on behalf of the Hospital. Expenses related to providing these services for the year ended December 31, 2021, were as follows:

	Func	lraising
Supplies and other expenses	\$	35,566
Depreciation		40,884
	\$	76,450

Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The Foundation's financial assets available within one year of the balance sheet date for general expenditures for the year ended December 31 are as follows:

	2021		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	604,138	
Investments		174,735	
	\$	778,873	

None of the financial assets are subject to donor or other contractual restrictions that make them unavailable for general expenditure within one year of the statement of net position date. As part of the Foundation's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, the Foundation invests cash in excess of daily requirements in certificates of deposit and short-term investments.

4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits

State law requires insurance or collateralization of all deposits with federal depository insurance and other acceptable collateral in specific amounts.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Hospital's deposits might not be recovered. Through December 31, 2021, FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) insurance for funds held in interest bearing accounts is \$250,000 per depositor per category of legal ownership. Ohio Revised Code requires that deposits in excess of FDIC insured amounts are collateralized. The Hospital's investment policy does not address custodial credit risk, but it believes that the Hospital's depository bank carries sufficient collateral to cover the total amount of public funds on deposit with the bank (after FDIC coverage) and is in compliance with the requirements specified in Sections 135.18 and 135.181 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The bank balances of the Hospital's deposits on December 31, 2021 totaled \$11,566,370 and were subject to the following categories of custodial credit risk:

2021

	2021
Collateral held by the counterparty's agent but not in the name of the Hospital	\$ 1,301,885
Uninsured and uncollateralized	-
Total amount subject to custodial risk	 1,301,885
Amount insured	 10,264,485
Total bank balances	\$ 11,566,370

Investments – The Hospital

The Hospital has adopted an investment policy that is consistent with the allowable investments provided by the Auditor of State. The policy authorizes the Hospital to invest in the following:

- United States obligations or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.
- Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality.
- Interim deposits in the eligible institutions applying for interim monies as provided in Ohio Revised Code Section 135.08.
- Bonds or other obligations of the State of Ohio.
- The Ohio Subdivisions Fund (Star Ohio) as provided in Ohio Revised Code Section 135.45.
- Certificates of deposit.

The Hospital's investments generally are reported at fair value, as discussed in Note 2. At December 31, 2021, the Hospital had the following investments, maturities and rates (per Standard & Poor's), all of which were held in the Hospital's name by custodial banks that are agents of the Hospital:

	2021	
	Investment 1	Maturities
Carrying Amount	Less than 1 Year	1-5 Years
9 999 822	\$ 9,999,822	\$ -
	Carrying Amount 9,999,822	Carrying AmountInvestment I9,999,822\$ 9,999,822

2021

Interest Rate Risk

The Hospital's investment policies limit investment portfolios to maturities of five years or less. All of the Hospital's investments at December 31, 2021 have effective maturity dates of less than five years.

Credit Risk

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Hospital will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Hospital's investment policy does not address custodial credit risk. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Hospital is not exposed to custodial credit risk as it relates to its investment portfolio.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributable to the magnitude of investments in any issuer. This does not apply to obligations and agencies of the United States Treasury which are deemed to be "risk-free". The Hospital's investment policy requires that the portfolio be structured to diversify investments to reduce the risk of loss resulting from over-concentration of assets in a specific maturity, a specific issuer or a specific type of security. The Hospital believes that it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on investments.

Investments - The Foundation

As of December 31, the fair values of the Foundation's investments were as follows:

	 2021
Mutual funds	\$ 189,327
Exchange traded funds	175,141
Common stock	28,164
Money market funds	155
	 \$392,787

The Foundation's investments are reflected in the statements of net position as follows at December 31:

	2021
Investments - current assets	\$ 174,735
Donor restricted investments - noncurrent assets	218,052
	\$ 392,787

The Foundation's investment income for the year ended December 31 consisted of the following:

	2021
Interest and dividends, net of investment management fees	\$ 2,650
Net unrealized/realized gain	<u>59,299</u> <u>\$ 61,949</u>

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Hospital and Foundation have the ability to access.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2021.

- Money markets Valued based at the subscription and redemption activity at a \$1 stable net asset value (NAV). However, on a daily basis the funds are valued at their daily NAV calculated using the amortized cost of the securities held in the fund.
- Mutual funds Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Foundation are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Foundation are deemed to be actively traded.
- Exchange traded funds Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Exchange traded funds held by the Foundation are funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The exchange traded funds held by the Foundation are deemed to be actively traded.
- Common stock Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Hospital's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2021. Classification within the fair value hierarchy table is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

	2021						
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total			
Money market funds - AAA	\$ -	\$ 9,999,822	\$ -	\$ 9,999,822			

The Hospital's policy is to recognize transfers between levels as of the end of the reporting period.

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Foundation assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2021 are as follows:

	Level 1		L	evel 2	L	evel 3	Total	
Money market	\$	-	\$	155	\$		\$	155
Mutual funds:								
Money market		6,209		-		-		6,209
Fixed income		32,290		-		-		32,290
Foreign large blend		35,168		-		-		35,168
Large growth		51,180		-		-		51,180
Mid-cap growth		46,716		-		-		46,716
Small value		17,764		-		-		17,764
Exchange traded funds:								
Fixed income		45,460		-		-		45,460
Foreign large blend		31,224		-		-		31,224
Large value		69,185		-		-		69,185
Mid-cap value		15,033		-		-		15,033
Small blend		14,239		-		-		14,239
Common stock:								
Energy		28,164		-		-		28,164
Total investments		\$392,632	\$	155	\$	-	<u> </u>	392,787

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6. CAPITAL ASSETS

The Hospital's capital asset additions, transfers, retirements, and balances as of and for the year ended December 31, were as follows:

	2021					
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Transfers	Retirements	Ending Balance	
Capital assets not being depreciated:						
Land	\$ 5,120	\$ - \$	-	\$ -	\$ 5,120	
Construction in process	765,178	112,741	(736,160)	-	141,759	
Total non-depreciable capital assets	770,298	112,741	(736,160)	-	146,879	
Depreciable capital assets:						
Land improvements	559,611	-	-	-	559,611	
Buildings and improvements	17,684,546	139,078	22,390		17,846,014	
Equipment	20,941,766	1,446,993	727,792	-	23,116,551	
Total depreciable capital assets	39,185,923	1,586,071	750,182	-	41,522,176	
Less accumulated depreciation:						
Land improvements	(415,657)	(36,879)	-	-	(452,536)	
Buildings and improvements	(11,464,683)	(623,298)	-	-	(12,087,981)	
Equipment	(18,153,981)	(1,433,151)	(14,022)	-	(19,601,154)	
Total accumulated depreciation	(30,034,321)	(2,093,328)	(14,022)	-	(32,141,671)	
Total depreciable capital assets, net	9,151,602	(507,257)	736,160	-	9,380,505	
Total capital assets, net	\$ 9,921,900	\$ (394,516) \$	-	\$ -	\$ 9,527,384	

Total depreciation and amortization expense related to the Hospital's capital assets for 2021 was \$2,093,328.

The Foundation's capital asset additions, transfers, retirements, and balances as of and for the years ended December 31, were as follows:

2021	
2021	

	Beginning Balance	A	dditions]	Fransfers	Ret	tirements	Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:								
Land	\$ 954,288	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 954,288
Total non-depreciable capital assets	954,288		-		-		-	954,288
Depreciable capital assets:								
Buildings and improvements	1,694,990		-		-		-	1,694,990
Equipment	12,421		-		-		-	12,421
Total depreciable capital assets	1,707,411		-		-		-	1,707,411
Less accumulated depreciation:								
Buildings and improvements	(500,357)		(40,884)		-		-	(541,241)
Equipment	(12,421)		-		-		-	(12,421)
Total accumulated depreciation	(512,778)		(40,884)		-		-	(553,662)
Total depreciable capital assets, net	1,194,633		(40,884)		-		-	1,153,749
Total capital assets, net	\$ 2,148,921	\$	(40,884)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 2,108,037

Total depreciation expense related to the Foundation's capital assets for 2021 was \$40,884.

7. LINE OF CREDIT

The Hospital has a \$1,000,000 line of credit with a bank that is collateralized by all patient accounts receivable. The line of credit is due on demand. Interest is payable at a variable rate of prime plus 1.04% (4.29% at December 31, 2021). The Hospital did not have any amounts outstanding as of December 31, 2021.

8. DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Debt and capital lease obligations - Hospital

Information regarding the Hospital's long-term debt and capital lease activity and balances as of and for the year ended December 31, is as follows:

			2021		
	Beginning		Payments/	Ending	Due Within
	Balance	Additions	Reductions	Balance	One Year
Direct borrowings:					
Note payable, OAQDA	1,406,413	-	(126,620)	1,279,793	130,482
Note payable, OSUWMC	806,341	-	(562,939)	243,402	243,402
Paycheck Protection Program Loan	3,659,562	-	(3,659,562)	-	-
Total direct borrowings	5,872,316	-	(4,349,121)	1,523,195	373,884
Capital lease obligations	669,951	273,223	(356,091)	587,083	294,398
Total debt	\$ 6,542,267	\$ 273,223	\$ (4,705,212)	\$ 2,110,278	\$ 668,282

During 2016, the Hospital signed two note payable agreements with the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (OAQDA) totaling \$1,918,748 utilizing the proceeds to make energy efficient capital improvements to the Hospital. The first note, which totaled \$1,000,000, bears interest at 4.25%, with interest payments through December 1, 2030 due semi-annually. Annual principal payments begin December 1, 2024 with the final payment due December 1, 2030. The second note, which totaled \$918,748, bears interest at 3.05% with annual principal and interest payments beginning December 1, 2016 through December 1, 2024. At December 31, 2021, the balance outstanding under these notes payable agreements was \$1,279,793.

The OAQDA note payable contain a provision that whenever an event of default occurs, the principal and interest outstanding is due and payable immediately. The notes are not secured by any assets owned by the Hospital.

During 2018, the Hospital signed a note payable agreement with The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center (OSUWMC) totaling \$2,130,549 utilizing the proceeds to implement a new electronic medical record system at the Hospital. The note includes imputed interest at 5.25% with monthly payments beginning in June 2017 through May 2022. At December 31, 2021, the balance outstanding under this note payable agreement was \$243,402. See Note 17 for further discussion.

The OSUWMC note payable of \$243,402 as of December 31, 2021 from direct borrowings contain a provision that if the Hospital should terminate the agreement without breach by OSUWMC, the Hospital will have the obligation to reimburse OSUWMC for any costs advanced to the Hospital by OSUWMC, which has not been repaid, and all outstanding principal and interest. The note is not secured by any assets owned by the Hospital.

As part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act, certain businesses were eligible to receive a loan from the Small Business Association (SBA) through the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) under CFDA #59.073. The PPP loan is unsecured, bears interest at 1%, and funds advanced under the program are subject to forgiveness if certain criteria is met. The PPP loans may be forgivable to the extent that the employer incurs and spends the funds on qualified expenditures, which include payroll, employee health insurance, rent utilities, and interest costs during the covered period as defined by the PPP guidance. In addition, employers must maintain specified employment and wage levels during the pandemic and submit adequate documentation of such expenditures to qualify for loan forgiveness. The loan was forgiven in full in 2021. As a result, the Hospital recorded \$3,659,562 in nonoperating revenues in 2021.

Capital lease obligations have varying rates of imputed interest ranging from 2.46% to 6.93%. The obligations are collateralized by leased equipment and mature at varying dates through 2026.

The Hospital's cost of equipment under capital lease included in capital assets as of December 31, was as follows:

	2021			
Cost of equipment under capital lease	\$	1,520,217		
Accumulated amortization		(928,919)		
	\$	591,298		

Long-term debt and capital lease obligation payment requirements for fiscal years subsequent to December 31, 2021, are as follows:

_	Capital Lease Obligations					Notes from Direct Borrowings					
	Principal	Iı	nterest		Total	P	rincipal	In	terest		Total
2022	\$ 294,398	\$	25,249	\$	319,647	\$	373,884	\$	50,702	\$	424,586
2023	148,608		13,620		162,228		134,461		46,712		181,173
2024	88,391		6,554		94,945		138,562		42,477		181,039
2025	52,190		1,972		54,162		140,818		36,744		177,562
2026	3,496		20		3,516		142,870		30,751		173,621
Thereafter	-		-		-		592,600		61,321		653,921
	\$ 587,083	\$	47,415	\$	634,498	\$	1,523,195	\$	268,707	9	1,791,902

Debt obligations - Foundation

Information regarding the Foundation's long-term debt activity and balances as of and for the year ended December 31, is as follows:

		_			2021			
	Beginning			Payments/		Ending	Due Within	
	Balance	Add	litions	Reductions		Balance One Year		ne Year
Commercial loan	\$979,104	\$	-	\$	(40,632)	\$ 938,472	\$	42,350
Total debt	\$979,104	\$	-	\$	(40,632)	\$ 938,472	\$	42,350

During 2018, the Foundation signed a note payable agreement with Citizens Bank of Logan, now Merchants National Bank, totaling \$1,080,000 utilizing the proceeds to purchase a new Medical Office Building. The note borrowings bears interest at 3.77% with annual principal and interest payments beginning April 18, 2018 through April 18, 2038. Beginning on April 18, 2023, the interest rate is subject to change annually based on the weekly average yield of United States treasury securities. At December 31, 2021, the balance outstanding under this note payable agreement was \$938,472.

The Foundation is required to meet a minimum debt service coverage ratio. Management believes the Foundation was in compliance with this covenant as of December 31, 2021.

Long-term debt obligation payment requirements for fiscal years subsequent of December 31, 2021, are as follows:

	Pr	incipal]	Interest	Total	
2022	\$	42,350	\$	34,623	\$ 76,973	
2023		43,974		32,999	76,973	
2024		45,661		31,312	76,973	
2025		47,413		29,560	76,973	
2026		49,231		27,742	76,973	
Thereafter		719,843		163,325	873,168	
	\$	938,472	\$	319,561	\$ 1,258,033	

9. PATIENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The details of patient accounts receivable are set forth below:

	2021
Gross patient accounts receivable Less	\$ 14,465,604
allowance for:	
Uncollectible accounts	(1,496,870)
Contractual adjustments	(6,474,711)
Net patient accounts receivable	\$ 6,494,023

The Hospital provides services without collateral to patients, most of whom are local residents and are insured under third-party payor agreements. The composition of net receivables from patients and third-party payors was as follows:

	202	2021				
	Accounts	Gross				
	Receivable	Revenue				
Medicare	38%	50%				
Medicaid	16%	23%				
Commercial	30%	24%				
Self-pay	16%	3%				
	100%	100%				

10. ESTIMATED AMOUNTS DUE FROM THIRD-PARTY PAYORS

The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payment to the Hospital at amounts different from its established rates. The Hospital is designated as a Critical Access Hospital (CAH) under the Medicare and Medicaid programs. CAHs receive payments on a reasonable cost basis, for inpatient and most outpatient services to eligible Medicare patients. Contractual adjustments under third-party reimbursement programs represent the difference between the Hospital's billings at established rates for services and amounts reimbursed by third-party payors. A summary of the basis of reimbursement with major third-party payors follows:

- a. Medicare: On October 4, 2006, the Hospital became a Critical Access Hospital. After October 4, 2006, inpatient services and most outpatient services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid based on a cost reimbursement methodology. Other outpatient services are reimbursed based on fee schedules.
- b. The Hospital and the Hospital's swing beds are reimbursed for cost reimbursable items at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the Hospital and audits thereof by the Medicare fiscal intermediary. The Hospital's classification of patients under the Medicare program and the appropriateness of their admission are subject to an independent review by a peer review organization.
- c. Medicaid: Inpatient services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are reimbursed based on prospectively determined rates per discharge. Medicaid outpatient services are reimbursed based upon the lesser of the Hospital's charge or predetermined fee schedule amounts. Capital related expenditures are subject to annual cost report settlement.
- d. Other Payors: The Hospital has entered into agreements with certain commercial carriers. Reimbursement for services under these agreements includes discounts from established charges and other payment methodologies.

In 2021, approximately 50% of the Hospital's total gross patient revenue was derived from Medicare patients while 23% was derived from Medicaid. The remaining revenue was derived primarily from commercial insurance payments.

Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. Retroactive adjustments are considered in the recognition of revenue on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and are adjusted in future periods, as final settlements are determined. Management has determined that there was \$249,747 due from third party payors as of December 31, 2021. There is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near term. Differences between the estimated amounts accrued at interim and final settlements are reported in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position in the year of settlement. The Hospital recorded an unfavorable adjustment of \$123,537 in net patient service revenue on the statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net position in 2021.

11. NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUES

Net patient service revenue consists of the following:

	<u>2021</u>
Revenue:	
Inpatient	\$ 17,395,080
Outpatient	76,919,600
Total patient revenue	94,314,680
Revenue deductions:	
Contractual allowances	(52,128,839)
Provision for bad debts	(2,843,022)
Charity care	(666,069)
HCAP revenue	1,610,861
Total deductions	(54,027,069)
Total net patient service revenue	\$ 40,287,611

12. OTHER LIABILITIES

Risk Management

The Hospital is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or, damage to, and destruction of assets; business interruptions; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Hospital has purchased commercial insurance for malpractice, general liability and employee medical claims.

Medical Malpractice

For medical malpractice, the Hospital has professional liability insurance with a commercial carrier. Coverage is \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 in the annual aggregate. In addition, the Hospital has umbrella coverage of \$2,000,000 per occurrence. The policy also requires that certain members of the medical staff carry professional liability coverage of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 in the annual aggregate. The Hospital's coverage is on a claims made basis. Settled claims for medical malpractice have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past five years. Losses from asserted and unasserted claims identified under the Hospital's incident reporting systems are accrued based on estimates that incorporate the Hospital's past experience, as well as other considerations including the nature of each claim or incident and relevant trend factors. There is no liability for medical malpractice at December 31, 2021.

Employee Health Insurance

The Hospital provides health insurance to participating employees under a plan that is partially self-insured. The plan is covered by a stop-loss policy that covers specific items over \$100,000. An estimate of incurred but unpaid claims has been determined as of December 31, 2021 based on historical experience. The liability for estimated self-insured employee health claims includes estimates of the ultimate costs for both reported claims and incurred but not reported claims. Activity and balances as of and for the two years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

	Beginning	Claims	Claima Daid	Ending
	Liability	Incurred	Claims Paid	Liability
2020	\$ 766,274	\$ 3,480,790	\$ 3,843,963	\$ 403,101
2021	\$ 403,101	\$ 3,089,038	\$ 3,151,704	\$ 340,435

13. BOARD DESIGNATED INVESTMENTS, ENDOWMENTS AND RESTRICTED NET POSITION

Board Designated Investments

Board designated investments of \$290,000 as of December 31, 2021 are designated for future capital improvements at the Hospital.

Donor-Restricted - Expendable for Various Purposes

The Foundation has funds, which have been donated for specific purposes. The funds must be used for the donor specified purpose. Donor-restricted assets that are expendable for various purposes were approximately \$38,816 as of December 31, 2021.

Donor-Restricted - Nonexpendable Endowments

The Foundation maintains several permanent funds with donor-restricted endowments that totaled approximately \$179,236 at December 31, 2021. It is the Foundation's policy to transfer from the endowment funds to available funds an amount not to exceed 75% of the total return earned by the endowment. In this way, a portion of the total return will be added back to the principal of the fund to provide growth of the fund. The transfer of available funds shall also be limited in such a manner as to not decrease the designated principal of the fund. Available funds earned that are required to maintain the principal will not be transferred.

14. RETIREMENT PLANS

The Hospital contributed to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans: The Traditional Pension Plan—a cost-sharing, multiple- employer defined benefit pension plan; the Member Directed Plan—a defined contribution plan; and the Combined Plan—a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care trust, which funds multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement to qualifying benefit recipients of both the Traditional Pension and the Combined plans. This trust is also used to fund health care for Member Directed Plan participants, in the form of a Retiree Medical Account (RMA). At retirement or refund, Member-Directed Plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

In order to qualify for health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined plans must have 20 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 75. Please see the Plan Statement in the OPERS 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for details.

The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, OPERS to provide health care to its eligible benefit recipients. Authority to establish and amend health care coverage is provided to the OPERS Board of Trustees (OPERS Board) in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by visiting https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml, by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642, or by calling 614-222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

Liabilities, Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Retirement Plans

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68 and 75, employers participating in cost-sharing multiple-employer plans are required to recognize a proportionate share of the collective net pension and OPEB liabilities and assets of the plans. Although changes in the net pension liabilities and assets generally are recognized as expense in the current period, certain items are deferred and recognized as expense in future periods. Deferrals for differences between projected and actual investment returns are amortized to pension expense over five years. Deferrals for employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date are amortized in the following period (one year). Other deferrals are amortized over the estimated remaining service lives of both active and inactive employees (amortization periods range from 3 to 10 years).

The collective net pension asset and liability of the retirement systems (GASB 68) and the Hospital's proportionate share of the net pension asset and liability as of December 31 are as follows:

		2021	
Net pension liability - all employers	\$ 14,807,822,857		
Proportion of the net pension liability - Hospital	0.089599%		
	\$	13,267,661	
		2021	
Net pension asset - all employers	\$	288,653,526	
Proportion of the net pension asset - Hospital		0.043611%	
	\$	125,889	

Pension gain, relating to GASB 68, for the year ending December 31, 2021 was \$1,654,549.

The collective net OPEB asset of the retirement systems (GASB 75) and the Hospital's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset as of December 31 are as follows:

		2021
Net OPEB asset - all employees	\$ (1	,781,579,865)
Proportion of the net OPEB asset - Hospital		0.085920%
	\$	(1,530,733)

Other postemployment benefits gain, relating to GASB 75, for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$9,365,356.

At December 31, 2021, the Hospital reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred outflows of resources:	
Assumption changes	\$ 7,862
Change in proportionate share	679,275
Difference between Hospital contributions and proportionate	
share of contributions	1,795
Employer contributions subsequent to the	
measurement date	 1,923,473
Total	\$ 2,612,405
Deferred inflows of resources:	
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 578,747
Net difference between projected and actual earnings	
on pension plan	5,190,069
Change in proportionate share	110,465
Difference between Hospital contributions and proportionate	
share of contributions	3,751
Total	\$ 5,883,032

At December 31, 2021, the Hospital reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for OPEB from the following sources:

Deferred outflows of resources:	
Assumption changes	\$ 752,526
Change in proportionate share	321,298
Employer contributions subsequent to the	
measurement date	7,233
Total	\$ 1,081,057
Deferred inflows of resources:	
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,381,478
Net difference between projected and actual earnings	
on OPEB plan assets	815,290
Assumption changes	2,480,247
Change in proportionate share	67,473
Difference between Hospital contributions and proportionate share of contributions	12,146
Total	\$ 4,756,634

Net deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense during the year ending December 31 as follows:

2022	\$ 1,865,354
2023	519,300
2024	2,113,304
2025	705,211
2026	(2,961)
Thereafter	(6,108)
Total	\$ 5,194,100

Net deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense during the year ending December 31 as follows:

2022	\$ 1,928,711
2023	1,303,741
2024	354,292
2025	96,066
Total	\$ 3,682,810

Statutory Authority

Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 145

Benefit Formula

Pension: Benefits are calculated on the basis of age, final average salary (FAS), and service credit. State and Local members in transition Groups A and B are eligible for retirement benefits at age 60 with 60 contributing months of service credit or at age 55 with 25 or more years of service credit. Group C for State and Local is eligible for retirement at age 57 with 25 years of service or at age 62 with 5 years of service. For Groups A and B, the annual benefit is based on 2.2% of final average salary multiplied by the actual years of service for the first 30 years of service credit and 2.5% for years of service in excess of 30 years. For Group C, the annual benefit applies a factor of 2.2% for the first 35 years and a factor of 2.5% for the years of service in excess of 35. FAS represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career. The base amount of a member's pension benefit vests in upon receipt of the initial benefit payment.

OPEB: The ORC permits, but does not require, OPERS to offer post-employment health care coverage. The ORC allows a portion of the employers' contributions to be used to fund health care coverage. The health care portion of the employer contribution rate for the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan is comparable, as the same coverage options are provided to participants in both plans. Beginning January 1, 2015, the service eligibility criteria for health care coverage increased from 10 years to 20 years with a minimum age of 60, or 30 years of qualifying service at any age. Beginning with January 2016 premiums, Medicare-eligible retirees could select supplemental coverage through the connector, and may be eligible for monthly allowances deposited to a health reimbursement account to be used for reimbursement of eligible health care expenses. Coverage for non-Medicare retirees includes hospitalization, medical expenses and prescription drugs. The OPERS determines the amount, if any of the associated health care costs that will be absorbed by the OPERS and attempts to control costs by using managed care, case management, and other programs.

Contribution Rates

The ORC provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund health care through their contributions to OPERS. A portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS may be set aside to fund OPERS health care plans.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2021, State and Local employers contributed at a rate of 14.0% of earnable salary and Public Safety and Law Enforcement employers contributed at 18.1%. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the ORC.

Each year, the OPERS Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 0.0% during calendar year 2021. As recommended by OPERS' actuary, the portion of employer contributions allocated to health care beginning January 1, 2021 remained consistent at 0.0% for both plans. The OPERS Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries to pay a portion of the health care provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The employer contribution as a percentage of covered payroll deposited for Member-Directed Plan participants for 2021 and 2020 was 4.0%.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments

Once a benefit recipient retiring under the Traditional Pension Plan has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost-of-living adjustment is provided on the member's base pension benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those members retiring under the Combined Plan will receive a 3% cost-of-living adjustment for benefit portion of their pension benefit. Current law provides for a 3% cost-of-living adjustment for benefit recipients retiring prior to January 7, 2013. For those benefit recipients retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, current law provides that the cost-of-living adjustment will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3%.

Measurement Date

December 31, 2020 (OPEB is rolled forward from December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation date).

Actuarial Assumptions

Valuation Date: December 31, 2020 for pension and December 31, 2019 for OPEB Rolled Forward Measurement Date: December 31, 2020 for OPEB Actuarial Cost Method: Individual entry age Investment Rate of Return: 7.20% for pension and 6.00% for OPEB Inflation: 3.25% Projected Salary Increases: 3.25% - 10.75% Cost-of-Living Adjustments: 3.00% Simple – for those retiring after January 7, 2013, 0.5% Simple through 2021, then 2.15% Simple. Health Care Cost Trends: 8.5% initial, 3.5% ultimate in 2035

Mortality Rates

Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table. For males, Healthy Annuitant Mortality tables were used, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015. For females, Healthy Annuitant Mortality tables were used, adjusted for mortality improvements back to the observation period base year of 2006, and then established the base year as 2010. The mortality rates used in evaluating disability allowances were based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality tables, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation base year of 2006 and then established the base year as 2010. The mortality improvement back to the observation base year of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015 for males and 2010 for females. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year for both healthy and disabled retiree mortality tables are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale.

Date of Last Experience Study - December 31, 2015

Investment Return Assumptions

The long term expected rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

The following table displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy for defined benefit pension assets for 2020 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

	Long Term
Target	Expected Return *
Allocation	Return
25%	1.3%
21%	5.6%
10%	5.4%
12%	10.4%
23%	7.4%
9%	4.8%
100%	
	Allocation 25% 21% 10% 12% 23% 9%

* Returns presented as arithmetic means

The following table displays the OPERS Board-approved asset allocation policy for health care assets for 2020 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long Term Expected Return *
Fixed Income	34%	1.1%
Domestic Equity	25%	5.6%
Real Estate	7%	6.5%
International Equity	25%	7.4%
Other Investments	9%	4.0%
Total	100%	

* Returns presented as arithmetic means

Discount Rate

Pension: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.2% for the Traditional Pension Plan, the Combined Plan and the Member-Directed Plan. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the contractually required rates, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

OPEB: A discount rate of 6.0% was used to measure the total OPEB liability on themeasurement date of December 31, 2020. Projected benefit payments are required to be discounted to their actuarial present value using a single discount rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments (to the extent that the health care fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and (2) tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contribution for use with the long-term expected rate were not met). This single discount rate was based on an expected rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.0%. The projected cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contributions rate. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were sufficient to finance health care costs through 2120. As a result, the long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through the year 2120, the duration of the projection period through which health care payments are fully funded.

Health Care Cost Trend Rate

A health care cost trend rate of 8.5% was used to measure the total OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2020. Retiree health care valuations use a health care cost- trend assumption that changes over several years built into the assumption. The near-term rates reflect increases in the current cost of health care; the trend starting in 2021 is 8.5%. If this trend continues for future years, the projection indicates that years from now virtually all expenditures will be for health care. A more reasonable alternative is that in the not-too-distant future, the health plan cost trend will decrease to a level at, or near wage inflation (3.5%).

Sensitivity of Net Pension	Liability to Chang	ges in Discount Ra	<u>ite</u>
_	1% Decrease Current Rate (6.20%) (7.20%)		1% Increase (8.20%)
	\$ 25,308,134	\$ 13,267,661	\$ 3,256,028
Sensitivity of Net Pension	n Asset to Change	s in Discount Rate	
_	1% Decrease (6.20%)	Current Rate (7.20%)	1% Increase (8.20%)
	\$ 87,658	\$ 125,889	\$ 154,383
Sensitivity of Net OPEB	Asset to Changes	in Discount Rate	
	1% Decrease (5.00%)	Current Rate (6.00%)	1% Increase (7.00%)
	\$ 380,626	\$ 1,530,733	\$ 2,476,214
Sensitivity of Net OPEB	Asset to Changes	in Health Care Co	ost Trend Rate
	1% Decrease (7.50%)	Current Rate (8.50%)	1% Increase (9.50%)
	\$ 1,568,040	\$ 1,530,733	\$ 1,488,994

The amount of contributions recognized by the Hospital relating to the pensions for the year ending December 31, 2021 were approximately \$1,923,000.

The amount of contributions recognized by the Hospital relating to the OPEB plan for the year ending December 31, 2021 were approximately \$7,000.

15. RELATED PARTIES

Hocking Valley Community Hospital Memorial Fund, Inc.

The Hospital is the primary beneficiary of the Hocking Valley Community Hospital Memorial Fund, Inc. (Foundation). The Foundation is a separate not-for-profit entity organized for the purpose of soliciting funds for the benefit of the Hospital.

The Hospital entered into a 10-year non-cancelable lease with the Foundation for the Medical Arts Building that was set to expire in September 2018. The Foundation Board of Trustees made a resolution in 2016 to forgive rent owed by the Hospital and forego charging rent moving forward.

Hocking Valley Medical Group, Inc. (HVMG)

HVMG is organized as a separate not-for-profit stock professional corporation. The purpose of HVMG is to engage in the practice and to render the professional services of medicine and to further the charitable purposes of the Foundation and the Hospital. The financial activities of HVMG are not consolidated with that of the Foundation because of the absence of the criteria, control and economic interest, that would require consolidation.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Hospital disbursed funds totaling \$2,198,669 on behalf of the Foundation to fund operating deficits, respectively. These amounts were paid to the Foundation who, acting as fiscal agent, remitted the funds to HVMG. As of December 31, 2021, the Hospital has a receivable from HVMG of \$0. These receivables are included in prepaid expenses and other assets on the Statements of Net Position.

Hocking Valley Health Services

Hocking Valley Health Services (HVHS) is a not-for-profit membership corporation located in Logan, Ohio. The purpose of HVHS is to provide healthcare and physician services and to own, lease, operate and/or provide healthcare facilities for the promotion of health in the area served by the Hospital. Additionally, HVHS is to conduct strategic healthcare planning and otherwise operate exclusively for the benefit and support of the Board of Trustees of the Hospital. The Board of Trustees of HVHS is elected by HVHS' members. The Board of Trustees of the Hospital controls 50% of the voting rights of the HVHS Board. HVHS has not entered into any financial activities as of or for the year ended December 31, 2021. Therefore, the Hospital's financial statements exclude the activities of HVHS.

16. RENTAL AGREEMENTS

In November 2019, the Foundation entered into an agreement with the Hospital to rent property to be used as office space from November 2019 to October 2023 at \$5,000 per month. In May 2018, the Foundation entered into an agreement with Dr. Blankenbeckler to rent property to be used as office space from May 2018 to April 2023 at \$3,000 per month. The agreement is subject to automatic one year extension and has been extended through April 2023. During 2021, \$96,000 was recognized as rental income. A schedule of the remaining minimum rental payments is below:

Year ended December 31,				
	2022	\$	96,000	
	2023		62,000	
		\$	158,000	

The related cost and accumulated depreciation for the leased asset as of December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	2021	
Land	\$	858,951
Building		916,499
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(80,212)
	\$	1,695,238

17. SOFTWARE LICENSING AGREEMENT

In December 2016, the Hospital entered into an agreement with OSUWMC to transition from the current Electronic Medical Record System to the Epic platform.

This agreement provided for the use of the system for a period of ten years. The initial implementation cost of \$2,959,273, payable to OSUWMC, are to be paid in equal monthly installments over sixty months beginning in June 2017. In March 2018, when the system went live, the remaining balance of \$2,130,549 was converted to a note payable due in May 2022. See Note 8 for additional information. The implementation costs are considered an intangible asset and are included in capital assets on the statements of net position. The implementation costs are being amortized on a straight-line basis over three years.

Beginning in March 2018, the Hospital began making monthly maintenance expense payments of \$62,138 for a period of ten years. The monthly maintenance expense is subject to adjustment annually based on volumes and other factors. Management does not anticipate substantial adjustments to the maintenance expense over the remaining term of the contract.

18. REFUNDABLE ADVANCES

During 2021, the Provider Relief Fund (PRF) and American Rescue Plan (ARP) Rural Distribution grants authorized under the CARES Act were distributed to healthcare providers impacted by the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic under Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) #93.498. Revenues from PRF/ARP grants can be recognized to the extent of expenses incurred in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible expenses must not be reimbursed from another source or be obligated to be reimbursed from another source. PFR/ARP grants that are not fully expended on eligible expenses can then be applied to lost patient revenues as defined by the guidance issued by the grantor. Patient revenues lost represent the deficiency in net patient service revenue recognized over respective quarters impacted by the pandemic when compared with respective revenues budgeted by quarter. The Hospital recognized PRF/ARP revenue of \$1,756,034 in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position as nonoperating revenue in 2021.

As part of the CARES Act Congress also authorized Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF), which were distributed to state and local governments. No revenue was recognized and no additional proceeds were received for CRF in 2021.

The passage of the CARES Act also authorized Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to expand the Medicare Accelerated and Advance Payment Program to a broader group of Medicare Part A providers and Part B suppliers. As an eligible healthcare organization, the Hospital was eligible to request up to 125% of their Medicare payment amounts for a six-month period. These payments were issued in April and June 2020. Recoupment of the advance payment was to begin following a 120-day deferral period. The Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act, which passed on September 30, 2020, allowed providers to extend repayment for a full year before recoupment begins. Approximately \$1,361,000 of the Medicare recoupment payments were made for the year ending December 31, 2021. The advance payments are included on the statement of net position.

The Hospital also received an advance from Medical Mutual that is repayable beginning in 2021. Approximately \$51,611 of the Medical Mutual payments were made for the year ending December 31, 2021. The advance payment is included in refundable advances on the statement of net position.

As of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, grant revenue recognized and refundable advances recorded were as follows:

	Revenue	Refundable	
	Recognized	Advances	Total
Provider Relief Fund/American Rescue			
Plan	\$ 1,756,034	\$ -	\$ 1,756,034
Medical Mutual accelerated and			
advance payment program	-	23,824	23,824
Medicare accelerated and			
advance payment program	-	3,964,380	3,964,380
Ending balance as of			
December 31, 2021	<u>\$ 1,756,034</u>	<u>\$ 3,988,204</u>	<u>\$ 5,744,238</u>

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19. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

Compliance Risks

The healthcare industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of federal, state, and local governments. Compliance with these laws and regulations is subject to future government review and interpretation, as well as regulatory actions unknown or unasserted at this time. Government activity continues to increase with respect to investigations and allegations concerning possible violations by healthcare providers of fraud and abuse statutes and significant repayments for patient services previously billed. Management is not aware of any material incidents of noncompliance that have not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements; however, the possible future financial effects of this matter on the Hospital, if any, are not presently determinable.

Coronavirus Pandemic

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic. The continued spread of COVID-19, or any similar outbreaks in the future, may adversely impact the local, regional, national, and global economies. The extent to which COVID-19 impacts the Hospital's operating results is dependent on the breadth and duration of the pandemic and could be affected by other factors management is not currently able to predict. To date, the Hospital has experienced decreases in patient revenues and increases in the costs of certain supplies. Additional potential impacts include, but are not limited to, additional costs for responding to COVID-19; shortages of healthcare personnel; shortages of clinical supplies; increased demand for services; delays, loss of, or reduction to revenue, contributions, and funding; and investment portfolio declines. Management believes the Hospital is taking appropriate actions to respond to the pandemic; however, the full impact is unknown and cannot be reasonably estimated as of the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

20. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

In 2022, the Hospital chose to discontinue its Behavioral Health Unit operations as the unit was not deemed financially practical. There were no significant costs incurred in the cessation of Behavioral Health Unit activities.

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21. RECENT GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS

Management has not currently determined what effects, if any, the implementation of the following recently enacted statements may have on its future financial statements:

GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, which requires the recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, which postponed the effective date of GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, by 18 months. GASB Statement No. 87 will be effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangement,* which defines a subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA), which establishes that a SBITA results in a right-of-use subscription asset – an intangible asset – and a corresponding subscription liability, provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of SBITA and requires not disclosures regarding a SBITA. GASB Statement No. 96 will be effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2022.

22. RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

On February 25, 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases* (Topic 842). This new standard, which the Foundation is not required to adopt until its year ended December 31, 2022, is intended to improve financial reporting about lease transactions by requiring entities that lease assets to recognize on their statement of net position the assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by those leases, and to provide additional disclosures regarding the leases. Leases with terms (as defined in the ASU) of twelve months or less are not required to be reflected on an entity's statement of net position.

The Foundation is presently evaluating the effect that this ASU will have on its future financial statements, including related disclosures.

Hocking County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Eight Years																
		2021		2020	2019			2018		2017		2016	2015			2014 (1)
County's proportion of the net pension liability		0.081991%		0.075540%		0.076254%		0.074493%		0.074077%		0.074457%		0.072659%		0.072659%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	12,141,083	\$	14,930,994	\$	20,884,424	\$	11,686,507	\$	16,817,800	\$	12,896,891	\$	8,763,488	\$	8,565,549
County's covered payroll	\$	11,532,043	\$	11,406,157	\$	10,553,486	\$	9,320,708	\$	10,004,975	\$	9,626,767	\$	8,926,300	\$	9,641,546
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		105.28%		130.90%		197.89%		125.38%		168.09%		133.97%		98.18%		88.84%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		87.21%		72.21%		74.70%		84.66%		77.25%		81.08%		86.45%		86.36%
 Information prior to 2014 is not available. Amounts presented as of the County's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year. 																

date which is the prior fiscal year.

Hocking County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the County's Pension Contributions Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Ten Years													
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012			
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,718,906	\$ 1,614,486	\$ 1,596,862	\$ 1,477,488	\$ 1,211,692	\$ 1,200,597	\$ 1,155,212	\$ 1,071,156	\$ 1,253,401	\$ 1,442,139			
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(1,718,906) (1,614,486)	(1,596,862)	(1,477,488)	(1,211,692)	(1,200,597)	(1,155,212)	(1,071,156)	(1,253,401)	(1,442,139)			
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - 5	\$	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$-			
County's covered payroll	\$ 12,277,900	\$ 11,532,043	\$ 11,406,157	\$ 10,553,486	\$ 9,320,708	\$ 10,004,975	\$ 9,626,767	\$ 8,926,300	\$ 9,641,546	\$ 14,421,390			
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	<i>14.00%</i>	14.00%	14.00%	13.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	13.00%	10.00%			

Hocking County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Five Years (1)

	2021			2020		2019		2018		2017
Net OPEB liability/(asset)	(1,781,579,865)		13,812,597,868		10,859,263,395		10,859,263,395			10,100,339,673
County's proportion of the net OPEB liability /(asset)		0.07904100%		0.07226900%		0.07290800%		0.07157000%		0.07211000%
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/(asset)	\$	(1,408,179)	\$	9,982,227	\$	9,505,482	\$	7,771,975	\$	7,283,355
County's covered payroll	\$	11,532,043	\$	11,406,157	\$	10,553,486	\$	9,320,708	\$	10,004,975
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/(asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll		-12.21%		87.52%		90.07%		83.38%		72.80%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability/(asset)		115.57%		47.80%		46.33%		54.14%		54.05%
(1) Information prior to 2017 is not available										

(1) Information prior to 2017 is not available.

Hocking County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the County's OPEB Contributions Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Six Years (1)

	2021		2020			2019	2	018	 2017	2016	
Contractually required contribution	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 99,968	\$	193,326
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution				_				-	 (99,968)		(193,326)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 	\$	-
County covered-employee payroll	\$ 12,2	277,900	\$ 11,5	532,043	\$ 11	,406,157	\$ 10,5	553,486	\$ 9,320,708	\$	10,004,975
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%	1.00%		2.00%

(1) Information prior to 2016 is not available.

OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

Net Pension Liability

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms for 2015 through 2017.

For 2018, COLAs provided up to December 31, 2018 will be based upon a simple, 3 percent COLA. COLAs provided after December 31, 2018 continue to be simple, but will be based upon the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), and not greater than 3 percent.

There were no significant changes in benefit terms for 2019 or 2020.

For 2021, in October 2020, the OPERS Board adopted a change in COLA for Post-January 7, 2013 retirees, changing it from 1.4 percent simple through 2020 then 2.15 simple to .5 percent simple through 2021 then 2.15 percent simple.

Changes in assumptions: There were no significant changes in assumptions for 2015 through 2018.

For 2018, the employer contribution rate allocated to pensions increased from 13.00 percent to 14.00 percent.

For 2019, the investment rate of return decreased from 7.5 percent to 7.2 percent.

There were no significant changes in assumptions for 2020 or 2021.

Net OPEB Liability

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2017-2020.

For 2021, on January 15, 2020, the Board approved several changes to the health care plan offered to Medicare and non-Medicare retirees in efforts to decrease costs and increase the solvency of the health care plan. These changes are effective January 1, 2022, and include changes to base allowances and eligibility for Medicare retirees, as well as replacing OPERS-sponsored medical plans for non-Medicare retirees with monthly allowances, similar to the program for Medicare retirees. These changes are reflected in 2021.

Changes in assumptions

Changes in assumptions for 2018 were as follows:

- The single discount rate decreased from 4.23 percent to 3.85 percent.
- The employer contribution rate allocated to health care decreased from 1.00 percent to 0.00 percent.

For 2019, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date:

- The single discount rate increased from 3.85 percent to 3.96 percent.
- The investment rate of return decreased from 6.5 percent to 6 percent.
- The municipal bond rate increased from 3.31 percent to 3.71 percent.
- The initial health care cost trend rate increased from 7.5 percent to 10 percent.

For 2020, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date:

- The single discount rate decreased from 3.96 percent to 3.16 percent.
- The municipal bond rate decreased from 3.71 percent to 2.75 percent.

For 2021, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date:

- The single discount rate increased from 3.16 percent to 6.00 percent.
- The municipal bond rate decreased from 2.75 percent to 2.00 percent.
- The initial health care cost trend rate decreased from 10.50 percent to 8.50 percent.

Hocking County, Ohio Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Assistance Listing Number	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Interior Passed through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources National Forest Aquired Lands National Forest Aquired Lands	FedFloodForest 21-4 FedFloodForest 21-5	15.438 15.438	\$ 16,111 26,404
Total U.S. Department of Interior			42,515
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed through the Ohio Development Services Agency: Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants Formula Allocation Program Formula Allocation Program Formula Allocation Program Formula Allocation Program	B-F-19-1BH-1 B-X-19-1BH-1 B-W-18-1BH-1 B-W-19-1BH-1	14.228 14.228 14.228 14.228	669,882 470,000 99,880 78,909
Total Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants	D-W-17-1011-1	14.220	1,318,671
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			1,318,671
U.S. Department of Treasury Passed through the Ohio Office of Budget and Management: COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	N/A	21.019	492,852
Direct: COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	Ν	21.027	923,968
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			1,416,820
U.S. Department of Justice Passed through the Ohio Department of Public Safety-Office of Criminal Justi COVID-19 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program	ce Services: 2020-CE-CTF-2117	16.034	207,672
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Total Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	2018-JG-A02-6047 2020-JG-A02-6047	16.738 16.738	10,638 51,270 61,908
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	2020-WF-VA2-8923	16.588	55,367
Passed through the Ohio Attorney General: Crime Victim Assistance	2021-VOCA-133914760	16.575	99,850
Direct: Crime Victim Assistance/Discretionary Grants	Ν	16.582	84,755
Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program	Ν	16.590	52,076
Smart Prosecution Initiative	Ν	16.825	122,448
Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program Total Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program	N N	16.838 16.838	205,171 376,146 581,317
Total U.S. Department of Justice			1,265,393
U.S. Department of Education Passed through the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities:			
Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families	H181A190024/H181A200024	84.181	34,519
Total U.S. Department of Education			34,519

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Hocking County, Ohio Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures (continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Federal Grantor/		Assistance		
Pass Through Grantor/	Pass Through Entity	Listing	To	tal Federal
Program Title	Identifying Number	Number	Number Expenditure	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Passed through the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities:				
Social Services Block Grant	2101OHSOSR	93.667	\$	21,001
Passed through the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities:				
Medicaid Cluster:				
Medical Assistance Program	2105OH5ADM	93.778		117,343
Medical Assistance Program	2205OH5ADM	93.778		60,131
Total Medicaid Cluster				177,474
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				198,475
U.S. Department of Homeland Security				
Passed through the Ohio Emergency Management Agency:				
Emergency Management Performance Grants:				
Emergency Management Performance Grants	EMC-2020-EP-0014	97.042		44,088
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				44,088
Total Federal Expenditures			\$	4,320,481
N/A - pass through entity number not available				

N - direct from federal government

See accompanying notes to the schedule of federal awards expenditures.

HOCKING COUNTY, OHIO NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES 2 CFR 20.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Hocking County (the County) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2021. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement. The County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 3 – MATCHING REQUIREMENTS

Certain Federal programs require the County to contribute non-Federal funds (matching funds) to support the Federally-funded programs. The County has met its matching requirements. The Schedule does not include the expenditure of non-Federal matching funds.

NOTE 4 – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

During 2021, the Hocking County Board of Developmental Disabilities received a settlement payment for the 2017 and 2018 Cost Reports from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities for the Medicaid Program (Assistance Listing #93.778) in the amount of \$13,273 and \$11,626, respectively. The Cost Report settlement payment was for settlement of the difference between the statewide payment rate and the rate calculated based upon actual expenditures for Medicaid services. This revenue is not listed on the County's schedule of expenditures of federal awards since the underlying expenses occurred in prior reporting periods.



Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Commissioners Hocking County 1 East Main Street Logan, Ohio 43138

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Hocking County, Ohio (the County) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2022, wherein we noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the County. Our report includes a reference to another auditor who audited the financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditor's testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by that auditor.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies

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in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2021-001 and 2021-002, that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

County's Responses to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the County's responses to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The County's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Millhuff-Stang, CPA, Inc. Wheelersburg, Ohio

September 30, 2022



Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Commissioners Hocking County 1 East Main Street Logan, Ohio 43138

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the compliance of Hocking County, Ohio (the County) with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2021. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Qualified Opinion on Assistance Listing No. 21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the County complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on Assistance Listing No. 21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Unmodified Opinion on Other Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its other major federal program identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

Hocking County Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance Page 2

We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Matters Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion on Assistance Listing No. 21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program

As described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, the County did not comply with requirements regarding Assistance Listing No. 21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program as described in finding number 2021-003 for Procurement, Suspension and Debarment.

Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for the County to comply with the requirements applicable to that program.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the County's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the County's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the County's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Hocking County Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance Page 3

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the County's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The County's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2021-003 to be a material weakness.

A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the County's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The County response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hocking County Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance Page 4

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September 30, 2022

Hocking County Financial Condition

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements	
Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited	Unmodified
were prepared in accordance with GAAP:	ominoumed
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No
Federal Awards	
Internal control over major federal program(s):	
Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Any auditing findings disclosed that are required to be reported in	Qualified – ALN 21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Unmodified – ALN 14.228 Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants Yes
accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	105
Identification of major federal program(s):	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ALN 21.027); Community Development Block Grants (ALN 14.228)
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:	Type A: >\$750,000 Type B: all others
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	No

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2021-001 – Significant Deficiency – Financial Statement and Federal Schedule Reporting

A monitoring system by the County should be in place to prevent or detect misstatements for the fair presentation of the County's financial statements, and which would also include assurance that changes in accounting pronouncements are properly implemented, as applicable. Various errors and misclassifications were identified in the financial statements. Such errors deemed immaterial to adjust on the financial statements included misclassified intergovernmental revenue, taxes, and program revenues; errors in custodial fund balances; misstatement of OPEB expense allocation; misstatement in contracts and retainage payable and accrued wages; misclassification in net position; misstatement of inventory; misclassification of capital outlay; misclassification of cash balances for unclaimed monies; and errors in fund balances. Reclassifications were required to correctly report the County's general fund balance and motor vehicle gas tax fund expenditures. Additionally, note disclosures related to GASB Statement No. 83 were added and misstatements were corrections in the County's schedule of federal awards expenditures. The County should implement additional monitoring procedures to ensure that financial transactions and federal award programs are fairly presented.

Client Response:

See corrective action plan.

Finding 2021-002 – Significant Deficiency – Municipal Court Bank Reconciliations

Having sound policies and procedures in place for bank reconciliations is a key control measure to identify and timely resolve errors or irregularities. The purpose of bank reconciliations is to ensure the bank balance and cash book agree after all outstanding deposits and checks are accounted for. While testing the Municipal Court's bank reconciliation, we noted the Court changed software companies in July 2021 and has not been able to perform bank reconciliations since conversion to the new system. The Court should implement procedures to ensure that an accurate bank reconciliation is being performed monthly and any reconciling issues are investigated in a timely manner.

Client Response:

See corrective action plan

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Finding 2021-003 – Material Weakness/Noncompliance – Procurement, Suspension and Debarment

2 CFR 200.318(c)(1) requires non-Federal entities maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts.

2 CFR 200.318(c)(2) requires non-Federal entities maintain written standards of conduct covering organizational conflicts of interest when the non-federal entity has a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary organization that is not a state, local government, or Indian tribe.

2 CFR 200.320(d)(3) requires non-federal entities to have a written method for conducting technical evaluations of the competitive proposals received and for selecting contract recipients.

2 CFR 200.319(c) requires that the written procedures required by 2 CFR 200.320(d)(3) ensure all solicitations incorporate a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements for the material, product, or service to be procured and identify all requirements which the offerors must fulfill and all other factors to be used in evaluating bids or proposals.

2 CFR 200.213 requires an entity to verify an entity with which it plans to entered into a covered transaction is not debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded

The County was unable to provide policies that satisfied the above criteria, as applicable. Further, the County did not confirm whether certain vendors to which federal funds were paid were reported on the suspended or debarred list. Lastly, the County could not provide evidence that certain contracts were bid in accordance with federal and state requirements nor could evidence be provided that such contracts were exempt from bidding procedures.

We recommend the County implement policies and procedures to ensure that they are meeting procurement requirements. Further, the County should establish procedures to ensure that contracts are properly bid as required, or that exemption from bidding requirements is properly maintained, and that the suspended and debarred list is reviewed prior to finalizing such contracts.

Client Response: See corrective action plan



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Schedule of Prior Audit Findings For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
Finding 2020-001	Material Weakness – Financial Report	No	Reissued as Finding 2021-001



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Corrective Action Plan For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Finding Number	Planned Corrective Action	Anticipated Completion Date	Responsible Contact Person
2021-001	The Auditor's Office had several conversations with the GAAP compiler CPA firm. It was in early 2022 that some of these adjustments were acknowledged and changed. There will be continued conversation going forward on monitoring these adjustments to the financial statements.	12/31/22	Ken Wilson, County Auditor
2021-002	In July of 2021, Pioneer Technology Group Installed the Benchmark Court Case Management System for Hocking County Municipal Court. Since that time, Hocking Municipal Court has experienced some challenges with configuration and reporting in the case management system. Although they do not believe any data integrity issues exist, the Court has been unable to perform month-end financial reconciliation due to the open system setup issues. Pioneer Technology Group is actively working with Hocking Municipal Court on a daily basis to setup additional system configurations and financial reports to resolve the ongoing reconciliation challenges.	Date Not Provided	Michele Bell, Municipal Court Clerk
2021-003	The County will have in place policies and procedures to ensure procurement requirements, including checking vendors debarred or suspended when bidding out.	October 2022	County Commissioners



HOCKING COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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