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PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
LUCAS COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Providence Township
Lucas County
13257 Perry Road
Grand Rapids, Ohio 43522-9659

To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of Providence Township, Lucas County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Township's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the Township prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03, which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to satisfy requirements.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, or changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of Providence Township, Lucas County, Ohio as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit, described in Note 1.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 8 to the financial statements, during 2011 Providence Township adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 13, 2013, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Dave Yost
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 13, 2013

**PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
LUCAS COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012**

	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts			
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$109,052	\$346,523	\$455,575
Charges for Services	25,531	53,313	78,844
Licenses, Permits and Fees	5,069	12,013	17,082
Intergovernmental	219,381	164,100	383,481
Earnings on Investments	100	22	122
Miscellaneous	1,199	6,977	8,176
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>360,332</u>	<u>582,948</u>	<u>943,280</u>
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
General Government	172,209	6,746	178,955
Public Safety	19,952	247,887	267,839
Public Works	7,247	195,517	202,764
Health	16,053	10,653	26,706
Conservation-Recreation	350		350
Capital Outlay	128,500	49,428	177,928
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement		56,819	56,819
Interest and Fiscal Charges		3,668	3,668
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>344,311</u>	<u>570,718</u>	<u>915,029</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	16,021	12,230	28,251
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>352,304</u>	<u>412,089</u>	<u>764,393</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31			
Restricted		424,319	424,319
Unassigned	368,325		368,325
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$368,325</u>	<u>\$424,319</u>	<u>\$792,644</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011**

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$114,052	\$345,637		\$459,689
Charges for Services	29,919	43,528		73,447
Licenses, Permits and Fees	4,841	9,539		14,380
Fines and Forfeitures	76			76
Intergovernmental	129,231	157,503		286,734
Earnings on Investments	374	72		446
Miscellaneous	2,201	16,004		18,205
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>280,694</u>	<u>572,283</u>		<u>852,977</u>
Cash Disbursements				
Current:				
General Government	152,830	2,475		155,305
Public Safety	13,961	239,021		252,982
Public Works	46,714	225,498		272,212
Health	15,793	11,850		27,643
Conservation-Recreation	700			700
Capital Outlay	36,696	44,961		81,657
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	32,328	31,330	\$13,120	76,778
Interest and Fiscal Charges	5,115	0	2,085	7,200
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>304,137</u>	<u>555,135</u>	<u>15,205</u>	<u>874,477</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(23,443)</u>	<u>17,148</u>	<u>(15,205)</u>	<u>(21,500)</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)				
Transfers In			15,205	15,205
Transfers Out		(15,205)		(15,205)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>		<u>(\$15,205)</u>	<u>\$15,205</u>	
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	(23,443)	1,943		(21,500)
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>375,747</u>	<u>410,146</u>		<u>785,893</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31				
Restricted		412,089		412,089
Unassigned	352,304			352,304
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$352,304</u>	<u>\$412,089</u>		<u>\$764,393</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
LUCAS COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of Providence Township, Lucas County, Ohio (the Township), as a body corporate and politic. A publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services.

The Township participates in the Ohio Risk Management Plan (ORMP) public entity risk pool. Note 7 to the financial statements provides additional information for this entity,

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Township recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

D. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Special Levy – 2.5 Mil Fire Levy – This fund receives property tax money for fire protection.

3. Debt Service Funds

These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The Township had the following

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011
(Continued)**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

significant Debt Service Funds:

Dump Truck Note Retirement Fund – This fund is use to pay off the debt issued for a new dump truck for the Township.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2012 and 2011 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Township must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

1. Nonspendable

The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

2. Restricted

Fund balance is *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.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

3. Committed

Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Township must adhere to these commitments unless the Trustees amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

4. Assigned

Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by Township Trustees or a Township official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

5. Unassigned

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Township 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.

G. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Township records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

H. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

2. Equity in Pooled Deposits

The Township maintains a deposit pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 was as follows:

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Demand deposits	<u>\$792,644</u>	<u>\$764,393</u>

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

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DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011
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3. Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2012 and 2011 follows:

2012 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$192,050	\$360,332	\$168,282
Special Revenue	548,280	582,948	34,668
Total	\$740,330	\$943,280	\$202,950

2012 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$503,000	\$344,311	\$158,689
Special Revenue	776,800	570,718	206,082
Total	\$1,279,800	\$915,029	\$364,771

2011 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$192,300	\$280,694	\$88,394
Special Revenue	525,710	572,284	46,574
Debt Service	15,205	15,205	
Total	\$733,215	\$868,183	\$134,968

2011 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$384,500	\$304,139	\$80,361
Special Revenue	763,050	570,340	192,710
Debt Service	15,205	15,205	
Total	\$1,162,755	\$889,684	\$273,071

4. Property Tax

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

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4. Property Tax (Continued)

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

5. Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2012 was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
General Obligation Bonds	\$14,465	5%
OPWC Loans	147,531	0%
Capital Lease	95,808	N/A
Total	\$257,804	

The Township issued general obligation bond in 2009 to finance the purchase of a new dump truck for Township road maintenance. The Township's taxing authority collateralized the bonds.

The Township has four OPWC loans outstanding for various infrastructure projects.

The Township also has a capital lease/purchase agreement outstanding since 2005 for the purchase of a fire truck.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

	General Obligation Bond	OWPC Loans	Capital Lease Purchase
Year ending December 31:			
2013	\$15,188	\$41,773	\$34,713
2014		36,109	34,713
2015		30,445	34,714
2016		24,488	
2017		11,991	
2018-2022		2,725	
Total	\$15,188	\$147,531	\$104,140

6. Retirement System

The Township's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2012 and 2011, OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2012.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)**

7. Risk Pool Membership

The Township belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) - formerly known as the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan, (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to Ohio governments ("Members"). The Plan is legally separate from its member governments.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages to its members sold through fourteen appointed independent agents in the State of Ohio.

OPRM coverage programs are developed specific to each member's risk management needs and the related premiums for coverage are determined through the application of uniform underwriting criteria addressing the member's exposure to loss, except OPRM retains 41.5% (effective November 1, 2011) of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 10% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. Effective November 1, 2012 the plan increased its retention to 50% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. The Plan's property retention remained unchanged from prior years. This change was made to balance the reinsurance market conditions. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. OPRM had 767 and 765 members as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 respectively.

Plan members are responsible to notify the Plan of their intent to renew coverage by their renewal date. If a member chooses not to renew with the Plan, they have no other financial obligation to the Plan, but still need to promptly notify the Plan of any potential claims occurring during their membership period. The former member's covered claims, which occurred during their membership period, remain the responsibility of the Plan.

Settlement amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2012 and 2011.

	2012	2011
Assets	\$13,100,381	\$12,501,280
Liabilities	(6,687,193)	(5,328,761)
Members' Equity	\$6,413,188	\$7,172,519

You can read the complete audited financial statements for OPRM at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

8. Change in Accounting Principle

For 2011, the Township has implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". GASB Statement No. 54 provides fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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8. Change in Accounting Principle (Continued)

clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions. The requirements of this statement classify fund balance as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned. This change had no effect on the previously stated fund balances.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Providence Township
Lucas County
13257 Perry Road
Grand Rapids, Ohio 43527-9659

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of Providence Township, Lucas County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 13, 2013 wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit and wherein the Township implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 54 in 2011.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements. 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. We consider finding 2012-001 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "D" and "Y".

Dave Yost
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 13, 2013

**PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
LUCAS COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011**

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS
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FINDING NUMBER 2012-001

Material Weakness

Financial Reporting

The Township should have procedures in place to prevent or detect material misstatements for the accurate presentation of the Township's financial statements.

Errors such as the following were noted in the financial statements which required material audit adjustments.

- During 2012, debt payments were incorrectly posted to the public works line item instead of debt service principal line item in the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$36,773. During 2011, debt payments were incorrectly posted to the public works line item instead of debt service principal line item in the General Fund in the amount of \$10,443 and Road and Bridge fund in the amount of \$31,330.

- During 2011, fire truck lease-purchase payments were posted to the capital outlay and public safety line items instead of debt service principal and interest line items in the General Fund in the amount of \$27,000.

- During 2012, fire truck lease-purchase payments were posted to the capital outlay line item instead of the principal and interest line items in the Fire Operating Levy Fund in the amount of \$13,714, and 2.5 Mil Levy Fund in the amount of \$10,000.

The Notes to the Financial Statements also required significant revisions and edits upon receiving them from the Fiscal Officer.

To ensure the Township's financial statements and notes to the statements are complete and accurate, we recommend the Township adopt policies and procedures, including a final review of the statements and notes by the Fiscal Officer and the Board, to identify and correct errors and omissions. The Fiscal Officer should also review the Uniform Accounting Network chart of accounts and the Township Handbook's chart of account to ensure all accounts are being properly posted to the financial statements.

Officials' Response

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

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**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2010-001	Material Weakness due to errors in financial reporting.	No	Partially corrected; repeated as finding 2012-001 in this report.
2010-002	Equipment Acquisition Bond Agreement for not establishing a bond retirement fund.	No	Partially corrected; reissued in the management letter.

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
DECEMBER 10, 2013**