GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SINGLE AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

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Certified Public Accountants



Members of the Board Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority 385 Center Street Chardon, Ohio 44024

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority, Geauga County, prepared by James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. 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. The Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

July 14, 2017



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority Chardon, Ohio Regional Inspector General of Audit Department of Housing and Urban Development

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority, Ohio, (the Authority) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Authority's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority as of December 31, 2016, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and Schedules of Net Pension Liabilities and Pension Contributions, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The Statement of Modernization Cost - Completed and the Financial Data Schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis 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, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Statement of Modernization Cost - Completed, the Financial Data Schedules and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Statement of Modernization Cost - Completed, the Financial Data Schedules, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are 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 June 9, 2017, on our consideration of the Authority'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 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 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 Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc. Certified Public Accountants

James L. Zupka, CPA, Inc.

June 9, 2017

As management of the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority ("the Authority"), we offer this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the year ended December 31, 2016. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Authority's net position decreased by \$120,349 during 2016, resulting from changes in operations. Since the Authority engages only in business-type activities, the decrease is all in the category of business-type net position. Net position was \$6,213,237 and \$6,333,586 for 2016 and 2015, respectively.
- The Authority's cash balance at December 31, 2016 was \$1,841,235, representing an increase of \$80,810 from December 31, 2015.
- Revenues increased by \$118,734, or 4.55 percent, during 2016 and were \$2,725,908 and \$2,607,174 for 2016 and 2015, respectively.
- The total expenses of all the Authority's programs increased by \$67,956, or 2.45 percent. Total expenses were \$2,846,257 and \$2,778,301 for 2016 and 2015, respectively.

THE AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Authority's financial statements are designed to be corporate-like in that all business-type activities are consolidated into columns which add to a total for the entire Authority.

These statements include a *Statement of Net Position*, which is similar to a Balance Sheet. The Statement of Net Position reports all financial and capital resources for the Authority. The Statement is presented in the format where assets and deferred outflow of resources minus liabilities equal "Net Position", formerly known as equity. Assets and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are presented in order of liquidity and are classified as "Current" (convertible into cash within one year) and "Non-current".

The focus of the Statement of Net Position (the "Unrestricted Net Position") is designed to represent the net available liquid (non-capital) assets and net liabilities, for the entire Authority. Net Position (formerly equity) are reported in three broad categories:

<u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u>: This component of Net Position consists of all capital assets, reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

<u>Restricted Net Position</u>: This component of Net Position consists of restricted assets, when constraints are placed on the asset by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, laws, regulations, etc.

<u>Unrestricted Net Position</u>: Consists of Net Position that does not meet the definition of "Net Investment in Capital Assets", or "Restricted Net Position".

The Authority's financial statements also include a <u>Statement of Revenues</u>, <u>Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position</u> (similar to an Income Statement). This Statement includes Operating Revenue, such as rental income, Operating Expenses, such as administrative, utilities, and maintenance, and depreciation, and Non-Operating Revenue and Expenses, such as capital grant revenue, investment income, and interest expense.

The focus of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position is the "Change in Net Position", which is similar to Net Income or Loss.

Fund Financial Statements

The Authority consists of exclusively enterprise funds. Enterprise funds utilize the full accrual basis of accounting. The enterprise method of accounting is similar to accounting utilized by the private sector accounting.

Many of the programs maintained by the Authority are required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Others are segregated to enhance accountability and control.

THE AUTHORITY'S PROGRAMS

<u>Conventional Public Housing</u> – Under the Conventional Public Housing Program, the Authority rents units that it owns to low-income households. The Conventional Public Housing Program is operated under an Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) with HUD, and HUD provides Operating Subsidy and Capital Grant funding to enable the PHA to provide the housing at a rent that is based upon 30 percent of household income. The Conventional Public Housing Program also includes the Capital Funds Program, which is the primary funding source for physical and management improvements to the Authority's properties.

<u>Housing Choice Voucher Program</u> – Under the Housing Choice Voucher Program, the Authority administers contracts with independent landlords that own the property. The Authority subsidizes the family's rent through a Housing Assistance Payment made to the landlord. The program is administered under an Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) with HUD. HUD provides Annual Contributions funding to enable the Authority to structure a lease that sets the participants' rent at 30 percent of household income.

<u>Capital Fund Program (CFP)</u> – This is the current primary funding source for the Authority's physical and management improvements. While the formula funding methodology used for the CGP was revised for the CFP, funds are still provided by formula allocation and based on size and age of the Authority's units.

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THE AUTHORITY'S STATEMENTS

Statement of Net Position

The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Net Position compared to the prior year.

Table 1 - Condensed Statement of Net Position Compared to Prior Year

Acceta	2016	2015
Assets Current and Other Assets	\$ 1,906,589	\$ 1,941,871
Capital Assets	5,393,095	5,422,966
Deferred Outflows of Resources	332,489	103,886
Total Assets		
Total Assets	<u>\$ 7,632,173</u>	<u>\$ 7,468,723</u>
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	\$ 231,054	\$ 260,953
Noncurrent Liabilities	1,098,324	864,048
Total Liabilities	1,329,378	1,125,001
Total Liabilities	1,329,376	1,123,001
Deferred Inflows of Resources	89,558	10,136
Deferred filliows of resources		
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	5,389,045	5,412,477
Restricted	10,470	7,284
Unrestricted	813,722	913,825
Total Net Position	6,213,237	6,333,586
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Net Position	\$ 7.632.173	\$ 7,468,723
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For more detail information, see Statement of Net Position presented on page 11.

Major Factors Affecting the Statement of Net Position

During 2016, Current and Other Assets decreased by \$35,282 and Current Liabilities decreased by \$29,899. The Current and Other Assets, primarily cash, decreased due to the result of operation. The decrease in Current Liabilities is mainly due to a decrease in outstanding invoices due at year end.

Capital Assets also changed, decreasing from \$5,422,966 to \$5,393,095. The \$29,871 decrease may be attributed primarily to a combination of net acquisitions of \$442,001, less current year depreciation of \$471,873. For more detail see "Capital Assets".

Change in Unrestricted Net Position

Details on the change in unrestricted net position can be found in Table 2 below:

Table 2- Changes of Unrestricted Net Position

Beginning Balance - December 31, 2015 Results of Operations	\$ 913,825 (120,349)
Adjustments:	, ,
Current Year Depreciation Expense (1)	471,873
Capital Expenditures (2)	(442,001)
Transfer from Restricted Net Position	(3,186)
Debt Payments (2)	(6,439)
Rounding Adjustment	(1)
Ending Balance - December 31, 2016	<u>\$ 813,722</u>

- (1) Depreciation is treated as an expense and reduces the results of operations but does not have an impact on Unrestricted Net Position.
- (2) These expenditures represent an outflow of unrestricted net position, but are not treated as an expense against Results of Operations, and therefore must be deducted.

While the results of operations are a significant measure of the Authority's activities, the analysis of the changes in Unrestricted Net Position provides a clearer change in financial well-being.

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Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The following schedule compares the revenues and expenses for the current and previous fiscal year.

Table 3 - Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

Table 5 - Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position			
	2016	2015	
Revenues			
Total Tenant Revenues	\$ 765,730	\$ 730,404	
Operating Subsidies	1,674,229	1,650,136	
Capital Grants	195,378	129,093	
Investment Income	708	273	
Gain from Sale of Capital Assets	1,000	0	
Other Revenues	88,863	97,268	
Total Revenues	2,725,908	2,607,174	
Expenses			
Administrative	479,397	451,725	
Tenant Services	126,453	136,064	
Utilities	255,494	265,766	
Maintenance	478,057	453,543	
General and Interest Expense	171,896	183,271	
Housing Assistance Payments	863,087	831,021	
Depreciation	471,873	456,911	
Total Expenses	2,846,257	2,778,301	
Net Increase (Decrease)	\$ (120,349)	<u>\$ (171,127)</u>	

Total revenues increased \$118,734 during 2016 in comparison to 2015. Total revenue increased due to the increase in rental income from tenants and increase in operating and capital grant revenue received from HUD during the year.

Total expenses increased in comparison to 2015. Total expense increase of \$67,956 was mainly due to increases in housing assistance payments, general expenses, administrative and maintenance expenses.

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Capital Assets

As of year-end, the Authority had \$5,393,095 invested in a variety of capital assets as reflected in the following schedule, which represents a net decrease (current purchases less depreciation) of \$29,871 or 1 percent from the end of last year.

2016	2015
\$ 727,075	\$ 727,075
23,573,937	23,368,431
1,065,390	987,940
159,763	13,188
(20,133,070)	(19,673,668)
\$ 5,393,095	\$ 5,422,966
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Table 5 - Changes in Capital Assets

Beginning Balance - December 31, 2015	\$5,422,966
Current Year Additions	442,001
Current Year Depreciation Expense	(471,873)
Rounding	1
Ending Balance - December 31, 2016	\$ 5,393,095

Table 6 - Current Year Breakout of Additions to Assets

Leasehold Improvements	\$ 352,081
Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	 89,920
Total	\$ 422,001

Debt

In 2012, the Authority entered into 2 capital lease agreements with the Lease Corporation of America (LCA) in the amount of \$28,148 bearing interest at 10.20 percent. The leases are payable in monthly installments of \$300.54 each, including interest, and is collateralized by the equipment.

Below is the change in the debt balance for the year:

Table 7 - Condensed Statement of Changes in Debt Outstanding

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	2	016	2015
Beginning Balance - December 31, 2015	\$ 10	,489 \$	16,306
Current Year Principal Payments	(6	,439)	(5,817)
Total	\$ 4	\$,050 \$	10,489

Additional information on the Authority's long-term debt can be located in the footnotes of this report.

Economic Factors

Significant economic factors affecting the Authority are as follows:

- Federal funding provided by Congress to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Local labor supply and demand, which can affect salary and wage rates
- Local inflationary, recessionary, and employment trends, which can affect resident incomes and, therefore, the amount of rental income.
- Inflationary pressure on utility rates, supplies, and other costs.

Financial Contact

The individual to be contacted regarding this report is Dawn Farrell, Executive Director of the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority, at (440) 286-7413. Specific requests may be submitted to the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority at 385 Center Street, Chardon, Ohio 44024.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND DECEMBER 31, 2016

ASSETS Current Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables, Net Inventories, Net Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets Total Current Assets Noncurrent Assets	\$ 1,554,515 286,720 9,923 8,883 46,548 1,906,589
Capital Assets: Non-Depreciable Capital Assets Depreciable Capital Assets, Net Total Noncurrent Assets	886,838 4,506,257 5,393,095
Deferred Outflows of Resources	332,489
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 7,632,173
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities Accounts Payable Accrued Liabilities Intergovernmental Payables Tenant Security Deposits Current Portion of Long-Term Debt Unearned Revenue Total Current Liabilities	\$ 38,952 52,636 48,866 68,424 4,050 18,126 231,054
Noncurrent Liabilities Accrued Compensated Absences Non-Current Net Pension Liability Payable Other Non-Current Liabilities Total Noncurrent Liabilities Total Liabilities	116,474 847,250 134,600 1,098,324 1,329,378
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Housing Assistance Subsidy Pension Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	73,226 16,332 89,558
NET POSITION Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted Unrestricted Total Net Position	5,389,045 10,470 813,722 6,213,237
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION	\$ 7,632,173

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Operating Revenues	
Tenant Revenues	\$ 765,730
Government Operating Grants	1,674,229
Other Revenues	88,863
Total Operating Revenues	2,528,822
Total Operating Revenues	2,326,622
Operating Expenses	
Administrative	479,397
Tenant Services	126,453
Utilities	255,494
Maintenance	478,057
General	171,122
Housing Assistance Payments	863,087
Depreciation	471,873
Total Operating Expenses	2,845,483
Operating Income (Loss)	(316,661)
Non-Operating Revenues	
Interest and Investment Revenue	708
Interest Expense	$\underline{\hspace{1cm}}(774)$
Total Non-Operating Revenues	(66)
Income (Loss) Before Contributions and Transfers	(316,727)
Capital Grants	195,378
Gain from Sale of Capital Assets	1,000
Change in Net Position	(120,349)
Change in Net I osition	(120,347)
Total Net Position at Beginning of Year, Restated	6,333,586
Total Net Position at End of Year	\$ 6,213,237

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Cash Flows from Operating Activities Cash Received from Federal Operating Grants Cash Received From Tenants Cash Received Other Revenue Cash Payments for Administrative and General Expenses Cash Payments for Housing Assistance	\$ 1,671,169 776,459 92,137 (1,505,359) (863,087)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	171,319
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Interest Earned	708
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	708
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities	
Capital Grants	195,378
Capital Lease Payments	(6,439)
Proceeds from Sale of Asset	1,000
Property and Equipment Purchased	(442,002)
Interest Paid	(774)
Net Cash Provided by Capital and Other Related Financing Activities	(252,837)
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Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(80,810)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	1,922,045
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 1,841,235
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Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net	
Cash Provided by Operating Activities Not Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (316,661)
Net Operating Income (Loss) Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to	\$ (316,661)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:	
Depreciation	471,873
(Increase) Decrease in:	7/1,0/3
Accounts Receivable	(4,086)
Prepaid Expenses	(41,442)
Deferred Outflows	(228,603)
Increase (Decrease) in:	(220,003)
Accounts Payable	5,341
Intergovernmental Payable	1,219
Accrued Expenses	(41,514)
Tenant Security Deposits	873
Pension Liability	270,246
Deferred Inflows	79,422
Unearned Revenue	6,570
Non-Current Liabilities	(31,919)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 171,319

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

Reporting Entity

The Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority was created under the Ohio Revised Code Section 3735.27. The Authority contracts with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide low and moderate income persons with safe and sanitary housing through subsidies provided by HUD. The Authority depends on the subsidies from HUD to operate.

The accompanying basic financial statements comply with the provision of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39 in that the financial statements include all organizations, activities, and functions for which the Authority is financially accountable. This report includes all activities considered by management to be part of the Authority by virtue of Section 2100 of the Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards.

Section 2100 indicates that the reporting entity consists of **a**) the primary government, **b**) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and **c**) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability. A primary government is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's government body and either it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. A primary government may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations that are fiscally dependent on it.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Reporting Entity (Continued)

A primary government has the ability to impose its will on an organization if it can significantly influence the programs, projects, or activities of, or the level of services performed or provided by, the organization. A financial benefit or burden relationship exists if the primary government a) is entitled to the organization's resources; b) is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or c) is obligated in some manner for the debt of the organization.

Management believes the financial statements included in this report represent all of the funds of the Authority over which the Authority is financially accountable.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Authority have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance, Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements, the Authority follows GASB guidance as applicable to enterprise funds.

The Authority's basic financial statements consist of a statement of net position, a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and a statement of cash flows and are presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

Fund Accounting

The Authority uses the proprietary fund to report on its financial position and the results of its operations for the HUD programs. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. The Authority uses the proprietary category for its programs.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Proprietary Fund Types

Proprietary funds are used to account for the Authority's ongoing activities, which are similar to those found in the private sector. The following is the proprietary fund type:

<u>Enterprise Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for the operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenue earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Description of Programs

The following are the various programs which are included in the Authority's single enterprise fund:

A. Public Housing Program

The public housing program is designed to provide low-cost housing within Geauga County. Under this program, HUD provides funding via an annual contribution contract. These funds, combined with the rental income received from tenants, are available solely to meet the operating expenses of the program.

B. Capital Fund Program

The Capital Fund Program provides funds annually, via a formula, to public housing agencies for capital and management activities, including modernization and development housing.

C. Housing Choice Voucher Program

The Housing Choice Voucher Program was authorized by Section 8 of the National Housing Act and provides housing assistance payments to private, not-for-profit, or public landlords to subsidize rentals for low-income persons.

Investments

The provisions of the HUD regulations restrict investments. Investments are valued at market value. Interest income earned in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 totaled \$708.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital Assets

Capital assets are stated at cost. The capitalization policy of the Authority is to depreciate all non-expendable personal property having a useful life of more than one year and purchase price of \$1,500 or more per unit. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged directly to expense as they are incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings 40 years
Building Improvements 15 years
Furniture, Equipment, and Machinery 3-7 years

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflow of resources and liabilities and deferred inflow of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position is recorded as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use by internal or external restrictions.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues and expenses are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activities of the proprietary fund and expenses incurred for the day to day operation. For the Authority, operating revenues are tenant rent charges, operating subsidy from HUD, and other miscellaneous revenue.

Capital Contributions

This represents contributions made available by HUD with respect to all federally aided projects under an annual contribution contract.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include all highly liquid debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less.

Pensions

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

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the Authority, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for pension. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension are explained in Note 5.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized until that time. For the Authority, deferred inflows of resources include pension and HAP funding for January 2017. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. (See Note 5)

Deferred Inflows:

- Pension	\$ 16,332
- Housing Assistance Subsidy for January 2017	 73,226
Total Deferred Inflows	\$ 89,558

Compensated Absences

The Authority accounts for compensated absences in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16. Sick leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics are accrued as a liability based on the sick leave accumulated at the balance sheet date by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments. To calculate the liability, these accumulated payments are reduced to the maximum amount allowed as a termination payment. All employees who meet the termination policy of the Authority for years of service are included in the calculation of the compensated absence accrual amount.

Vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned by the employees if both of the following conditions are met: 1) the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee, and 2) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means, such as cash payments at termination or retirement.

In the proprietary fund, the compensated absences are expenses when earned with the amount reported as a fund liability.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgetary Accounting

The Authority is required by contractual agreements to adopt annual operating budgets for all its HUD funded programs. The budget for its programs are prepared on a HUD basis, which is materially consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. The Board of Commissioners adopts the budget through passage of a budget resolution.

Accounting and Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions

The Authority accounts for non-exchange transactions in accordance with GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions*. Non-exchange transactions occur when the Authority receives (or gives) value without directly giving (or receiving) equal value in return.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect 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.

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NOTE 2: **DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

Deposits

State statutes classify monies held by the Authority into three categories:

- A. Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Authority's treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawal on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.
- B. Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Authority has identified as not required for use within the two-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of the depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.
- C. Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit, or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the Authority's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by collateral held by the Authority, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

At fiscal year end, December 31, 2016, the carrying amount of the Authority's deposits totaled \$1,841,235, and its bank balance was \$2,038,757. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure*, as of December 31, 2016, \$1,538,757 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$500,000 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Authority will not be able to recover the deposits. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105 percent of the carrying value of the deposits.

Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve banks or at member banks of the Federal Reserve System in the name of the respective depository bank, and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds, or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Authority.

NOTE 3: **RESTRICTED CASH**

The restricted cash balance of \$286,720 on the financial statements represents the following:

Total Restricted Cash	\$ 286,720
Payment due to HUD for over payment for utility expenses	 63,851
FSS Escrow Liability - PH	46,260
FSS Escrow Liability - HCV	24,489
Tenant Security deposits in the Low Rent Public Housing Program	68,424
Excess cash advanced to the Housing Choice Voucher Program by HUD for Housing Assistance Payments	\$ 83,696

NOTE 4: **CAPITAL ASSETS**

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year:

Capital Assets Not	Balance 12/31/15	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/16	
Being Depreciated:					
Land	\$ 727,075	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 727,075	
Construction in Progress	13,188	146,575	0	159,763	
Total Capital Assets Not	740 262	146 575	0	996 929	
Being Depreciated	740,263	146,575	0	886,838	
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:					
Buildings	23,368,431	205,506	0	23,573,937	
Furniture, Machinery, and Equipment	987,940	89,920	(12,470)	1,065,390	
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	24,356,371	295,426	(12,470)	24,639,327	
Accumulated Depreciation:					
Buildings Furniture, Machinery,	(18,765,060)	(436,044)	1	(19,201,103)	
and Equipment	(908,608)	(35,829)	12,470	(931,967)	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(19,673,668)	(471,873)	12,471	(20,133,070)	
Total Capital Assets					
Being Depreciated, Net	4,682,703	(176,447)	1	4,506,257	
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ 5,422,966	\$ (29.872)	¢ 1	¢ 5 202 005	
INCL	\$ 5,422,966	<u>\$ (29,872)</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	\$ 5,393,095	

NOTE 5: **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

Net Pension Liability

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 Authority's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each 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.

Ohio Revised Code limits the Authority's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The Authority cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the Authority 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 each 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 the accrual basis of accounting.

NOTE 5: **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

Plan Description - Authority employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan and the combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. While members (e.g. Authority employees) may elect the member-directed plan and the combined plan, substantially all employee members are in OPERS' traditional plan; therefore, the following disclosure focuses on the traditional pension 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 standalone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees 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):

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

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

Group C

Members not in other Groups and members hired on of 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 srvice for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

NOTE 5: **<u>DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN</u>** (Continued)

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 based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

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

	State
2016 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates:	and Local
Employer	14.0%
Employee	10.0%
2016 Actual Contribution Rates:	
Employer:	
Pension	12.0%
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	2.0%
Total Employer	<u>14.0%</u>
Employee	10.0%

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Authority's contractually required contribution was \$75,304 for 2016.

NOTE 5: **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

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

The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Authority'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:

	Traditional	Combined	
	Plan	Plan	 Total
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension			
Liability	\$ 847,357	\$ (107)	\$ 847,250
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.004892%	0.000220%	
Change in Proportion from Prior			
Measurement Date	0.000108%	0.000220%	

At December 31, 2016, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		aditional Plan	nbined Plan	Total		
Deferred Outflows of Resources						
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$	249,070	\$ 46	\$	249,116	
Change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share						
of contributions		8,069	0		8,069	
Authority contributions subsequent to the						
Measurement date		75,304	 0		75,304	
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	332,443	\$ 46	\$	332,489	
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Differences between expected and						
actual experience	\$	16,373	\$ 49	\$	16,422	
Change in proportionate share and difference between employer						
contributions and proportionate						
share of contributions	_	(147)	 57	_	(90)	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	16,226	\$ 106	\$	16,332	

NOTE 5: **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

\$75,304 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from Authority contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2017. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	
2017	\$ 58,372
2018	62,267
2019	63,893
2020	56,365
2021	(10)
Thereafter	(34)
Total	\$ 240,853

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 in the December 31, 2015, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Wage Inflation

Future Salary Increases, including inflation

COLA or Ad Hoc COLA

Investment Rate of Return

Actuarial Cost Method

3 .75 percent

4.25 to 10.05 percent including wage inflation

3 percent, simple

8 percent

In dividual Entry Age

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table projected 20 years using Projections Scale AA. For males, 105 percent of the combined healthy male mortality rates were used. For females, 100 percent of the combined healthy female mortality rates were used. The mortality rates used in evaluating disability allowances were based on the RP-2000 mortality table with no projections. For males 120 percent of the disabled female mortality rates were used set forward two years. For females, 100 percent of the disabled female mortality rates were used.

NOTE 5: **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (Continued)

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended December 31, 2010.

The long-term 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.

OPERS manages investments in four investment portfolios: the Defined Benefits portfolio, the Health Care portfolio, the 115 Health Care Trust portfolio and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Defined Benefit portfolio includes the investment assets of the Traditional Pension Plan, the defined benefit component of the Combined Plan, the annuitized accounts of the Member-Directed Plan and the VEBA Trust. Within the Defined Benefit portfolio, contributions into the plans are all recorded at the same time, and benefit payments all occur on the first of the month. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The money weighted rate of return, net of investments expense, for the Defined Benefit portfolio is 0.4 percent for 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 the maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined benefit pension plans. The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy for 2015 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

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Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	23.00%	2.31%
Domestic Equities	20.70%	5.84%
Real Estate	10.00%	4.25%
Private Equity	10.00%	9.25%
International Equities	18.30%	7.40%
Other Investements	18.00%	4.59%
Total	100.00%	5.28%

NOTE 5: **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (Continued)

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8 percent. 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 statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefits payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investment was applied to all period of projected payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 8 percent, as well as what the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (7 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (9 percent) than the current rate:

	Current				
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1%Increase		
	(7.00%)	(8.00%)	(9.00%)		
Authority's proportionate share of the					
net pension liability					
- Traditional Pension Plan	\$1,350,045	\$ 847,357	\$ 423,354		
- Combined Plan	(2)	(107)	(191)		

NOTE 6: **POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

A. Plan Description

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: The Traditional Pension Plan - a cost-sharing, multiple-employers 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 two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care trusts, which fund multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit, recipients of both the Traditional Pension and the Combined plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including OPERS sponsored health care coverage.

NOTE 6: **POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS** (Continued)

A. Plan Description (Continued)

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 45. Please see the Plan Statement in the OPERS 2015 CAFR 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 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#CAFR, by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642, or by calling 641-222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

B. Funding Policy

The Ohio Revised Code 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 is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2015, State and Local employers contributed at a rate of 14.0 percent of earnable salary. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund health care.

OPERS maintains three health care trusts. The two cost-sharing, multiple-employer trust, the 401(h) Health Care Trust and the 115 Health Care Trust, work together to provide health care funding to eligible retirees of the Traditional Pension and Combined plans. The third trust is a Voluntary Employee's Beneficiary Association (VEBA) that provides funding for a Retiree Medical Account for Member-Directed Plan members. Each year, the OPERS Board of Trustees 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 2.0 percent during calendar year 2015. As recommended by OPERS' actuary, the portion of employer contributions allocated to

NOTE 6: **POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS** (Continued)

B. Funding Policy (Continued)

health care beginning January 1, 2016 remained at 2.0 percent for both plans. The 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 to the VEBA for participants in the Member-Directed Plan for 2016 was 4.5 percent. The portion of actual Authority contributions for the year ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, which were used by OPERS to fund post-employment benefits were \$12,550, \$12,183, and \$11,731, respectively.

NOTE 7: **COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

The following is a summary of changes in compensated absences for the year ended December 31, 2016:

Balance					Balance	Du	e Within			
<u>Description</u>	12/31/2015 Earned		12/31/2015 Earned Used			Used	12	2/31/2016	O	ne Year
Compensated Absences	\$ 202,686	\$	72,292	\$ (129,386)	\$	145,592	\$	29,118		

NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT

In 2012, the Authority entered into two capital lease agreements with the Lease Corporation of America (LCA) in the amount of \$28,148 bearing interest at 10.20 percent. The leases are payable in monthly installments of \$300.54 each, including interest, and is collateralized by the equipment. The first payment was made on August 1, 2012. The agreement is for 72 months.

Balance						В	alance	Due	Within	
Description	12/31/2015		Issued		R	Letired	12/	31/2016	On	e Year
Loan Payable	\$	10,489	\$	0	\$	6,439	\$	4,050	\$	4,050
Pension Liability		577,004		270,246		0		847,250		0
Total	\$	587,493	\$	270,246	\$	6,439	\$	851,300	\$	4,050

Debt maturities for the next six years are estimated as follows:

2017	Principal	Interest	
	\$ 4,050	\$	138
Totals	<u>\$ 4,050</u>	\$	138

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 (CONTINUED)

NOTE 9: SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

The following summarizes changes in Other Non-Current Liabilities:

	I	Balance]	Balance	C	urrent
Description	12	2/31/2015	A	Additions	_	Deletions	12	2/31/2016	P	ortion
Public Housing FSS										
Escrows	\$	28,358	\$	36,790	\$	(18,888)	\$	46,260	\$	0
Public Housing Due to										
HUD for overpayment										
for Utilities		63,851		0		0		63,851		0
Housing Choice Voucher										
FSS Escrows		28,635		15,834		(19,980)		24,489		0
Total	\$	120,844	\$	52,624	\$	(38,868)	\$	134,600	\$	0

NOTE 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees, and natural disasters. During fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, the Authority maintained comprehensive insurance coverage with private carriers for health, real property, building contents, and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage.

Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the last three years. There has been no significant reduction in coverage from last year.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY

OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS (1)

		2016	 2015	 2014
Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability/Asset - Traditional Plan - Combined Plan		.004892%	 004784% 000000%	004784% 000000%
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liabilit	y/(<i>A</i>	asset)		
- Traditional Plan - Combined Plan	\$	847,357 (107)	\$ 577,004 0	\$ 563,971 0
Authority's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	627,490	\$ 609,160	\$ 606,508
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Employee Payroll	y	135.02%	94.72%	92.99%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total				
Pension Liability/(Assets) - Traditional Plan		81.08%	86.45%	86.36%
- Combined Plan		116.90%	114.83%	104.33%

(1) Information prior to 2013 is not available.

Amount presented as of the Authority's measurement date which is the prior year end.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

		2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Contractually Required Contributions											
Traditional Plan	\$	75,304	\$ 73,099	\$ 70,386	\$ 78,846	\$ 60,808	\$ 60,311	\$ 54,418	\$ 47,939	\$ 39,810	\$ 45,327
TotalRequired Contributions	\$	75,304	\$ 73,099	\$ 70,386	\$ 78,846	\$ 60,808	\$ 60,311	\$ 54,418	\$ 47,939	\$ 39,810	\$ 45,327
Contribution In Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	100	(75,304)	 (73,099)	 (70,386)	(78, 846)	 (60,808)	(60,311)	(54,418)	(47,939)	 (39,810)	 (45, 327)
Contribution Deficiency/(Excess)	\$	0	\$ 0								
Authority's Covered-Employee Payroll	_										
Traditional Plan	\$	627,490	\$ 609,160	\$ 606,508	\$ 608,080	\$ 603,110	\$ 604,644	\$ 590,382	\$ 568,714	\$ 548,089	\$ 505, 697
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee - Payroll Traditional Plan	20	1200%	12.00%	13.00%	10.00%	10.00%	9.00%	8.12%	7.00%	8.27%	9.04%

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF MODERNIZATION COST - COMPLETED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

1. The total amount of modernization costs of the Capital Fund Housing Program grants are shown below:

Funds Approved	\$ 258,967
Funds Expended	258,967
Excess of Funds Approved	<u>\$ 0</u>
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Funds Advanced	\$ 258,967
Funds Expended	258,967
Excess of Funds Advanced	\$ 0

- 2. All modernization work in connection with the Capital Fund Program has been completed.
- 3. The entire actual modernization cost or liabilities incurred by the Authority have been fully paid.
- 4. There are no discharged mechanics, laborers, contractors, or material-mens liens against such modernization work on file in any public office where the same should be filed in order to be valid against such modernization work.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL SCHEDULE ENTITY WIDE BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY DECEMBER 31, 2016

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY (OH042)	Project Total	14.871 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.896 PIH Family Self- Sufficiency Program	Subtotal	ELIM	Total
111 Cash - Unrestricted	1,436,061	118,454	-	1,554,515		1,554,515
113 Cash - Other Restricted	46,260	108,185	_	154,445		154,445
114 Cash - Tenant Security Deposits	68,424	-	-	68,424		68,424
115 Cash - Restricted for Payment of Current Liabilities	63,851	-	-	63,851		63,851
100 Total Cash	1,614,596	226,639	-	1,841,235	-	1,841,235
122 Accounts Receivable - HUD Other Projects	3,060	-	-	3,060		3,060
126 Accounts Receivable - Tenants	2,157	-	-	2,157		2,157
126.1 Allowance for Doubtful Accounts -Tenants	-58	-	-	-58		-58
127 Notes, Loans, & Mortgages Receivable - Current	4,764	-	=	4,764		4,764
120 Total Receivables, Net of Allowances for Doubtful	9,923			9,923		9,923
Accounts	9,923	-	-	9,923	1	9,923
142 Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	46,548	=	=	46,548		46,548
143 Inventories	8,883	-	=	8,883		8,883
150 Total Current Assets	1,679,950	226,639	-	1,906,589	1	1,906,589
161 Land	727,075	-	-	727,075		727,075
162 Buildings	23,573,937	=	=	23,573,937		23,573,937
163 Furniture, Equipment & Machinery - Dwellings	524,779	=	=	524,779		524,779
164 Furniture, Equipment & Machinery - Administration	537,136	3,475	-	540,611		540,611
166 Accumulated Depreciation	-20,129,595	-3,475	-	-20,133,070		-20,133,070
167 Construction in Progress	159,763	=	=	159,763		159,763
160 Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	5,393,095	-	-	5,393,095	-	5,393,095
200 Deferred Outflow of Resources	298,078	34,411	-	332,489		332,489
290 Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources	7,371,123	261,050	-	7,632,173	-	7,632,173
312 Accounts Payable <= 90 Days	38,361	591	-	38,952		38,952
321 Accrued Wage/Payroll Taxes Payable	23,518	-		23,518		23,518
322 Accrued Compensated Absences - Current Portion	26,419	2,699	-	29,118		29,118

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL SCHEDULE ENTITY WIDE BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY DECEMBER 31, 2016

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY (OH042)	Project Total	14.871 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.896 PIH Family Self- Sufficiency Program	Subtotal	ELIM	Total
333 Accounts Payable - Other Government	48,866	-	-	48,866		48,866
341 Tenant Security Deposits	68,424	-	-	68,424		68,424
342 Unearned Revenue	8,965	9,161	-	18,126		18,126
343 Current Portion of Long-term Debt - Capital Projects/Mortgage Revenue Bonds	4,050	-	-	4,050		4,050
310 Total Current Liabilities	218,603	12,451	-	231,054	-	231,054
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353 Non-current Liabilities - Other	110,111	24,489	-	134,600		134,600
354 Accrued Compensated Absences - Non Current	105,678	10,796	-	116,474		116,474
357 Accrued Pension and OPEB Liabilities	757,382	89,868	-	847,250		847,250
350 Total Non-Current Liabilities	973,171	125,153	-	1,098,324	-	1,098,324
300 Total Liabilities	1,191,774	137,604	-	1,329,378	-	1,329,378
400 Deferred Inflow of Resources	14,590	74,968	-	89,558		89,558
508.4 Net Investment in Capital Assets	5,389,045	-	-	5,389,045		5,389,045
511.4 Restricted Net Position	-	10,470	-	10,470		10,470
512.4 Unrestricted Net Position	775,714	38,008	-	813,722		813,722
513 Total Equity - Net Assets / Position	6,164,759	48,478	-	6,213,237	-	6,213,237
600 Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflow of Resources, and Equity - Net	7,371,123	261,050	-	7,632,173	-	7,632,173

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL SCHEDULE ENTITY WIDE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY (OH042)	Project Total	14.871 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.896 PIH Family Self- Sufficiency Program	Subtotal	ELIM	Total
70300 Net Tenant Rental Revenue	747,174	-	-	747,174		747,174
70400 Tenant Revenue - Other	18,556	-	-	18,556		18,556
70500 Total Tenant Revenue	765,730	-	-	765,730	-	765,730
70600 HUD PHA Operating Grants	571,004	980,571	122,654	1,674,229		1,674,229
70610 Capital Grants	195,378	-	-	195,378		195,378
71100 Investment Income - Unrestricted	708	_	-	708		708
71400 Fraud Recovery	14,923	1,990	-	16,913		16,913
71500 Other Revenue	70,822	1,128	-	71,950		71,950
71600 Gain or Loss on Sale of Capital Assets	1,000	-	-	1,000		1,000
70000 Total Revenue	1,619,565	983,689	122,654	2,725,908	-	2,725,908
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91100 Administrative Salaries	201,786	60,762	-	262,548		262,548
91200 Auditing Fees	7,210	1,803	-	9,013		9,013
91500 Employee Benefit contributions - Administrative	85,493	36,477	=	121,970		121,970
91600 Office Expenses	16,763	-	-	16,763		16,763
91700 Legal Expense	3,942	-	-	3,942		3,942
91900 Other	46,497	18,664	-	65,161		65,161
91000 Total Operating - Administrative	361,691	117,706	-	479,397	-	479,397
92100 Tenant Services - Salaries			70,854	70,854		70,854
92300 Employee Benefit Contributions - Tenant Services	-	-	51,800	51,800		51,800
92400 Tenant Services - Other	3,799	_	51,800	3,799		3,799
92500 Total Tenant Services	3,799	-	122,654	126,453	-	126,453
72500 Total Teliant Services	3,177		122,054	120,433		120,433
93100 Water	59,958	-	-	59,958		59,958
93200 Electricity	70,844	-	-	70,844		70,844
93300 Gas	29,291	-	-	29,291		29,291
93600 Sewer	95,401	-	-	95,401		95,401
93000 Total Utilities	255,494	-	-	255,494	-	255,494
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GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL SCHEDULE ENTITY WIDE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY (OH042)	Project Total	14.871 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.896 PIH Family Self- Sufficiency Program	Subtotal	ELIM	Total
94100 Ordinary Maintenance and Operations - Labor	197,029	-	-	197,029		197,029
94200 Ordinary Maintenance and Operations - Materials and Other	102,605	-	-	102,605		102,605
94300 Ordinary Maintenance and Operations Contracts	87,800	-	-	87,800		87,800
94500 Employee Benefit Contributions - Ordinary Maintenance	89,623	_	-	89,623		89,623
94000 Total Maintenance	477,057	-	-	477,057	-	477,057
96110 Property Insurance	34,634	-	-	34,634		34,634
96130 Workmen's Compensation	7,040	-	-	7,040		7,040
96100 Total insurance Premiums	41,674	-	-	41,674	-	41,674
96210 Compensated Absences	55,396	7,638	-	63,034		63,034
96300 Payments in Lieu of Taxes	47,682	-	-	47,682		47,682
96400 Bad debt - Tenant Rents	18,732	-	-	18,732		18,732
96000 Total Other General Expenses	121,810	7,638	-	129,448	-	129,448
96720 Interest on Notes Payable (Short and Long Term)	774	-	_	774		774
96700 Total Interest Expense and Amortization Cost	774	-	-	774	-	774
96900 Total Operating Expenses	1,262,299	125,344	122,654	1,510,297	-	1,510,297
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97000 Excess of Operating Revenue over Operating Expenses	357,266	858,345	-	1,215,611	-	1,215,611
97100 Extraordinary Maintenance	1,000	_	_	1,000		1,000
97300 Housing Assistance Payments	-	863,087	_	863,087		863,087
97400 Depreciation Expense	471,873	-	-	471,873		471,873
90000 Total Expenses	1,735,172	988,431	122,654	2,846,257	-	2,846,257
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10010 Operating Transfer In	21,886	-	-	21,886	-21,886	-
10020 Operating transfer Out	-21,886	-	-	-21,886	21,886	-
10100 Total Other financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	-	-	-

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL SCHEDULE ENTITY WIDE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY (OH042)	Project Total	14.871 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.896 PIH Family Self- Sufficiency Program	Subtotal	ELIM	Total
10000 Excess (Deficiency) of Total Revenue Over (Under) Total Expenses	-115,607	-4,742	-	-120,349	-	-120,349
11020 Required Annual Debt Principal Payments	4,050	-	-	4,050		4,050
11030 Beginning Equity	6,280,366	53,220	=	6,333,586		6,333,586
11040 Prior Period Adjustments, Equity Transfers and Correction of Errors	-	-	-	-		-
11170 Administrative Fee Equity	_	38,008	-	38,008		38,008
11180 Housing Assistance Payments Equity	-	10,470	-	10,470		10,470
11190 Unit Months Available	2,916	2,052	-	4,968		4,968
11210 Number of Unit Months Leased	2,893	2,029	-	4,922		4,922

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</u> Direct Programs:		
Public Housing Programs Low Rent Public Housing Program	14.850	\$ 530,244
Capital Fund Program	14.872	236,138
Total Public Housing Programs		766,382
Section 8 Tenant Based Programs Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program	14.871	980,571
Total Section 8 Tenant Based Programs		980,571
Family Self-Sufficiency Program	14.896	122,654
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	1,869,607	
Total Federal Awards		<u>\$ 1,869,607</u>

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

NOTE A: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the Authority and its presented on the full accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented 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 Authority, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Authority.

The Authority has elected not to use the 10 percent de-minimus indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE B: **SUBRECIPIENTS**

The Authority provided no federal awards to subrecipients during the year ended December 31, 2016.

NOTE C: DISCLOSURE OF OTHER FORMS OF ASSISTANCE

The Authority received no federal awards of non-monetary assistance that are required to be disclosed for the year ended December 31, 2016.

The Authority had no loans, loan guarantees, or federally restricted endowment funds required to be disclosed for the year ended December 31, 2016.

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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

To the Members of the Board Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority Chardon, Ohio Regional Inspector General of Audit Department of Housing and Urban Development

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 business-type activities of the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority, Ohio, (the Authority) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 9, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 Authority'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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority'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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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*.

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 Authority'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 Authority's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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June 9, 2017

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Members of the Board Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority Chardon, Ohio Regional Inspector General of Audit Department of Housing and Urban Development

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority, Ohio's (the Authority) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on the Authority's major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2016. The Authority's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Authority's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; 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). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over compliance.

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, 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. 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 consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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.

James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc. Certified Public Accountants

James L. Zupka, CPA, Inc.

June 9, 2017

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS UNIFORM GUIDANCE DECEMBER 31, 2016

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

2016(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
2016(ii)	Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level? (GAGAS)?	No
2016(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statements level (GAGAS)?	No
2016(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
2016(iv)	Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major Federal programs?	No
2016(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported to major federal programs?	No
2016(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
2016(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	No
2016(vii)	Major Programs (list):	
	Housing Choice Voucher - CFDA #14.871	
2016(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: >\$750,000 Type B: all others
2016(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes

2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

None.

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None.

GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY STATUS OF PRIOR CITATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

The prior audit report, as of December 31, 2015 included no citations or management letter comments.





GEAUGA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY GEAUGA COUNTY

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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 27, 2017