

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

# MANSFIELD-RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RICHLAND COUNTY REGULAR AUDIT FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019-2018



88 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215 IPAReport@ohioauditor.gov (800) 282-0370

Board of Trustees Mansfield-Richland County Public Library 43 West Third Street Mansfield, Ohio 44902

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Mansfield-Richland County Public Library, Richland County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019. 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 Mansfield-Richland County Public Library is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

May 18, 2021



## MANSFIELD-RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RICHLAND COUNTY

#### **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

TITLE	PAGE
Independent Auditor's Report	1
Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis) - All Governmental Fund Types - For the Year Ended December 31, 2019	3
Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2019	4
Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis) - All Governmental Fund Types - For the Year Ended December 31, 2018	10
Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2018	11
Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by Government Auditing Standards	17
Schedule of Audit Findings	19





1907 Grand Central Ave. Vienna, WV 26105 304.422.2203

150 West Main St. St. Clairsville, OH 43950 740.695.1569

1310 Market Street, Suite 300 Wheeling, WV 26003 304.232.1358

749 Wheeling Ave., Suite 300 Cambridge, OH 43725 740.435.3417

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

March 18, 2021

Mansfield-Richland County Public Library Richland County 43 West Third Street Mansfield, Ohio 44902

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of the Mansfield-Richland County Public Library, Richland County, Ohio (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

#### 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 Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; 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 Library'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 Library's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such 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 opinions.

Tax - Accounting - Audit - Review - Compilation - Agreed Upon Procedure - Consultation - Bookkeeping - Payroll - Litigation Support - Financial Investigations Members: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Ohio Society of CPAs • West Virginia Society of CPAs • Association of Certified Fraud Examiners • Association of Certified Anti-Money Laudering Specialists •





Mansfield-Richland County Public Library Richland County Independent Auditor's Report Page 2

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

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Library 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(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Library does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

#### 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 Library as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the respective changes in financial position thereof 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 cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of the Mansfield-Richland County Public Library, Richland County as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and 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(D) permit, described in Note 2.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 11 to the financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Library. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 18, 2021, on our consideration of the Library'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 Library's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Perry & Associates

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

Kerry Masocutes CAT'S A. C.

Marietta, Ohio

## MANSFIELD-RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RICHLAND COUNTY

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	General	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts			
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 6,130,141	\$ -	\$ 6,130,141
Public Library	3,981,415	-	3,981,415
Intergovernmental	866,777	-	866,777
Patron Fines and Fees	86,981	-	86,981
Services Provided to Other Entities	9,787	-	9,787
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	98,957	-	98,957
Earnings on Investments	282,425	-	282,425
Miscellaneous	257,703		257,703
Total Cash Receipts	11,714,186		11,714,186
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
Library Services:			
Public Services and Programs	5,033,836	-	5,033,836
Collection Development and Processing	1,839,775	-	1,839,775
Support Services:			
Facilities Operation and Maintenance	839,528	-	839,528
Information Services	251,999	298,472	550,471
Business Administration	943,232	-	943,232
Capital Outlay	70,540	322,275	392,815
Total Cash Disbursements	8,978,910	620,747	9,599,657
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	2,735,276	(620,747)	2,114,529
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)			
Transfers In	-	725,000	725,000
Transfers Out	(725,000)		(725,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	(725,000)	725,000	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	2,010,276	104,253	2,114,529
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	11,841,185	765,589	12,606,774
Fund Cash Balances, December 31			
Committed	-	869,842	869,842
Assigned	2,985,405	, <u> </u>	2,985,405
Unassigned	10,866,056		10,866,056
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 13,851,461	\$ 869,842	\$ 14,721,303

Richland County Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

#### Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library (the Library), is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Library Board, which governs the Library, is made up of 7-members. 4 members appointed by the Richland County Common Pleas Court. The appointments are for seven-year terms and members serve without compensation. Under Ohio statutes, the Library is a body politic and corporate capable of suing and being sued, contracting, acquiring, holding, possessing, and disposing of real property, and of exercising such other powers and privileges conferred upon it by law. The Library also determines and operates under its own budget. Control and management of the Library is governed by section 3375.33 to 3375.39 of the Ohio Revised Code with the administration of the day to day operations of the Library and the financial accountability being that of the Director/Fiscal Officer.

The Library is fiscally independent of the Board, although the Board serves in a ministerial capacity as the taxing authority for the Library. The determination to request approval of a tax levy, the role and purpose of the levy, and discretionary decisions made solely by the Board of Library Trustees.

The Friends of the Mansfield/Richland County Public Library, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization with a self-appointing board. The Library is not financially accountable for the organization, nor does the Library approve the budget or the issuance of debt of the organization. Further, this organization is not accumulating large resources for the benefit of the Library. Therefore, this organization has been excluded from the reporting entity of the Library

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

#### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation

The Library's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, which is organized on a fund type basis.

#### **Fund Accounting**

The Library uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Library are presented below:

**General Fund** The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Library for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Capital Project Funds** These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Library had the following significant Capital Project Funds:

**Building Repair Fund** – This fund is used to account for transfers from the General Fund and is used for construction and building repairs.

**Technology Fund** – This fund is used to account for transfers from the General Fund and is used for computer related services.

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board 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 financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

#### **Budgetary Process**

The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, and object level of control.

A summary of 2019 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### Deposits and Investments

The Library's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Library invests in Certificates of Deposit through the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Services (CDARS). The Library values its' Trust investments at cost.

#### Capital Assets

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

#### 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.

#### Fund Balance

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

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

**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.

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Fund Balance (Continued)

**Committed** The Board of Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Library must adhere to these commitments unless the Board amends 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.

**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 the Library Board or a Library official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

**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 Library 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.

#### Note 3 - Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2019 follows:

2019 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Budgeted Actual				
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	V	/ariance
General	\$ 11,518,224	\$ 11,714,186	\$	195,962
Capital Projects	725,000	725,000		-
Total	\$ 12,243,224	\$ 12,439,186	\$	195,962

2019 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures					
	Appropriation Budgetary				
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	\	ariance/	
General	\$ 11,287,387	\$ 11,034,655	\$	252,732	
Capital Projects	1,025,000	722,379		302,621	
Total	\$ 12,312,387	\$ 11,757,034	\$	555,353	
· otal	<del>+ 12,012,001</del>	Ψ : :,: 01,001	<u> </u>	555,000	

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

#### Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

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

	2019
Demand Deposits	\$ 6,834,376
Certificates of Deposit	2,109,265
Cash on Hand	400
CDARS	4,202,483
Total Deposits	13,146,524
Money Market Mutual Fund	1,574,779
Total Investments	1,574,779
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ 14,721,303

#### **Deposits**

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

#### Investments

Investments in mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

#### Note 5 - Grants in Aid and Taxes

#### Grants in Aid

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the Public Library Fund (PLF). The State allocates PLF to each county based on the total tax revenue credited to the State's general revenue fund during the preceding month using the statutory allocation method. Estimated entitlement figures were issued to County Auditors. The actual current year entitlements were computed in December of the current year. The difference between the estimate and actual will be adjusted evenly in the PLF distributions made from January-June of the subsequent year.

#### **Property Taxes**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject adopts rates. The State Department of Taxation, Division 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.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the taxing district.

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

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

#### Note 6 – Risk Management

Workers' Compensation coverage is provided by the State of Ohio. The Library pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs (if material).

#### Risk Pool Membership

The Library belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (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. Effective November 1, 2017, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. The OPRM is also participated in a property primary excess of loss treaty. This treaty reimbursed the OPRM 30% for losses between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. The reimbursement is based on the amount of loss between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. Effective November 1, 2018, the OPRM the property retention remained unchanged, however, the Plan assumed 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. Effective November 1, 2019, the OPRM's property retention increased from 30% to 33%, while the casualty treaty remains unchanged and still assumes 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. OPRM had 776 members as of December 31, 2019.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2019.

Assets \$15,920,504 Liabilities (11,329,011) Members' Equity \$4,591,493

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

#### Note 7 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Library'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 health care and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Library contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2019.

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

#### Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plan, which includes 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. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2019. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2019.

#### Note 9 - Debt

#### Leases

The Library leases copier equipment. The Library disbursed \$23,017.32 to pay lease costs for the year ended December 31, 2019.

#### **Amortization**

The Library entered into a Lease for Copiers in 2017. This lease also includes costs for copier as used. The base monthly lease payments are \$1,918.11. The lease will expire on 5/5/2022.

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

Year Ending		
December 31:	Cop	ier Lease
2020	\$	23,017
2021		23,017
2022		9,591
Total	\$	55,625

#### Note 10 - Contingent Liabilities

Management believes there are no pending claims or lawsuits.

#### Note 11 - Subsequent Events

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent period of the Library. The impact on the Library's future operating costs, revenues, any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

## MANSFIELD RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RICHLAND COUNTY

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

Cook Bossints	General	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 5,886,270	\$ -	\$ 5,886,270
Public Library	3,818,609	φ -	3,818,609
Intergovernmental	866,462	_	866,462
Patron Fines and Fees	118,518	_	118,518
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	149,158	_	149,158
Earnings on Investments	186,181	_	186,181
Miscellaneous	270,411	_	270,411
Miscellaneous	270,411		210,411
Total Cash Receipts	11,295,609		11,295,609
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
Library Services:			
Public Services and Programs	5,165,228	-	5,165,228
Collection Development and Processing	1,973,922	-	1,973,922
Support Services:	050.000		
Facilities Operation and Maintenance	856,969	-	856,969
Information Services	252,383	303,487	555,870
Business Administration	991,044	444.050	991,044
Capital Outlay	17,672	144,652	162,324
Total Cash Disbursements	9,257,218	448,139	9,705,357
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	2,038,391	(448,139)	1,590,252
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)			
Transfers In	(775.000)	775,000	775,000
Transfers Out	(775,000)		(775,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	(775,000)	775,000	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	1,263,391	326,861	1,590,252
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	10,577,794	438,728	11,016,522
Fund Cash Balances, December 31			
Committed	-	765,589	765,589
Assigned	245,590	-	245,590
Unassigned	11,595,595		11,595,595
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 11,841,185	\$ 765,589	\$12,606,774

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

#### Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library (the Library), is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Library Board, which governs the Library, is made up of 7-members. 4 members appointed by the Richland County Commissioners and 3 appointed by the Richland County Common Pleas Court. The appointments are for seven-year terms and members serve without compensation. Under Ohio statutes, the Library is a body politic and corporate capable of suing and being sued, contracting, acquiring, holding, possessing, and disposing of real property, and of exercising such other powers and privileges conferred upon it by law. The Library also determines and operates under its own budget. Control and management of the Library is governed by section 3375.33 to 3375.39 of the Ohio Revised Code with the administration of the day to day operations of the Library and the financial accountability being that of the Director/Fiscal Officer.

The Library is fiscally independent of the Board, although the Board serves in a ministerial capacity as the taxing authority for the Library. The determination to request approval of a tax levy, the role and purpose of the levy, and discretionary decisions made solely by the Board of Library Trustees.

The Friends of the Mansfield/Richland County Public Library, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization with a self-appointing board. The Library is not financially accountable for the organization, nor does the Library approve the budget or the issuance of debt of the organization. Further, this organization is not accumulating large resources for the benefit of the Library. Therefore, this organization has been excluded from the reporting entity of the Library

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

#### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation

The Library's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, which is organized on a fund type basis.

#### **Fund Accounting**

The Library uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Library are presented below:

**General Fund** The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Library for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Capital Project Funds** These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Library had the following significant Capital Project Funds:

**Building Repair Fund** – This fund is used to account for transfers from the General Fund and is used for construction and building repairs.

**Technology Fund** – This fund is used to account for transfers from the General Fund and is used for computer related services.

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board 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 financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

#### **Budgetary Process**

The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, and object level of control.

A summary of 2018 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### Deposits and Investments

The Library's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Library invests in Certificates of Deposit through the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Services (CDARS). The Library values its' Trust investments at cost.

#### Capital Assets

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

#### 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.

#### Fund Balance

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

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

**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.

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Fund Balance (Continued)

**Committed** The Board of Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Library must adhere to these commitments unless the Board amends 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.

**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 the Library Board or a Library official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

**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 Library 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.

#### Note 3 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2018 follows:

2018 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Budgeted Actual				
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	\	/ariance
General	\$ 10,997,445	\$ 11,295,609	\$	298,164
Capital Projects	775,000	775,000		-
Total	\$ 11,772,445	\$ 12,070,609	\$	298,164

2018 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures					
	Appropriation Budgetary				
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance		
General	\$ 11,444,841	\$ 10,277,808	\$ 1,167,033		
Capital Projects	812,189	490,718	321,471		
Total	\$ 12,257,030	\$ 10,768,526	\$ 1,488,504		

Richland County Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

#### Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

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

	2018
Demand Deposits	\$ 4,881,845
Certificates of Deposit	2,073,193
Cash on Hand	300
CDARS	4,111,829
Total Deposits	11,067,167
Money Market Mutual Fund	1,539,607
Total Investments	1,539,607
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ 12,606,774

#### **Deposits**

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

#### Investments

Investments in mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

#### Note 5 - Grants in Aid and Taxes

#### Grants in Aid

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the Public Library Fund (PLF). The State allocates PLF to each county based on the total tax revenue credited to the State's general revenue fund during the preceding month using the statutory allocation method. Estimated entitlement figures were issued to County Auditors. The actual current year entitlements were computed in December of the current year. The difference between the estimate and actual will be adjusted evenly in the PLF distributions made from January-June of the subsequent year.

#### **Property Taxes**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject adopts rates. The State Department of Taxation, Division 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.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the taxing district.

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

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

#### Note 6 – Risk Management

Workers' Compensation coverage is provided by the State of Ohio. The Library pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs (if material).

#### Risk Pool Membership

The Library belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (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. Effective November 1, 2016, the OPRM retained 50% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. Effective November 1, 2017, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. Effective November 1, 2018, the OPRM the property retention remained unchanged, however, the Plan assumed 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. OPRM had 774 members as of December 31, 2018.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2018.

Assets \$15,065,412 Liabilities (10,734,623) Members' Equity \$ 4,330,789

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

#### Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Library'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 health care and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Library contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2018.

Richland County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

#### Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plan, which includes 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. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2018. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2018.

#### Note 9 - Debt

#### Leases

The Library leases copier equipment. The Library disbursed \$23,017.32 to pay lease costs for the year ended December 31, 2018.

#### **Amortization**

The Library entered into a Lease for Copiers in 2017. This lease also includes costs for copier as used. The base monthly lease payments are \$1,830.84. The lease will expire on 5/5/2022.

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

Year Ending		
December 31:	Cop	ier Lease
2019	\$	21,970
2020		21,970
2021		21,970
2022		7,323
Total	\$	73,233

#### Note 10 - Contingent Liabilities

Management believes there are no pending claims or lawsuits.

#### Note 11 - Subsequent Events

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent period of the Library. The impact on the Library's future operating costs, revenues, any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

#### Note 12 - Construction and Contractual Commitments

At the end of 2018, the Library had a remodel contract in place for a section of the Main Library. The project was scheduled to begin on February 11, 2019 with \$102,682.82 as the projected cost of the entire project which included, painting, flooring, furniture and remodeling costs.



313 Second St. Marietta, 0H 45750 740,373,0056

1907 Grand Central Ave. Vienna, WV 26105 304.422.2203

150 West Main St. St. Clairsville, OH 43950 740.695.1569

1310 Market Street, Suite 300 Wheeling, WV 26003 304.232.1358

749 Wheeling Ave., Suite 300 Cambridge, OH 43725 740.435.3417

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

March 18, 2021

Mansfield-Richland County Public Library Richland County 43 West Third Street Mansfield, Ohio 44902

#### 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 the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements by fund type of the **Mansfield-Richland County Public Library**, Richland County, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 18, 2021, wherein we noted the Library followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit and we noted the Library.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Library's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

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 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 Library'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.

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 internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings that we consider a material weakness. We consider finding 2019-001 to be a material weakness.

Tax - Accounting - Audit - Review - Compilation - Agreed Upon Procedure - Consultation - Bookkeeping - Payroll - Litigation Support - Financial Investigations

Members: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Ohio Society of CPAs • West Virginia Society of CPAs • Association of Certified Fraud Examiners • Association of Certified Anti-Money Laudering Specialists •



Mansfield-Richland County Public Library Richland County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Library'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 financial statements. 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*.

#### Library's Response to Findings

The Library's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings. We did not subject the Library's response to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### **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 Library's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Library's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

Lerry & associates CAPS A. C.

Marietta, Ohio

### MANSFIELD-RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY RICHLAND COUNTY

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

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

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2019-001**

#### **Material Weakness**

#### **Financial Reporting**

The Library is responsible for establishing procedures and controls to help prevent and detect errors in financial reporting. Fund balances should be classified based on Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 – Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions.

During 2019 and 2018, disbursements and fund balances were not always posted or classified correctly. The following errors were noted:

- Disbursements were misclassified as Facilities Operation and Maintenance instead of Capital Outlay in the Building Fund in 2019;
- Fund balance amounts representing encumbrances outstanding at year-end were misclassified as Assigned instead of Committed in the Building and Technology Capital Project Funds in 2019 and 2018; and
- General Fund budget carryover was misclassified as Unassigned instead of Assigned in 2019.

Not posting disbursements or classifying fund balances accurately resulted in the financial statements requiring reclassifications. The financial statements reflect all reclassifications.

To help ensure accuracy and reliability in the financial reporting process, we recommend management perform a detailed review of its draft financial statements. Such review should include procedures to ensure that all disbursements and fund balances are properly identified and classified on the financial statements.

The Fiscal Officer should refer to Auditor of State Technical Bulletin 2011-004 for assistance in properly classifying fund balances.

Official's Response - We have hired a CPA firm to assist with this going forward.





#### **RICHLAND COUNTY**

#### **AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



Certified for Release 6/1/2021