



**MID COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT  
WOOD COUNTY**

**REGULAR AUDIT**

**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022-2021**



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WOOD COUNTY

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Mid County Ambulance District  
Wood County  
P.O. Box 262  
Portage, Ohio 43451-0262

To the Board of Trustees:

***Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements***

***Unmodified and Adverse Opinions***

We have audited the financial statements of Mid County Ambulance District, Wood County, Ohio (the District), which comprises the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements.

***Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting***

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions which Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 2.

***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* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District, as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, or the changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

***Basis for Opinions***

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

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

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the District on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 17, 2024, on our consideration of the District'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. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

January 17, 2024

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**Mid County Ambulance District**  
*Wood County*  
**Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and**  
**Changes In Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis)**  
*All Governmental Fund Types*  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2022**

	General	Special Revenue	Combined Total
<b>Cash Receipts</b>			
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$699,580		\$699,580
Charges for Services		\$121,932	121,932
Miscellaneous	22,329		22,329
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>721,909</u>	<u>121,932</u>	<u>843,841</u>
<b>Cash Disbursements</b>			
Current Disbursements:			
Security of Persons and Property:			
Auditor & Treasurer Fees	7,370		7,370
Contractual Services	14,224	20,466	34,690
Insurance - Health	47,411		47,411
Insurance - Property	10,259		10,259
Miscellaneous	441		441
Payroll - EMS	395,256		395,256
Payroll - Board / Clerk	11,400		11,400
Company Medicare	5,897		5,897
Company PERS	56,380		56,380
Company Unemployment	2,058		2,058
Company FICA	267		267
Company Workers Comp	3,357		3,357
Postage	180		180
Property	1,348		1,348
Repairs & Maintenance	6,328		6,328
Supplies	7,063		7,063
Supplies - Medical	856	15,750	16,606
Utilities	10,383		10,383
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement		79,454	79,454
Interest and Fiscal Charges		6,262	6,262
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>580,478</u>	<u>\$121,932</u>	<u>702,410</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	141,431		141,431
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>997,263</u>		<u>997,263</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$1,138,694</u>		<u>\$1,138,694</u>

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

**Mid County Ambulance District**  
*Wood County*  
*Notes to the Financial Statements*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2022*

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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity**

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of Mid County Ambulance District, Wood County, Ohio (the District) as a body corporate and politic. A four-member Board of Trustees governs the District. Each political subdivision within the District appoints one member. Those subdivisions are Center, Plain, and Portage Townships and the Village of Portage. The District provides ambulance and emergency medical services within the District.

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

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Basis of Presentation***

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

***Fund Accounting***

The District 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 District 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 District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

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

***Ambulance Fund*** The ambulance fund accounts for and reports run income from ambulance and medical services along with expenditures incurred from such activities.

***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 (C). 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 (C) permit.

***Budgetary Process***

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

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

**Mid County Ambulance District**  
*Wood County*  
*Notes to the Financial Statements*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2022*

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

**Encumbrances** The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2022 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

**Deposits and Investments**

The District'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.

**Capital Assets**

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

**Leases**

The District is the lessee in various leases (as defined by GASB 87) related to vehicles, and other equipment under noncancelable leases. Lease revenue/disbursements are recognized when they are received/paid.

**Fund Balance**

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

**Nonspendable** The District classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact. For regulatory purposes, nonspendable fund balance includes unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the District and the nonspendable portion of the corpus in permanent funds.

**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.

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

**Assigned** Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

**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.

**Mid County Ambulance District**  
*Wood County*  
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The District 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.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 11.

**Note 3 – Compliance**

Contrary to Ohio law, appropriations in the Ambulance fund exceeded estimated resources by \$53,000 for the year ended December 31, 2022.

**Note 4 – Budgetary Activity**

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2022 follows:

2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$710,165	\$721,909	\$11,744
Special Revenue	70,000	121,932	51,932
Total	\$780,165	\$843,841	\$63,676

2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$753,550	\$580,478	\$173,072
Special Revenue	123,000	121,932	1,068
Total	\$876,550	\$702,410	\$174,140

**Note 5 – Deposits**

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 was as follows:

	2022
Deposits	\$1,138,694

**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.

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**Note 6 – Property Taxes**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include these credits and/or deduction 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 District.

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

**Note 7 – Risk Management**

***Commercial Insurance***

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

**Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

***Ohio Public Employees Retirement System***

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

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the District contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2022.

**Note 9 – Postemployment Benefits**

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include 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 OPERS members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2022. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2022.

Effective January 1, 2022, OPERS discontinued the group plans currently offered to non-Medicare retirees and re-employed retirees. Instead, eligible non-Medicare retirees will select an individual medical plan. OPERS will provide a subsidy or allowance via an HRA allowance to those retirees who meet health care eligibility requirements. Retirees will be able to seek reimbursement for plan premiums and other qualified medical expenses.

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**Note 10 – Debt**

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2022, was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Ambulance Lease Purchase	\$162,040	2.94%
Ambulance Equipment Lease Purchase	28,496	0.00%
Total	\$190,536	

***Financed Purchase***

The District has entered into financed purchase agreements for a new ambulance and the corresponding equipment where ownership of the underlying assets transfers to the District by the end of the contracts.

The District purchased a new ambulance in February 2020 for \$262,500 from Horton Emergency Vehicles Group and financed it through U.S. Bancorp for a period of 5 years at a 2.94% interest rate.

The District purchased a power pro ambulance cot in March of 2021 for \$85,488 through Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC for a period of 3 years with no interest.

***Amortization***

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

Year Ending December 31:	Financed Purchases
2023	\$85,716
2024	57,220
2025	57,220
Total	\$200,156

**Note 11 – Fund Balances**

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed.

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	General	Special Revenue	Combined Total
<b>Cash Receipts</b>			
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$678,204		\$678,204
Charges for Services		\$72,196	72,196
Miscellaneous	30,392		30,392
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>708,596</u>	<u>72,196</u>	<u>780,792</u>
<b>Cash Disbursements</b>			
Current Disbursements:			
Security of Persons and Property:			
Advertising	28		28
Auditor & Treasurer Fees	6,261		6,261
Audits	1,394		1,394
Contractual Services	11,038		11,038
Equipment	8,512		8,512
Fuel-Diesel	4,504		4,504
Insurance - Health	53,388		53,388
Insurance - Property	10,162		10,162
Legal Fees	154		154
Miscellaneous	427		427
Payroll - EMS	371,838		371,838
Payroll - Board / Clerk	11,700		11,700
Company Medicare	5,561		5,561
Company PERS	60,229		60,229
Company Unemployment	2,255		2,255
Company FICA	279		279
Company Workers Comp	3,442		3,442
Postage	166		166
Property	10,000		10,000
Repairs & Maintenance	11,195		11,195
Supplies	7,436		7,436
Supplies - Medical	11,074	2,196	13,270
Utilities	9,906		9,906
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	15,716	62,282	77,998
Interest and Fiscal Charges		7,718	7,718
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>616,665</u>	<u>\$72,196</u>	<u>688,861</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	91,931		91,931
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>905,332</u>		<u>905,332</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$997,263</u>		<u>\$997,263</u>

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**Mid County Ambulance District**  
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**Mid County Ambulance District**  
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**Note 3 – Compliance**

Contrary to Ohio law, appropriations in the Ambulance fund exceeded estimated resources by \$5,000 for the year ended December 31, 2021.

**Note 4 – Budgetary Activity**

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2021 follows:

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$701,686	\$708,596	\$6,910
Special Revenue	70,000	72,196	2,196
Total	\$771,686	\$780,792	\$9,106

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$723,550	\$616,665	\$106,885
Special Revenue	75,000	72,196	2,804
Total	\$798,550	\$688,861	\$109,689

**Note 5 – Deposits**

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 was as follows:

	2021
Deposits	\$997,263

**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.

**Mid County Ambulance District**  
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**Note 6 – Property Taxes**

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

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**Note 7 – Risk Management**

***Commercial Insurance***

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- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

**Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

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

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the District contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2021.

**Note 9 – Postemployment Benefits**

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include 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 OPERS members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2021. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2021.

**Mid County Ambulance District**  
*Wood County*  
*Notes to the Financial Statements*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

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**Note 10 – Debt**

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2021, was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Ambulance Lease Purchase	\$212,998	2.94%
Ambulance Equipment Lease Purchase	56,992	0.00%
Total	\$269,990	

***Financed Purchase***

The District has entered into financed purchase agreements for a new ambulance and the corresponding equipment where ownership of the underlying assets transfers to the District by the end of the contracts.

The District purchased a new ambulance in February 2020 for \$262,500 from Horton Emergency Vehicles Group and financed it through U.S. Bancorp for a period of 5 years at a 2.94% interest rate.

The District purchased a power pro ambulance cot in March of 2021 for \$85,488 through Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC for a period of 3 years with no interest.

***Amortization***

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

Year Ending December 31:	Financed Purchases
2022	\$85,716
2023	85,716
2024	57,220
2025	57,220
Total	\$285,872

**Note 11 – Fund Balances**

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed.

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

Mid County Ambulance District  
Wood County  
P.O. Box 262  
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 and the related notes to the financial statements of Mid County Ambulance District, Wood County, Ohio (the District) and have issued our report thereon dated January 17, 2024, wherein we noted the District followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(C) permit.

### ***Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purposes of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2022-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

***Report on Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matter that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2022-002.

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



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

January 17, 2024

**MID COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT  
WOOD COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021**

<b>FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS</b>
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**FINDING NUMBER 2022-001**

**Material Weakness**

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, *Terms of Engagement*, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; 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 as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

The following error required adjustment to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022:

- Principal retirement and interest and fiscal charges in the amounts of \$79,454 and \$6,262, respectively, were improperly classified as equipment expenditures in the Ambulance Fund.

The following errors required adjustment to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021:

- Principal retirement and interest and fiscal charges in the amounts of \$62,282 and \$7,718, respectively, were improperly classified as equipment expenditures in the Ambulance Fund; and
- Principal retirement expenditures in the amount of \$15,716 was improperly classified as equipment expenditures in the General Fund.

These errors were the result of inadequate policies and procedures in reviewing the financial statements. Failure to complete accurate financial statements could lead to the District making misinformed decisions. The accompanying financial statements and notes to the financial statements have been adjusted to correct these errors.

The District should adopt policies and procedures, including a final review of the financial statements and notes to the financial statements by the Fiscal Officer and Trustees, to help identify and correct errors and omissions.

## FINDING NUMBER 2022-002

### Noncompliance

**Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.39** provides that total appropriations from each fund shall not exceed the total of the estimated revenue available for expenditure there-from, as certified by the county budget commission, or in case of appeal, by the board of tax appeals. No appropriation measure shall become effective until the county auditor files with the appropriating authority a certificate that the total appropriations from each fund, taken together with all other outstanding appropriations, do not exceed such official estimate or amended official estimate. For purposes of this section of the Ohio Revised Code, estimated revenue is commonly referred to as “estimated resources” because it includes unencumbered fund balances.

At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the District's appropriations exceeded the amount certified as available by the budget commission in the Ambulance fund by \$53,000 and \$5,000, respectively.

Failure to limit appropriations to the amount certified by the budget commission due to deficiencies in the District's compliance monitoring policies and procedures could result in overspending and negative cash fund balances.

The District should draft, approve, and implement procedures to compare appropriations to estimated resources and, if adequate resources are available for additional appropriations, the District should submit an amended certificate of estimated resources to the budget commission for certification. If the resources are not available to cover the appropriations, an amendment to the appropriation resolution should be passed by the Board of Trustees to reduce the appropriations.

### Officials Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to the findings reported above.



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**MID COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT**

**WOOD 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 2/1/2024**

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