REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999-1998



Jim Petro Auditor of State

STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Bucyrus Public Library Crawford County 200 East Mansfield Street Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Bucyrus Public Library, Crawford County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999, and December 31, 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Library prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Library as of December 31, 1999 and December 31, 1998, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 7, 2000, 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 grants.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

June 7, 2000

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

					(Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust Funds	Totals
Cash Receipts:					
Intergovernmental Receipts	\$633,692	\$5,593	\$0	\$0	\$639,285
Patron Fines and Fees	6,968	0	0	0	6,968
Earnings on Investments	24,351	0	0	0	24,351
Contributions, Gifts, and Donations	0	•	•	0.000	0.000
Restricted	0	0	0	3,230	3,230
Unrestricted	1,149 22,565	0	0 0	0	1,149 22,565
Miscellaneous Receipts	22,505	0	0	0	22,305
Total Cash Receipts	688,725	5,593	0	3,230	697,548
Cash Disbursements:					
Current:	000 400	•	0	0	000 400
Salaries and Benefits	266,466	0	0	0 0	266,466
Supplies Purchased and Contracted Services	25,954 96,005	0	0	0	25,954 96,005
Library Materials	100,434	16,375	0	780	117,589
Miscellaneous	2,743	0	0	0	2,743
Capital Outlay	29,495	0	0	0	29,495
Total Cash Disbursements	521,097	16,375	0	780	538,252
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	167,628	(10,782)	0	2,450	159,296
Other Financing Receipts:					
Transfers-In	0	1,149	0	5,000	6,149
Transfers-Out	(6,149)	0	0	0	(6,149)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	(6,149)	1,149	0	5,000	0
	(0,110)			0,000	
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and					
Other Financing Disbursements	161,479	(9,633)	0	7,450	159,296
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	392,414	14,432	110,475	99,606	616,927
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$553,893	\$4,799	\$110,475	\$107,056	\$776,223
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$48,009	\$0	\$0	\$249	\$48,258

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Nonexpendable Trust Funds
Operating Cash Receipts: Earnings on Investments	\$870
Operating Cash Disbursements: Current:	
Library Materials and Information	160
Net Income	710
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	50,783_
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$51,493
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$0_

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

					(Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust Funds	Totals
Cash Receipts:					
Intergovernmental Receipts	\$585,108	\$80,566	\$0	\$0	\$665,674
Patron Fines and Fees	7,055	φ00,000 0	ψ0 0	ψ0 0	7,055
Earnings on Investments	25,508	Ő	0	0	25,508
Contributions, Gifts, and Donations	20,000	0	Ũ	Ũ	20,000
Restricted	2,450	0	0	3,290	5,740
Unrestricted	2,415	0	0	0,200	2,415
Miscellaneous Receipts	20,650	0	0	0	20,650
Total Cash Receipts	643,186	80,566	0	3,290	727,042
Cash Disbursements:					
Current:					
Salaries and Benefits	252,992	0	0	0	252,992
Supplies	25,966	0	0	0	25,966
Purchased and Contracted Services	103,820	8,836	0	0	112,656
Library Materials	101,694	57,298	0	2,833	161,825
Miscellaneous	2,907	0	0	0	2,907
Capital Outlay	30,194	0	0	0	30,194
Total Cash Disbursements	517,573	66,134	0	2,833_	586,540
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	125,613	14,432	0	457	140,502
Other Financing Receipts:					
Transfers-In	5,000	0	0	0	5,000
Transfers-Out	0	0	0	(5,000)	(5,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	5,000	0	0	(5,000)	0
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing					
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	130,613	14,432	0	(4,543)	140,502
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	261,801	0	110,475	104,149	476,425
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$392,414	\$14,432	\$110,475	\$99,606	\$616,927
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$24,526	\$10,770	\$0	\$373	\$35,669

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	Nonexpendable Trust Funds
Operating Cash Receipts: Earnings on Investments Contributions, Gifts, and Donations	\$930 475
Total Operating Cash Receipts	1,405
Operating Cash Disbursements: Current: Library Materials and Information	617
Net Income	788
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	49,995
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$50,783
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$51

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Bucyrus Public Library, Crawford County, Ohio (the Library) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Library is directed by a six-member Board of Trustees appointed by the City of Bucyrus. The Library provides the community with various educational and literary resources.

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

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized 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 prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost. Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Except gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

D. Fund Accounting

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The Library classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Fund

This fund is used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Library had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

LSTA Grant Fund - This fund receives Federal grant money for enhancement of the Bucyrus Library Consortium.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

3. Capital Project Fund

This fund is used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise or trust funds). The Library had the following significant Capital Project Fund:

Building Fund - This fund receives money for the acquisition of an additional building.

4. Fiduciary Funds (Trust Funds)

Trust funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements. If the agreement requires the Library to maintain the corpus of the trust, the fund is classified as a nonexpendable trust fund. Other trust funds are classified as expendable. The Library had the following significant fiduciary funds:

Ursula Mills Expendable Trust Fund - This fund receives money from contributions, gifts, and donations. The revenue earned is used for the purchase of books for the library.

Metzger Nonexpendable Trust Fund - This fund receives money from interest earned on the Metzger Trust. The revenue earned is used for the purchase of books for the library.

E. Budgetary Process

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

1. Appropriations

The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Administrative Code requires the Library to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated. The Library did not always use encumbrances when offering to buy goods or services, such encumbrances are required by the Ohio Administrative Code.

A summary of 1999 and 1998 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

G. Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the cash basis of accounting used by the Library.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Library maintains a cash pool used by all funds except the non-expendable trust funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 follows:

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Deposits	\$118,030	\$208,024
Certificates of Deposit	709,586	459,513
Cash on Hand	100	173
Total deposits and cash on hand	\$827,716	\$667,710

Deposits: Deposits are either insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Library.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 1999 and December 31, 1998 follows:

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$651,977	\$688,725	\$36,748
Special Revenue		5,605	6,742	1,137
Capital Projects		4,080	0	(4,080)
Expendable Trust		6,860	8,230	1,370
Nonexpendable Trust		1,000	870	(130)
	Total	\$669,522	\$704,567	\$35,045

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$580,663	\$527,246	\$53,417
Special Revenue		15,570	16,375	(805)
Capital Projects		118,000	0	118,000
Expendable Trust		15,698	780	14,918
Nonexpendable Trust		5,781	160	5,621
	Total	\$735,712	\$544,561	\$191,151

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$552,686	\$648,186	\$95,500
Special Revenue		94,406	80,566	(13,840)
Capital Projects		4,514	0	(4,514)
Expendable Trust		7,500	3,290	(4,210)
Nonexpendable Trust		973	1,405	432
	Total	\$660,079	\$733,447	\$73,368

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$534,208	\$517,573	\$16,635
Special Revenue		94,406	66,134	28,272
Capital Projects		106,000	0	106,000
Expendable Trust		15,577	7,833	7,744
Nonexpendable Trust		5,725	617	5,108
	Total	\$755,916	\$592,157	\$163,759

4. TAX RECEIPTS

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The LLGSF is allocated to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library on account of any additional revenues realized by the Library.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Library's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 1999 and 1998, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Library contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 1999.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Library has obtained commercial insurance through Auck-Dostal Agency, Inc. of Bucyrus, Ohio for comprehensive property and general liability.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Bucyrus Public Library Crawford County 200 East Mansfield Street Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Bucyrus Public Library, Crawford County, Ohio, (the Library), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999, and December 31, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated June 7, 2000. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Library's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on 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 an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as 1999-00517-001. We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Library in a separate letter dated June 7, 2000.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted a certain matter involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be a reportable condition. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Library's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. The reportable condition is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 1999-00517-002.

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A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we do not believe the reportable condition described above is a material weakness. We also noted matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Library in a separate letter dated June 7, 2000.

This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

June 7, 2000

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

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

FINDING NUMBER	1999-00517-001

Certification by Fiscal Officer

Ohio Admin. Code Section 117-4-14 requires that each board of library trustees shall execute a purchase order when offering to buy goods or services. The amount of each purchase order shall be encumbered as set forth in rule 117-4-07 of the Admin. Code before it is issued.

The Library expended funds without encumbering when offering to buy goods or services in 40% of expenditure transactions tested in 1999 and 1998. Failure to encumber expenditures at the time of the order or contract may result in expenditures exceeding appropriations.

We recommend the Clerk/Treasurer attempt to stay within the requirements of the above noted code section.

FINDING NUMBER	1999-00517-002
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Approval of Expenditures

The Library's small size does not allow an adequate segregation of duties. Also, the Library has experienced turnover in the Clerk/Treasurer position. Since the Clerk/Treasurer is responsible for writing checks, recording them to the accounting system and reconciling accounts, and since the individual is new to this position, it is important that expenditures be approved prior to their issuance.

The Board of Trustees approved all expenditure transactions after payment had been made. Accountability and control over the proper purpose of expenditures is compromised when approval is made subsequent to payment.

We recommend the Board of Trustees approve all expenditures prior to payment to ensure that funds are being expended for a proper public purpose. This recommendation was made in the prior audit.



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED AUGUST 29, 2000