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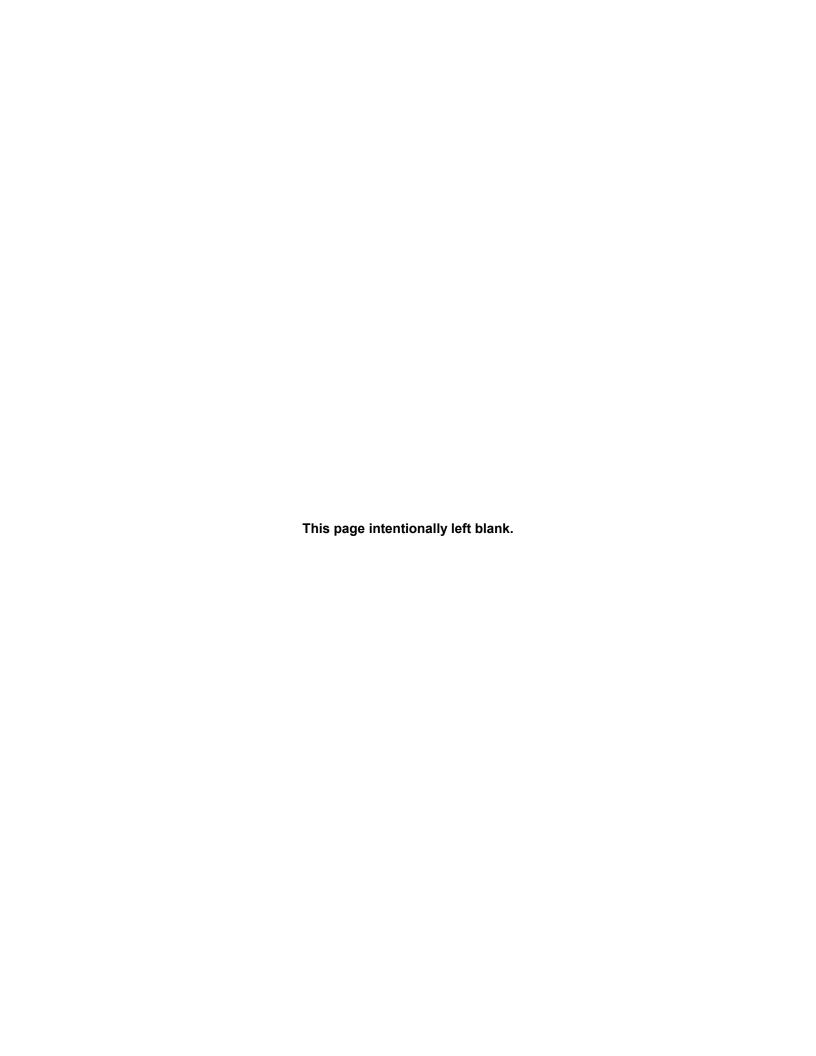
REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Green Township Shelby County 19860 Sidney-Plattsville Rd. Sidney, Ohio 45365

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Green Township, Shelby County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and December 31, 1999. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township'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 Township 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 Township as of December 31, 2000 and December 31, 1999, 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 May 17, 2001, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management, 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

May 17, 2001

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary	
	General	Special Revenue	Fund Type Expendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Local Taxes	\$9,210	\$20,400		\$29,610
Intergovernmental	36,202	62,731		98,933
Special Assessments		713		713
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	716	1,800		2,516
Earnings on Investments	5,289	6,091	\$13	11,393
Other Revenue	89	550		639
Total Cash Receipts	51,506	92,285	13	143,804
Cash Disbursements: Current:				
General Government	43,033	7,420		50,453
Public Safety		7,517		7,517
Public Works		33,400		33,400
Health	6,853	375		7,228
Capital Outlay	5,146			5,146
Total Cash Disbursements	55,032	48,712		103,744
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(3,526)	43,573	13	40,060
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	71,406	119,830	308	191,544
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$67,880	\$163,403	\$321	\$231,604

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

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

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary		
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Fund Type Expendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:						
Local Taxes	\$8,263	\$18,546			\$26,809	
Intergovernmental	38,219	58,859	\$19,977		117,055	
Special Assessments		509			509	
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	738	700			1,438	
Earnings on Investments	25,307	5,144		\$8	30,459	
Other Revenue	10	800			810_	
Total Cash Receipts	72,537	84,558	19,977	8	177,080	
Cash Disbursements: Current:						
General Government	42,760	7,670			50,430	
Public Safety		4,148			4,148	
Public Works		57,740			57,740	
Health	6,609	125			6,734	
Capital Outlay			19,977		19,977	
Total Cash Disbursements	49,369	69,683	19,977		139,029	
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	23,168	14,875		8	38,051	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	48,238	104,955		300	153,493	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$71,406	\$119,830	<u>\$0</u>	\$308	\$191,544	
Reserve for Encumbrance, December 31, 1999	\$1,452	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	\$1,452	

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

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Fiduciary Fund Type
	Agency
Operating Disbursements: Purchased Services	\$707,545
Non-Operating Receipts and Disbursements: Intergovernmental Receipts	707,545
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	0
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	0
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$0</u>

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Green Township, Shelby County, (the Township) 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 Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance and cemetery maintenance. The Township contracts with the Port Jefferson Fire Department to provide fire services and Perry-Port-Salem Rescue Service to provide ambulance services.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township 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 and Investments

The Township has a checking account, Money Market account, and two certificates of deposits, which are valued at cost.

D. Fund Accounting

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

1. General Fund:

The General Fund 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 Funds:

These funds are 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 Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Motor Vehicle Tax Fund - This fund receives permissive motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

Lighting Assessment Fund - This fund receives money from a special assessment levied against Township property owners to provide street lighting for residents.

Cemetery Fund - This fund receives money from the sale of plots and the opening and closing of graves to be used for cemetery upkeep.

Fire Fund - This fund receives property tax money to provide fire protection to the Township residents.

Rescue Fund - This fund receives property tax money to provide rescue services to the Township residents.

3. Capital Project Funds:

These funds are 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 Township had the following significant capital project fund in 1999:

Public Works Projects - The Township, in conjunction with other Shelby County townships, received a grant from the State of Ohio to repair the Township roads.

4. Fiduciary Funds: (Agency Fund and Trust Fund)

These funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements and funds for which the Township is acting in an agency capacity. The Township had the following significant fiduciary funds in 2000:

Cemetery Bequest Funds - Expendable trust fund. Amounts donated are maintained in perpetuity. Investment earnings are used for grave upkeep as specified by the donor.

Multi-Township Road Project Fund - Agency fund. This fund accounts for money received for other Townships for a joint road work project.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 and 1999 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

2. Estimated Resources

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

3. Encumbrances

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

A summary of 2000 and 1999 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

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.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Demand deposits	\$5,905	\$20,023
Certificates of Deposit	<u>225,699</u>	<u>171,521</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$231,604</u>	<u>\$191,544</u>

Deposits: Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 and 1999 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2000 and 1999 follows:

2000	Budgeted	vs. Actual	Receipts
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Fund Type	_	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue Expendable Trust		\$35,365 88,411 12_	\$51,506 92,285 13	\$16,141 3,874 1
	Total	\$123,788	\$143,804	\$20,016

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue Expendable Trust		\$108,222 208,235 320	\$55,032 48,712 0	\$53,190 159,523 320
	Total	\$316,777	\$103,744	\$213,033

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$30,767	\$72,537	\$41,770
Special Revenue		80,324	84,558	4,234
Capital Projects		0	19,977	19,977
Expendable Trust		12	8	(4)
Agency		921,145	707,545	(213,600)
	Total	\$1,032,248	\$884,625	(\$147,623)

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$79,829	\$50,821	\$29,008
Special Revenue		184,422	69,683	114,739
Capital Projects		19,977	19,977	0
Expendable Trust		322	0	322
Agency		747,350	707,545	39,805
	Total	\$1,031,900	\$848,026	\$183,874

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 and 1999 (Continued)

4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, 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 Township.

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

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

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement 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. PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for January 1999 through June 2000 and an amount equal to 8.13% of participants' gross salaries for July 2000 through December 2000. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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

The Township also provides health insurance coverage to full-time employees through a private carrier.

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

Green Township Shelby County 19860 Sidney-Plattsville Rd. Sidney, Ohio 45365

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Green Township, Shelby County, (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and December 31, 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated May 17, 2001. 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 Township'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 no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 17, 2001.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township'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. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. 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. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 17, 2001.

Green Township Shelby County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

This report is intended for the information and use of the management and 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

May 17, 2001



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SHELBY COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JUNE 26, 2001