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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

General Health District Fairfield County 1587 Granville Pike Lancaster. Ohio 43130

To Members of the Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the General Health District, Fairfield County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 District 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 District as of December 31, 2001, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the year 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 25, 2002 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 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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We performed our audit to form an opinion on the financial statements of the District taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of federal awards expenditures is presented for additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the financial statements. We subjected this information to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Board 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 then these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

June 25, 2002

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Taxes	\$350,575	\$0	\$350,575
Intergovernmental	53,401	830,466	883,867
Charges for Services	59,601	93,978	153,579
Licenses and Permits	108,972	272,194	381,166
Fines and Forfeitures	0	1,930	1,930
Other receipts	9,294	14,135	23,429
Total Cash Receipts	581,843	1,212,703	1,794,546
Cash Disbursements:			
Public Safety	0	321,783	321,783
Health	630,967	967,864	1,598,831
Total Disbursements	630,967	1,289,647	1,920,614
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(49,124)	(76,944)	(126,068)
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):			
Transfers-In	3,732	49,552	53,284
Advances-In	57,001	52,826	109,827
Transfers-Out	(49,552)	(3,732)	(53,284)
Advances-Out	(52,826)	(57,001)	(109,827)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	(41,645)	41,645	0
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing			
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(00.760)	(25, 200)	(406.000)
and Other Financing Disbursements	(90,769)	(35,299)	(126,068)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	233,974	181,048	415,022
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$143,205	\$145,749	\$288,954
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$36,998	\$9,816	\$46,814

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Fairfield County General Health District, Fairfield County, Ohio, (the District) 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 as defined by Section 3709.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. The District is directed by an appointed five-member Board and a Health Commissioner as provided by Section 3709.03 of the Ohio Revised Code.

As provided in Section 3709.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, each general health district board shall study and record the prevalence of disease within its District and provide for the prompt diagnosis and control of communicable diseases. The Board may also provide for the medical and dental supervision of school children, for the free treatment of cases of venereal diseases, for the inspection of schools, public institutions, jails, workhouses, children's homes, infirmaries, and county homes, and other charitable, benevolent, and correctional institutions. The Board may also provide for the inspection of dairies, stores, restaurants, hotels, and other places where food is manufactured, handled, stored, sold, or offered for sale, and for the medical inspection of persons employed therein. The Board may also provide for the inspection and abatement of nuisances dangerous to public health or comfort, and may take such steps as are necessary to protect the public health and to prevent disease. The District issues health-related licenses and permits

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District 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

As required by Ohio Revised Code, the Fairfield County Treasurer is custodian for the District's cash. The District's assets are held in the County's cash and investment pool, and are valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying amount. The District's portion of this pool for year ended December 31, 2001 is \$288,954. The disclosures of the County's deposits and investments at December 31, 2001, are made in the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The District 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 restricted by law or contract.

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 District had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Fund - This is a Federal grant fund used to account for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program.

Solid Waste Fund – This fund accounts for sewage inspection fees and grants received.

E. Budgetary Process

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

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function and object level of control and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure and amendments thereto. 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 Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2001 budgetary activity appears in Note 2.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 (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. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under District's basis of accounting.

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the year follows:

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Budgeted	Actual	
Receipts	Receipts	Variance
\$561,450	\$585,575	\$24,125
1,218,086	1,262,255	44,169
\$1,779,536	\$1,847,830	\$68,294
	Receipts \$561,450 1,218,086	Receipts Receipts \$561,450 \$585,575 1,218,086 1,262,255

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$746,574	\$717,517	\$29,057
Special Revenue	1,341,616	1,303,195	38,421
Total	\$2,088,190	\$2,020,712	\$67,478

3. INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNDING

The County apportions the excess of the District's appropriations over other estimated receipts among the townships and municipalities composing the District, based on their taxable property valuations. The County withholds the apportioned excess from property tax settlements and distributes it to the District. These amounts are included in intergovernmental receipts in the financial statements.

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The District's full-time 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 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. For 2001, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The District contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 (Continued)

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk Pool Membership

The District belongs to the Public Entities Pool of Ohio ("PEP"), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio local governments. PEP provides property and casualty insurance for its members. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member governments pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty Insurance

PEP retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$250,000 are reinsured with APEEP up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$5,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect additional coverage, from \$2,000,000 to \$10,000,000, from the General Reinsurance Corporation.

If losses exhaust PEP's retained earnings, APEEP covers PEP losses up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to a per-claim limit of \$2,000,000.

Property Insurance

PEP retains property risks, including automobile physical damage up to \$100,000 on any specific loss. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures specific losses exceeding \$100,000. The Travelers Indemnity Company also provides aggregate excess coverage for property including automobile physical damage subject to an annual stop loss. When the stop loss is reached in any year, The Travelers Indemnity Company provides coverage in excess of \$10,000.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge PEP's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective government.

Financial Position

PEP's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities, and retained earnings at December 31: (the most current information available)

Casualty Coverage	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Assets	\$17,112,129	\$15,295,389
Liabilities	<u>7,715,035</u>	6,636,543
Retained Earnings	<u>\$9,397,094</u>	\$8,658,846
Property Coverage	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Assets	\$1,575,614	\$1,118,222
Liabilities	<u>281,561</u>	<u>279,871</u>
Retained Earnings	<u>\$1,294,053</u>	<u>\$838,351</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 (Continued)

6. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

The Fairfield County Agency Transportation Systems, Inc. (FairCATS) was created in March, 2001 as a legally separate organization under Chapter 1702 of the ORC This organization coordinates transportation services within Fairfield County.

The Board of Trustees is the governing body. The board consists of 12 trustees which serve for three years each. Not more than one third of the members can be from for profit entities. Member organizations of FairCATS may be any individual, public or private entities. All members pay an annual membership fee of \$500.

The Fairfield County MRDD is the Lead Agency and administers the organization. The project is contingent upon the continued availability of state and local funds. The District has no equity interest and no debt obligations, nor is the existence of this organization dependent upon members from the District.

7. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, based on prior experience, management believes such refunds, if any, would not be material.

8. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Fairfield County General Health District merged with the Lancaster City Health Department effective January 1, 2002.

On June 24, 2002, the Auditor of State of Ohio initiated a special audit of the District's "Household Aeration Systems within the Clear Creek Watershed" project that was funded by federal funds passed through the Ohio EPA. The results of this special audit are not known at this time.

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SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001 (CASH BASIS)

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor Program Title	Pass Through Entity Number	Federal CFDA Number	Disbursements
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Passed Through Ohio Department of Health Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Passed Through Ohio Department of Health	2310012A201	10.557	\$221,814
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grants Basic Grant Nutrition Cancer Risk Elder Health Physical Activity Project Total Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grants	23101PBP387 23101PBI387 23101PAP387 23101PBN387	93.991 93.991 93.991 93.991	69 1,388 1,705 663 3,825
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant Immunization Grants	23101FCGGPF 2310012AZ01	93.994 93.268	124,228 25,142
Passed through Fairfield County Jobs and Family Services			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families		93.558	9,282
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			162,477
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Passed through Ohio Department of Public Safety			
State and Community Highway Safety	23000HDO	20.600	35,131
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Passed through Ohio Environmental Protection Agency			
Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants	C995009980	66.460	71,122
Total Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures			\$490,544

The accompanying notes to this schedule are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

NOTE A-SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures (the schedule) summarizes the activity of the District's federal award programs. The schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented on this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements.



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

General Health District Fairfield County 1587 Granville Pike Lancaster, Ohio 43130

To Members of the Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the General Health District, Fairfield County, Ohio, (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated June 25, 2002. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted by 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District'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 certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated June 25, 2002.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District'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 District in a separate letter dated June 25, 2002.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Board, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

June 25, 2002



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

General Health District Fairfield County 1587 Granville Pike Lancaster, Ohio 43130

To Members of the Board:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the General Health District, Fairfield County, Ohio, (the District) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2001. The District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the District's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2001.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

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Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control 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 noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program 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 compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Board, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

June 25, 2002

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A-133 § .505 DECEMBER 31, 2001

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS¹

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other reportable control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other reportable internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under § .510?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, CFDA # 10.557
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes

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

None

3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None



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GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT

FAIRFIELD 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 AUGUST 6, 2002