REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001-2000



JIM PETRO AUDITOR OF STATE

STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau Miami County 405 S.W. Public Square, Suite 272 P.O. Box 159 Troy, Ohio 45373

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau (the Bureau) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Bureau'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 Bureau 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balance of the Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and its 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 April 12, 2002 on our consideration of the Bureau'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 audit committee, 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.

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Jim Petro Auditor of State

April 12, 2002

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN FUND CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	General Fund
Cash Receipts:	
County Hotel/Motel Tax	\$264,667
Advertising	1,950
Earnings on Investments	5,151
Special Projects	5,712
Miscellaneous Revenue	2,814
Total Cash Receipts	280,294
Cash Disbursements:	
Administration	
Salary & Benefits	114,589
Operations	7 000
Rent	7,260
Utilities	7,260 14,603
Office Expense Purchased Services	14,603
Equipment Lease	4,309
Capital Outlay	7,473
Miscellaneous	4,695
Miscellareous	4,000
Total Operations	60,864
Marketing	
Advertisement	49,388
Printing	13,735
Promotions	15,120
Meetings, Shows, & Seminars	17,847
Outside Services	4,163
Dues & Membership	9,903
Special Projects	26,432
Total Marketing	136,588
Total Cash Disbursements	312,041
Total Receipts (Under) Disbursements	(31,747)
Cash Balance, January 1	164,560
Cash Balance, December 31	\$132,813

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

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN FUND CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	General Fund
Cash Receipts:	
County Hotel/Motel Tax	\$280,886
Advertising	17,723
Earnings on Investments	4,776
Special Projects	10,130
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,845_
Total Cash Receipts	315,360_
Cash Disbursements:	
Administration	
Salary & Benefits	104,440
Operations	
Rent	7,260
Utilities	7,284
Office Expense	11,872
Purchased Services	12,800
Equipment Lease	4,313
Capital Outlay Missellanasus	21,295
Miscellaneous	3,863_
Total Operations	68,687
Marketing	
Advertisement	36,452
Printing	44,630
Promotions	17,913
Meetings, Shows, & Seminars	13,847
Outside Services	3,619
Dues & Membership	12,922
Special Projects	9,768
Total Marketing	139,151_
Total Cash Disbursements	312,278_
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	3,082
Cash Balance, January 1	161,478_
Cash Balance, December 31	\$164,560

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau, Miami County, (the Bureau) 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 Bureau was founded in July 1990 as a private, not-for-profit organization (501-C6). The Bureau is directed by an appointed twelve member Board of Trustees. The Bureau serves the public by encouraging economic development of the County through the promotion of tourism.

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

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

D. Fund Accounting

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

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources of the Bureau.

E. Budgetary Process

The Bureau prepares an annual budget for it's fund and files the budget with the Miami County Commissioners. There is no legal requirement for the Bureau to prepare a budget.

A summary of 2001 and 2000 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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 the Bureau's basis of accounting.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	2001	2000
Demand deposits Certificates of deposit	\$91,165 41,648	\$108,704 55,856
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Total deposits	132,813	164,560

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000 follows:

	2001 Budgeted vs. Actua	ai Receipis	
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$289,065	\$280,294	(\$8,771)
2001 Budg	geted vs. Actual Budgeta	ry Basis Expenditur	es
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$313,473	\$312,041	\$1,432
	2000 Budgeted vs. Actu	al Receipts	
	Budgeted	Actual	
Eurod Tyrno	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
Fund Type			
General	\$300,500	\$315,360	\$14,860
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General			
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General			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Bureau's employees are not considered government employees so they belong to the Social Security System. 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 2001 and 2000, members of Social Security System contributed 6.2% of their gross salaries. The Bureau contributed an amount equal to 6.2% of participants' gross salaries. The Bureau has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Bureau has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

• Comprehensive property and general liability;

The Bureau is uninsured for the following risks:

- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

The Bureau also provides health insurance 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*

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau (the Bureau) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated April 12, 2002. 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bureau'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 the 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 Bureau in a separate letter dated April 12, 2002.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bureau'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 that might be material 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 Bureau in a separate letter dated April 12, 2002.

Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau Miami County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

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April 12, 2002



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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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED MAY 9, 2002