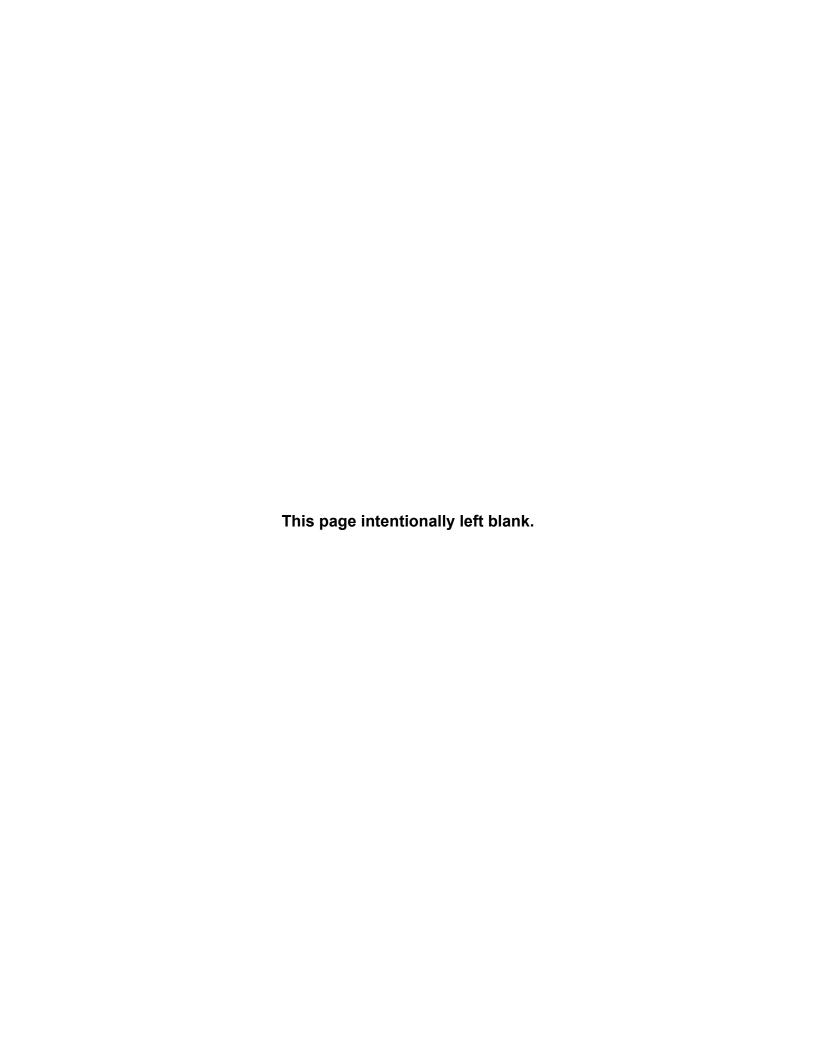




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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Gibsonburg Union Cemetery Sandusky County 315 S. Main St. Gibsonburg, OH 43431-1340

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Gibsonburg Union Cemetery, Sandusky County (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits 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 audits 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Cemetery 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 fund cash balance of the Gibsonburg Union Cemetery, Sandusky County, as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, 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 [date of report] on our consideration of the Cemetery'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 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.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

March 19, 2003

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	General
Cash Receipts: Local Taxes Intergovernmental Charges for Services Sale of Lots Interest Miscellaneous	\$43,846 4,725 14,600 2,688 4,558 28
Total Cash Receipts	70,445
Cash Disbursements: Current: Salaries Supplies Contracts - Repair Contracts - Services Public Employees' Retirement Miscellaneous	24,756 2,046 1,620 4,200 3,339 18,881
Total Disbursements	54,842
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	15,603
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	74,267
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	<u>\$89,870</u>

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

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

	General
Cash Receipts:	
Local Taxes	\$34,900
Intergovernmental	4,698
Charges for Services	14,110
Sale of Lots	2,350
Interest	1,897
Miscellaneous	1,335
Total Cash Receipts	59,290
Cash Disbursements: Current:	22.242
Salaries	22,816
Supplies Equipment	3,060 215
Contracts - Repair	1,801
Contracts - Services	5,526
Public Employees' Retirement	3,091
Miscellaneous	7,316
Total Disbursements	43,825
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	15,465
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	58,802
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$74,267

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

Gibsonburg Union Cemetery, Sandusky County (the Cemetery) 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 Cemetery is directed by an appointed three-member Board of Trustees. The Board is appointed by Gibsonburg Village Council and Madison Township Trustees. These entities also provide funding to meet the Cemetery's operating costs under the agreement which established the Cemetery. The Cemetery provides grounds maintenance, opening and closing of graves, and the sale of grave lots.

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

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Cemetery uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The Cemetery classifies its fund as the following type:

#### 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.

#### E. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

#### 2. EQUITY IN CASH

The Cemetery maintains cash used by its fund. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 follows:

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

4,870	\$19,267
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9,870	\$74,267
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Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

#### 3. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Cemetery's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The 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 2002 and 2001, OPERS employee members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2002 and 2001. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2002.

#### 4. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Gibsonburg Union Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability.
- Vehicles.
- Inland Marine.



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

Gibsonburg Union Cemetery Sandusky County 315 S. Main St. Gibsonburg, OH 43431-1340

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Gibsonburg Union Cemetery, Sandusky County (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated March 19, 2003. We conducted our audits 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 Cemetery'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 Cemetery in a separate letter dated March 19, 2003.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Cemetery'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

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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 Cemetery in a separate letter dated March 19, 2003.

This report is intended solely 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.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

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March 19, 2003



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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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED APRIL 15, 2003