

SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Financial Condition

As of

March 31, 2003

Together with Auditors' Report



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

Board of Commissioners
Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority

We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority, Seneca County, prepared by Kevin L. Penn, Inc. for the audit period April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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BETTY MONTGOMERY
Auditor of State

October 10, 2003

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**SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
TIFFIN, OHIO**

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Trustees
Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority
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I have audited the accompanying statement of net assets of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority, as of March 31, 2003 and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 I 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. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority, as of March 31, 2003, and the changes in fund balances and current funds, revenues, expenditures and other changes for the year ended March 31, 2003 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 1, to the financial statements, effective April 1, 2002, the Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, GASB Statement No. 37, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments: Omnibus, an amendment of GASB Statements No. 21 and No. 34, and GASB No.38, Certain Financial Statements Note Disclosures.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) on pages 4 – 10, is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplemental information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The MD&A has been reviewed in accordance with the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Such a review, however, is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion on the MD&A information.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated July 19, 2003 on my consideration of the Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and my 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 result of my audit.

My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. In addition, the financial data schedule, pages 20 to 22 are presented for additional analysis as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These schedules are the responsibility of management of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Kevin L. Penn, Inc.

August 4, 2003

Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

The Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's (the Authority's) management's discussion and analysis is designed to (a) assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, (b) provide an overview of the Authority's financial activity, (c) identify changes in the Authority's financial position (its ability to address the next and subsequent fiscal year challenges), and (d) identify individual fund issues or concerns.

This Management Discussion and Analysis is new, and will now be presented at the front of each year's financial statements.

Since the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is designed to focus on the current years activities, resulting changes and currently known facts, please read it in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements (beginning on page 10).

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- During FY2003, the Authority's net assets increased by a total of \$14,852 (or 68.6%). Since the Authority engages only in business-type activities, the increase is all in the category of business-type net assets. Net Assets were \$21,650 and \$36,502 for FY2002 and FY2003 respectively.
- The revenue increased by \$133,561 (or 27%) during FY2003, and was \$494,693 and \$628,254 for FY2002 and FY2003 respectively.
- The total expenses of the Authority increased by \$127,818 (or 26.3%). Total expenses were \$485,584 and \$613,402 for FY2002 and FY2003 respectively.

The primary focus of the Authority's financial statement (summarized fund-type information) has been discarded. The new and clearly preferable focus is on both the Authority as a whole (Authority-wide) and the major individual funds. Both perspectives (authority-wide and major fund) allow the user to address relevant questions, broaden a basis for comparison (year to year or Authority to Authority) and enhance the Authority's accountability.

Authority-Wide Financial Statements

The Authority-wide financial statements (see pgs 10-11) are designed to be corporate-like in that all business type activities are consolidated into columns, which add to a total for the entire Authority.

These Statements include a Statement of Net Assets, which is similar to a Balance Sheet. The Statement of Net Assets reports all financial and capital resources for the Authority. The statement is presented in the format where assets, minus liabilities, equals "Net Assets", formerly known as equity. Assets and liabilities are presented in order of liquidity, and are classified as "Current" (convertible into cash within one year), and "Non-current".

The focus of the Statement of Net Assets (the “Unrestricted Net Assets”) is designed represent the net available liquid (non-capital) assets, net of liabilities, for the entire Authority. Net Assets (formerly equity) are reported in three broad categories:

Net Assets, Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt: This component of Net Assets consists of all Capital Assets, reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted Net Assets: This component of Net Assets consists of restricted assets, when constraints are placed on the asset by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, laws, regulations, etc.

Unrestricted Net Assets: Consists of Net Assets that do not meet the definition of “Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt”, or “Restricted Net Assets”.

The Authority-wide financial statements also include a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets (similar to an Income Statement). This Statement includes Operating Revenues, such as rental income, Operating Expenses, such as administrative, utilities, and maintenance, and depreciation, and Non-Operating Revenue and Expenses, such as grant revenue, investment income and interest expense.

The focus of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets is the “Change in Net Assets”, which is similar to Net Income or Loss.

Finally, Statement of Cash Flows (see page 12) is included, which discloses net cash provided by, or used for operating activities, non-capital financing activities, and from capital and related financing activities.

Fund Financial Statements

Traditional users of governmental financial statements will find the Fund Financial Statements presentation more familiar. The focus is now on Major Funds, rather than fund types. The Authority consists of exclusively Enterprise Funds. Enterprise funds utilize the full accrual basis of accounting. The Enterprise method of accounting is similar to accounting utilized by the private sector accounting.

Many of the funds maintained by the Authority are required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Others are segregated to enhance accountability and control.

The Authority’s Funds

Business Type Funds

Housing Choice Voucher Program – Under the Housing Choice Voucher Program, the Authority administers contracts with independent landlords that own the property. The Authority subsidizes the family’s rent through a Housing Assistance Payment made to the landlord. The program is administered under and Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) with HUD. HUD provides Annual Contributions Funding to enable the Authority to structure a lease that sets the participants’ rent at 30% of adjusted household income.

Business Activities – represents non-HUD resources developed from a variety of activities.

AUTHORITY-WIDE STATEMENT

Statement of Net Assets

The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Net Assets compared to prior year. The Authority is engaged only in Business-Type Activities.

TABLE 1
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

	FY 2003	FY 2002
Current and Other Assets	\$ 55,429	\$ 75,609
Capital Assets	831	1,264
Total Assets	56,260	76,873
Other Liabilities	19,758	55,223
Long-Term Liabilities	0	0
Total Liabilities	19,758	55,223
Net Assets:		
Invested in Capital Assets,		
Net of Related Debt	831	1,264
Restricted	- 0 -	- 0 -
Unrestricted	35,671	20,386
Total Net Assets	\$ 36,502	\$ 21,650

For more detailed information see page 10 for the Statement of Net Assets.

Major Factors Affecting the Statement of Net Assets

Current assets were reduced by \$20,613 in FY2003 and liabilities were also reduced by \$35,464. Current assets (primarily cash and investments) were used to extinguish liabilities. There were also no prepaid Hud Advance funds at the end of fiscal year 2003 where as there was in fiscal year FY2002.

Capital assets did not change significantly, decreasing from \$1,264 to \$831. The \$433 decrease is attributed primarily to the current year's depreciation (\$433). For more detail see "Capital Assets and Debt Administration" below.

Table 2 presents details on the change in Unrestricted Net Assets

TABLE 2
CHANGE OF UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Unrestricted Net Assets 3/31/2002		\$ 20,386
Results of Operations	14,852	
Adjustments:		
Depreciation (1)	433	
Adjusted Results from Operations		15,285
Capital Expenditures		<u>(0)</u>
Unrestricted Net Assets 3/31/03		<u><u>\$ 35,671</u></u>

(1) Depreciation is treated as an expense and reduces the results of operations but does not have an impact on Unrestricted Net Assets

While the result of operations is a significant measure of the Authority's activities, the analysis of the changes in Unrestricted Net Assets provides a clearer change in financial well-being.

TABLE 3**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

The following schedule compares the revenues and expenses for the current and previous fiscal year. The Authority is engaged only in Business-Type Activities.

	FY 2003	FY 2002 *
Revenues		
HUD PHA Operating Grants	\$ 628,093	\$ 494,602
Investment Income	162	91
Other Revenues – Fraud Recovery	0	0
Total Revenue	<u>628,255</u>	<u>494,693</u>
Expenses		
Administrative	71,978	66,779
Maintenance	5,513	3,444
General	3,574	3,298
Housing Assistance Payments	531,905	412,027
Depreciation	433	36
Total Expenses	<u>613,403</u>	<u>485,584</u>
Net Increase	<u>\$ 14,852</u>	<u>\$ 9,109</u>

* - Certain amounts in the 2002 condensed statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets have been reclassified to conform to the 2003 presentation.

MAJOR FACTORS AFFECTING THE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

HUD PHA Operating Grants and Housing Assistance Payments increased due to the 18% increase in leasing. During FY 2003 the Authority had 2247 unit months as compared to 1900 unit months in FY 2002. This increased the Authorities leasing rate from 84.7% to just over 100%. There was also an increase in Payment Standards that would also increase the amount of Housing Assistance Payments

Administrative Expenses and Maintenance Expense increased also because of the 18% increase in leasing. Additionally, the Authority had a staff increase from the hiring of an inspector in January 2003 at 2 days per week.

Most other expenses increased moderately due to inflation. Depreciation increased because of the purchase of a computer on 3/31/02 thus fiscal year 2003 had a full year of depreciation.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

As of year-end, the Authority had \$831 invested in capital assets as reflected in the following schedule, which represents a net decrease (addition, deductions and depreciation).

TABLE 4

**CAPITAL ASSETS AT YEAR-END
(NET OF DEPRECIATION)**

	Business-type Activities	
	FY 2003	FY 2002
Equipment – Administrative	\$ 12,217.24	\$ 14,534.66
Accumulated Depreciation	(11,386.24)	(13,270.66)
Total	<u>\$ 831.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,264.00</u>

The following reconciliation summarizes the change in Capital Assets, which is presented in detail on page 13 of the notes.

TABLE 5

CHANGE IN CAPITAL ASSETS

	Business Type Activities
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,264
Additions	0
Depreciation	<u>(433)</u>
Beginning Balance	<u>\$ 831</u>

Debt Outstanding

As of year-end, the Authority has no outstanding debt (bonds, notes, etc.)

ECONOMIC FACTORS

Significant economic factors affecting the Authority are as follows:

- Federal funding of the Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Local labor supply and demand, which can affect salary and wage rates
- Local inflationary, recession and employment trends, which can affect resident incomes and therefore the amount of housing assistance
- Inflationary pressure on utility rates, supplies and other costs

FINANCIAL CONTACT

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SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
MARCH 31, 2002

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 1)	\$53,834
Accounts Receivable - Fraud Recovery	184
Prepaid Expenses	1,411

Total Current Assets	55,429

Non-Current Assets

Property and Equipment - Net (Note 1)	831

Total Non-Current Assets	831

TOTAL ASSETS	\$56,260

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$908
Accounts Payable - HUD	18,559
Accrued Wages and Payroll Taxes	107

Total Current Liabilities	19,574

Non-Current Liabilities

Undistributed Credits - Fraud Recovery	184

Total Non-Current Liabilities	184

Total Liabilities	19,758

Net Assets

Invested in Capital Assets	183
Retained Earnings	36,319

Total Net Assets	\$36,502
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

Operating Revenue:

HUD Operating Subsidies and Grants	\$628,093

Total Operating Revenue	628,093

Operating Expenses:

Housing Assistance Payments	531,905
Administrative Salaries	3,160
Employee Benefits	474
Other Administrative Expense	68,344
Material and Labor - Maintenance	5,513
Depreciation Expense	433
General Expenses	3,574

Total Operating Expenses	613,403

Operating Income (Loss)	14,690

Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)

Investment Income - Unrestricted	162

Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	162

Change in Net Assets	14,852
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	21,650

Net Assets - End of Year	\$36,502
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:

Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(\$73,857)
Cash payments for salaries and benefits	(3,634)
Housing assistance payments	(531,905)
HUD operating subsidies and grants	620,949
Other receipts	
Other payments	(7,953)

Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	3,600

Cash Flows From Non-Capital Financing:

Net Cash Provided (Used) by Non-Capital Financing	0

Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:

Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	0

Cash Flows From Investing Activities:

Investment Income	162

Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	162

Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,762
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	50,072

Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$53,834
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used in Operating Activities:	
Operating Income (Loss)	\$14,690
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:	
Depreciation	433
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) decrease in assets:	
Accounts Receivable	23,587
Prepaid Expenses	355
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	13,731
Accrued expenses	94
Deferred Revenue	(49,290)

Net cash used in operating activities	\$3,600
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
FINDLAY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2003**

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

A. Organization

The Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority (HMHA) is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio, located in Tiffin, Ohio, created under Section 3735.27 of the Ohio Revised Code, to engage in the acquisition, development, leasing and administration of low-rent housing program.

An Annual Contributions Contract was signed by the HMHA and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), under the provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437) Section 1.1. The Authority was also created in accordance with state law to eliminate housing conditions, which are detrimental to the public peace, health, safety, morals, or welfare by purchasing, acquiring constructing, maintaining, operating, improving, extending, and repairing housing facilities.

The nucleus of the financial reporting entity as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 is the "primary government". A fundamental characteristic of a primary government is that it is fiscally independent entity. In evaluating how to define the financial reporting entity, management has considered all potential component units. A component unit is a legally separate entity for which the primary government is financially accountable. The criteria of financial accountability, is the ability of the primary government to impose its will upon the potential component unit. This criteria, was considered in determining the reporting entity.

B. Basis of Accounting

The Authority has prepared its financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Effective April 1, 2002, the Authority implement GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments, Statement No. 37, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus, an amendment of GASB Statements No. 21 and No. 34, and Statement No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Disclosures. These statements revise accounting and reporting standards for general purpose external financial reporting by governmental units. The Authority now follows the business-type activities reporting requirements of GASB Statement No. 34. In accordance with GASB statement No. 34, the accompanying basic financial statements are reported on an Authority-wide basis.

Statement No. 34 requires the following, which collectively make up the Authority's basic financial statements:

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Basic Financial Statements:

Statement of Net Assets

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

Statement of Cash Flows

Notes to the Financial Statements

**SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
FINDLAY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2003**

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (continued)

B. Basis of Accounting (continued)

No cumulative effect adjustments to net assets as of April 1, 2002 were required in connection with the implementation of the GASB statement described above.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the Authority has elected not to apply the provisions of the Statements and Interpretations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued after November 30, 1989. The Authority will continue to apply all applicable pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

C. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is recorded at cost. Costs that materially add to the productive capacity or extend the life of an asset are capitalized, while maintenance and repair costs are expensed as incurred.

Useful life of property and equipment is as follows:

Equipment	7 Years
Autos	5 Years

Depreciation is recorded on the straight-line method. Total depreciation expense for the 2003 fiscal year was \$433.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Authority considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

E. Investments

Investments are stated at fair value. Cost-based measures of fair value were applied to nonnegotiable certificates of deposit and money market investment.

F. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
FINDLAY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2003**

NOTE 2 – Deposits and Investments:

State statutes classify monies held by the Authority into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Authority's Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Authority has identified as not required for use within the current two year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of Authority's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

The Authority's deposits are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity at year end. Category 1, includes deposits that are insured or collateralized with securities held by the Authority or its safekeeping agent in the Authority's name. Category 2, includes uninsured deposits collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or safekeeping agent in the Authority's name. Category 3, includes uninsured and uncollateralized with securities held by the pledging institution, or by its trust department or safekeeping agent, but not in the Authority's name.

The following show the Authority's deposits (bank balances) in each category:

Category 1.	\$55,349 was covered by federal depository insurance.
Category 2.	None

The book balance at March 31, 2003 was \$53,809.

**SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
FINDLAY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2003**

NOTE 3 – Property and Equipment:

A summary of property and equipment at March 31, 2003, by class is as follows:

Furniture, Equipment – Administrative	\$ 12,217
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(11,386)
Net Property and Equipment	<u>\$ 831</u>

NOTE 4 – Administrative Fee:

The Authority receives and “administrative fee” as part of the annual contributions from HUD to cover the costs (including overhead) of administering the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Programs. The fee is a percentage of a HUD determined based rate for each unit per month under HAP contracts. The rates are as follows:

Vouchers:

Units per month x \$40.60/units – July to September
Units per month x \$42.17/units – October to June

NOTE 5 – Allocation of Costs:

The Authority allocated expenses not attributable to a specific program to all programs under management. The basis for this allocation was the number of units in each program or estimated actual usage. Management considers this to be an equitable method of allocation.

NOTE 6 – Retirement and Other Benefit Plans:

The employees of the Authority are covered by the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (PERS), a statewide cost-sharing multiple-employer deferred benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits annual cost-of-living adjustments, death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by the state statute per Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. PERS issues a publicly available financial report. The report may be obtained by writing PERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642, or by calling (614) 466-2085.

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. Covered employees are required by the System's Retirement Board to contribute 8.5% of their salary to the plan. The employer contribution rate was 13.55% for fiscal year 2003. The Authority's total payroll for covered employees was \$3,084. The Authority's 2003 total contribution was \$418.

The contribution requirement to fund the pension obligation for the year ended March 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 were \$418, \$108 and \$1,187 from the Authority.

**SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
FINDLAY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2003**

NOTE 6 – Retirement and Other Benefit Plans: (continued)

PERS of Ohio provides post-retirement health care coverage to age and service retirants with 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit and to primary survivor recipients of such retirants. Health care coverage for disability recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Post-employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 12. A portion of each employer's contribution to PERS is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care OPEB is financed through employer contributions and investment earnings and is expected to be sufficient to sustain the program indefinitely.

The pension benefit obligation" is a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases and step-rate benefits, estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employee service to date. The measure, which is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits, is intended to help users assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and make comparisons among PERS and employers. The System does not make separate measurements of assets and pension benefit obligation for individual employers. PERS issues a stand-alone financial report.

NOTE 7– Insurance:

The Authority maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with private carriers for health, real property, building contents and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. There was no significant reduction in coverage and no settlements exceeded insurance coverage, during the past three years.

SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Balance Sheet

March 31, 2003

Financial Data Schedule Submitted to U.S. Department of HUD

FDS Line
Item No.

Account Description

ASSETS		
111	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$53,834

100	TOTAL CASH	53,834
128	Accounts Receivable - Fraud Recovery	184

120	TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	184
142	Prepaid Expenses	1,411

150	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	55,429
164	Furniture, Equipment & Machinery - Administration	12,217
166	Accumulated Depreciation	(11,386)

160	TOTAL FIXED ASSETS, NET	831

190	TOTAL ASSETS	\$56,260
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LIABILITIES		
312	Accounts Payable	\$928
321	Accrued Wage/Payroll Taxes Payable	87
331	Accounts Payable - HUD PHA Programs	18,559

310	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	19,574
353	Undistributed Credits - Fraud Recovery	184

	TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	184

	TOTAL LIABILITIES	19,758
512	Retained Earnings	36,502

	TOTAL EQUITY	36,502

	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$56,260
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SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended March 31, 2003

Financial Data Schedule Submitted to U.S. Department of HUD

<u>FDS Line</u> <u>Item No.</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	
Revenue:		
706	HUD PHA Operating Grant	\$628,093
711	Investment Income - Unrestricted	162

700	Total Revenue	628,255
Expenses:		
911	Administrative Salaries	3,160
912	Audit Fees	2,928
915	Employee Benefit Contributions - Administrative	474
916	Other Operating - Administrative	65,416
943	Ordinary Maintenance and Operations - Contract Costs	5,513
961	Insurance Premiums	3,574

969	Total Operating Expenses	81,065

970	Excess Operating Revenue over Expenses	547,190
Other Expenses		
973	Housing Assistance Payments	531,905
974	Depreciation Expense	433

900	Total Expenses	613,403
1010	Total Other Funding Sources(Uses)	0

1000	Excess of Operating Revenue Over Expenses	14,852
1103	Beginning Equity	21,650

	Ending Equity	\$36,502
		=====

SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Additional Information Required by HUD
Year Ended March 31, 2003

Financial Data Schedule Submitted to U.S. Department of HUD

<u>FDS Line</u> <u>Item No.</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	
1112	Depreciation Add Back	\$0
1113	Maximum Annual Contributions Commitment (Per ACC)	\$592,554
1114	Applicable to a Period of Less Than Twelve Months	\$0
1115	Contingency Reserve, ACC Program Reserve	\$91,967
1116	Total Annual Contributions Available	\$684,521
1120	Unit Months Available	2,244
1121	Number of Unit Months Leased	2,244

SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
 For the Year Ended March 31, 2003

<u>Federal Grantor/Program Title</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Grant Amount Received</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures</u>
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development				
Direct Program:				
Section 8 Tenant Based Cluster:				
Housing Choice Vouchers	14.871	C-10022	\$628,093	\$628,093
TOTAL FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE				----- \$628,093 =====

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



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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Board of Trustees
Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority
Tiffin, Ohio

I have audited the financial statements of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority as of and for the year ended March 31, 2003, and have issued my report thereon dated August 4, 2003. I conducted my 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 Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I 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 my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. My 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. I noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

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

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August 4, 2003



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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to each Major Program and Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133

Board of Trustees
Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority
Tiffin, Ohio

Compliance

I have audited the compliance of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority 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 each of its major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 2003. Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's compliance based on my audit.

I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; 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 I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. My audit does not provide a legal determination on Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's compliance with those requirements.

In my opinion, Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 2003.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority 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 my audit, I considered Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

My 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. I noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

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Kevin L. Penn, Inc.

August 4, 2003

Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority
 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
 March 31, 2003

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unqualified

Internal control over financial reporting:
 Material weakness(es) identified? No
 Reportable condition(s) identified
 not considered to be material weaknesses? No

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No

Federal Awards

Internal control over financial reporting:
 Material weakness(es) identified? No
 Reportable condition(s) identified
 not considered to be material weaknesses? None Reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance
 for major program: Unqualified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required
 to be reported in accordance with
 Circular A-133, Section .510(a)? No

Identification of major programs:
 14.871 Housing Choice Vouchers

Dollar threshold used to distinguish
 between Type A and Type B programs: \$300,000 (Type A)

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

No matters were reported.

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No matters were reported.

Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority
Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
Year Ended March 31, 2003

There were no audit findings, during the 2002 fiscal year.



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SENECA METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

SENECA 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.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
NOVEMBER 6, 2003**