

NEWCOMERSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO

REPORT ON AUDITS OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JANUARY 1, 2002 -
DECEMBER 31, 2003



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

Board of Trustees
Newcomerstown Public Library
123 N. Bridge St.
Newcomerstown, OH 43832

We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Newcomerstown Public Library, Tuscarawas County, prepared by Stephen A. Tope, CPA LLC, for the audit period January 1, 2002 through December 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 Newcomerstown Public Library is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Betty Montgomery

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December 9, 2004

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APPOINTED OFFICIALS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE</u>	<u>SURETY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>
<u>Board of Trustees</u>					
Rachel Ann Sindlinger	President	07/01/98 - 12/31/05			
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Daniel Styer	Member	01/01/03 - 12/31/07			
Shirley Osler	Member	01/01/02 - 12/31/06			
Weldon Little	Member	02/01/97 - 12/31/04			
<u>Administrative Personnel</u>					
Linda K. Hren	Librarian	01/01/03 - 12/31/03 Organizational Meeting			
Karen S. Morrison	Clerk	01/01/03 - 12/31/03 Organizational Meeting	(A)	\$5,000	(B)

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November 23, 2004

Board of Trustees
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR S'REPORT

I have audited the financial statements of Newcomerstown Public Library, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library s'management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audits.

I conducted my 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 I 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. I believe that my audits provide a reasonable basis for my opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Library 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 my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of Newcomerstown Public Library, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated November 23, 2004, on my consideration of the Library s'internal control structure and on its compliance with laws and regulations. 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 my audits.

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 Section 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

STEPHEN A. TOPE, CPA - Certified Public Accountant

NEWCOMERSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND
CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Expendable Trust</u>	<u>Total</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:					
Taxes	\$ 45,948	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 45,948
State Grants-In-Aid	320,494	0	10	0	320,504
Patron fines and fees	9,027	0	0	0	9,027
Earnings on investments	1,250	925	169	0	2,344
Contributions, gifts, and donations	1,165	0	0	0	1,165
Miscellaneous	<u>3,590</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,590</u>
Total cash receipts	<u>381,474</u>	<u>925</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>382,578</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
Salaries and benefits	178,432	0	0	0	178,432
Supplies	15,055	0	0	0	15,055
Purchased & contracted services	41,677	17,331	0	0	59,008
Library materials & information	71,027	0	0	0	71,027
Capital outlay	6,898	69,362	0	0	76,260
Debt service	0	0	24,289	0	24,289
Other objects	<u>5,955</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,955</u>
Total cash disbursements	<u>319,044</u>	<u>86,693</u>	<u>24,289</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>430,026</u>
Total cash receipts over/(under) cash disbursements	62,430	(85,768)	(24,110)	0	(47,448)
OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS:					
Sale of fixed assets	474	0	0	0	474
Proceeds of notes	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers in	0	113,948	24,290	0	138,238
Transfers out	<u>(138,238)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(138,238)</u>
Total other financing receipts (disbursements)	<u>(137,764)</u>	<u>113,948</u>	<u>24,290</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>474</u>
Excess (deficit) of cash receipts and other financing receipts over/(under) cash disbursements and other financing receipts (disbursements)	(75,334)	28,180	180	0	(46,974)
Fund cash balances, January 1, 2003	<u>220,121</u>	<u>81,883</u>	<u>7,586</u>	<u>4,782</u>	<u>314,372</u>
Fund cash balances, December 31, 2003	<u>\$ 144,787</u>	<u>\$ 110,063</u>	<u>\$ 7,766</u>	<u>\$ 4,782</u>	<u>\$ 267,398</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.
TOPE ACCOUNTING & BUSINESS SERVICES, LLC

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TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO

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	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Expendable Trust</u>	<u>Total</u>
CASH RECEIPTS:					
Taxes	\$ 41,388	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 41,388
State Grants-In-Aid	319,993	0	0	0	319,993
Patron fines and fees	8,878	0	0	0	8,878
Earnings on investments	2,760	1,271	200	0	4,231
Contributions, gifts, and donations	320	0	0	0	320
Miscellaneous	<u>1,043</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,043</u>
Total cash receipts	<u>374,382</u>	<u>1,271</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>375,853</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
Salaries and benefits	185,111	0	0	0	185,111
Supplies	10,830	0	0	0	10,830
Purchased & contracted services	47,727	0	0	0	47,727
Library materials & information	77,210	0	0	0	77,210
Capital outlay	2,067	48,254	0	5,218	55,539
Debt service	0	0	24,164	0	24,164
Other objects	<u>6,003</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,003</u>
Total cash disbursements	<u>328,948</u>	<u>48,254</u>	<u>24,164</u>	<u>5,218</u>	<u>406,584</u>
Total cash receipts over/(under) cash disbursements	45,434	(46,983)	(23,964)	(5,218)	(30,731)
OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS:					
Sale of fixed assets	116	0	0	0	116
Proceeds of notes	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers in	46,008	0	26,325	0	72,333
Transfers out	<u>0</u>	<u>(72,333)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(72,333)</u>
Total other financing receipts (disbursements)	<u>46,124</u>	<u>(72,333)</u>	<u>26,325</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>116</u>
Excess (deficit) of cash receipts and other financing receipts over/(under) cash disbursements and other financing receipts (disbursements)	91,558	(119,316)	2,361	(5,218)	(30,615)
Fund cash balances, January 1, 2002	<u>128,563</u>	<u>201,199</u>	<u>5,225</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>344,987</u>
Fund cash balances, December 31, 2002	<u>\$ 220,121</u>	<u>\$ 81,883</u>	<u>\$ 7,586</u>	<u>\$ 4,782</u>	<u>\$ 314,372</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.
TOPE ACCOUNTING & BUSINESS SERVICES, LLC

NEWCOMERSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of the Entity

Newcomerstown Public Library (the Library) 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 Library is directed by a seven-member Board of Trustees (Board) who are appointed by the Newcomerstown Exempted Village School District's Board of Education. The Library is a school district public library which exists for the purpose of providing various library services to the area residents.

The Library's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Library is financially accountable.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements were prepared on the cash basis of accounting which is prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State and which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when a payment is made rather than when a liability is incurred.

Fund Accounting

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The Library classifies its funds into the following types:

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required by law or contract to be restricted.

Capital Project Fund

These funds are used to account for receipts and disbursements that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of a major capital project. During 1999, the Library started a Building and Repair Fund in order to construct a new library.

Debt Service Fund

This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest.

Fiduciary Fund (Trust Fund)

Trust funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements. If the agreement requires the Library to maintain the corpus of the trust, the fund is classified as a nonexpendable trust fund. Other trust funds are classified as expendable. The Library's only fiduciary fund is the Bonnet Endowment Fund, an expendable trust fund in which the principal and interest are to be used for any capital project.

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DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Budgetary Process

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

Appropriations

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

Estimated Resources

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

Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Library to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over and need not be re-appropriated.

A summary of 2003 and 2002 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

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.

Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the cash basis of accounting used by the Library.

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NOTE 2: EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Demand deposits	\$ 262,616	\$ 309,590
Donated Stock Certificates	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Total deposits and investments	<u>\$ 272,616</u>	<u>\$ 319,590</u>

Deposits

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

NOTE 3: BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 was as follows:

2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

<u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Budgeted Receipts</u>	<u>Actual Receipts</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General	\$ 490,453	\$ 381,948	\$ (108,505)
Capital Projects	180,615	114,873	(65,742)
Debt Service	32,585	24,469	(8,116)
Expendable Trust	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>\$ 703,653</u>	<u>\$ 521,290</u>	<u>\$ (182,363)</u>

2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

<u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Appropriation Authority</u>	<u>Budgetary Expenditures</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General	\$ 490,453	\$ 457,282	\$ 33,171
Capital Projects	180,615	86,693	93,922
Debt Service	32,585	24,289	8,296
Expendable Trust	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>\$ 703,653</u>	<u>\$ 568,264</u>	<u>\$ 135,389</u>

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NOTE 3: BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

<u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Budgeted Receipts</u>	<u>Actual Receipts</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General	\$ 453,186	\$ 420,506	\$ (32,680)
Capital Projects	222,213	1,271	(220,942)
Debt Service	29,602	26,525	(3,077)
Expendable Trust	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>\$ 705,001</u>	<u>\$ 448,302</u>	<u>\$ (256,699)</u>

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

<u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Appropriation Authority</u>	<u>Budgetary Expenditures</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General	\$ 453,186	\$ 328,948	\$ 124,238
Capital Projects	222,213	120,587	101,626
Debt Service	29,602	24,164	5,438
Expendable Trust	<u>0</u>	<u>5,218</u>	<u>(5,218)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 705,001</u>	<u>\$ 478,917</u>	<u>\$ 226,084</u>

NOTE 4: GRANTS-IN-AID AND TAX RECEIPTS

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The LLGSF is allocated to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on any additional revenues the Library receives.

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are also reduced for the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Grants-In-Aid. Payments are due to the County by December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

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NOTE 4: GRANTS-IN-AID AND TAX RECEIPTS (CONTINUED)

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the taxing district.

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

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

NOTE 5: DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2003 was as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
Library Facilities Note	<u>\$ 326,100</u>	4.75%

The note was obtained in conjunction with the construction of a new library building. The note is due in 25 years. Principal and interest payments are to be made annually on November 1.

NOTE 6: RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Library'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 post retirement health care 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 2003 and 2002 PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Library contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Library paid all contributions required for the year ended December 31, 2003, by January 2004.

NOTE 7: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Library has obtained commercial insurance from the Westfield Insurance Company and Republic-Franklin Insurance Company, respectively, for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability
- Errors and omissions

November 23, 2004

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR S' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL
CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AUDITS OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

I have audited the financial statements of Newcomerstown Public Library, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and have issued my report thereon dated November 23, 2004. I conducted my audits 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 Newcomerstown Public Library 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 herein under Government Auditing Standards.

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

In planning and performing my audits, I considered Newcomerstown Public Library s internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an 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 for the information of the Board of Trustees and management and is not intended and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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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 Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
DECEMBER 28, 2004**