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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Greater Warren County Drug Task Force Warren County P.O. Box 898 Lebanon, Ohio 45036

To the Members of the Board:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of the Greater Warren County Drug Task Force, Warren County, Ohio (the Task Force), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Task Force's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Task Force's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinion.

#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the Task Force prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03, which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to satisfy requirements.

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The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

#### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Task Force as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, or changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

#### Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of the Greater Warren County Drug Task Force, Warren County as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit, described in Note 1.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, during 2011 the Greater Warren County Drug Task Force adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 27, 2013, on our consideration of the Task Force's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Task Force's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

August 27, 2013

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts			
Fines and Forfeitures	\$23,662	\$499,749	\$523,411
Intergovernmental	282,036	0	282,036
Gifts and Donations	285,425	0	285,425
Sale of Seizures	44,590	0	44,590
Reimbursements and Refunds	174,510	0	174,510
Total Cash Receipts	810,223	499,749	1,309,972
Cash Disbursements Current:			
Salaries	612,599	112,390	724,989
Supplies	93,712	0	93,712
Equipment	48,399	0	48,399
Contracts-Services	94,045	0	94,045
Rentals	131,495	0	131,495
Training and Education	6,275	0	6,275
Workers Comp	880	0	880
Other	34,243	133,478	167,721
Total Cash Disbursements	1,021,648	245,868	1,267,516
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(211,425)	253,881	42,456
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	729,111	178,858	907,969
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	^	422 722	422.722
Restricted	0 517 696	432,739	432,739
Unassigned (Deficit)	517,686	0	517,686
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$517,686	\$432,739	\$950,425

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

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts			
Fines and Forfeitures	\$27,795	\$105,333	\$133,128
Intergovernmental	272,655	0	272,655
Gifts and Donations	289,205	0	289,205
Fees	28	0	28
Sale of Seizures	37,585	0	37,585
Reimbursements and Refunds	223,659	0	223,659
Total Cash Receipts	850,927	105,333	956,260
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
Salaries	727,977	20,310	748,287
Supplies	91,346	116	91,462
Equipment	33,621	17,303	50,924
Contracts-Services	54,882	22,139	77,021
Rentals	134,494	0	134,494
Training and Education	0	90	90
Workers Comp	1,433	0	1,433
Other	60,892	67,369	128,261
Total Cash Disbursements	1,104,645	127,327	1,231,972
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(253,718)	(21,994)	(275,712)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	982,829	200,852	1,183,681
Fund Cash Balances, December 31			
Restricted	0	178,858	178,858
Unassigned (Deficit)	729,111	0	729,111
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$729,111	\$178,858	\$907,969

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Description of the Entity

The Warren County Drug Task Force, Warren County, Ohio (the Task Force), is a multijurisdictional drug task force for the sharing of police service and equipment to undertake joint operations to stop the trafficking of illegal drugs. The Task Force was created under Section 167.01 of the Ohio Revised Code which permits the establishment of regional councils of governments. Member agencies include the Warren County Sheriff, Warren County Prosecutor, Cities of Lebanon, Mason, Franklin, Springboro, and Wilmington, Clinton County Prosecutor, Villages of Maineville and Waynesville, and Clearcreek Township.

Prior to the Task Force becoming its own regional council of governments, the Task Force was recorded as an agency fund of Warren County.

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

#### **B.** Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Task Force recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

#### C. Deposits and Investments

The Warren County Auditor serves as the fiscal agent of the Task Force. The Warren County Treasurer is the custodian for the Task Force's deposits. Warren County's deposit and investment pool holds the Task Force's assets, valued at the Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Task Force uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Task Force classifies its funds into the following types:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Task Force had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

<u>State Fund</u> - This fund receives state forfeiture monies for the administration of the Task Force and future investigations.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

<u>Federal fund</u> - This fund receives federal forfeiture monies for the administration of the Task Force and future investigations.

#### E. Fund Balance

The Task Force implemented GASB No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, during 2011. Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Task Force must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

#### 1. Nonspendable

The Task Force classifies assets as **nonspendable** when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

#### 2. Restricted

Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

#### 3. Committed

Board members can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Task Force must adhere to these commitments unless the Board members amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

#### 4. Assigned

Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than the General Fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the General Fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by Board members or a Task Force official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

#### 5. Unassigned

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Task Force applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Task Force records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

#### G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

#### 2. Retirement Systems

The Task Force's employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes these plans' benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2012 and 2011, OPERS members other than law enforcement contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Task Force contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' gross salaries. For 2012 and 2011, law enforcement officers contributed 11.61% and 12.1%, respectively, of their gross salaries and the Task Force contributed an amount equaling 18.1% of participants' gross salaries. The Task Force has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2012.

#### 3. Risk Management

The Task Force's vehicles and equipment are insured by Warren County. Warren County is a member of the County Risk Sharing Authority, Inc., (CORSA) which is a shared risk pool among thirty-nine counties in Ohio. CORSA was formed as an Ohio nonprofit corporation for the purpose of establishing the CORSA Insurance/Self Insurance Program, a group primary and excess participation in coverage of losses and pay all contributions necessary for the specified insurance coverage provided by CORSA. The coverage's include comprehensive general liability, certain property insurance and public officers' errors and omissions liability.

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Task Force has also obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

Comprehensive general liability

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Greater Warren County Drug Task Force Warren County P.O. Box 898 Lebanon, Ohio 45036

To the Members of the Board:

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Greater Warren County Drug Task Force, Warren County, Ohio (the Task Force), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 27, 2013 wherein we noted the Task Force followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit. We also noted the Task Force adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Task Force's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Task Force's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Task Force's financial statements. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a significant deficiency in internal control. We consider finding 2012-01 to be a significant deficiency.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Task Force's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial

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statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Task Force's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Task Force's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

August 27, 2013

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

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

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2012-01**

#### Significant Deficiency

#### Classification of Receipts and Expenditures

The Task Force should maintain an accounting system and accounting records sufficient to enable them to identify, assemble, analyze, classify, record and report their transactions, maintain accountability for the related assets and liabilities, document compliance with finance-related legal and contractual requirements and prepare financial statements.

The Task Force did not accurately record transactions in the accounting records, which caused errors in the related annual financial statement prepared by Warren County, the Task Force fiscal agent. We noted the following conditions related to the annual financial statements:

- During 2012, the Task Force posted \$34,931 to Intergovernmental receipts instead of Reimbursements and Refunds in the General Fund.
- The Warren County Auditor, which serves as the fiscal agent for the Task Force, inaccurately posted auction revenues and related fees at the net amount received for each auction rather than recording gross auction receipts and a corresponding disbursement for auction fees. As a result, Sale of Seizures receipts and Other disbursements in the General Fund were both understated by \$2,515 and \$3,344 in 2011 and 2012, respectively.

Failure to properly classify revenues and expenditures may result in improper fund balances and misleading financial statements. The Task Force corrected these inaccurate posting through audit adjustments to the accompanying financial statements.

We recommend that all receipts and disbursement be properly classified and reviewed for accuracy.

#### Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to the finding above.

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#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2010-01	Misclassification of receipts and expenditures	No	Partially Corrected-Reissued as Finding 2012-01
2010-02	Lack of control over auction/sale of seizure receipts	No	Partially Corrected-moved to Management Letter





#### **GREATER WARREN COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE**

#### **WARREN 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 SEPTEMBER 17, 2013