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**LAWRENCE-SCIOTO COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Lawrence-Scioto County Solid Waste Management District
Lawrence County
101 N North 3rd Street
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To the Board of Directors:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of the Lawrence-Scioto County Solid Waste Management District, Lawrence County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

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 Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; 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 District'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 District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such 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 opinions.

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

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the District 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(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

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Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the District does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

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 District as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the respective 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 cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of the Lawrence-Scioto County Solid Waste Management District, Lawrence County as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, 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(D) permit, described in Note 2.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 12, 2018, on our consideration of the District'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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Dave Yost
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

June 12, 2018

Lawrence - Scioto County Solid Waste Management District

Lawrence County

*Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements,
and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis)*

All Governmental Fund Types

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	General	Special Revenue	Totals
Cash Receipts			
Charges for Services	\$646,471		\$646,471
Fines, Licenses and Permits	5,461		5,461
Intergovernmental		16,954	16,954
Miscellaneous	1,899		1,899
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>653,831</u>	<u>16,954</u>	<u>670,785</u>
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
Public Health Services:			
Administration	323,163	325	323,488
Recycling/Litter Collection	329,773	7,400	337,173
Equipment	8,870	1,285	10,155
Materials and Supplies	8,527	974	9,501
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>670,332</u>	<u>9,984</u>	<u>680,316</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(16,501)</u>	<u>6,970</u>	<u>(9,531)</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)			
Transfers In	9,457		9,457
Transfers Out		(9,457)	(9,457)
Advances In		7,768	7,768
Advances Out		(7,768)	(7,768)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>9,457</u>	<u>(9,457)</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	<u>(7,043)</u>	<u>(2,487)</u>	<u>(9,530)</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>243,069</u>	<u>2,487</u>	<u>245,556</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31			
Assigned	2,340		2,340
Unassigned (Deficit)	233,685		233,685
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u><u>\$236,025</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$236,025</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**LAWRENCE-SCIOTO COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017**

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Lawrence-Scioto County Solid Waste Management District, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. The three Commissioners of Lawrence and Scioto Counties govern the District. The District provides solid waste disposal, recycling opportunities, and other waste management services to these counties.

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

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The District's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types organized on a fund type basis.

Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the District are presented below:

General Fund The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

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 District had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Ohio EPA Grant – Litter/Tire Amnesty Fund This fund receives grant monies to be used for the implementation of solid waste programs related to Litter/Tire Amnesty.

Ohio EPA Grant – Star Community Justice Center Fund This fund receives grant monies to be used for the implementation of solid waste programs related to the Star Community Justice Center facilities.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

Budgetary Process

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

**LAWRENCE-SCIOTO COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
(Continued)**

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Appropriations Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The District Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

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

Encumbrances The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2017 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Deposit and Investments

As the Ohio Revised Code permits, the Scioto County Treasurer holds the District's deposits as the District's custodian. The County holds the District's assets in its investment pool, valued at the Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

Capital Assets

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

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.

Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

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

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.

Committed Commissioners can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The District must adhere to these commitments unless the Commissioners 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.

**LAWRENCE-SCIOTO COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
(Continued)**

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 the Commissioners or a District official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

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 District 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.

Note 3 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2017 follows:

2017 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$655,000	\$663,288	\$8,288
Special Revenue	16,954	16,954	0
Total	\$671,954	\$680,242	\$8,288

2017 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$737,983	\$672,672	\$65,311
Special Revenue	19,441	19,441	0
Total	\$757,424	\$692,113	\$65,311

Note 4 – Risk Management

The District is insured through Scioto County, its fiscal agent. Scioto County belongs to the County Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (CORSA), as risk sharing pool among more than sixty counties in Ohio. The coverage includes comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, certain property insurance and public officials' errors and omissions liability insurance.

**LAWRENCE-SCIOTO COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
(Continued)**

Note 5 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The District's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the District contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2017.

Note 6 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plan, which includes multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 1.0% during calendar year 2017.

Note 7 – Contingent Liabilities

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor. The grantor may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

Note 8 – Subsequent Events

In 2017, the District Board voted to increase the annual improved parcel fee from \$12 to \$16 in accordance with the District's revised Solid Waste Management Plan. The increased fee will be assessed and collected beginning in calendar year 2018. The District expects parcel fee revenue to increase by approximately \$230,000 annually as a result of the increase.

Lawrence - Scioto County Solid Waste Management District

Lawrence County

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements
and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis)

All Governmental Fund Types

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	General	Special Revenue	Totals
Cash Receipts			
Charges for Services	\$655,862		\$655,862
Fines, Licenses and Permits	1,410		1,410
Intergovernmental		26,000	26,000
Donations	1,000		1,000
Miscellaneous	327		327
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>658,599</u>	<u>26,000</u>	<u>684,599</u>
Cash Disbursements			
Current:			
Public Health Services:			
Administration	325,162	882	326,044
Recycling/Litter Collection	374,271	12,950	387,221
Equipment	4,301	10,428	14,729
Materials and Supplies	11,665	10,753	22,418
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>715,398</u>	<u>35,013</u>	<u>750,411</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(56,799)</u>	<u>(9,013)</u>	<u>(65,812)</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)			
Transfers In		11,500	11,500
Transfers Out	(11,500)		(11,500)
Advances In	11,500	11,500	23,000
Advances Out	(11,500)	(11,500)	(23,000)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>(11,500)</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	<u>(68,299)</u>	<u>2,487</u>	<u>(65,812)</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>311,368</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>311,368</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31			
Restricted		2,487	2,487
Assigned	82,983		82,983
Unassigned (Deficit)	160,086		160,086
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$243,069</u>	<u>\$2,487</u>	<u>\$245,556</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

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LAWRENCE COUNTY**

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Note 3 - Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2016 follows:

2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$658,599	\$658,599	\$0
Special Revenue	37,500	37,500	0
Total	\$696,099	\$696,099	\$0

2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$782,235	\$728,321	\$53,914
Special Revenue	37,500	35,013	2,487
Total	\$819,735	\$763,334	\$56,401

Note 4 - Risk Management

The District is insured through Scioto County, its fiscal agent. Scioto County belongs to the County Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (CORSA), a risk sharing pool among sixty counties in Ohio. The coverage includes comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, certain property insurance and public officials' errors and omissions liability insurance.

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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*

Lawrence - Scioto County Solid Waste Management District
Lawrence County
101 North 3rd Street
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To the Board of Directors:

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 Lawrence - Scioto County Solid Waste Management District, Lawrence County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 12, 2018 wherein we noted the District followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District'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 District'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 District'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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District'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 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 District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "D" and "Y".

Dave Yost
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

June 12, 2018



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LAWRENCE-SCIOTO COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

LAWRENCE 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
JULY 10, 2018