# CLERMONT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

(A COMPONENT UNIT OF CLERMONT COUNTY)
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

**Basic Financial Statements** (Audited)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019





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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District, Clermont County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. 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 Clermont County Transportation Improvement District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

June 22, 2020

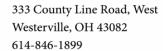


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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Clermont County 2381 Clermont Center Drive Batavia, Ohio 45103

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District, Clermont County, Ohio, a component unit of Clermont County, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are 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 Clermont County Transportation Improvement 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 Clermont County Transportation Improvement 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.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District, Clermont County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

#### Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *management's discussion and analysis* listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted to opine on the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The combining statements present additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The statements and schedule are management's responsibility and derive from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. We subjected this information to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements. We also applied certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling this information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, this information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated April 22, 2020, on our consideration of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement 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 Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Julian & Mule L.

Julian & Grube, Inc. April 22, 2020

#### CLERMONT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 (Unaudited)

The discussion and analysis of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's (the District) financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2019. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for 2019 are as follows:

- The District's net position decreased by \$1,824,306, to a year end total of negative \$22,304,325, as significant project related expenses were incurred during the year.
- During the year, the District generated \$14,473,055 of revenues and incurred expenses of \$16,297,361.
- During 2019 the District managed over 25 active projects. Significant design, right of way and construction activities occurred on the Old SR 74 Improvement Project, the Clepper Lane Extension Project, the Bells Lane Modification Project, Amelia West Main Intersection Project, the Ninemile-Tobasco Road Bridge Replacement Project and the Elick Lane/Bach-Buxton Improvement Project.

# USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of two parts – management's discussion and analysis and the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District. These statements are as follows:

- 1. <u>The Government-Wide Financial Statements</u> These statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- 2. <u>The Fund Financial Statements</u> These statements focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

#### **Government-wide Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position (the difference between the District's assets and liabilities) is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.

The government-wide financial statements of the District reflect the following category for its activities:

Governmental Activities – The District's programs and services are reported as governmental activities and include general government, program implementation and public works.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

Governmental Funds – All of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

# DISTRICT SUMMARY

#### The District as a Whole

The following table provides a summary of the District's net position for 2019 compared to 2018:

	Government	Increase		
	2019	2018	(Decrease)	
Current and other assets	\$ 10,719,175	\$ 14,766,112	\$ (4,046,937)	
Total assets	10,719,175	14,766,112	(4,046,937)	
Long-term debt outstanding	30,189,078	32,001,547	(1,812,469)	
Other liabilities	2,834,422	3,244,584	(410,162)	
Total liabilities	33,023,500	35,246,131	(2,222,631)	
Net position:				
Restricted	2,514,839	2,492,868	21,971	
Unrestricted	(24,819,164)	(22,972,887)	(1,846,277)	
Total net position (deficit)	\$ (22,304,325)	\$ (20,480,019)	\$ (1,824,306)	

Total assets decreased by \$4,046,937 and total liabilities decreased by \$2,222,631. Total assets decreased primarily due to expending funds on new and continuing project and meeting debt service requirements. Total liabilities decreased primarily due to retiring \$1,660,000 of debt principal on six bond issues.

Changes in Net Position – The following table provides a summary of the District's changes in net position for 2019 compared to 2018:

	Governmental Activities					Increase	
Revenues		2019		2018		(Decrease)	
General revenues:							
Intergovernmental	\$	2,975,000	\$	2,975,000	\$	-	
Federal Interest Subsidy		65,802		72,854		(7,052)	
Interest Income		190,518		120,822		69,696	
Program revenues:							
Operating Grants and Contributions		11,241,735		5,080,577		6,161,158	
Total revenues	14,473,055		8,249,253		6,223,802		
Program Expenses							
General Government		142,402		193,129		(50,727)	
Program Implementation		156,454		246,572		(90,118)	
Public Works		15,019,009		9,730,165		5,288,844	
Debt Service:							
Interest and Fiscal Charges		979,496		881,006		98,490	
Total expenses		16,297,361		11,050,872		5,246,489	
Total Change in Net Position		(1,824,306)		(2,801,619)		977,313	
Beginning Net Position (Deficit)	(20,480,019)		(17,678,4			(2,801,619)	
Ending Net Position (Deficit)	\$	(22,304,325)	\$	(20,480,019)	\$	(1,824,306)	

#### Governmental Activities

Net position of the District's governmental activities decreased by \$1,824,306 during 2019 compared to a decrease of \$2,801,619 for 2018. Intergovernmental revenues under the funding agreements with the District's funding partners remained constant during 2019. Operating grants and contributions increased as projects received funding from outside sources to cover project costs, primarily for the Old SR 74 Improvement Project, the Clepper Lane Extension Project, the Bells Lane Modification Project, and the Amelia West Main Intersection Project. General government and program implementation expenses decreased due to lower costs of contractor fees. Public Works expenditures increased primarily due to increase activities of the major projects that went under construction as described earlier. Interest and fiscal charges increased primarily due to payments on bonds issued during 2018 began in 2019.

#### The District's Funds

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$7,579,968, which is a decrease of \$2,475,035 from last year's total of \$10,055,003. The General Fund decreased by \$3,662,156 as a result of providing funding to the various project funds related to the District's funding of the local share of project costs and for debt service. The remaining change in fund balances is reported within the various debt and project funds. These funds reflect a total increase of \$1,187,121 primarily as a result of the timing for recognizing revenues that fund project expenditures.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

#### Capital Assets

As of December 31, 2019, the District reported no capital assets.

#### Debt

The outstanding debt for the District was \$28,915,000 as of December 31, 2019. This balance reflects a decrease of \$1,660,000 from the previous year's balance of \$30,575,000 for the scheduled retirements on previously issued bonds.

Additional information concerning the District's debt can be found in Note 6 to the basic financial statements.

### ECONOMIC FACTORS

The year ending December 31, 2019 was the thirteenth full year of operations. The District continued on its mission to improve the prosperity, health, safety, and welfare of the people of Clermont County and the State of Ohio. As mentioned earlier, multiple new projects that are to be integrated into the overall transportation goals of the District were initiated during the year in addition to substantial completion of several large projects initiated in prior years.

As with most infrastructure projects undertaken by local governments, a challenge facing the District is the future of both state and federal funding. With careful planning and monitoring of the District's finances and continued cooperation with local, state and federal officials, management is confident that funding challenges can be overcome and quality services will continue in order to develop, implement and construct the improvements envisioned to improve the prosperity, health, safety, and welfare of the people of Clermont County and the State of Ohio.

# CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report, or requests for additional financial information, should be addressed to Secretary-Treasurer, Clermont County Transportation Improvement District, 2381 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, OH 45103. Additional information about the District can be found on the District's website at <a href="http://goclermont.org/">http://goclermont.org/</a>.

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2019

	Governmental Activities
Assets	Φ 5.000.022
Equity in Pooled Cash	\$ 5,999,823
Restricted Cash and Investments	2,514,839
Contractor Retainage Accounts	137,118
Intergovernmental Receivable	2,067,395
Total Assets	10,719,175
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	48,191
Contracts Payable	2,190,284
Retainage Payable	137,118
Unearned Revenue	367,625
Accrued Interest Payable on Bonds	91,204
Long Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	1,842,070
Due In More Than One Year	28,347,008
Total Liabilities	33,023,500
Net Position	
Restricted For Debt Service	2,514,839
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(24,819,164)
<b>Total Net Position (Deficit)</b>	\$ (22,304,325)

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

	F	Expenses	Char for Se and S	rges rvices	Oper Gran	Revenues rating ts and butions	Car Gran	pital ts and butions	Rev C: Ne	t (Expense) venues and hanges in et Position vernmental Activities
Governmental Activities										
General Government	\$	142,402	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(142,402)
Program Implementation		156,454		-		-		-		(156,454)
Public Works	1	5,019,009		-	11,2	41,735		-	(	(3,777,274)
Interest and Fiscal Charges		979,496				-		-		(979,496)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 1	6,297,361	\$		\$ 11,2	41,735	\$			(5,055,626)
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			_		est Subsid	lv				65,802
				est Incon						190,518
			Total G	eneral R	evenues					3,231,320
			Change	in Net P	Position					(1,824,306)
			Change	III INCL I	OSITIOII				,	(1,624,300)
			Net Position Beginning of Year (Deficit)						(2	20,480,019)
			Net Pos	ition End	d of Year	(Deficit)			\$(2	22,304,325)

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds December 31, 2019

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Old SR 74 Improvements Phase 1 Project Fund	Clepper Lane Extension Project Fund	Bells Lane Modification Project Fund	Amelia West Main Intersection Project Fund	Ninemile- Tobasco Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund	Elick Lane/ Bach-Buxton Improvements Project Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets	Φ 4 607 500	Φ.	Ф. 212.021	Ф	Φ.	Φ.	<b>4</b> 156141	ф. 501.154	Φ 455.021	Φ. 5.000.022
Equity in Pooled Cash Restricted Cash and Investments	\$ 4,637,539	\$ - 2,514,839	\$ 212,921	\$ 7,027	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156,141	\$ 531,174	\$ 455,021	\$ 5,999,823 2,514,839
Intergovernmental Receivable	-	2,314,639	1,222,178	-	-	41,241	340,855	-	463,121	2,067,395
Due from Other Funds	845,218		1,222,176	_	_	41,241	540,855	_	403,121	845,218
Contractor Retainage Accounts	-				25,079	73,435	38,604			137,118
Total Assets	\$ 5,482,757	\$ 2,514,839	\$ 1,435,099	\$ 7,027	\$ 25,079	\$ 114,676	\$ 535,600	\$ 531,174	\$ 918,142	\$ 11,564,393
Liabilities										
Accounts Payable	\$ 13,972	\$ -	\$ 27,192	\$ 7,027	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,191
Contracts Payable	7,666	-	1,407,907	-	-	-	156,141	163,549	455,021	2,190,284
Unearned Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	367,625	-	367,625
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-	41,241	340,855	-	463,122	845,218
Retainage Accounts Payable			-		25,079	73,435	38,604			137,118
Total Liabilities	21,638		1,435,099	7,027	25,079	114,676	535,600	531,174	918,143	3,588,436
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b> Unavailable Amounts				. <u> </u>		<u>-</u> _	242,818		153,171	395,989
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources							242,818		153,171	395,989
Fund Balances										
Restricted for Debt Service	-	2,514,839	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,514,839
Assigned for Encumbrances	75,668	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	75,668
Unassigned	5,385,451		-	· <del>-</del>			(242,818)		(153,172)	4,989,461
Total Fund Balances (Deficits)	5,461,119	2,514,839		<u> </u>			(242,818)		(153,172)	7,579,968
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ 5,482,757	\$ 2,514,839	\$ 1,435,099	\$ 7,027	\$ 25,079	\$ 114,676	\$ 535,600	\$ 531,174	\$ 918,142	\$ 11,564,393

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities December 31, 2019

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 7,579,968
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Intergovernmental receivables are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds	395,989
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds	
Bonds Payable	(28,915,000)
Premium on Bonds	(1,274,078)
Accrued Interest Payable	 (91,204)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (22,304,325)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

P	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Old SR 74 Improvements Phase 1 Project Fund	Clepper Lane Extension Project Fund	Bells Lane Modification Project Fund	Amelia West Main Intersection Project Fund	Ninemile- Tobasco Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund	Elick Lane/ Bach-Buxton Improvements Project Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 2,975,000	\$ -	\$ 3,612,881	\$ 2,234,566	\$ 1,332,451	\$ 1,959,150	\$ 819,944	\$ 357,704	\$ 1,871,703	\$ 15,163,399
Other Revenues	-	-	- 5,012,001	-	-	-	-	-	69,745	69,745
Federal Interest Subsidy	-	65,802	-	-	-	-	-	_	_	65,802
Interest Income	190,518									190,518
Total Revenues	3,165,518	65,802	3,612,881	2,234,566	1,332,451	1,959,150	819,944	357,704	1,941,448	15,489,464
Expenditures										
Current:										
General Government	142,402	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142,402
Program Implementation	156,454	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	156,454
Public Works	-	-	4,095,515	4,052,870	2,258,058	1,959,150	984,650	357,704	1,162,320	14,870,267
Debt Service: Redemption of Principal Interest Expense	<u>-</u>	1,660,000 1,135,376	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>		1,660,000 1,135,376
Total Expenditures	298,856	2,795,376	4,095,515	4,052,870	2,258,058	1,959,150	984,650	357,704	1,162,320	17,964,499
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	2,866,662	(2,729,574)	(482,634)	(1,818,304)	(925,607)	<u> </u>	(164,706)		779,128	(2,475,035)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Transfers-In	109,425	2,751,545	482,634	1,818,304	925,607	_	_	_	660,153	6,747,668
Transfers-Out	(6,638,243)	<u>-</u>			<u> </u>				(109,425)	(6,747,668)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(6,528,818)	2,751,545	482,634	1,818,304	925,607				550,728	<u> </u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(3,662,156)	21,971	-	-	-	-	(164,706)	-	1,329,856	(2,475,035)
Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year	9,123,275	2,492,868					(78,112)		(1,483,028)	10,055,003
Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year	\$ 5,461,119	\$ 2,514,839	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (242,818)	\$ -	\$ (153,172)	\$ 7,579,968

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (2,475,035)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Intergovernmental revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds	(1,165,151)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal of long-term debt consumes current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position	
Redemption of Principal on Bonds	1,660,000
Amortization of Premium on Bonds	152,469
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds,	
whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due	 3,411
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (1,824,306)

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY

The Clermont County Transportation Improvement District (the District) is a body politic and corporate, created for the purpose of financing, constructing, maintaining, repairing, and operating select transportation projects. The District was specifically created pursuant to Chapter 5540 of the Ohio Revised Code, as amended. The District was created by action of the Board of Clermont County Commissioners on June 21, 2006.

The District is governed by a Board of Trustees that acts as the authoritative and legislative body of the entity. The Board is comprised of seven members of whom five are voting and two are ex-officio (non-voting). Each Board member serves a term of two years and there are no term limits for reappointment. The five voting Board members are appointed by the Board of Clermont County Commissioners. The Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives and the President of the Ohio Senate each appoint one ex-officio member. None of the Board members receive compensation for serving on the Board.

District Officers consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer, who are elected annually from among the voting members of the Board. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer serve at the pleasure of the Board and are subject to removal by an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board at any time. The Chairman's responsibilities are to preside at all meetings of the Board and be the chief officer of the District. The Secretary-Treasurer serves as the fiscal officer of the District.

The District is reported as a component unit to Clermont County, Ohio, as defined by the provisions of GASB statement numbers 14, 39 and 61. As such, its activities are reported within the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

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

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

**Government-wide Financial Statements -** The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government.

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The Statement of Net Position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the District at year-end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limitations. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

**Fund Financial Statements -** During the year the District segregates transactions related to certain District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

#### **B.** 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. There is one category of funds: Governmental.

Governmental Funds - Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities/deferred inflows of resources is reported as fund balance. The District has the following major governmental funds:

*General Fund* - Accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for 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.

Debt Service Fund - Accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest.

Old State Route 74 Improvements - Provides a part of the comprehensive program of projects to improve safety and connectivity along the SR-32 Corridor. Specifically, these improvements will provide better traffic flow north of SR-32, and along with the improvements being made on the Clepper Lane Extension Project, will help alleviate significant traffic pressure along SR-32 by providing drivers with an alternate east-west travel route.

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Clepper Lane Extension Project Fund - Provides for the local roadway network support for the existing and future development in the Eastgate area on the south side of SR-32 between Glen Este Withamsville Road and the new interchange identified as part of Segment IVa of Eastern Corridor, east of Bach-Buxton Road/Elick Lane. The project will provide a parallel access to SR-32, to reduce congestion on SR-32.

Bells Lane Modification Project Fund - Provides for a part of the coordinated regional program to improve travel and safety along SR-32, as well as the roads that support traffic moving to and from SR-32 by adding dual left turn lanes on westbound SR-32 at Mt. Carmel Tobasco Road/Bells Lane and on eastbound SR-32 at Old SR-74 as well as pavement widening, improving sidewalks and intersections and improving access to various properties along Old SR-74, Summerside Road and Mt. Carmel Tobasco Road. This project was substantially completed during 2019.

Amelia West Main Intersection Project Fund - Provides for certain roadway improvements to the intersection of West Main Street (SR-125) and Woodlands Drive and related improvements within the corporate limits of the Village of Amelia. Funding is provided from the Village of Amelia. This project was substantially completed during 2019.

*Ninemile-Tobasco Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund* - Provides for a District managed project for an emergency repair of a bridge located in Pierce Township. Funding for the project was made by the Clermont County and a grant that obtained grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission with additional funds provided by the Clermont County Engineers Office. This project was substantially completed during 2019.

*Elick Lane/Bach-Buxton Improvement Project Fund* - Provides for a District managed project for infrastructure improvements in preparation for future improvements. Funding for the project was made by the Clermont County Water Resources Department and Union Township.

#### C. Measurement Focus

**Governmental-wide Financial Statements -** The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the District are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Activities presents increases (e.g. revenues) and decreases (e.g. expenses) in total net position.

**Fund Financial Statements -** Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

All governmental funds are accounted for using a *flow of current financial resources* measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are generally included on the balance sheet. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the

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government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

#### D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred inflows of resources, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

**Revenues - Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions -** Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of year-end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources** - In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the District, there are no items reported in the government-wide statement of net position for deferred outflows of resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the District, there are no items reported in the government-wide statement of net position for deferred inflows of resources. The governmental funds balance sheet reports deferred inflows which arise from receivables which will not be collected within the available period under a modified accrual basis of accounting. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

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**Expenses/Expenditures** - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

#### E. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash".

Cash balances that are held separately in accounts at a financial institution for bond reserves and debt service are reported as "Restricted Cash and Investments".

The District uses a fiscal agent to hold retainage accounts on construction contracts. The balances in these accounts are presented on the financial statements as "Contractor Retainage Accounts".

#### F. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restricted Assets represent amounts set aside to satisfy bond indenture requirements for current and future debt payments.

#### G. Capital Assets

The District reports no capital assets. Title to assets maintained by the District as part of project related expenditures will transfer to the County or State upon project completion.

#### H. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, government fund payables and accrued liabilities that are incurred and are paid in a timely manner with current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. Long-term loans are recognized as a liability on the government fund financial statements when due.

#### I. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and eliminated in the Statement of

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Activities. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

On fund financial statements, internal activity such as long-term interfund loans or disbursements are classified as "due to/from other funds" on the balance sheet. These amounts are eliminated on the statement of net position.

#### J. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through constitutional provision, enabling legislation, or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The District applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

As of December 31, 2019, net position of the District totals a negative \$22,304,325. The negative net position balance is a result of applying the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP requires the reporting of total long term debt obligations while amounts reported for receivables under the intergovernmental agreements that are used as collateral for the debt are limited to amounts formally appropriated by the District's funding partners. In lieu of appropriating the intergovernmental agreement in its entirety, the funding partners formally appropriate the current year's portion of the agreement, on an annual basis, effective at the inception of each calendar year.

#### K. Fund Balance

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

**Nonspendable** - The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable, as well as property acquired for resale, unless the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed, or assigned.

**Restricted** - The fund balance is reported as 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** - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Trustees. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Trustees removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates

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contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

**Assigned** - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Board of Trustees.

**Unassigned** - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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.

#### L. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### 3. DEFICIT FUND BALANCES

The fund balance deficits at December 31, 2019 of \$242,818 in the Ninemile Tobasco Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund, and \$153,172 in the Other Governmental Funds (all of which are capital project funds) arise from the recognition of revenues on the modified accrual basis. The General Fund provides funding for the payment of expenditures in advance of the funds recognizing revenues from outside sources.

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Monies held by the District are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands upon the District. Active deposits must be maintained either as cash by the District, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the District has identified as not required for use within the current five-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.

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Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies that 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.

The District has an Investment Policy that authorizes the Secretary-Treasurer to make investments of available monies from the funds of the District in securities as authorized by State law. These include:

- 1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States:
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the fair value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met;
- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
- 6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in (1) or (2) above and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool, the State Treasury Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
- 8. Certain banker's acceptances (for a period not to exceed one-hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two-hundred-seventy days) in an amount not to exceed forty percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met;

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and must be

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purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions.

#### **Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, the District's bank and carrying balance of \$6,136,941 was insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to the District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured; or participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a reduced rate set by the Treasurer of State.

#### Investments

As of December 31, 2019, the District had the following investments and maturities:

		Investment Maturities (in Years)					
	Measurement	Less					
Measurement/Investment Type	Value	than 1	1-2		3-5		
Fair Value							
Federated Treasury Obligations							
Money Market Mutual Fund	\$ 2,514,839	\$ 2,514,839	\$		\$		
Total Investments	\$ 2,514,839	\$ 2,514,839	\$	<u>-</u> _	\$	-	

The District's investments in Federated Treasury Obligations Money Market Mutual Fund is valued using quoted market prices in active markets (Level 1 inputs).

Interest Rate Risk The Ohio Revised Code generally limits security purchases to those that mature within five years of the settlement date. Interest rate risk arises because potential purchases of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. The District's investment policy addresses interest rate risk by requiring that the District's investment portfolio be structured so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations or long-term debt payments, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity, and by investing operating funds primarily in short-term investments.

*Credit Risk* The District's investment policy does not address credit risk beyond the adherence to Chapter 135 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Federated Treasury Obligations Money Market Mutual

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Fund have been assigned a rating of AAAm by Standard & Poor's and a rating of Aaa-mf by Moody's.

Custodial Credit Risk For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's investment policy does not specifically address custodial credit risk beyond the adherence to all relevant sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

Concentration of Credit Risk Federated Treasury Obligations Money Market Mutual Fund represents 100% of the District's investments at December 31, 2019.

#### 5. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

The District has entered into amended intergovernmental agreements with the Clermont County Commissioners, Clermont County Engineers Office, Miami Township, and Union Township to provide funding for the development and implementation of the District's projects.

The initial intergovernmental agreements executed with the Clermont County Commissioners and Clermont County Engineers Office each provided for \$10,000,000 of funding commitments from available revenue sources in the amount of \$1,000,000 per year for a period of 10 years beginning in 2007. The initial intergovernmental agreements with Miami Township and Union Township each provided for \$1,000,000 of funding commitments from available revenue sources in the amount of \$100,000 per year for a period of 10 years beginning in 2007.

Amendments to those agreements have increased the pledged revenue commitments over an extended period ending in 2036. The remaining balances covering pledged revenues under the amended agreements as of December 31, 2019 are as follows:

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Remaining
<u>Agreement</u>
\$23,375,000
17,000,000
5,300,000
1,700,000
\$47,375,000

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### 6. LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in the long-term debt of the District during 2019 were as follows:

Series 2010	Maturity/ Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance January 1, 2019	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance December 31, 2019	Amount Due Within One Year
Roadway Improvement Bonds – \$5,925,000	2025 2.90- 5.35%	\$3,010,000	\$ -	(\$395,000)	\$2,615,000	\$405,000
Series 2012 Roadway Improvement Bonds – \$5,000,000 Premium	2028 2.00- 3.00%	3,335,000 54,819	- -	(295,000) (9,133)		300,000 8,561
Series 2013 Roadway Improvement Bonds – \$8,035,000 Premium	2028 2.50- 5.00%	5,325,000 288,673	- -	(470,000) (45,822)	4,855,000 242,851	480,000 43,335
Series 2016 Roadway Improvement Bonds – \$7,815,000 Premium	2036 3.00- 4.00%	7,265,000 667,532	- -	(285,000) (62,769)	6,980,000 604,763	300,000 60,904
Series 2017 Roadway Improvement Bonds – \$7,925,000 Premium	2036 2.00- 4.00%	7,580,000 415,523	- -	(125,000) (34,745)	7,455,000 380,778	145,000 34,270
Series 2018 Roadway Improvement Subordinate Bonds - \$4,060,000	- 2036 3.90%	4,060,000	<u>-</u>	(90,000)	3,970,000	65,000
Total		\$32,001,547	<u>\$</u>	(\$1,812,469)	<u>\$30,189,078</u>	\$1,842,070

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During 2010, the District issued \$5,925,000 of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Roadway Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2010, dated June 3, 2010, to finance the second phase of the District's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The balance of the Series 2010 bonds will mature on December 1 in various amounts ranging from \$405,000 in 2020 to \$470,000 in 2025. Interest, at rates varying from 2.90 percent to 5.35 percent per annum, is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1. The Series 2010 Bonds are Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds subject to a Federal subsidy that reimburses the District up to 45 percent of interest payable on the Bonds.

During 2012, the District issued \$5,000,000 of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Roadway Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012, dated August 7, 2012, to finance the third phase of the District's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The balance of the Series 2012 bonds will mature on December 1 in various amounts ranging from \$300,000 in 2020 to \$380,000 in 2028. Interest, at rates varying from 2.00 percent to 3.00 percent per annum, is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1.

During 2013, the District issued \$8,035,000 of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Roadway Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2013, dated May 3, 2013, to finance the fourth phase of the District's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The balance of the Series 2013 bonds will mature on December 1 in various amounts ranging from \$480,000 in 2020 to \$615,000 in 2028. Interest, at rates varying from 2.50 percent to 5.00 percent per annum, is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1.

During 2016, the District issued \$7,815,000 of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Special Obligation Revenue Bonds, Series 2016, dated April 1, 2016, to finance the fifth phase of the District's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The balance of the Series 2016 bonds will mature on December 1 in various amounts ranging from \$300,000 in 2020 to \$550,000 in 2036. Interest, at rates varying from 3.00 percent to 4.00 percent per annum, is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1.

During 2017, the District issued \$7,925,000 of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Roadway Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, dated April 12, 2017, to finance the sixth phase of the District's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The balance of the Series 2017 bonds will mature on December 1 in various amounts ranging from \$145,000 in 2020 to \$685,000 in 2036. Interest, at rates varying from 2.00 percent to 4.00 percent per annum, is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1.

During 2018 the District issued \$4,060,000 of Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Roadway Improvement Subordinate Revenue Bonds, Series 2018, dated December 20, 2018, to finance the seventh phase of the District's Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The balance of the Series 2018 bonds will mature on December 1 in various amounts ranging from \$65,000 in 2020 to \$380,000 in 2036. Interest, at 3.90 percent per annum, is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1.

The District has pledged receipts which consist of 1) the project funding; 2) future project funding; 3) net RID revenues; and 4) any other revenues, such as gifts or grants, to the extent they are not prohibited by their terms, to repay the principal and interest on the bonds. The bonds are payable from pledged revenues through 2036. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds after the

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Federal subsidy revenues are expected to require approximately 92 percent of annual pledged revenues through 2028 and 66 percent from 2029 through 2036.

The annual requirements to retire the bonds, including the 45 percent federal subsidy applicable to interest on the Series 2010 bonds, are as follows:

		Gross	Federal	
Year ended December 31,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>	<u>Total</u>
2020	\$1,695,000	\$1,094,453	(\$61,863)	\$2,727,590
2021	1,750,000	1,039,280	(53,206)	2,736,074
2022	1,810,000	976,563	(43,215)	2,743,348
2023	1,890,000	898,278	(32,863)	2,755,415
2024	1,960,000	827,178	(22,670)	2,764,508
2025-2029	9,650,000	2,995,765	(11,314)	12,634,450
2030-2034	6,990,000	1,410,440	-	8,400,440
2035-2036	3,170,000	175,050		3,345,050
Total	\$28,915,000	\$9,417,007	(\$224,731)	\$38,107,276

#### 7. CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

As of December 31, 2019 the District had open contractual commitments related to various projects as follows:

		Remaining
Contract Amounts	Paid to Date	Commitments
<u>\$27,926,155</u>	<u>\$7,965,052</u>	<u>\$19,961,103</u>

#### 8. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

During the year, the District transferred \$2,751,545 from the General Fund to the debt service fund for debt service and \$3,886,698 from the General Fund to various project funds to fund project expenditures. In addition two project funds transferred a total of \$109,425 to the General Fund to return funds previously provided for funding of expenditures. The projects were completed and the funds were no longer needed in these funds.

Interfund balances at December 31, 2019 represent costs in specific funds where revenues were not received by December 31. These interfund balances will be repaid once the anticipated revenues are received.

### 9. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- General Liability
- Public Officials Liability
- Crime

There have been no claims resulting from these risks since inception of the District in July 2006. There have been no significant changes in coverage since July 2006.

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# 10. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the District. The impact on the District's future funding and costs cannot be estimated.



Combining Balance Sheet All Governmental Funds December 31, 2019

		General Fund	Debt Service Fund		Old SR 74 Improvements Phase 1 Project Fund		Clepper Lane Extension Project Fund		Bells Lane Modification Project Fund		Amelia West Main Intersection Project Fund		Tob Rej	inemile- asco Road Bridge placement oject Fund
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash	\$	4,637,539	\$	_	\$	212,921	\$	7,027	\$	_	\$	_	\$	156,141
Restricted Cash and Investments	Ψ	-	Ψ	2,514,839	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-
Intergovernmental Receivable  Due from Other Funds		845,218		-		1,222,178		-		-		41,241		340,855
Contractor Retainage Accounts		-		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u>-</u>		25,079		73,435		38,604
Total Assets	\$	5,482,757	\$	2,514,839	\$	1,435,099	\$	7,027	\$	25,079	\$	114,676	\$	535,600
Liabilities														
Accounts Payable	\$	13,972	\$	-	\$	27,192	\$	7,027	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contracts Payable		7,666		-		1,407,907		-		-		-		156,141
Due to Other Funds		-		-		-		-		-		41,241		340,855
Unearned Revenue		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Retainage Accounts Payable	-									25,079		73,435		38,604
Total Liabilities		21,638				1,435,099		7,027		25,079		114,676		535,600
Deferred Inflows of Resources														
Unavailable Amounts														242,818
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>								-						242,818
Fund Balances														
Restricted for Debt Service		-		2,514,839		-		-		-		-		-
Assigned for Encumbrances		75,668		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned		5,385,451												(242,818)
Total Fund Balances (Deficits)		5,461,119		2,514,839										(242,818)
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of														
Resources and Fund Balances	\$	5,482,757	\$	2,514,839	\$	1,435,099	\$	7,027	\$	25,079	\$	114,676	\$	535,600

Combining Balance Sheet All Governmental Funds December 31, 2019 (continued)

	Elick Lane/ Bach-Buxton Improvements Project Fund		SR 28/BHG at Jer-Les Drive Improvements Project Fund		Roundbottom Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund		O'Bannonville Road Landslide Project Fund		Aicholtz Road Roundabouts Project Fund		Traffic and Safety Device Management Project Fund		2016 Landslide Repair Project Fund	
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash Restricted Cash and Investments Intergovernmental Receivable Due from Other Funds Contractor Retainage Accounts	\$	531,174	\$	303,593	\$	14,648 - 255,817 -	\$	93,241 - 93,269 -	\$	18,899 - - -	\$	10,187 - - -	\$ - - - -	
Total Assets	\$	531,174	\$	303,593	\$	270,465	\$	186,510	\$	18,899	\$	10,187	\$ -	
Liabilities Accounts Payable Contracts Payable Due to Other Funds Unearned Revenue Retainage Accounts Payable	\$	163,549 - 367,625	\$	303,593	\$	14,648 255,818	\$	93,241 93,269	\$	- 18,899 - -	\$	- 10,187 - - -	\$ - - - -	
Total Liabilities		531,174		303,593		270,466		186,510		18,899		10,187		
Deferred Inflows of Resources Unavailable Amounts Total Deferred Inflows of Resources				<u>-</u>		14,648 14,648		93,269		<u> </u>		<u>-</u>		
Fund Balances Restricted for Debt Service Assigned for Encumbrances Unassigned		- - -				- (14,649)		(93,269)		- - -		- - -		
Total Fund Balances (Deficits)						(14,649)		(93,269)						
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$	531,174	\$	303,593	\$	270,465	\$	186,510	\$	18,899	\$	10,187	\$ -	

Combining Balance Sheet All Governmental Funds December 31, 2019 (continued)

	Bristol Roa Bridge Replacemen Project Fun	nt	Price Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund		Clermontville- Laurel Bridge Project Fund		Wards Corner Road Improvement Project Fund		CCTID ITS Phase 3 Project Fund		Wolfpen- Pleasant Hill Safety Improvement Project Fund	Industrial Park s Phase 1
Assets Equity in Packed Cook	¢		\$	478	\$	7,526	\$	2.475	\$	2.074	\$	- \$ -
Equity in Pooled Cash Restricted Cash and Investments	\$	-	Ф	4/8	Э	7,320	Ф	2,475	Э	3,974	Ф	- 5 -
Intergovernmental Receivable		_		49,488		27,297		_		_		_
Due from Other Funds		_		-				-		_		
Contractor Retainage Accounts						_		_		-		<u>-</u>
Total Assets	\$		\$	49,966	\$	34,823	\$	2,475	\$	3,974	\$	- \$ -
Liabilities												
Accounts Payable	\$	_	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	- \$ -
Contracts Payable	Ψ	_	Ψ	478	Ψ	7,526	Ψ	2,475	Ψ	3,974	Ψ	Ψ -
Due to Other Funds		_		49,488		27,297		-,		-		
Unearned Revenue		_		-		-				_		
Retainage Accounts Payable		_						_				<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities		_		49,966		34,823		2,475		3,974		
Total Entonices				17,700		31,023		2,173		3,771		
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>												
Unavailable Amounts				478		7,526						<u>-</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		_		478		7,526		_		_		_
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Fund Balances												
Restricted for Debt Service		-		-		-		-		-		
Assigned for Encumbrances		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned				(478)		(7,526)						<u> </u>
Total Fund Balances (Deficits)				(478)		(7,526)		-		_		<u>-</u>
Total Linkilities Defound Inflormed												
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$	_	\$	49,966	\$	34,823	\$	2,475	\$	3,974	\$	- \$ -

Combining Balance Sheet All Governmental Funds December 31, 2019 (continued)

	Wolfpen - Pleasant Hill Improvements Project Fund	2017 Landslide Repair Project Fund	Aicholtz Road Connector Project Fund	Ivy Pointe Boulevard Project Fund	Business 28 Phase 1 Project Fund	2018 Landslide Repair Project Fund	Total
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash Restricted Cash and Investments Intergovernmental Receivable Due from Other Funds Contractor Retainage Accounts	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ - 37,250 - -	\$ 5,999,823 2,514,839 2,067,395 845,218 137,118
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,250	\$ 11,564,393
Liabilities Accounts Payable Contracts Payable Due to Other Funds Unearned Revenue Retainage Accounts Payable Total Liabilities	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - - -	\$	\$	\$ - - - - -	\$ - 37,250 - - 37,250	\$ 48,191 2,190,284 845,218 367,625 137,118 3,588,436
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b> Unavailable Amounts						37,250	395,989
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources			-	·		37,250	395,989
Fund Balances Restricted for Debt Service Assigned for Encumbrances Unassigned		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	(37,250)	2,514,839 75,668 4,989,461
Total Fund Balances (Deficits)				-		(37,250)	7,579,968
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,250	\$ 11,564,393

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance All Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Old SR 74 Improvements Phase 1 Project Fund	Clepper Lane Extension Project Fund	Bells Lane Modification Project Fund	Amelia West Main Intersection Project Fund	Nine Mile Creek Improvements Project Fund
Revenues Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 2,975,000	\$ -	\$ 3,612,881	\$ 2,234,566	\$ 1,332,451	\$ 1,959,150	\$ 819,944
Other Revenues		-	-		-	-	-
Federal Interest Subsidy	-	65,802	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	190,518						
Total Revenues	3,165,518	65,802	3,612,881	2,234,566	1,332,451	1,959,150	819,944
Expenditures							
Current:							
General Government	142,402	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program Implementation	156,454	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Works Debt Service:	-	-	4,095,515	4,052,870	2,258,058	1,959,150	984,650
Redemption of Principal		1,660,000					
Interest Expense	-	1,135,376	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Expense		1,133,370					
Total Expenditures	298,856	2,795,376	4,095,515	4,052,870	2,258,058	1,959,150	984,650
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over	2,866,662	(2,729,574)	(482,634)	(1,818,304)	(925,607)		(164,706)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
Transfers-In	109,425	2,751,545	482,634	1,818,304	925,607	-	-
Transfers-Out	(6,638,243)						
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(6,528,818)	2,751,545	482,634	1,818,304	925,607		
Net Change in Fund Balances	(3,662,156)	21,971	-	-	-	-	(164,706)
Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year	9,123,275	2,492,868					(78,112)
Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year	\$ 5,461,119	\$ 2,514,839	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (242,818)

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# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance All Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2019 (continued)

	Elick Lane/ Bach-Buxton Improvement Project Fund	8	SR 28/BHG at Jer-Les Drive Improvements Project Fund	Roundbottom Road Bridge Replacement Project Fund	O'Bannonville Road Landslide Project Fund	Aicholtz Road Roundabouts Project Fund	Traffic and Safety Device Management Project Fund	2016 Landslide Repair Project Fund
Revenues Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 357,7	04 \$	427,852	\$ 474,417	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 126,879
Other Revenues		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal Interest Subsidy		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-							
Total Revenues	357,7	04	427,852	474,417				126,879
Expenditures								
Current:								
General Government		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program Implementation		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Works	357,7	04	468,927	210,205	93,269	81,676	79,978	62,262
Debt Service:								
Redemption of Principal		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Expense								
Total Expenditures	357,7	04	468,927	210,205	93,269	81,676	79,978	62,262
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over		<u>-</u> _	(41,075)	264,212	(93,269)	(81,676)	(79,978)	64,617
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Transfers-In		-	469,927	-	-	81,676	79,978	-
Transfers-Out	-							
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)			469,927			81,676	79,978	
Net Change in Fund Balances		-	428,852	264,212	(93,269)	-	-	64,617
Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year			(428,852)	(278,861)				(64,617)
Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year	\$	- \$	<u>-</u>	\$ (14,649)	\$ (93,269)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance All Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

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	I Rep	otol Road Bridge lacement lect Fund	Bı Repla	e Road ridge acement ct Fund	Clermontville- Laurel Bridge Project Fund	Wards Corner Road Improvement Project Fund	CCTID ITS Phase 3 Project Fund	Wolfpen- Pleasant Hill Safety Improvements Project Fund	South Afton Industrial Park Phase 1 Project Fund
Revenues Intergovernmental Revenue	\$	140,759	\$	49,010	\$ 74,904	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 240,288
Other Revenues		-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal Interest Subsidy		-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	-		-			<u> </u>			
Total Revenues		140,759		49,010	74,904				240,288
Expenditures Current:									
General Government		-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Program Implementation		-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Works		60,221		49,488	27,297	17,835	8,425	2,260	425
Debt Service:  Redemption of Principal									
Interest Expense		-		-	_	- -	- -	- -	- -
						-	-		-
Total Expenditures		60,221		49,488	27,297	17,835	8,425	2,260	425
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over		80,538		(478)	47,607	(17,835)	(8,425)	(2,260)	239,863
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers-In		_		_	_	17,835	8,425	2,260	_
Transfers-Out		-		_					
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)				-		17,835	8,425	2,260	
Net Change in Fund Balances		80,538		(478)	47,607	-	-	-	239,863
Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year		(80,538)			(55,133)	<u> </u>			(239,863)
Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year	\$		\$	(478)	\$ (7,526)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

(continued)

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance All Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2019 (continued)

	Wolfpen - Pleasant Hill Improvements Project Fund	2017 Landslide Repair Project Fund	Aicholtz Road Connector Project Fund	Ivy Pointe Boulevard Project Fund	Business 28 Phase 1 Project Fund	2018 Landslide Repair Project Fund	Total
Revenues Intergovernmental Revenue Other Revenues	\$ -	\$ 228,169	\$ 89,725	\$ - 69,745	\$ 19,700	\$ -	\$ 15,163,399 69,745
Federal Interest Subsidy	-	_	_	09,743	-	_	65,802
Interest Income							190,518
Total Revenues		228,169	89,725	69,745	19,700		15,489,464
Expenditures							
Current:							
General Government	-	-	-	-	-	-	142,402
Program Implementation Public Works	52	-	-	-	-	-	156,454 14,870,267
Debt Service:	32	-	-	-	-	-	14,670,207
Redemption of Principal	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,660,000
Interest Expense	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,135,376
Total Expenditures	52						17,964,499
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over	(52)	228,169	89,725	69,745	19,700		(2,475,035)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
Transfers-In	52	-	-	-	-	-	6,747,668
Transfers-Out			(89,725)		(19,700)		(6,747,668)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	52		(89,725)		(19,700)		
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	228,169	-	69,745	-	-	(2,475,035)
Fund Balance (Deficit) at Beginning of Year		(228,169)		(69,745)		(37,250)	10,055,003
Fund Balance (Deficit) at End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (37,250)	\$ 7,579,968

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

FEDERAL GRANTOR Federal Grantor Agency Division Pass Through Grantor Program / Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients		Total Federal Expenditures	
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Federal Highway Administration - Highway Planning & Construction Cluster Passed Through Ohio Department of Transportation						
Highway Planning & Construction	20.205					
CLE TR 252 Clepper Ln Extension		82552	\$	-	\$	1,653,695
CLE CR171 Old SR74 Phase 1		82557		-		745,027
CLE SR 32 0.63 Bells Ln/Old-74		99839		-		1,553,476
Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster						3,952,198
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION						3,952,198
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS					\$	3,952,198

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

#### CLERMONT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR 200.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

#### Note A – Basis of Presentation

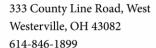
The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District (District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2019. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a select portion of the operations of the District it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or change in net position of the District.

#### Note B – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement. The District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### **Note C – Matching Requirements**

Certain Federal programs require the District to contribute non-Federal funds (matching funds) to support the Federally-funded programs. The District has met its matching requirements. The Schedule does not include the expenditure of non-Federal matching funds.





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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*

Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Clermont County 2381 Clermont Center Drive Batavia, Ohio 45103

To the Board of Trustees:

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 governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining information of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District, Clermont County, Ohio, a component unit of Clermont County, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 22, 2020. Furthermore, as discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Clermont County Transportation Improvement 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 opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement 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 Clermont County Transportation Improvement 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.

Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Clermont County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

#### Compliance and Other Matters

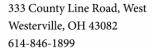
As part of reasonably assuring whether the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and 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 Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Julian & Grube, Inc. April 22, 2020

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## Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to the Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

Clermont County Transportation Improvement District Clermont County 2381 Clermont Center Drive Batavia, Ohio 45103

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

We have audited the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's compliance with the applicable requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could directly and materially affect the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2019. The *Summary of Auditor's Results* in the accompanying schedule of findings identifies the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's major federal program.

#### Management's Responsibility

The Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's management is responsible for complying with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's compliance for the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's major federal program based on our audit of the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. Our compliance audit followed auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards for financial audits included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). These standards and the Uniform Guidance require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our compliance opinion on the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's major program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's compliance.

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#### Opinion on the Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District complied, in all material respects with the compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect its major federal program for the December 31, 2019.

#### Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

The Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our compliance audit, we considered the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's internal control over compliance with the applicable requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program, to determine our auditing procedures appropriate for opining on the major federal program's compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or to timely detect and correct, noncompliance with a federal program's applicable compliance requirement. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement will not be prevented, or timely detected and corrected. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with federal program's applicable compliance requirement that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

This report only describes the scope of our internal control over compliance tests and the results of this testing based on Uniform Guidance requirements. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Julian & Grube, Inc. April 22, 2020

Julian & Sube, Elne.

## CLERMONT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS 2 CFR § 200.515 DECEMBER 31, 2019

	1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS						
(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified					
( <i>d</i> )(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No					
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No					
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No					
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No					
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No					
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Program's Compliance Opinion	Unmodified					
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR §200.516(a)?	No					
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Program (listed):	Highway Planning and Construction Cluster					
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs	Type A: > \$750,000 Type B: all others					
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	No					

### 2. FINDING RELATED TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

None

#### 3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None



#### **CLERMONT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

#### **CLERMONT 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 JULY 2, 2020