

TRUMBULL COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD TRUMBULL COUNTY REGULAR AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Trumbull County Transit Board, Trumbull County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. 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 Trumbull County Transit Board is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 11, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

June 18, 2021

Trumbull County Transit Board Trumbull County 160 High Street NW FL 4 Warren, Ohio 44481

To the Members of the Board:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the **Trumbull County Transit Board**, Trumbull County, Ohio (the Transit Board), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Transit Board'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 Transit Board'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 Transit Board'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 opinion.

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Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Trumbull County Transit Board, Trumbull County as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 18, 2021, on our consideration of the Transit Board'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 Transit Board's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Perry and Associates Certified Public Accountants, A.C. *Marietta, Ohio*

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

DECEMBER 31, 2020

The management's discussion and analysis of the Trumbull County Transit Board (TCTB), financial performance provides an overall review of TCTB's financial activities as of and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 This discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader in focusing on the significant financial issues and activities and to identify any significant changes in financial position. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Overview of Financial Highlight for Trumbull County Transit Board

- TCTB has a net position of \$44,908 and \$91,498 as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. This net position results from the difference between total assets of \$46,502 and \$2,611,536 and total liabilities of \$1,594 and \$2,520,038 as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- As of December 31, 2020, assets of \$46,502 consist of non-restricted cash. As of December 31, 2019, assets of \$2,611,536 primarily consist of non-restricted cash of \$143,841 and receivables of \$2,467,695.
- Liabilities of \$1,594 and \$2,520,038 as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, consist of trade accounts payable.

Basic Financial Statements and Presentation

TCTB complies with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus", and Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Disclosures".

The financial statements presented by TCTB are the Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows. These statements are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. TCTB is structured as a single enterprise fund with revenues recognized when earned and measureable, not when received. Expenses are recognized when they are incurred, not when paid. TCTB has no capital assets.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of TCTB assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases and decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of TCTB is improving or deteriorating. Net position increases when revenues exceed expenses. Increases in assets without a corresponding increases to liabilities results in increased net position, which indicate improved financial position.

The *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position* present information showing how TCTB's net position changed during the year. This statement summarizes operating revenue and expenses along with non-operating revenue and expenses. In addition, this statement lists grant revenue received from federal and state governments and local intergovernmental agency revenues.

The *Statement of Cash Flows* allows financial statement users to assess TCTB adequacy or ability to generate sufficient cash flows to meet its obligations in a timely manner. The statement is classified into four categories: 1) Cash flows from operating activities, 2) Cash flows from noncapital financing activities, 3) Cash flows from capital and related financing activities, and 4) Cash flows from investing activities.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

DECEMBER 31, 2020

Notes to Financial Statements

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

Financial Analysis of TCTB

Table 1 provides a summary of TCTB's net position as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

Table 1

Condensed Summary of Net Position

	2020	2019
Assets:		
Current Assets	\$ 46,502	\$ 2,611,536
Total Assets	46,502	2,611,536
Liabilities:		
Current Liabilities	1,594	2,520,038
Net Position:		
Unrestricted net position	44,908	91,498
Total Net Position	\$ 44,908	\$ 91,498

TCTB has no investment in capital assets. Therefore, all current assets are available to liquidate liabilities or to cover other spending.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

DECEMBER 31, 2020

Table 2 provides a summary of changes in net position for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

Table 2

Condensed Summary of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

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	2020	2019	
Operating Revenues (Expenses):			
Operating revenues	\$ 2	\$ 251,412	
Operating expenses	(76,804)	(1,440,270)	
Operating loss	(76,802)	(1,188,858)	
Non-Operating Revenues			
Federal grants	0	1,194,830	
State grants	30,212	79,468	
Total Non-Operating Revenues	30,212	1,274,298	
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	(46,590)	85,440	
Net Position, Beginning of Year	91,498	6,058	
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 44,908	\$ 91,498	

Financial Operating Activities

The most significant operating expenses for TCTB is transportation contractor expense and legal and accounting expense which accounts for 97.9% of the total operating expenses for 2020 and transportation contractor expense which accounts for 93.4% of the total operating expenses for 2019. The transportation contractor provides all the necessary service to operate the public transit system including salaries, wages and benefits for their employees, vehicle expenses and mobility management.

Trumbull County employs a full-time grant administrator. The administrator is an employee of Trumbull County and therefore, all salary and benefits are paid by them.

Funding for the most significant operating expenses indicated above is from passenger fares of \$-0- for 2020 and \$251,412 for 2019 and non-operating revenues of \$30,212 for 2020 and \$1,274,298 for 2019 in the form of federal grants, state grants and other revenues. These revenues account for 99.9% and 83.5% of the total combined revenues of \$30,214 and \$1,525,710 for 2020 and 2019 respectively. Passenger fare revenue for 2020 was \$0 and for 2019 was \$251,412 and accounts for -0-% and 16.5% of the total revenue, respectively.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

DECEMBER 31, 2020

Financial Operating Activities (Continued)

Federal and state grant revenue for 2020 was \$30,212 and for 2019 was \$1,274,298 and accounts for 99.9% and 83.5% of the total revenue. There were no Intergovernmental agency and other revenues for 2020 or 2019.

TCTB monitors its sources of revenues closely for fluctuations.

Contingencies

Under the terms of the various grants, periodic audits are required where certain costs could be questioned as not being an eligible expenses under the terms of the grant. At December 31, 2020, there were no significant questioned costs that had not been resolved with the applicable federal and state agencies. Questioned costs could still be identified during audits to be conducted in the future. In the opinion of the TCTB management, no material grant expenditures will be disallowed.

Resolution by Trumbull County Commissioners Subsequent to December 31, 2020

On February 3, 2021, the Trumbull County Commissioners passed a resolution to disband TCTB. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 306.01, the official dissolution date will be six months from the date of the resolution, August 4, 2021. Any funds remaining at August 4, 2021 will be turned over to the commissioners pursuant to the by-laws of the Organization. During the six months leading up to the date of the dissolution, the Board will continue to meet on a monthly basis to conduct the business of the Board and to wrap up the affairs of TCTB in an orderly fashion.

Contacting TCTB Financial Management

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, and creditors, with a general overview of TCTB's finances and to show TCTB accountability and transparency for the money it receives. Questions concerning any other information in this report or to request additional information should be addressed to: Michael Salamone, Administrator, Trumbull County Transit Board, 160 High Street NW, Warren, Ohio 44481.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2020

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash TOTAL ASSETS		\$ \$	46,502 46,502
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade accounts payable	Total Current Liabilities	\$	1,594 1,594
NET POSITION			
Unrestricted			44,908
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		\$	46,502

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

OPERATING REVENUE		
Other		\$ 2
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Transportation contractor		29,322
Legal and accounting services		45,877
Other expenses		 1,605
	Total Operating Expenses	 76,804
OPERATING LOSS		(76,802)
NON-OPERATING REVENUE		
State grants		30,212
C C	Total Non-operating Revenues	 30,212
CHANGES IN NET POSITION		(46,590)
NET POSITION		
Beginning of year		91,498
End of year		\$ 44,908

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash received from customers	\$	47,771
Cash payments to suppliers of goods or services		(2,595,248)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities		(2,547,477)
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		0 450 400
Federal and state grants received		2,450,138
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities		2,450,138
CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
None		0
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
None		0
DECREASE IN CASH		(97,339)
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CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		143,841
CASH AT END OF YEAR	\$	46,502
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating loss	\$	(76,802)
Operating loss	φ	(70,802)
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in trade receivables		47,769
Decrease in trade accounts payable		(2,518,444)
Net Change in Assets and Liabilities		(2,470,675)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$	(2,547,477)

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization – Trumbull County Transit Board (TCTB) was created pursuant to Section 306 of the Ohio Revised Code for the purpose of providing public transportation in Trumbull County, Ohio area. As a political subdivision it is distinct from, and is not an agency of, the State of Ohio or any other local governmental unit. TCTB is not subject to federal or state income taxes.

TCTB is managed by 7-member Board of Directors appointed by the Trumbull County Commissioners.

Reporting Entity – TCTB complies with the provisions of Statement Nos. 39 and 61 of the Governmental Accounting Standards ("GASB") regarding the definition of the financial reporting entity. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements include only the accounts and transactions of the TCTB. Under the criteria specified in Statement Nos. 39 and 61, TCTB has no component units and is not considered a component unit of Trumbull County.

The conclusion regarding the financial reporting entity is based on the concept of financial accountability. TCTB is not financially accountable for any other organization nor is any other organization accountable for TCTB. This evidenced by the fact that TCTB is a legally and fiscally separate and distinct organization under the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code.

Basis of Accounting – TCTB follows the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues and expenses are recognized in the period earned or incurred. The measurement focus is on determination of net position, change in net position and cash flows. All transactions are accounted for in a single enterprise fund.

TCTB complies with the provision of GASB statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments."

TCTB will continue applying all applicable pronouncements issued by the GASB.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – For purposes of the statement of cash flows, TCTB considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity, at date of purchase, of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at cost, which approximates fair value.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, at and during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Net Position – Net position, or equity, represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position is usually displayed in three components as follows:

<u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> – this consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes, or other borrowings that are attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.

<u>Restricted</u> – This consists of net position that is legally restricted by outside parties or by law through constitutional provision or enabling legislation. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the TCTB policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources when they are needed.

<u>Unrestricted</u> – This consists of net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

Classifications of Revenues

TCTB has classified its revenues as either operating or non-operating. Operating revenue includes activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions which includes passenger fares. Non-operating revenue includes activities that have the characteristics of non-exchange transaction, such as most federal, state and local grants and contracts and other revenues.

Recognition of Revenue and Receivables

The Federal Transit Administration ("FTA"), the Federal Highway Administration ("FHA") and the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT"), provide financial assistance and make grants directly to the TCTB for operations and acquisition of property and equipment. Operating grants and special fare assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as grant receivable and revenue over the entitlement period. Capital grants for the acquisition of property and equipment (reimbursement type grants) are recorded as revenue when the expense has been made and revenue is available. Capital grant funds received in advance of project costs being incurred, if any are deferred.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2020

2. DEPOSITS

The deposit of TCTB monies are governed by the provision of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with these statutes, only banks located in Ohio and domestic building and loan associations are eligible to hold public deposits. The statutes also permit TCTB to invest on certificates of deposit, savings accounts, money market accounts, the State Treasurer's investment pool ("STAR Ohio") and obligation of the United States government and certain agencies thereof. TCTB may also enter into repurchase agreements with eligible depository or any eligible security dealer who is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers for a period not exceeding 30 days.

Repurchase agreements must be secured by the specific government securities upon which the repurchase agreements are based. The securities must be obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The market value of the securities subject to a repurchase agreement must exceed the value of the principal by two percent and be marked to market daily. State law does not require that security for public deposits and investments be maintained in the TCTB's name.

At December 31, 2020, the recorded amount and bank balance of TCTB deposits was \$46,502 and was not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the TCTB deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the Federal Reserve System, in the names of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the TCTB.

3. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY REVENUES

TCTB received no Intergovernmental agency revenues for the year ended December 31, 2020.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2020

4. TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

TCTB had a contract with Community Bus Services, Inc. to provide transportation services for the residents of Trumbull County which expired in 2019.

5. CONTINGENCIES

Federal and State Grants – under the terms of the various grants, periodic audits are required where certain costs could be questioned as not being an eligible expense under the terms of the grant. At December 31, 2020, there were no significant questioned costs that had not been resolved with the applicable federal and state agencies. Questioned costs could still be identified during audits to be conducted in the future. In the opinion of the TCTB management, no material grant expenses will be disallowed.

6. FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS, REIMBURSEMENTS AND SPECIAL FARE ASSISTANCE

Grants, reimbursements and special fare assistance in the statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net position for the year ended December 31, consist of the following:

STATE: ODOT Capital Cost of Contracting

\$ 30,212

7. BENEFIT PLANS

Trumbull County employs a full-time grant administrator for the transit system. The administrator is an employee of Trumbull County and therefore, all salaries and benefits are paid for by them.

8. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On February 3, 2021, the Trumbull County Commissioners passed a resolution to disband TCTB. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 306.01, the official dissolution date will be six months from the date of the resolution, August 4, 2021. Any funds remaining at August 4, 2021 will be turned over to the commissioners pursuant to the by-laws of the Organization. During the six months leading up to the date of the dissolution, the board will continue to meet on a monthly basis to conduct the business of the board and to wrap up the affairs of TCTB in an orderly fashion.

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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*

June 18, 2021

Trumbull County Transit Board Trumbull County 160 High Street NW FL 4 Warren, Ohio 44481

To the Members of the Board:

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the **Trumbull County Transit Board**, Trumbull County, (the Transit Board) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Transit Board's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 18, 2021.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Transit Board's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Transit Board'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 Transit Board'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.

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Trumbull County Transit Board Trumbull 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 Transit Board'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 financial statements. 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 Transit Board's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Transit Board's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Perry & Associates Certified Public Accountants, A.C. *Marietta, Ohio*



TRUMBULL COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD

TRUMBULL COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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