

LAKE METROPARKS

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Lake County, Ohio | For the year ended December 31, 2021

Hidden Lake
Beaty Landing
Hidden Valley Park
Grand River Landing
Lakeshore Reservation
Veterans Park
Indian Point Park **Chagrin River Park** Arcola Creek Park
Chapin Forest Reservation
Painesville Township Park Gully Brook Park
Helen Hazen Wyman Park Hogback Ridge Park
Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park Jordan Creek Park
Lakefront Lodge
Parsons Gardens
Pete's Pond Preserve
Girdled Road Reservation Penitentiary Glen Reservation
Riverview Park
Greenway Corridor Big Creek at Liberty Hollow Blair Landing
Paine Falls Park River Road Park
Blair Ridge Park Pine Ridge Country Club Lake Erie Bluffs
Pleasant Valley Park **Baker Road Park**
Hell Hollow Wilderness Area
Farmpark
Concord Woods Nature Park
Erie Shores Golf Course



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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Lake Metroparks, Lake County, prepared by James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. 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. Lake Metroparks is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

May 12, 2022

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ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

prepared by the Finance Division



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ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT
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Introductory Section





April 22, 2022

To the Citizens of Lake County
To the Honorable Probate Judge Mark J. Bartolotta
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Formal Letter of Transmittal

We are pleased to submit the 32nd Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for Lake Metroparks (hereafter, also referred to as the “Park District”). This report conforms to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and provides full and complete disclosure of the financial position and operations of the Park District for the year ended December 31, 2021. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the Park District’s management. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed data is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position of the entity as a whole and results of operations of the various funds of the Park District. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Park District’s financial activities have been included.

Report Presentation

Financial statements of governmental organizations differ somewhat from the statements prepared for profit-oriented organizations in that governmental organizations prepare statements on a fund basis. In governmental accounting, the term “fund” is used to identify a separate accounting entity with its own assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate.

The Park District has established various funds to segregate activities to comply with legal requirements for segregation, to better facilitate management control, or to satisfy the requirements of GAAP. The presentation of this report and the financial statements contained herein are in conformance with principles established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) through its various pronouncements.

This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the Management’s Discussion and Analysis letter and should be read in conjunction with it. The statistical section includes selected financial and demographic information, generally presented on a multi-year basis.

Park District Profile

The Park District was created in 1958 under the authority of Chapter 1545 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Park District consists of 46 units of park lands, 38 of which have public use amenities. Its boundaries are coterminous with the boundaries of Lake County, Ohio, located immediately east of Cuyahoga County, west of Ashtabula County and north of Geauga County. The southern shoreline of Lake Erie forms the northern boundary of the Park District. The Park District is operated by a three-member board appointed by the Judge of the Lake County Probate Court for three-year alternating terms. The Board of Park Commissioners appoints an Executive Director who serves as the chief executive officer for the Park District. The Board of Park Commissioners also retain a legal counsel and prosecutor.

Individual funds of the Park District are grouped into two generic fund types (governmental funds and proprietary fund) in the accompanying financial statements. (Refer to the Notes to Basic Financial Statements for a discussion of all of the generic fund types presently prescribed by GAAP.)

Economic Condition and Outlook

Lake County, geographically the smallest county in the State of Ohio, is considered part of the Greater Cleveland metropolitan area. The industrial base of the County consists of chemical manufacturing and research, textile products, wire and wire mesh products, rock salt mining, plastic and plastic products, metal stamping, tooling, and custom machinery. The western half of the County is highly developed with industrial and commercial corporations and residential properties. In the eastern half of the County, nursery businesses provide significant economic contributions. The eastern and southeastern portions of the County are experiencing increased residential development. This trend is expected to continue. As of December 31, 2021, Lake County's unemployment rate was 3.4 percent, the state rate was 3.4 percent, and the national rate was 3.9 percent.

Major Initiatives and Accomplishments 2021

The Covid virus pandemic and subsequent labor and supply chain challenges created a very challenging environment for the Park District in 2021, especially when coupled with continued record-breaking visitation in the parks. Contrary to our expectations, the historic high visitation numbers in 2020 did not fall after the lockdowns were over and many other activities returned to a semblance of normality. Park visitation in 2021 actually increased by approximately 1% at over 4 million visits. Our staff continued to adapt to the challenges and find ways to overcome a diminished workforce and scarce materials (up to and including vehicles). In 2021, our staff completed several new amenities including upgrades to the new Adventure Play Area at Jordan Creek Park and a new public overlook at Girdled Road Reservation with a related ADA accessible trail and paved parking lot. We were also able to run two of our most popular public events, Halloween and Country Lights at the Farmpark which saw record breaking attendance.

One of the most notable achievements in 2021 was the resounding passage of a 0.4 mill increase to one of our two tax levies which passed by a very strong 58% in November. Strong public support of a tax increase during tough economic times is a validation of the work we have done to support the quality of life in Lake County.

Outlook for 2022

We are cautiously optimistic that the worst of the pandemic is behind us and that we continue on our current trajectory to return to more normal operations. Visitation continues to be strong but 2022 will continue to pose challenges to staffing and purchasing of equipment and particularly vehicles.

The Park District is in the process of launching two new projects that are extremely important to the agency and which will provide dramatic benefits to park visitors. The first is the acquisition of approximately 340 acres at the intersection of Vrooman Road and Interstate 90. Acquisition is dependent on our ability to secure at least \$1.2 million in Clean Ohio funding this spring, but we are cautiously optimistic about our chances to secure this funding. The purchase of this property will protect and provide public access to over a mile on the Grand River which has been designated as a "Wild and Scenic" river in Ohio. The acquisition will also provide The Park District with the ability to provide public access to another 280-

acre property the Park District currently owns, but which lacked any route for public access. If acquisition is successful, the Park District will spend at least a year planning on how to develop the property for public access.

A second project would create a public trail over more than two miles in length between Painesville Twp Park and the Village of Fairport. Staff have been working with Kurtz Brothers Inc who own the property immediately west of Painesville Twp Park. We expect to complete an agreement with Kurtz in the next couple months that would grant The Park District a permanent easement along the shoreline for a trail. We are also working on securing funding from the state and county to support the development of a trail and a new erosion barrier on this section. At the same time, we are talking with the owners of the old Diamond Shamrock property which runs from the west end of Kurtz property to Fairport with the goal of securing a similar permanent easement that would also provide room for parking as well as a shoreline trail. This project will take several years to complete but once finished, it will provide visitors with a shoreline trail of over two miles directly on the shore of our greatest natural resource, Lake Erie.

Work will also start this year on construction of a new trail and parking lot at the end of Bacon Road and which will tie into the existing trails at Lake Erie Bluffs. This new trailhead will give the surrounding residents with an easy route to access this 600-acre park.

There are four funds within the Park District’s 2022 budget:

- The General Fund represents most of the park systems personnel and daily operation expense – the expenditures of the General Fund are budgeted at \$21,860,727 including transfers of \$2,750,000 to the Improvement Fund.
- The Improvement Fund allows for the purchase of the majority of the park systems capital assets. The Park District is projected to expend \$4,566,000 for land, vehicles, equipment, improvements and repairs and replacement amenities on existing parklands.
- The projected expenditures were \$1,828,000 for the Health and Life Fund, and \$4,500 for the Drug Enforcement Fund.

As in past years, it is understood that should additional funds be secured through federal or state funds, the Board of Park Commissioners may amend this budget to reflect any additional funds.

Financial Information

The Park District's day-to-day accounting and budgetary records are maintained on a basis other than GAAP (budgetary). For financial reporting purposes the accounting records are converted to a modified accrual basis for all governmental funds and the accrual basis for the proprietary funds and entity-wide reporting. A further discussion of the basis of accounting can be found in Note 1 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements along with a reconciliation of budgetary basis to GAAP in Note 10.

Budgetary appropriations for the operation of the Park District’s divisions are established through the adoption of the annual appropriation resolution by the Board of Park Commissioners. Budgetary control is facilitated through the maintenance of an encumbrance system for purchase orders and through the use of the Park District’s financial accounting system.

The Park District maintains budgetary control within the organizational unit and fund by not permitting expenditures and encumbrances to exceed appropriations. Administrative control is maintained through the establishment of object line-item budgets. Various departments are subject to performance budget reviews. Funds appropriated may not be expended for purposes other than those designated in the appropriation resolution. Purchase requisitions are used for all purchases of materials, services and supplies that exceed \$50. Purchase requisitions that exceed \$2,000 must be signed by the Executive Director and all purchases over \$50,000 must be approved by the Board of Park Commissioners. The Park Board reviews all contracts. Monthly cash reports are sent to the Executive Director, division heads, and the Board of Park Commissioners.

Internal Controls

The Park District's internal controls are reviewed annually as a part of an independent audit. In developing and revising the Park District's accounting and reporting control system, consideration is given to the adequacy of internal controls to provide reasonable but not absolute assurance regarding:

- safeguarding assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and
- reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets.

The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that:

- the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived, and
- the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. The Park District's internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

Responsibility for budgetary control rests with individual divisions, which are given a printed budget report on a monthly basis after the approval of expenditures by the Board of Park Commissioners. The Finance Division also performs internal cash audits at all Park District locations. Bank reconciliations are conducted on a monthly basis and petty cash funds are reconciled on a quarterly basis.

General Fund

The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Activities accounted for in the Park District's General Fund include administration, Farmpark, financial, rangers, registration, natural resources, Penitentiary Glen, outdoor education/recreation and Golf.

Special Revenue Fund

The Park District's Drug Enforcement Fund is used to account for drug fines remitted by the courts. The funds are to be used for the prevention and detection of drug violations within the Park District.

Improvement Fund

The Improvement Fund is funded by grants and transfers from the General Fund. This fund supports land purchases and permanent improvements to the Park District. The Improvement Fund received grants, interest earnings as well as contributions and miscellaneous receipts. Total Improvement Fund level expenditures in 2021 were \$2,238,596, all of which were for capital expenditures.

Internal Service Fund

In March 1990, the Park District began a self-insured hospitalization program. During 2021, billings for services to other funds was \$1,817,419 or 93.9 percent of the fund operating revenue with the employee share payments, COBRA charges to participants representing \$117,473 or 6.1 percent of the fund operating revenue. During 2021, claims expenses were \$1,122,987 or 68 percent of expenses. Premiums for medical administration, dental, vision and life insurance expenses as well as stop-loss insurance, both in the aggregate and in the individual, were \$529,948 or 32 percent of expenses. This fund also generated \$1,987 in non-operating interest.

Current Financial Policies

Due to the current economic conditions, the Park District has invested in Certificates of Deposits and STAR Ohio as investment opportunities due to their competitive return and immediate access to funds as opposed to longer term investments.

Independent Audit

Included in this report is an unmodified audit opinion rendered on the Park District's financial operations as well as its assets and liabilities at year-end 2021 by our independent auditors, James G. Zupka, CPA Inc. The Park District's management intends to continue to subject the financial statements to an annual independent audit as part of the preparation of this ACFR. An annual audit serves to maintain and strengthen the Park District's accounting and budgetary controls.

Park District Awards and Acknowledgements

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Park District for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. This was the 31st consecutive year that the Park District has achieved this prestigious award. To be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the Park District must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements, and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

This ACFR represents a continuing commitment by the Finance Division and the management of the Park District to provide prudent financial information of Park District resources and to demonstrate stewardship of the funds granted to the Park District by the voters of Lake County.

We would like to acknowledge support of the entire staff of the Park District, especially the Finance Division, for the tireless effort in developing this report. We would like to thank Christopher A. Galloway, Lake County Auditor, and his office for assistance in developing the statistical section.

We ask for continuing support in this project and in our efforts to provide financial stewardship and quality public service for the residents of Lake County.



Paul B. Palagy
Executive Director



Christopher J. Brassell, CPA
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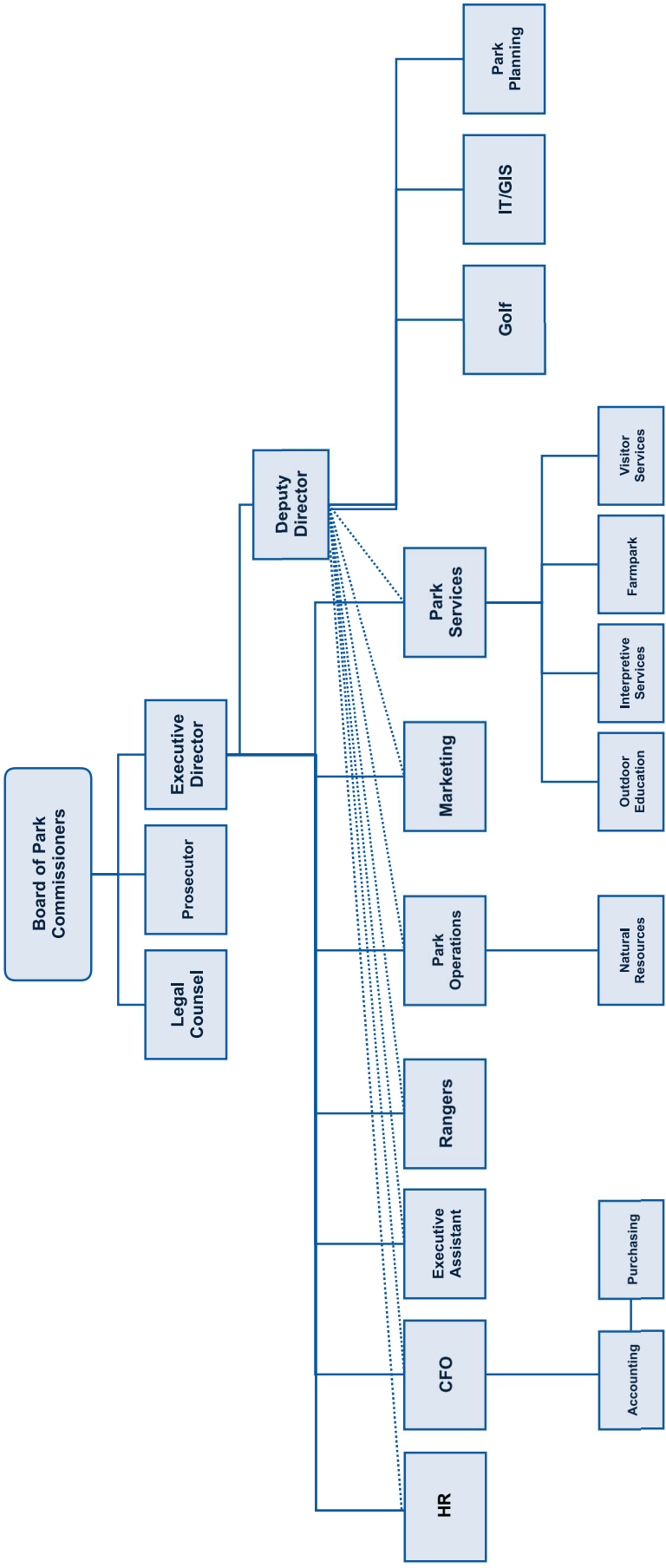
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Park Commissioners
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The Honorable Keith Faber
Auditor of State
State of Ohio

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lake Metroparks, Lake County, Ohio, (the Park District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Park District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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 Lake Metroparks as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards (Government Auditing Standards)*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Park District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Park District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Park District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Park District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and Schedules of Net Pension and Postemployment Benefit Liabilities and Pension and Postemployment Benefit Contributions, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Park District's basic financial statements. The individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the individual fund schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 22, 2022, on our consideration of the Park District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Park District's 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 Park District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc.
Certified Public Accountants

April 22, 2022

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**Lake Metroparks
Management's Discussion and Analysis
December 31, 2021 (Unaudited)**

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Lake Metroparks' (the "Park District") financial performance provides an overview of the Park District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Park District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the transmittal letter, the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Park District's financial performance. The Park District's basic financial statements begins on page 25.

Financial Highlights

- The results of the Park District net position was an increase in the governmental activities net position. Net position of our governmental activities increased by \$9,438,799 or 13.93 percent.
- Total cost of all the Park District's programs was \$11,384,789 in 2021 compared to \$20,061,020 in 2020, a decrease of \$8,676,231 or 43.24 percent.
- During the year, investment in capital assets decreased \$1,071,134.

Using This Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. The *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities* provide information about the activities of the Park District as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Park District's finances. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Park District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Park District's most financially significant funds.

Reporting the Park District as a Whole

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

Our analysis of the Park District as a whole begins on page 16. One of the most important questions asked about the Park District's finances is, "Is the Park District as a whole better or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities* report information about the Park District as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. Accrual of the current year's revenues and expenses are considered regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Park District's net position and changes in them. You can think of the Park District's net position as the difference between assets, what the citizens own, and liabilities, what the citizens owe, as one way to measure the Park District's financial health or financial position. Over time increases or decreases in the Park District's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors such as changes in the Park District's property tax base and the condition of the Park District's capital assets (roads, buildings, trails) to assess the overall health of the Park District.

**Lake Metroparks
Management's Discussion and Analysis
December 31, 2021 (Unaudited)**

In the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities* the Park District is comprised of the following activity:

- **Governmental Activities:** All of the Park District's basic services are reported here, including parks and recreation and general administration. Property taxes, state and federal grants and Charges for Services finance most of these activities.

Reporting the Park District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not the Park District as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by state law. However, the Park Board establishes other funds to help it control and manage money for specific purposes (example: Improvement Fund). The Park District's two types of funds are governmental and proprietary, which use different accounting approaches.

Governmental funds: Most of the Park District's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using the modified accrual basis of 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 Park 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 the Park District's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*) and governmental funds in reconciliations beside the fund financial statements.

Proprietary fund: The Park District maintains an Internal Service proprietary fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally. The Park District's utilizes an internal service fund, the Hospitalization Fund, to report activities that provide hospitalization to the Park District's employees working under other programs. The proprietary fund uses the accrual basis of accounting.

The Park District as a Whole

The Park District's total governmental assets changed from a year ago, increasing from \$104,837,805 to \$110,281,155. Our analysis below focuses on the net position (Table 1) and changes in net position (Table 2) of the Park District's governmental activities.

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Table 1 - Net Position

	Governmental		
	2021	2020	Change
Assets			
Other Assets	41,799,734	\$35,285,250	\$6,514,484
Capital Assets	68,481,421	69,552,555	(1,071,134)
Total Assets	110,281,155	104,837,805	5,443,350
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Pension	1,235,868	1,814,540	(578,672)
OPEB	512,775	1,327,186	(814,411)
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,748,643	3,141,726	(1,393,083)
Liabilities			
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	616,251	712,384	(96,133)
Due in More than One Year:			
Net Pension Liability	8,377,822	11,820,271	(3,442,449)
Net OPEB Liability	-	8,297,642	(8,297,642)
Other Amounts Due in More than One Year	726,170	761,992	(35,822)
Other Liabilities	1,056,115	770,355	285,760
Total Liabilities	10,776,358	22,362,644	(11,586,286)
Deferred Inflow of Resources			
Property Taxes	16,468,558	13,811,923	2,656,635
Pension	4,200,731	2,770,658	1,430,073
OPEB	3,392,401	1,281,355	2,111,046
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	24,061,690	17,863,936	6,197,754
Net Position			
Investment in Capital Assets	68,481,421	69,552,555	(1,071,134)
Restricted	2,154,943	1,476,448	678,495
Unrestricted	6,555,386	(3,276,052)	9,831,438
Total Net Position	\$77,191,750	\$67,752,951	\$9,438,799

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The net pension liability (NPL) is the largest single liability reported by the Park District at December 31, 2021, and is reported pursuant to GASB Statement 68, “Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27.” The Park District previously adopted GASB Statement 75, “Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions,” which significantly revises accounting for costs and liabilities related to other postemployment benefits (OPEB). For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the Park District’s actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability to the reported net position and subtracting the net pension/OPEB asset and deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Prior accounting for pensions (GASB 27) and postemployment benefits (GASB 45) focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension and OPEB costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan’s net pension liability or net OPEB liability. GASB 68 and GASB 75 take an earnings approach to pension and OPEB accounting; however, the nature of Ohio’s statewide pension/OPEB plans and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

GASB 68 and 75 require the Net Pension liability/asset and the Net OPEB liability to equal the Park District’s proportionate share of each plan’s collective:

1. Present value of estimated future pension benefits attributable to active and inactive employees’ past service; and
2. Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits.

GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the “employment exchange” – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this pension promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the Park District is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of this liability. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute. The Ohio revised Code permits but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

The employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer’s promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the pension system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the Pension/OPEB system *against the public employer*. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The retirement system is responsible for the administration of the Pension and OPEB plans.

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Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e., sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the Net Pension liability. As explained above, changes in pension benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of the Net Pension liability but are outside the control of the local government. If contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required pension payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability is satisfied, this liability is separately identified within the long-term liability section of the Statement of Net Position.

In accordance with GASB 68 and GASB 75, the Park District's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense and annual OPEB expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in Net Pension liability/asset and Net OPEB asset, respectively, not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

Net position of the Park District's governmental activities increased by \$9,438,799, (\$67,752,951 at December 31, 2020, compared to \$77,191,750 at December 31, 2021). Unrestricted net position, the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements, increased by \$9,831,438, ((\$3,276,052) at December 31, 2020, compared to \$6,555,386 at December 31, 2021). Restricted net position, those restricted mainly for capital projects, increased by \$678,495, (\$1,476,448 at December 31, 2020, compared to \$2,154,943 at December 31, 2021). The governmental activities investment in capital assets decreased by \$1,071,134, (\$69,552,555 at December 31, 2020, compared to \$68,481,421 at December 31, 2021).

Financial Ratios

The financial ratios following should be used to assess the financial stability of the Park District over an extended period of time.

The *Ratios of Working Capital* and *Days Cash and Investment in Reserve* demonstrate the ability to finance operations with cash. The stability of the *Current Ratio* and the *Liabilities to Net Position* demonstrate the Park District's ability to pay back its liabilities. *Working Capital* is the amount by which current assets exceed current liabilities. The *Current Ratio*, which compares current assets to current liabilities, is an indicator of the ability to pay current obligations.

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Working Capital	2020	2021
Governmental	\$19,825,228	\$22,406,056

Current Ratio	2020	2021
Governmental	2.30	2.24

Days Cash and Investments in Reserve represents the number of days normal operations could continue with no revenue collection.

Days Cash and Investment	2020	2021
Governmental	330	746

Liabilities to Net Position indicates the extent of borrowing.

Liabilities to Net Position	2020	2021
Governmental	59%	45%

Return on Assets from Operations illustrates to what extent there will be sufficient funds to replace assets in the future.

Return on Assets	2020	2021
Governmental	0.12%	8.58%

Table 2 - Change in Net Position

	Governmental		
	2021	2020	Change
Revenues:			
Program Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$3,313,230	\$2,505,365	\$807,865
Operating Grants and Contributions	138,296	116,817	21,479
Capital Grants and Contributions	138,926	127,239	11,687
General Revenues:			
Property Tax	14,745,553	14,691,973	53,580
Grants and Entitlements, Unrestricted	2,145,997	2,029,948	116,049
Interest	31,212	126,281	(95,069)
Miscellaneous	310,374	593,154	(282,780)
Total Revenues	20,823,588	20,190,777	632,811
Program Expenses:			
Parks and Recreation	11,384,789	20,061,020	(8,676,231)
Total Expenses	11,384,789	20,061,020	(8,676,231)
Change in Net Position	9,438,799	129,757	9,309,042
Net Position Beginning	67,752,951	67,623,194	129,757
Net Position Ending	\$77,191,750	\$67,752,951	\$9,438,799

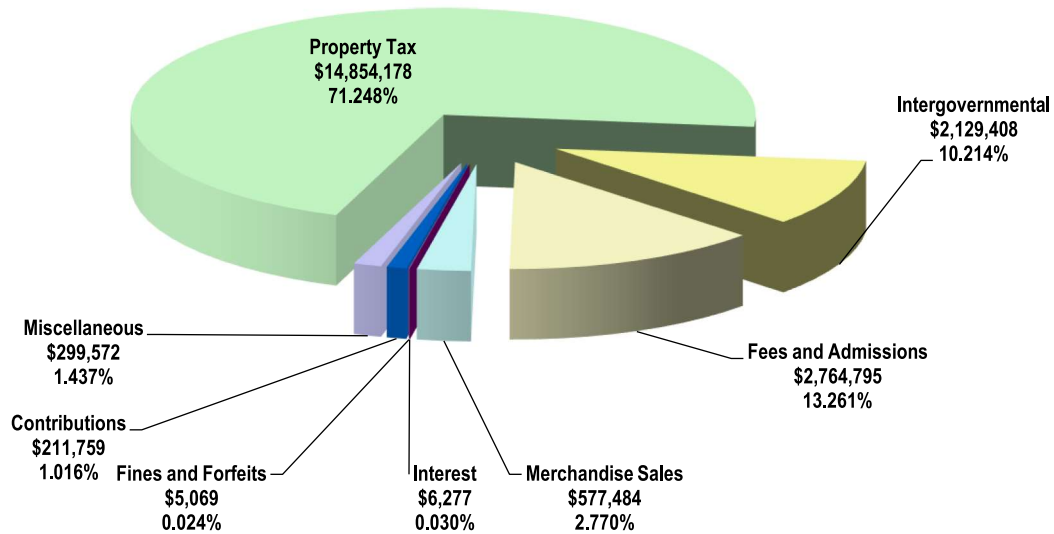
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Total net position for the Park District increased by \$9,438,799. The increase in governmental net position is due to the Park District’s elimination of the Net OPEB Liability and corresponding expenses as compared to the prior year. The Ohio Public Retirement System modified the OPEB plan calculations which resulted in the change from a liability to an asset and had a significant effect on the 2021 expenditures.

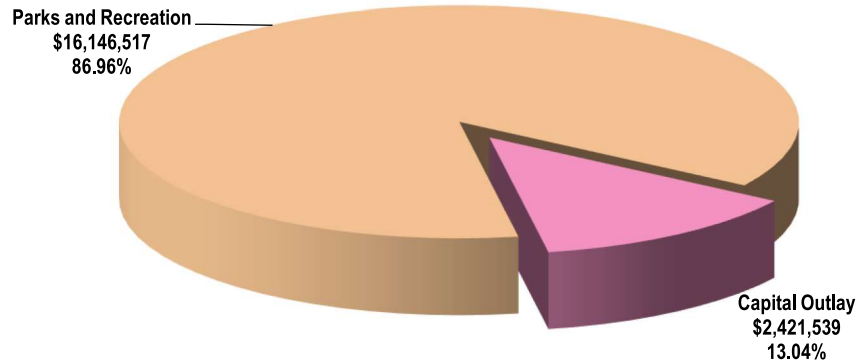
The Governmental Funds

Information about the Park District’s governmental funds begins on page 28. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The Park District had governmental revenues of \$20,848,542 and expenditures of \$18,568,056. General Fund revenue increase is primarily due to increases in Fees and Admissions and Merchandise Sales. These increases were directly attributed to the increased programs and events in 2021 that were cancelled or reduced due to COVID-19 in 2020. General Fund general operating expenditures increased primarily due to Salary and related expenditures because of the re-opening of facilities and programs that were cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19. The Improvement Fund revenues remained consistent from 2020 while the expenditures decreased due to supply chain issues. As of the end of the current year, the Park District’s governmental funds reported an ending fund balance of \$19,396,324. The nonspendable fund balance of \$655,156 includes prepaids and inventory. The Restricted balance of the General and Capital Funds are \$4,632 and \$12,024 respectively. The Restricted balance of the Drug Enforcement Fund is \$18,797. The assigned fund balance includes \$2,192,308 for purchases on order and assigned for 2021 appropriations.

2021 Governmental Funds Revenue



2021 Governmental Funds Expenditures



Proprietary Fund

The Park District has an Internal Service Fund, the Hospitalization Fund. The Hospitalization Fund financial statement are included in this report. Because the focus on proprietary funds is a cost-of-service measurement or capital maintenance, we have included this fund in the table below, which demonstrates return on ending assets and return on ending net position.

Hospitalization fees are adjusted via the budget and contractual requirements each March. The Hospitalization Fund net position increased by \$283,944 in 2021. Claims expenses increased in 2021 as compared to 2020. The increase in claims expense is due to the increase in medical procedures that were delayed during COVID-19. The Park District purchased stop-loss insurance in the amount of \$90,000 individual and no aggregate limit.

	<u>Hospitalization</u>
Total Assets	\$2,097,640
Net Position	1,960,800
Change in Net Position	283,944
Return on Ending Total Assets	13.54%
Return on Ending Net Position	14.48%

Capital Assets

At the end of 2021, the Park District had \$68,481,421 invested in a broad range of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation including land, buildings, vehicles, equipment, livestock, trails, bridges and parking lots. (See table below.) This amount represents a net decrease (including additions and deductions) of \$1,071,134 or a decrease of 1.5 percent from last year.

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Capital Assets at Year-end		
(Net of Depreciation)		
	Governmental Activities	
	2021	2020
Land	\$ 41,628,215	\$ 41,486,729
Livestock	66,437	65,137
Construction in Progress	44,719	102,443
Buildings	22,593,877	22,232,431
Furniture/Fixtures	2,218,244	2,203,294
Land Improvements	5,014,861	4,891,769
Machinery/Equipment	7,852,919	7,548,038
Vehicles	5,102,198	4,604,055
Leasehold Improvement	5,758,786	5,721,079
Infrastructure	14,719,775	14,324,954
Accumulated Depreciation	(36,518,610)	(33,627,404)
Total	\$ 68,481,421	\$ 69,552,525

This year's major additions included the following governmental improvements: purchase of land, vehicles, equipment, and improvements to existing buildings and parks. More detailed information about the Park District's capital assets is presented in Note 6 to Basic Financial Statements.

Economic Factors

Lake Metroparks is a park district (special purpose government) operating under the authority of Chapter 1545 of the Ohio Revised Code encompassing and providing park and recreation opportunities to the citizens of Lake County. The Lake County unemployment rate is 3.4 percent compared to 3.4 percent for the state and the national unemployment rate of 3.9 percent as of December 31, 2021, these compared to 2020 rates of 5.5 percent for Lake County, 5.2 percent for the state, and 6.5 percent for the national unemployment rate.

2021 Budgetary Highlights

The Executive Director proposed, and the Board of Park Commissioners adopted an original budget for the year 2021. The 2021 budget called for General Fund expenditures and transfers of \$20,820,049. There were no modifications to the General Fund budget as a whole in 2021.

Contacting the Park District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, patrons, and creditors with a general overview of the Park District's finances and to show the Park District's accountability for the funds it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Christopher J. Brassell, CPA, Chief Financial Officer, Lake Metroparks, 11211 Spear Road, Concord Twp., Ohio 44077, phone (440) 639-7275 or e-mail cbrassell@lakemetroparks.com.

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Basic Financial Statements

Lake Metroparks
Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2021

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$21,670,423
Taxes Receivable	17,146,404
Accounts Receivable	46,490
Interest Receivable	660
Due From Other Governments	1,027,847
Inventories at Cost	330,855
Prepaid Items	324,301
Nondepreciable Capital Assets (Note 6)	41,739,371
Depreciable Capital Assets - Net (Note 6)	26,742,050
Net OPEB Asset (Note 5)	1,015,037
Net Pension Asset (Note 4)	237,717
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>110,281,155</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Pension (Note 4)	1,235,868
OPEB (Note 5)	512,775
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<u>1,748,643</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	101,950
Claims Payable	136,840
Due To Other Governments	406,452
Accrued Liabilities	32,394
Accrued Wages	330,866
Retainage Payable	13,732
Matured Compensated Absences	33,881
Long-term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year (Note 7)	616,251
Due In More Than One Year:	
Net Pension Liability (Notes 4 and 7)	8,377,822
Other Amounts Due In More Than One Year (Note 7)	726,170
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>10,776,358</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Property Taxes	16,468,558
Pension (Note 4)	4,200,731
OPEB (Note 5)	3,392,401
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>24,061,690</u>
Net Position	
Investment in Capital Assets	68,481,421
Amounts Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	2,131,514
Drug Enforcement	18,797
Other Purposes	4,632
Unrestricted Amounts	6,555,386
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>\$77,191,750</u>

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

Lake Metroparks
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Program Revenues			
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
Functions/Programs				
Governmental Activities				
Parks and Recreation	\$11,384,789	\$3,313,230	\$138,296	\$138,926
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	<u>\$11,384,789</u>	<u>\$3,313,230</u>	<u>\$138,296</u>	<u>\$138,926</u>

General Revenues

Property Tax

Grants & Entitlements, Unrestricted

Interest

Miscellaneous

Total General Revenues

Change in Net Position

Net Position - Beginning

Net Position - Ending

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Net (Expense) Revenue and
Changes in Net Position

Governmental
Activities

(\$7,794,337)

(7,794,337)

14,745,553
2,145,997
31,212
310,374

17,233,136

9,438,799

67,752,951

\$77,191,750

Lake Metroparks
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2021

	General Fund	Improvement Fund
Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$17,400,663	\$2,153,356
Receivables:		
Taxes	17,146,404	--
Accounts	46,490	--
Interest	567	70
Due From Other Governments	1,027,837	--
Inventories at Cost	330,855	--
Prepaid Items	324,301	--
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$36,277,117</u>	<u>\$2,153,426</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$65,688	\$36,262
Due To Other Governments	406,452	--
Accrued Liabilities	32,394	--
Accrued Wages	330,866	--
Retainage Payable	13,732	--
Matured Compensated Absences	33,881	--
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>883,013</u>	<u>36,262</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Property Taxes	16,468,558	--
Unavailable Revenues:		
Intergovernmental	987,337	--
Delinquent Property Taxes	677,846	--
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>18,133,741</u>	<u>--</u>
Fund Balances:		
Nonspendable	655,156	--
Restricted for Drug Enforcement	--	--
Committed to Contract Services	4,632	12,024
Assigned	87,168	2,105,140
Unassigned	16,513,407	--
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>17,260,363</u>	<u>2,117,164</u>
<i>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$36,277,117</u>	<u>\$2,153,426</u>

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

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Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to
Net Position of Governmental Activities
December 31, 2021

Non-Major Governmental/ Drug Enforcement Fund	Total Governmental Funds		
		Total Governmental Funds Balances	\$19,396,324
\$18,786	\$19,572,805	<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:</i>	
--	17,146,404	Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	68,481,421
--	46,490		
1	638		
10	1,027,847		
--	330,855	Other long-term assets that are not available to pay current period expenditures and therefore are unavailable revenues in the fund.	
--	324,301		
<u>\$18,797</u>	<u>\$38,449,340</u>		
		Delinquent Property Taxes	677,846
		Intergovernmental	987,337
		The net pension liability is not due and payable in the current period, and the net pension and net OPEB assets are not available for spending in the current period; therefore the assets, liability, and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in governmental funds.	
\$--	\$101,950	Deferred Outflows - Pension	1,235,868
--	406,452	Deferred Inflows - Pension	(4,200,731)
--	32,394	Net Pension Liability	(8,377,822)
--	330,866	Deferred Outflows - OPEB	512,775
--	13,732	Deferred Inflows - OPEB	(3,392,401)
--	33,881	Net OPEB Asset	1,015,037
<u>--</u>	<u>919,275</u>	Net Pension Asset	237,717
		Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	(1,342,421)
--	16,468,558		
--	987,337		
--	677,846		
<u>--</u>	<u>18,133,741</u>		
		Internal service funds are not reported in the funds statement but are governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.	1,960,800
--	655,156		
18,797	18,797		
--	16,656		
--	2,192,308		
--	16,513,407	Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$77,191,750</u>
<u>18,797</u>	<u>19,396,324</u>		
<u>\$18,797</u>	<u>\$38,449,340</u>		

Lake Metroparks
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	General Fund	Improvement Fund
Revenues		
Property Tax	\$14,854,178	\$--
Intergovernmental	2,092,592	36,816
Fees and Admissions	2,748,979	15,816
Merchandise Sales	577,484	--
Interest	4,263	2,000
Fines and Forfeitures	1,394	--
Contributions	130,796	80,963
Miscellaneous	289,543	10,029
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>20,699,229</u>	<u>145,624</u>
Expenditures		
Parks and Recreation	16,145,313	--
Capital Outlay	182,943	2,238,596
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>16,328,256</u>	<u>2,238,596</u>
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<u>4,370,973</u>	<u>(2,092,972)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Transfers In	--	2,750,000
Transfers Out	(2,750,000)	--
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(2,750,000)</u>	<u>2,750,000</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	1,620,973	657,028
<i>Fund Balances - Beginning of the Year</i>	15,669,236	1,460,136
<i>Increase (Decrease) in Reserve for Inventories</i>	<u>(29,846)</u>	<u>--</u>
<i>Fund Balances - End of the Year</i>	<u>\$17,260,363</u>	<u>\$2,117,164</u>

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

Lake Metroparks
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, 2021

Non-Major Governmental/ Drug Enforcement Fund	Total Governmental Funds	Net Changes in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$2,280,486
		Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
\$--	\$14,854,178	Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period.	
--	2,129,408		
--	2,764,795		
--	577,484	Note: Capital Outlays \$2,008,079 Depreciation (\$2,974,396).	(966,317)
14	6,277		
3,675	5,069	In the Statement of Activities, only the loss on the disposal of capital assets is reported, whereas, in the Governmental Funds, the proceeds from the disposals increase financial resources. Thus the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the net book value of the capital assets.	
--	211,759		
--	299,572	Note: Capital Asset Deletions \$188,007 Depreciation (\$83,190).	(104,817)
3,689	20,848,542		
		Contractually required contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows.	
1,204	16,146,517		
--	2,421,539		
1,204	18,568,056		
		Pension	1,221,023
2,485	2,280,486	OPEB	13,771
		Except for amounts reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension/OPEB liability and net pension/OPEB asset are reported as pension expense in the statement of activities.	
--	2,750,000		
--	(2,750,000)		
--	--	Pension	285,038
		OPEB	6,373,451
2,485	2,280,486		
		Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
16,312	17,145,684		
--	(29,846)	Compensated Absences	131,955
		Change in Inventory	(29,846)
\$18,797	\$19,396,324		
		Internal service activity is not reported in governmental funds but is reported as governmental activities in the Statement of Activities.	283,944
		Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	
		Delinquent Property Taxes	(108,625)
		Intergovernmental	58,736
		Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$9,438,799

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP) Budgetary Basis - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Property Tax	\$13,796,680	\$13,796,680	\$14,854,178	\$1,057,498
Intergovernmental	2,026,026	2,026,026	2,052,092	26,066
Fees and Admissions	2,063,775	2,063,775	2,736,449	672,674
Merchandise Sales	445,525	445,525	577,668	132,143
Interest	100,000	100,000	14,528	(85,472)
Fines and Forfeitures	2,000	2,000	1,394	(606)
Contribution	88,800	88,800	131,936	43,136
Miscellaneous	67,300	67,300	263,515	196,215
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>18,590,106</u>	<u>18,590,106</u>	<u>20,631,760</u>	<u>2,041,654</u>
Expenditures				
Salaries	9,468,730	9,352,442	8,725,253	627,189
OPERS	1,314,470	1,317,433	1,221,838	95,595
Medicare	136,000	136,000	124,544	11,456
Workers' Compensation	115,540	115,540	105,888	9,652
Unemployment Compensation	0	5,910	5,866	44
Medical Insurance	2,105,200	1,982,799	1,816,297	166,502
Professional Memberships	24,060	25,760	18,063	7,697
Training and Education	22,410	22,410	3,405	19,005
Travel	55,154	55,174	29,303	25,871
Mileage	6,600	6,800	3,353	3,447
Supplies	1,616,644	1,628,644	1,402,581	226,063
Contract Services	1,631,381	1,746,081	1,447,322	298,759
Electric	287,900	292,500	253,815	38,685
Heat (Oil/Gas)	85,900	88,600	64,240	24,360
Water/Sewer	69,080	71,886	61,768	10,118
Telephone	121,134	133,974	129,303	4,671
Contract Repairs	184,155	233,155	206,285	26,870
Advertising	52,285	53,185	36,903	16,282
Rentals	199,505	199,605	181,657	17,948
Insurance	242,000	242,000	233,619	8,381
Materials	95,205	121,705	107,129	14,576
Capital Equipment	126,696	128,446	109,579	18,867
Land Acquisition	110,000	110,000	82,735	27,265
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>18,070,049</u>	<u>18,070,049</u>	<u>16,370,749</u>	<u>1,699,300</u>

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Lake Metroparks
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP) Budgetary Basis - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</i>	520,057	520,057	4,261,011	3,740,954
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers Out	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	--
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	--
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other (Uses)</i>	(2,229,943)	(2,229,943)	1,511,011	3,740,954
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - Beginning of the Year</i>	15,162,676	15,162,676	15,162,676	--
Recovery of Prior Year Encumbrances	276,360	276,360	276,360	--
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - End of the Year</i>	<u>\$13,209,093</u>	<u>\$13,209,093</u>	<u>\$16,950,047</u>	<u>\$3,740,954</u>

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

Lake Metroparks
Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Fund
Internal Service Fund
December 31, 2021

	<u>Hospitalization - Internal Service</u>
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,097,618
Interest Receivable	<u>22</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>2,097,640</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u><u>2,097,640</u></u>
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Claims Payable	<u>136,840</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>136,840</u>
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>136,840</u>
Net Position	
Unrestricted	<u>1,960,800</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>1,960,800</u>
<i>Total Liabilities and Net Position</i>	<u><u>\$2,097,640</u></u>

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

Lake Metroparks
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Proprietary Fund
Internal Service Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	<u>Hospitalization - Internal Service</u>
Operating Revenues	
Billings to Departments	\$1,817,419
Charges for Services	117,473
<i>Total Operating Revenues</i>	<u>1,934,892</u>
Operating Expenses	
Claims	1,122,987
Premiums	529,948
<i>Total Operating Expenses</i>	<u>1,652,935</u>
<i>Operating (Loss)</i>	<u>281,957</u>
Non-Operating Revenues	
Interest	1,987
<i>Total Non-Operating Revenues</i>	<u>1,987</u>
<i>Change in Net Position</i>	283,944
<i>Total Net Position - Beginning of the Year</i>	<u>1,676,856</u>
<i>Total Net Position - End of the Year</i>	<u><u>\$1,960,800</u></u>

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Lake Metroparks
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Fund
Internal Service Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	<u>Hospitalization - Internal Service</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Cash Received for Premiums within the Park District	\$1,817,419
Cash Received from Charges for Services	117,473
Cash Paid for Claims and Premiums	<u>(1,650,514)</u>
<i>Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities</i>	<u>284,378</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Interest Received	2,002
<i>Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities</i>	<u>2,002</u>
<i>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	286,380
<i>Cash and Cash Equivalents at the Beginning of the Year</i>	1,811,238
<i>Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Year</i>	<u><u>\$2,097,618</u></u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities	
Operating Income (Loss)	\$281,957
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities:	
Increase (Decrease) in Claims Payables	<u>2,421</u>
Total Adjustments	<u>2,421</u>
<i>Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities</i>	<u><u>\$284,378</u></u>

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**Notes to Basic Financial Statements
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Lake Metroparks, Ohio**

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- A. Description of Lake Metroparks.** Lake Metroparks was created December 30, 1958 under the authority of Chapter 1545 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio Revised Code indicates the Park District was created for the purpose of conserving the natural resources of the State. The Ohio Revised Code also provides for a Board of Park Commissioners, which has the authority to develop the Park District lands in a manner conducive to the general welfare of the community. The legislative power of the Park District is vested in the Board of Park Commissioners. The Board of Park Commissioners consists of three members who are appointed by the Judge of the Lake County Probate Court and serve without pay for three-year alternating terms. Appointments or reappointments are made each year. The first Board of Park Commissioners took office on May 11, 1959. During the first Board meeting each year, the Board of Park Commissioners elects one of the three members as president and the other two as vice presidents. The Board of Park Commissioners have passed the following Park District's mission statement: "The mission of Lake Metroparks is to conserve and preserve the natural resources of Lake County while providing a variety of safe, affordable and enjoyable educational and recreational programs and activities that enhance the quality of life in Lake County now and for the generations to follow". The Board of Park Commissioners appoints an Executive Director who is the chief executive officer of the Park District. The Executive Director is responsible for executing the policy of the Board of Park Commissioners and is authorized to establish administrative procedures as he/she deems necessary. The Park District consists of 9,778.47 acres; 8,332.11 owned acres, 892.09 leased acres of park land, 551.77 acres of conservation easements and 2.5 acres of life estates with 37 parks and 9 natural preserves ranging in size from approximately one acre to 981 acres. Listed below are the names and locations of the Park District's properties.

Arcola Creek Park -- Lake Road, Madison Township

Baker Road Park -- Baker Road, Leroy Township

Beaty Landing -- Walnut Street, City of Painesville

Big Creek at Liberty Hollow -- Fay Road, Concord Township

Big Creek Corridor -- Concord, Leroy and Painesville Townships

Blair Landing -- Blair Road, Perry Township

Blair Ridge Park -- Blair Road, Perry Township

Chagrin Islands -- Island Drive, City of Eastlake

Chagrin River Corridor -- City of Eastlake, City of Willoughby, and Village of Kirtland Hills

Chagrin River Park -- Reeves Road, Cities of Willoughby/Eastlake

Chapin Forest Reservation -- Hobart Road & Rt. 306, City of Kirtland

Children's Schoolhouse Nature Park -- Baldwin Road, Village of Kirtland Hills

Clyde Hill Furnace -- County Line Road, Harpersfield Township

Concord Woods Nature Park -- Spear Road, Concord Township

Conley Road -- Conley Road, Concord Township

Erie Shores Golf Course -- Lake Road East, Madison Township

Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park -- Huntington Beach Drive, Village of Fairport Harbor

Farmpark -- Rt. 6, City of Kirtland

Girdled Road Reservation -- Radcliffe Road, Concord Township

Grand River Landing -- N. St. Clair Street, Village of Fairport Harbor

Greenway Corridor -- B&O Rail Corridor, City of Painesville

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Gully Brook -- River Road, City of Willoughby
Helen Hazen Wyman Park -- Rt. 86, City of Painesville
Hell Hollow Wilderness Area -- Leroy Center Road, Leroy Township
Hidden Lake -- Kniffen Road, Leroy Township
Hidden Valley Park -- Klasen Road, Madison Township
Hogback Ridge Park -- Emerson Road, Madison Township
Indian Point Park -- Seeley Road, Leroy Township
Jordan Creek Park -- Alexander Road, Concord Township
Lake Erie Bluffs -- Clark Road, Perry Township
Lakefront Lodge -- Lakeshore Blvd., City of Willowick
Lakeshore Reservation -- Lockwood Road, North Perry Village
Mentor Marsh -- Corduroy Road, City of Mentor
Mill Creek Reservation -- Ross Road, Madison Township
Paine Falls Park -- Paine Road, Leroy Township
Painesville Township Park -- Hardy Road, Painesville Township
Paradise Road -- Paradise Road, Painesville Township
Parsons Gardens -- Erie Road, City of Willoughby
Penitentiary Glen Reservation -- Kirtland-Chardon Road, City of Kirtland
Pete's Pond Preserve -- Rockefeller Road, City of Wickliffe
Pine Ridge Country Club -- Ridge Road, City of Wickliffe
Pleasant Valley Park -- Pleasant Valley Road, City of Willoughby Hills
Red Mill Valley -- North Ridge Road, Perry Township
River Road Park -- River Road, Madison Township
Riverview Park -- Bailey Road, Madison Township
Veterans Park -- Hopkins Road, City of Mentor

- B. Reporting Entity** - In evaluating how to define the governmental entity, the Park District has considered all potential component units. The decision to include or exclude a potential unit was made by applying the criteria defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 and Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus". Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Park District is financially accountable. The Park District is financially accountable for an organization if the Park District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Park District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Park District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Park District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance deficits of or provide financial support to the organization or the Park District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Park District in that the Park District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes, and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burden on, the Park District. Based on this criterion, there are no component units.

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Related Organizations

Lake County - The Park District is considered a related organization to Lake County. This decision was based on the fact the Board of Park Commissioners are appointed by the Probate Judge of Lake County, but Lake County cannot impose its will on the Park District in any manner, nor does there exist any financial benefit or burden relationship between the Park District and Lake County.

Lake Parks Foundation – The Lake Parks Foundation is a private, not-for-profit foundation to promote the development of parks, recreation, and leisure services in Lake County. The Park District does not appoint the Lake Parks Foundation Board and cannot impose its will on Lake Parks Foundation nor is there a financial benefit received by, or burden placed on, the Park District with respect to the Lake Parks Foundation.

C. Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting. The Park District’s basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information, statement of net position – proprietary fund, statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position – proprietary fund, statement of cash flows. The financial statements of the Park District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to local 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 Park District’s accounting policies are described below.

D. 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 is reported as fund balance. The following are the Park District’s governmental funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Park District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Improvement Fund - The Improvement Fund is used to finance permanent Park District improvements such as rolling stock and construction. It is funded mainly by intergovernmental revenues, contributions and transfers from the General Fund.

Non-Major Governmental/Drug Enforcement Fund - The Drug Enforcement Fund is used to account for the proceeds of a specific revenue source (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted as to expenditures for specified purposes.

E. Proprietary Fund. Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position and cash flows. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise or internal service; the Park District has no enterprise funds.

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Internal Service Fund - The Internal Service Fund is established to account for the provision of goods and services by one department of the government to other departments within the government on generally a not-for-profit (cost-reimbursement) basis. In 1990, the Park District established a self-insured hospitalization program. The Internal Service Fund is financed through the budgets of the user departments and employees.

F. Presentation of Financial Statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements - The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the Park District are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net position. The government-wide *Statement of Activities* presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the programs of the governmental activities. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of the goods or services such as Golf, children's camps, Farmpark admissions, senior trips, special programming, softball programs, dance programs, cross-country skiing, sales of snacks and gift shop items, and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. The comparison of program revenues and expenses identifies the extent to which each program draws from the general revenues of the Park District.

Fund Financial Statements - All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and deferred outflows of resources with current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources generally are 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 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.

Like the government-wide statements, the internal service fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of fund net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Park District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activity. Internal Service Fund results are eliminated to avoid "doubling up" revenues and expenses; however, interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation.

Net Position – Net position represents the difference between all other elements in a statement of financial position. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net Position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the net position use are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Park District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

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Fund Balance – Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Park 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.

Restricted - 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 formal action (resolution) of the Board of Park Commissioners. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Park District 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 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 Park District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In all governmental funds, assigned amounts represent encumbrances that were approved by the Chief Financial Officer as provided in the Park District’s purchasing manual as passed by the Board. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted, committed, or encumbered as above.

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 Park 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.

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 and statements for the proprietary fund are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred outflows/inflows of resources and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures. The Proprietary Fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the *Statement of Net Position*. Fund Equity (i.e. net position) is segregated into investment in capital assets and unrestricted. Proprietary fund type operating statement presents increases (i.e. revenues) and decreases (i.e. expenses) in net position. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized

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in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made. The Proprietary fund distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing goods and services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations.

The Hospitalization Fund revenues include charges to departments and charges for COBRA. Expenses include claims, insurance premiums, stop-loss premiums, and administrative cost.

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 year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. For the Park District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of year-end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Park District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from property taxes is recognized in the year for which the taxes are levied. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 2). Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the 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 year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Park District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Park District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed for the governmental funds. Under this basis, revenues are recognized in the accounting period when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current year or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are deemed both measurable and available: earnings on investments, state and local government funds, fees and admissions, and fines and forfeitures. The major revenue source not susceptible to accrual is donations, which is not considered measurable until received.

The governmental funds report unavailable amounts for property taxes and state levied shared taxes. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - In addition to assets, the statements of financial 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 Park District, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for pension and

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OPEB plans. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in Note 4 and 5.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position 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 until that time. For the Park District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, pension, OPEB, and unavailable revenue. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of December 31, 2021, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2022 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow on both the government-wide statement of net position and governmental fund financial statements. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet, and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period. For the Park District, unavailable revenue includes delinquent property taxes and intergovernmental revenue. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. (See Note 4 and 5)

Expenses and Expenditures - The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are recorded in the account period in which the related fund liability is incurred. The costs of accumulated vacation and sick leave are reported as fund liabilities in the period in which they will be liquidated with available financial resources rather than in the period earned by employees. Compensatory time is recorded in the period earned. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds.

The accrual basis of accounting is utilized for reporting purposes by the Internal Service Fund (Hospitalization). Revenues are recognized when they are earned and become measurable, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred, if measurable.

G. Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents. Cash balances of certain Park District funds are pooled and invested. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Cash and Cash Equivalents" on the balance sheet. During 2021, investments were limited to STAR Ohio, certificates of deposit and a money market account. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the state to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No.79 "Certain External Investment Pool Participants". The Park District measures their investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides a NAV per share that approximates fair value. For 2021, there were no limitation or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$100 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$250 million per day, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$250 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes. The Park District had no investments as of December 31, 2021, that were recorded at amortized cost. Interest earned from investments purchased with pooled cash is allocated to pooled funds as prescribed by Ohio law and Board policy. For the Internal Service Fund (Hospitalization) as noted on the *Statement of Cash Flows*, all restricted cash and cash equivalents with an original maturity date within three months are

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readily convertible to known amounts of cash and so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates.

- H. Inventory.** The expense method (i.e., purchase method) of inventory is used for all governmental fund types. Inventory is valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. The costs of inventory items are recognized as expenditures in the General Fund when purchased. Recorded inventories in the General Fund are equally offset in a nonspendable fund balance which indicates that they do not constitute available spendable resources even though they are a component of current assets. Inventory held for resale is presented at lower of cost or market and consists of donated and purchased food held for resale.
- I. Prepaid Items.** Prepaid items represent payments made by the Park District for Workers' Compensation, maintenance agreements, subscriptions and insurance that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2021. Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond the current year, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method by recording a current asset for the prepaid amount at the time of purchase and reflecting the expenditure/expense in the year in which the services are consumed. Recorded prepaids in governmental fund types are equally offset in a nonspendable fund balance which indicates that they do not constitute available spendable resources even though they are a component of net current assets.
- J. Capital Assets.** Governmental-type capital assets include land, buildings, furniture and fixtures, livestock, machinery and equipment, vehicles, construction in progress, leasehold improvements and infrastructure owned by the Park District and are stated at historical or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets, donated works of art and similar items, and capital assets received in a service concession agreements should be reported at acquisition value rather than fair value. The Park District's threshold for capitalization of assets is \$500 and a lifetime of at least two years.

Depreciation for governmental-type capital assets is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated life of the asset. See Note 6 for accumulated depreciation by asset class. Depreciation lives used for property items within each property classification are as follows:

Buildings	15-50 years	Fencing	10-15 years
Machinery/Equipment	2-20 years	Land Improvements	5-10 years
Vehicles	10-15 years	Trails	15-20 years
Furniture/Fixtures	5-20 years	Earthwork/Wetlands	20-50 years
Boardwalks/Bridges	15-20 years	Utility Lines	15-20 years

- K. Compensated Absences.** Compensated absences are reported in governmental funds only if they have matured. See below for further details.

Vacation - Accumulated unpaid vacation pay is accrued when earned and is normally paid in the subsequent calendar year. However, unused vacation can be carried over and accrued up to a maximum of 240 hours. The Park District accrues up to the maximum of vacation hours as long-term for each employee in the Long-term Liabilities in the *Statement of Net Position*. A liability of \$516,880 is reported in the governmental type activities.

Sick Leave - Sick leave accumulates at the rate of .0577 for each hour worked. There is no maximum accumulation; it is to be used as needed. Effective May 15, 2013, the Board of Park Commissioners

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amended the sick leave policy as follows. For employees with 15 or more years of service prior to June 1, 2013:

YEARS OF LAKE METROPARKS EMPLOYMENT	PERCENTAGE OF ACCRUED UNUSED DAYS
1 year	5% or not to exceed 50 hours
2 years	10% or not to exceed 80 hours
3 years	15% or not to exceed 100 hours
4 years	20% or not to exceed 120 hours
5 years through 9 years	25% or not to exceed 240 hours
10 years through 14 years	50% or not to exceed 480 hours
15 years through 19 years	60% or not to exceed 576 hours
20 years through 24 years	70% or not to exceed 672 hours
25 years through 29 years	80% or not to exceed 768 hours
30 years through 34 years	90% or not to exceed 864 hours
35 years or more	100% or not to exceed 960 hours

For employees with less than 15 years of service as of June 1, 2013:

YEARS OF LAKE METROPARKS EMPLOYMENT	PERCENTAGE OF ACCRUED UNUSED DAYS
1 year	5% or not to exceed 50 hours
2 years	10% or not to exceed 80 hours
3 years	15% or not to exceed 100 hours
4 years	20% or not to exceed 120 hours
5 years through 9 years	25% or not to exceed 240 hours
10 years through 14 years	50% or not to exceed 480 hours
15 years through 19 years	60% or not to exceed 480 hours
20 years through 24 years	70% or not to exceed 480 hours
25 years through 29 years	80% or not to exceed 480 hours
30 years through 34 years	90% or not to exceed 480 hours

For employees who join the Park District after June 1, 2013:

YEARS OF LAKE METROPARKS EMPLOYMENT	PERCENTAGE OF ACCRUED UNUSED DAYS
Less than 10 years	No compensation
10 years or more	50% or not to exceed 480 hours

At December 31, 2021, the Park District recorded a liability for sick leave totaling \$781,810 in the governmental type activities, are included in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16.

Compensatory Time - All non-exempt employees may be granted compensatory time which is earned at a rate of one and one-half times the hours worked over 40 in a work week. A liability of \$43,731 for employee accrued compensatory time as of December 31, 2021, is reported in the governmental type activities as part of Long-term Debt Obligations.

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Post-Employment Healthcare Benefits - The Park District does not provide post-employment healthcare benefits except those mandated by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). The requirements established by COBRA are fully funded by employees who elect coverage under the Act, and no direct costs are incurred by the Park District.

- L. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations.** All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources, are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments, compensated absences, and net pension liability that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year.
- M. Encumbrances.** Encumbrances represent purchase commitments for goods or services that have not been received or provided. Encumbrance accounting is a form of budgetary control to ensure that appropriations are not exceeded. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as a restricted, committed or assigned amount of fund balance in the governmental fund types.
- N. Budgetary Process.** The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the Tax Budget, the Certificate of Estimated Resources, and the Appropriation Resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The Certificate of Estimated Resources and the Appropriation Resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources as certified. All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be estimated and appropriated. The legal level of budgetary control is at the object level within each division of the General Fund and by object level for all other funds. A division is defined as an operating group of departments under the direction of an assistant director or a division head. Any budgetary increase or decrease at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Tax Budget - A budget of estimated cash receipts and disbursements is submitted to the County Auditor, as Secretary of the County Budget Commission, by July 20 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31 of the following year.

Estimated Resources - The County Budget Commission certifies its actions to the Park District by September 1. As part of this certification, the Park District receives the official Certificate of Estimated Resources which states the projected receipts of each fund. On or about January 1, this certificate is amended to include any unencumbered fund balances from the preceding year. The Park District must then revise its budget so that the total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the amount stated in the amended Certificate of Estimated Resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriation measure.

Appropriations - A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period January 1 to March 31. An annual appropriation measure must be passed by March 31 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31.

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The appropriation measure may be amended during the year as new information becomes available provided that total appropriations do not exceed estimated resources as certified. Any increase in the total appropriation for a division must be approved by the Board of Park Commissioners. In accordance with Ohio law total expenditures from a fund cannot exceed the total appropriation for that fund.

The Board of Park Commissioners made various intradivision transfers which resulted in no change in the final appropriations of the Park District's funds. The Board of Park Commissioners' 2021 adjustments are reflected in the budgetary schedules contained in the required supplementary information. Other budgetary schedules are in supplementary information.

At the close of each fiscal year the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding year and need not be reappropriated.

O. Interfund Transfers.

Transfers Out:	
General Fund	\$2,750,000
Transfers In:	
Improvement Fund	\$2,750,000

Transfers from the General Fund to the Improvement Fund were for the purchase of rolling stock, land, and equipment.

- P. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB).** For purposes of measuring the Net Pension liability, net pension/OPEB asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to Pensions/OPEB, and Pension/OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Pension/OPEB systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The Pension/OPEB systems report investments at fair value.

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Q. Leasehold Improvements.

Park Name	Lease Acquired and Renewal Dates	Lessor or Lessee	Expiration Date
Arcola Creek Corridor	June 25, 2020	Lake County Commissioners	June 2030
Arcola Creek Corridor	September 1993, January 2004, January 2014, June 2020	Lake County Commissioners	June 2030
Chagrin Islands Property	January 2010	Port Authority Eastlake, Ohio	January 2030
Chagrin River Park	May 2000	City of Eastlake	September 2040
Chagrin River Park	February 1993	City of Willoughby	February 2092
Chapin Forest Reservation	December 1974	State of Ohio - ODNR	December 2073
Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park	December 1990, December 2010	Village Fairport Harbor	December 2030
Grand River Landing	April 2019	City of Painesville	April 2039
Gully Brook Park	October 1, 2001	Willoughby-Eastlake School District	October 2021
Indian Point Park	January 1, 2022	Lake County Commissioners Office	December 2024
Lake Erie Bluffs	February 4, 2021	Lake County Commissioners	February 2041
Lakefront Lodge	June 1993, December 2014	City of Willowick	December 2024
Mill Creek Reservation	September 1997	Lake County Soil & Water	September 2012
Paineville Township Park	January 1991, January 2015	Painesville Twp Park Board	January 2040
Pete's Pond Preserve	February 2012	Wickliffe Board of Education	January 2022
Veterans Park	October 2000, September 2011	Mentor on the Lake	September 2031
Veterans Park	October 1994, November 2004	Mentor Board of Education	March 2026
Veterans Park	December 1990, December 2010, May 2018	City of Mentor	May 2038

The leasehold improvements recorded as capital assets in Note 6 represent capital assets purchased by the Park District to improve the facilities.

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Note 2. Property Tax

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible personal property located in the County. Property tax revenue received during 2021 for real and public utility property taxes represents collections of 2020 taxes. 2021 real property taxes are levied after October 1, 2021, on the assessed value as of January 1, 2021, the lien date. Assessed values are established by state law at 35 percent of appraised market value. 2020 real property taxes are collected in 2020 and intended to finance 2021. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits later payment dates to be established. Public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value; public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value. 2020 public utility property taxes which became a lien December 31, 2020, are levied after October 1, 2021, and are collected in 2022 with real property taxes.

In 2021, the Park District property tax is generated from three sources. The first is an unvoted .1 mill levy levied by the Board of Park Commissioners. The second is a voted .3 mill ten-year renewal levy passed in November 1984, replaced in November 1994, and replaced and added an additional .5 mill making a total of .8 mill in November 2012. The .8 mill levy was renewed in November 2021 and an additional .4 mill levy was voted on and passed in November 2021. The .4 mill will begin collections in 2022. The third is a voted 1.9 mill ten-year levy passed in November 1986, renewed in November 1995, and replaced in 2005 and 2014.

The full tax rate for all Park District operations for the year ended December 31, 2021, was \$2.80 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real property and public utility tangible property upon which 2021 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

General Real Estate Real/Agriculture	\$ 4,835,695,850
General Real Estate-Other	1,202,568,670
Public Utility Tangible	379,723,770
Total Valuation	\$ 6,417,988,290

Property taxes estimated as of December 31, 2021, to be levied in 2022 are accrued as a receivable and offset as deferred inflows.

Note 3. Deposits and Investments

State statutes classify monies held by the Park District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the Park District treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Park District treasury, 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 Park 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 which 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. Interim monies held by the Park District can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes and all other investments backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government, or an agency of the U.S. Government;
2. Certificates of Deposit, fully collateralized, issued by F.D.I.C. Depository banks and savings institutions in Lake County;
3. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 135.45, the Treasurer may invest in the State Treasury Asset Reserve Ohio program (STAR Ohio); and,
4. Repurchase agreements, fully collateralized, purchased through F.D.I.C. local banks or State of Ohio registered brokers operating through a third party trustee.

Specifically excluded securities and obligations are commercial papers, banker's acceptance notes, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives.

Cash on Hand - At year-end, the Park District had \$11,740 in undeposited cash on hand, which is included on the balance sheet of the Park District as part of cash and cash equivalents.

Deposits - At December 31, 2021, the Park District had the following deposits:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Average Maturity</u>
Demand Deposits	\$10,783,683	N/A
Certificates of Deposit	1,875,000	14.4 Months

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Park District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$9,998,592 of the Park District's bank balance of \$10,510,120 was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Park District's name and \$511,528 was covered by depository insurance. Although the collateral/securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Park District to a successful claim by the F.D.I.C.

The Park District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirement of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Park District or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured. The Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS) was implemented by the Office of the Ohio Treasurer of State. Financial Institutions can elect to participate in the OPCS and will collateralize at one hundred two percent or a rate set by the Treasurer of State. Financial institution opting not to participate in the OPCS will collateralize utilizing the specific

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pledge method at one hundred five percent. The Park District’s financial institutions have enrolled in OPCS as of December 31, 2021.

Investments - STAR Ohio is measured at net asset value per share while all other investments are measured at fair value. Fair value is determined by quoted market prices and acceptable other pricing methodologies. As of December 31, 2021, the Park District had the following investments:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Average Maturity</u>
Net Asset Value (NAV) per share:		
STAR Ohio	\$9,000,000	51.3 Days

The Park District has categorized its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. As of December 31, 2021, The Park District had no investments measured at fair value.

Interest Rate Risk As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses caused by rising interest rates, the Park District’s investment policy requires that operating funds be invested primarily in investments so that the securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations and long-term debt payments. The stated intent of the policy is to avoid the need to sell securities prior to maturity. To date, no investments have been purchased with a life greater than four years.

Custodial Credit Risk - In so much as the Park District’s investments with STAR Ohio, there is no custodial credit risk.

Credit Risk - STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAAM by Standard & Poor’s. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service.

Note 4 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Net Pension Liability/Asset

The net pension liability/asset reported on the statement of net position represents a liability/asset to employees for pensions. Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

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The net pension liability/asset represents the Park District's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability/asset calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the Park District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The Park District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the Park District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

The proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *due to other governments* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - Park District employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan, and the combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. While members (e.g., Park District employees) may elect the member-directed plan and the combined plan, substantially all employee members are in OPERS' traditional plan; therefore, the following disclosure focuses on the traditional pension plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional plan. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional plan as per the

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reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS' Annual Comprehensive Financial Report referenced above for additional information):

Group A	Group B	Group C
Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013	20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013	Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013
State and Local	State and Local	State and Local
Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age and Service Requirements: Age 62 with 60 months of service credit or Age 57 with 25 years of service credit
Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

Final average Salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career.

Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount. The base amount of a member's pension benefit is locked in upon receipt of the initial benefit payment for calculation of the annual cost-of-living adjustment.

When a traditional plan benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) is provided. This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, the COLA will continue to be a 3 percent simple annual COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

A death benefit of \$500 - \$2,500, determined by the number of years of service credit of the retiree, is paid to the beneficiary of a deceased retiree or disability benefit recipient under the Tradition pension plan and the Combined Plan.

The OPERS Board of Trustees approved a proposal at its October 2019 meeting to create a new tier of membership in the OPERS traditional pension plan. OPERS currently splits its non-retired membership into Group A, B or C depending on age and service criteria. Retirement Group D would consist of OPERS contributing members hired in 2022 and beyond. Group D will have its own eligibility standards, benefit structure and unique member features designed to meet the changing needs of Ohio public workers. It also will help OPERS address expected investment market volatility and adjust to the lack of available funding for health care. The date of implementation will be determined when finalized changes are approved.

Defined contribution plan benefits are established in the plan documents, which may be amended by the Board. Member-directed plan and combined plan members who have met the retirement eligibility requirements may apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the members' contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the members' investment selections. Combined plan members wishing to receive benefits must meet the requirements for both the defined benefit and defined contribution plans. Member-directed participants must have attained the age of 55, have money on deposit in the defined contribution plan and

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have terminated public service to apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the member-directed plan consists of the members' contributions, vested employer contributions and investment gains or losses resulting from the members' investment selections. Employer contributions and associated investment earnings vest over a five-year period, at a rate of 20 percent each year. At retirement, members may select one of several distribution options for payment of the vested balance in their individual OPERS accounts. Options include the purchase of a monthly defined benefit annuity from OPERS (which includes joint and survivor options), partial lump-sum payments (subject to limitations), a rollover of the vested account balance to another financial institution, receipt of entire account balance, net of taxes withheld, or a combination of these options.

Beginning in 2022, the combined plan will be consolidated under the traditional pension plan (defined benefit plan) and the combined plan will no longer be available for new hires beginning in 2022.

Funding Policy – The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

	<u>State and Local</u>	<u>Law Enforcement</u>
2021 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates		
Employer	14.0 %	18.1 %
Employee *	10.0 %	13.0 %
2021 Actual Contribution Rates		
Employer:		
Pension **	14.0 %	18.1 %
Post-Employment Health Care Benefits **	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
Total Employer	<u>14.0 %</u>	<u>18.1 %</u>
Employee	<u>10.0 %</u>	<u>13.0 %</u>

* Member contributions within combined plan are not used to fund the defined benefit retirement allowance.

** These pension and employer health care rates are for the traditional and combined plans. The employer contributions rate for the member-directed plan is allocated 4 percent for health care with remainder going to pension.

The portion of employer contributions used to fund pension benefits is net of postemployment health care benefits. The portion of the employer's contribution allocated to health care was 0% for 2021 for the Traditional and Combined plans. The portion of the employer's contribution allocated to health care was 4% for the Member-Directed plan for 2021. Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Park District's contractually required contributions was \$1,221,023 for fiscal year ending December 31, 2021. Of this amount, \$137,830 is reported as due to other governments.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Assets, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability/asset for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability/asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Park District's proportion of the net pension liability/asset was based on the Park District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	OPERS Traditional Pension Plan	OPERS Combined Plan	Total
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability/Asset Prior Measurement Date	0.059802%	0.079300%	
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability/Asset Current Measurement Date	<u>0.056577%</u>	<u>0.082351%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>-0.003225%</u>	<u>0.003051%</u>	
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	\$ 8,377,822	\$ (237,717)	\$ 8,140,105
Pension Expense	\$ (288,044)	\$ 3,006	\$ (285,038)

At December 31, 2021, the Park District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	OPERS Traditional Pension Plan	OPERS Combined Plan	Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Changes of assumptions	\$ 0	\$ 14,845	\$ 14,845
Park District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>1,174,943</u>	<u>46,080</u>	<u>1,221,023</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 1,174,943</u>	<u>\$ 60,925</u>	<u>\$ 1,235,868</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ 3,265,429	\$ 35,352	\$ 3,300,781
Differences between expected and actual experience	350,452	44,846	395,298
Changes in proportion and differences between Park District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>490,431</u>	<u>14,221</u>	<u>504,652</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 4,106,312</u>	<u>\$ 94,419</u>	<u>\$ 4,200,731</u>

\$1,221,023 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from the Park District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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Year Ending December 31:	OPERS	OPERS	Total
	Traditional Pension Plan	Combined Plan	
2022	\$ (1,718,857)	\$ (19,617)	\$ (1,738,474)
2023	(610,998)	(13,410)	(624,408)
2024	(1,331,099)	(21,560)	(1,352,659)
2025	(445,358)	(11,322)	(456,680)
2026	0	(5,490)	(5,490)
Thereafter	0	(8,175)	(8,175)
Total	<u>\$ (4,106,312)</u>	<u>\$ (79,574)</u>	<u>\$ (4,185,886)</u>

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2020, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all prior periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 67. Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results, are presented below:

	<u>Traditional Pension Plan</u>	<u>Combined Plan</u>
Wage Inflation	3.25 percent	3.25 percent
Projected Salary Increases	3.25 to 10.75 percent including wage inflation	3.25 to 10.75 percent including wage inflation
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	Pre 1/7/2013 retirees; 3 percent, simple Post 1/7/2013 retirees; 0.50 percent, simple through 2021, then 2.15 percent simple	Pre 1/7/2013 retirees; 3 percent, simple Post 1/7/2013 retirees; 0.50 percent, simple through 2021, then 2.15 percent simple
Investment Rate of Return	7.2 percent	7.2 percent
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age	Individual Entry Age

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to all of the previously described tables.

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The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015. The long-term rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

OPERS manages investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefits portfolio, the Health Care portfolio, and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Defined Benefit portfolio includes the investment assets of the Traditional Pension Plan, the defined benefit component of the Combined Plan, the annuitized accounts of the Member-Directed Plan. Within the Defined Benefit portfolio, contributions into the plans are all recorded at the same time, and benefit payments all occur on the first of the month. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investments expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Defined Benefit portfolio was 11.7 percent for 2020.

The allocation of investment assets with the Defined Benefit portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined benefit pension plans. The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy for 2020 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	25.00 %	1.32 %
Domestic Equities	21.00	5.64
Real Estate	10.00	5.39
Private Equity	12.00	10.42
International Equities	23.00	7.36
Other investments	9.00	4.75
Total	100.00 %	5.43 %

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.2 percent, post-experience study results. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the contractually required rates, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefits payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Park District’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the Park District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.2 percent, as well as what the Park District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a

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discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.2 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.2 percent) than the current rate:

City's proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)	1% Decrease (6.20%)	Current Discount Rate (7.20%)	1% Increase (8.20%)
Traditional Pension Plan	\$ 15,980,739	\$ 8,377,822	\$ 2,056,008
Combined Plan	\$ (165,526)	\$ (237,717)	\$ (291,523)

Changes Between Measurement Date and Report Date

Cost-of living adjustments for OPERS members in 2022 will be 3 percent for all those eligible to receive the annual benefit increase.

Note 5 - Defined Benefit OPEB Plans

Net OPEB Asset

The net OPEB asset reported on the statement of net position represents an asset to employees for OPEB. OPEB is a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for OPEB is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net OPEB asset represents the Park District’s proportionate share of each OPEB plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position. The net OPEB asset calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the Park District’s obligation for this asset to annually required payments. The Park District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which OPEB are financed; however, the Park District does receive the benefit of employees’ services in exchange for compensation including OPEB.

GASB 75 assumes any liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because they benefit from employee services. OPEB contributions come from these employers and health care plan enrollees which pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. Any change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net OPEB asset. Resulting adjustments to the net OPEB asset would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

The proportionate share of each plan’s funded benefits are presented as a long-term *net OPEB asset* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required OPEB contribution outstanding

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at the end of the year is included in *due to other governments* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: the traditional pension plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan; the member-directed plan, a defined contribution plan; and the combined plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care trust, which funds multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. This trust is also used to fund health care for member-directed plan participants, in the form of a Retiree Medical Account (RMA). At retirement or refund, member directed plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional pension and combined plans must have twenty or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement 75. See OPERS' Comprehensive Annual Financial Report referenced below for additional information.

The Ohio Revised Code permits but does not require OPERS to provide health care to its eligible benefit recipients. Authority to establish and amend health care coverage is provided to the Board in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Disclosures for the health care plan are presented separately in the OPERS financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by visiting <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling (614) 222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postemployment health care through their contributions to OPERS. When funding is approved by OPERS Board of Trustees, a portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans. Beginning in 2018, health care was no longer being funded.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2021, state and local employers contributed at a rate of 14.0 percent of earnable salary and public safety and law enforcement employers contributed at 18.1 percent. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund health care.

Each year, the OPERS Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. As recommended by OPERS' actuary, beginning January 1, 2018, OPERS no longer allocated a portion of its employer contributions to health care for the traditional plan and the combined plan. The OPERS Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving

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beneficiaries to pay a portion of the health care provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The employer contribution as a percentage of covered payroll deposited into the RMA for participants in the Member-Directed Plan for 2021 was 4.0 percent. Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll.

The Park District's contractually required contribution was \$13,771 for 2021.

OPEB Liabilities/Asset, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB asset and total OPEB liability for OPERS were determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2020, by incorporating the expected value of health care cost accruals, the actual health care payment, and interest accruals during the year. The Park District's proportion of the net OPEB asset was based on the Park District's share of contributions to the retirement plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

	<u>OPERS</u>
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability:	
Prior Measurement Date	0.060073%
Proportion of the Net OPEB Asset:	
Current Measurement Date	<u>0.056974%</u>
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>-0.003099%</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset	\$ 1,015,037
OPEB Expense	\$ (6,373,451)

At December 31, 2021, the Park District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>OPERS</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Changes of assumptions	\$ 499,004
Park District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>13,771</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 512,775</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	\$ 540,622
Differences between expected and actual experience	916,065
Changes of assumptions	1,644,665
Changes in proportion and differences between Park District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>291,049</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 3,392,401</u>

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\$13,771 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from Park District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net OPEB asset in 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	<u>OPERS</u>
2022	\$(1,547,690)
2023	(1,047,074)
2024	(234,931)
2025	<u>(63,702)</u>
Total	<u><u>\$(2,893,397)</u></u>

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan and include the types of coverage provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of costs between OPERS and plan members. The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2020. The actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions applied to all prior periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 74:

Wage Inflation	3.25 percent
Projected Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 to 10.75 percent including wage inflation
Single Discount Rate:	
Current measurement date	6.00 percent
Prior Measurement date	3.16 percent
Investment Rate of Return	6.00 percent
Municipal Bond Rate:	
Current measurement date	2.00 percent
Prior Measurement date	2.75 percent
Health Care Cost Trend Rate:	
Current measurement date	8.5 percent, initial
Prior Measurement date	3.50 percent, ultimate in 2035 10.5 percent, initial

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was

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then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to all of the above-described tables.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on health care investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

During 2020, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Health Care portfolio includes the assets for health care expenses for the Traditional Pension Plan, Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan eligible members. Within the Health Care portfolio, contributions into the plans are assumed to be received continuously throughout the year based on the actual payroll payable at the time contributions are made, and health care-related payments are assumed to occur mid-year. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Health Care portfolio is 10.50 percent for 2020.

The allocation of investment assets with the Health Care portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of continuing to offer a sustainable health care program for current and future retirees. OPERS' primary goal is to achieve and maintain a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined pension plans. Health care is a discretionary benefit. The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy for 2020 and the long-term expected real rates of return:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	34.00 %	1.07 %
Domestic Equities	25.00	5.64
Real Estate Investment Trust	7.00	6.48
International Equities	25.00	7.36
Other investments	9.00	4.02
Total	100.00 %	4.43 %

Discount Rate A single discount rate of 6.00 percent was used to measure the OPEB asset on the measurement date of December 31, 2020. A single discount rate of 3.16 percent was used to measure the OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2019. Projected benefit payments are required to be discounted to their actuarial present value using a single discount rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments (to the extent that the health care fiduciary

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net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and (2) tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate are not met). This single discount rate was based on an expected rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 2.00 percent and a municipal bond rate of 2.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rate. Based on these assumptions, the health care fiduciary net position and future contributions were sufficient to finance health care costs through 2120. As a result, the long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through the year 2120, and the municipal bond rate was applied to all health care costs after that date.

Sensitivity of the Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the Park District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the single discount rate of 6.00 percent, as well as what the Park District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (5.00 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (7.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.00%)	Current Discount Rate (6.00%)	1% Increase (7.00%)
Park District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 252,395	\$ 1,015,037	\$ 1,641,991

Sensitivity of the Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rate Changes in the health care cost trend rate may also have a significant impact on the net OPEB liability. The following table presents the net OPEB asset calculated using the assumed trend rates, and the expected net OPEB liability if it were calculated using a health care cost trend rate that is 1.0 percent lower or 1.0 percent higher than the current rate.

Retiree health care valuations use a health care cost-trend assumption that changes over several years built into the assumption. The near-term rates reflect increases in the current cost of health care; the trend starting in 2021 is 8.50 percent. If this trend continues for future years, the projection indicates that years from now virtually all expenditures will be for health care. A more reasonable alternative is that in the not-too-distant future, the health plan cost trend will decrease to a level at, or near, wage inflation. On this basis, the actuaries project premium rate increases will continue to exceed wage inflation for approximately the next decade, but by less each year, until leveling off at an ultimate rate, assumed to be 3.50 percent in the most recent valuation.

	1% Decrease	Current Health Care Cost Trend Rate Assumption	1% Increase
Park District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 1,039,776	\$ 1,015,037	\$ 987,359

Changes between Measurement Date and Report Date

On January 15, 2020, the Board approved several changes to the health care plan offered to Medicare and pre-Medicare retirees in efforts to decrease costs and increase the solvency of the health care plan. These

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changes are effective January 1, 2022 and include changes to base allowances and eligibility for Medicare retirees, as well as replacing OPERS-sponsored medical plans for pre-Medicare retirees with monthly allowances, similar to the program for Medicare retirees. These changes are not reflected in the current year financial statements but are expected to decrease the associated OPEB liability.

Note 6. Capital Assets

Capital Assets – Governmental Activities. Changes in capital assets during the year ended December 31, 2021, are as follows.

Class	Balance December 31,			Balance December 31,	Less Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
	2020	Additions	Deletions			
Non-depreciated assets:						
Land	\$41,486,759	\$141,456		\$41,628,215		\$41,628,215
Livestock	65,137	3,100	\$1,800	66,437		66,437
Construction in Progress	\$102,443	44,719	102,443	44,719		44,719
Total Non-depreciated Assets	\$41,654,339	\$189,275	\$104,243	\$41,739,371		\$41,739,371
Depreciated assets:						
Buildings	\$22,232,431	\$363,167	\$1,721	\$22,593,877	\$12,332,044	\$10,261,833
Machinery/Equipment	7,548,038	360,609	55,728	7,852,919	5,380,379	2,472,540
Vehicles	4,604,055	498,143		5,102,198	3,080,819	2,021,379
Furniture/Fixtures	2,203,294	39,365	24,415	2,218,244	1,600,038	618,206
Leasehold Improvements	5,721,079	37,707		5,758,786	2,372,016	3,386,770
Infrastructure	14,324,954	396,721	1,900	14,719,775	8,356,365	6,363,410
Land Improvements	4,891,769	123,092		5,014,861	3,396,949	1,617,912
Total Depreciated Assets	\$61,525,620	\$1,818,804	\$83,764	\$63,260,660	\$36,518,610	\$26,742,050
Total Capital Assets	\$103,179,959	\$2,008,079	\$188,007	\$105,000,031	\$36,518,610	\$68,481,421

Changes in Accumulated Depreciation – Governmental Activities for the year ended December 31, 2021. Governmental activities depreciation is charged to Parks and Recreation.

Class	Accumulated Depreciation December 31,			Accumulated Depreciation December 31,
	2020	Additions	Deletions	
Buildings	\$11,558,377	\$775,388	\$1,721	\$12,332,044
Machinery/Equipment	4,961,421	474,113	55,155	5,380,379
Vehicles	2,721,973	358,846		3,080,819
Furniture/Fixtures	1,482,608	141,844	24,414	1,600,038
Leasehold Improvements	2,059,388	312,628		2,372,016
Infrastructure	7,671,214	687,051	1,900	8,356,365
Land Improvements	3,172,423	224,526		3,396,949
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$33,627,404	\$2,974,396	\$83,190	\$36,518,610

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Note 7. Long-Term Debt Obligations

Changes in Long-term Liabilities. During the year ended December 31, 2021, the following changes occurred in liabilities reported in the governmental activities long-term liabilities. The General Fund is the governmental fund type that has been used to liquidate compensated absences. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability and net OPEB liability; however, employer pension and OPEB contributions are made from the General Fund.

Governmental Activities Long-Term Term Obligations	December 31, 2020	Additions	Deletions	December 31, 2021	Due Within One Year
Compensated Absences	\$1,474,376	\$773,117	\$905,072	\$1,342,421	\$616,251
Net Pension Liability	11,820,271	435,693	3,878,142	8,377,822	0
Net OPEB Liability	8,297,642	0	8,297,642	0	0
Total Governmental Activities	\$21,592,289	\$1,208,810	\$13,080,856	\$9,720,243	\$616,251

Note 8. Risk Management

The Park District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. During 2021, the Park District contracted with several companies for various types of insurance as follows:

Carrier	Coverage	Deductible
Selective Insurance Companies	Property and Inland Marine	\$25,000
Selective Insurance Companies	Liquor and General Liability	25,000
Selective Insurance Companies	General Liability Umbrella	Various
Selective Insurance Companies	Automobile	25,000/1,000
Selective Insurance Companies	Abuse/Molestation	None
Hudson Insurance Company	Law Enforcement	25,000
Hudson Insurance Company	Public Officials Liability	25,000
National Union Fire Insurance	Volunteer Insurance	None
Travelers Insurance	Crime	5,000
Travelers Insurance	Cyber Crime	None

Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years. The Park District pays the State Workers' Compensation system a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salary. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The Park District manages the hospital/medical, dental, and vision for its employees on a self-insured basis through the hospitalization self-insurance Internal Service Fund. Payments to the fund are made from the fund from which each employee is paid. Rates for 2021 were \$1,646.22 for family coverage and \$518.87 for single coverage. Five percent was paid by the employees. These rates were determined to maintain the balance in the Internal Service Fund to required levels. Medical Mutual of Ohio, the third party administrator, processes and pays the claims. An excess coverage insurance (stop-loss) policy purchased from Medical Mutual of Ohio covers claims in excess of \$90,000 per individual and no aggregate limit.

The claims liability of \$136,840 in the fund at December 31, 2021, was enumerated by the third-party administrator and is based on the requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for unpaid claims costs, including estimates of costs

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relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by incremental claim adjustment expenses and did not include other allocated or unallocated claim adjustment expenses. Changes in the fund's claims liability amount in 2019, 2020 and 2021 were:

	Beginning of Year	Current Year Claims	Current Payments	End of Year Balance
2019	\$92,011	\$1,152,578	\$1,103,234	\$141,355
2020	\$141,355	\$898,431	\$905,367	\$134,419
2021	\$134,419	\$1,125,408	\$1,122,987	\$136,840

The claims payable balance of \$136,840 will be paid within one year.

Note 9. Litigation

The Park District is not party to any legal proceedings.

Note 10. Budgetary Basis of Accounting

The Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP) Budgetary Basis - General Fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results compared to the budget and to demonstrate compliance with State statutes. The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are as follows:

- (1) Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).
- (2) Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash or encumbered (budget) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP).
- (3) Encumbrances are recorded as expenditures (budget) as opposed to a reservation of fund balance (GAAP).

Listed below is a reconciliation of the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2021, from the modified accrual basis to the budgetary basis.

	General Fund
Net Change in Funds as reported - modified accrual basis	\$1,620,973
Decrease (increase) in receivables and prepaid items	(\$2,719,787)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, due to other governments, accrued liabilities accrued wages, deferred inflows and retainage payable	\$2,899,397
2021 Change in the Fair Value of Investments and Petty Cash	(\$15,010)
Prior Year Change in the Fair Value of Investments	\$24,950
2021 encumbrances recognized as expenditures on a budgetary basis	(\$264,293)
Recalssification of Agency Fund Activity	(\$151,575)
Prior year encumbrances paid in 2021 not recognized budgetary basis	\$116,356
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other (Uses) as reported - budgetary basis	<u>\$1,511,011</u>

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Note 11. Fund Balance

Fund balance is classified as non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Park District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Fund Balance	General Fund	Improvement Fund	Drug Enforcement Fund
Non-Spendable for:			
Prepaid Items	\$324,301	\$0	
Materials and Supplies Inventory	\$330,855		
Total Non-Spendable	\$655,156	\$0	\$0
Restricted for:			
Drug Enforcement			\$18,797
Total Restricted	\$0	\$0	\$18,797
Committed to:			
Contracts and Capital Improvements	\$4,632	\$12,024	
Total Committed	\$4,632	\$12,024	\$0
Assigned for:			
Unpaid Obligations	\$87,168	\$2,105,140	
Unassigned	\$16,513,407		
Total Fund Balance	\$17,260,363	\$2,117,164	\$18,797

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Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Ohio Public Employees Retirement System
Last Eight Years (1)

Traditional Plan	2021	2020
Park District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.056577%	0.059802%
Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$8,377,822	\$11,820,271
Park District's Covered Payroll	\$7,788,898	\$8,241,900
Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	107.56%	143.42%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	86.88%	82.17%
Combined Plan	2021	2020
Park District's Proportion of the Net Pension (Asset)	0.082351%	0.079300%
Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)	(\$237,717)	(\$165,360)
Park District's Covered Payroll	\$362,922	\$353,009
Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	65.50%	46.84%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability (Asset)	157.67%	145.28%

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Amounts presented as of the Park Districts's measurement date which is the prior year end.

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2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
0.060740%	0.061948%	0.060965%	0.063227%	0.060329%	0.060329%
\$16,635,455	\$9,718,440	\$13,844,136	\$10,951,713	\$7,288,879	\$7,124,248
\$8,025,615	\$7,946,108	\$7,664,288	\$7,650,268	\$7,227,502	\$7,097,983
207.28%	122.30%	180.63%	143.15%	100.85%	100.37%
74.70%	84.66%	77.25%	81.08%	86.45%	86.36%
2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
0.078632%	0.077006%	0.066737%	0.050710%	0.004518%	0.004518%
(\$87,928)	(\$104,830)	(\$37,143)	(\$24,676)	(\$17,396)	(\$4,740)
\$331,666	\$315,378	\$259,775	\$184,548	\$159,021	\$166,876
26.51%	33.24%	14.30%	13.37%	10.94%	2.84%
126.64%	137.28%	116.55%	116.90%	114.83%	104.33%

Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Park District's Contributions - Pension
Ohio Public Employees Retirement System
Last Nine Years (1)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<u>Contractually Required Contributions</u>			
Traditional Plan	1,174,943	1,115,340	1,177,737
Combined Plan	46,080	50,809	49,421
Total Required Contributions	\$1,221,023	\$1,166,149	\$1,227,158
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(\$1,221,023)</u>	<u>(\$1,166,149)</u>	<u>(\$1,227,158)</u>
Contribution Deficiency / (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Park District's Covered Payroll</u>			
Traditional Plan	8,189,142	7,788,898	8,241,900
Combined Plan	329,143	362,922	353,009
<u>Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</u>			
Traditional Plan	14.35%	14.32%	14.29%
Combined Plan	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

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2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
1,148,995	1,060,730	947,121	945,899	893,001	947,260
46,433	40,999	31,173	22,146	19,083	21,694
\$1,195,428	\$1,101,729	\$978,294	\$968,045	\$912,084	\$968,954
(\$1,195,428)	(\$1,101,729)	(\$978,294)	(\$968,045)	(\$912,084)	(\$968,954)
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
8,025,615	7,946,108	7,664,288	7,650,268	7,227,502	7,097,983
331,666	315,378	259,775	184,548	159,021	166,876
14.32%	13.35%	12.36%	12.36%	12.36%	13.35%
14.00%	13.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	13.00%

Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset/Liability
Ohio Public Employees Retirement System
Last Five Years (1)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Park District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset	0.056974%	0.060073%	0.060936%
Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	(\$1,015,037)	\$8,297,642	\$7,944,616
Park District's Covered Payroll	\$8,438,792	\$8,905,346	\$8,657,408
Park District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	12.03%	93.18%	91.77%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	115.57%	47.80%	46.33%

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Amounts presented as of the Park District's measurement date, which is the prior calendar year end.

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2018	2017
0.061860%	0.061140%
\$6,717,540	\$6,175,348
\$8,564,130	\$8,253,763
78.44%	74.82%
54.14%	54.05%

Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Park District's Contributions - OPEB
Ohio Public Employees Retirement System
Last Nine Years (1)

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Contractually Required Contribution	\$13,771	\$11,479	\$12,418	\$12,005
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(13,771)</u>	<u>(11,479)</u>	<u>(12,418)</u>	<u>(12,005)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Park District Covered Payroll	\$8,862,556	\$8,438,792	\$8,905,346	\$8,657,408
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.16%	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%

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<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
\$94,056	\$171,676	\$156,691	\$155,269	\$74,736
<u>(94,056)</u>	<u>(171,676)</u>	<u>(156,691)</u>	<u>(155,269)</u>	<u>(74,736)</u>
<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
\$8,564,130	\$8,253,763	\$8,106,670	\$7,653,825	\$7,475,812
1.10%	2.08%	1.93%	2.03%	1.00%

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**Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
for the Year Ended December 31, 2021
Lake Metroparks, Ohio**

OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

Net Pension Liability

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2014-2021.

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for 2014-2016 and 2018. For 2017, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the expected investment return was reduced from 8.00% to 7.50%, (b) the expected long-term average wage inflation rate was reduced from 3.75% to 3.25%, (c) the expected long-term average price inflation rate was reduced from 3.00% to 2.50%, (d) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality rates were updated to the RP-2014 Health Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observant period base year of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015 (f) mortality rates used in evaluating disability allowances were updated to the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality tables, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation base year of 2006 and a base year of 2015 for males and 2010 for females (g) Mortality rates for a particular calendar year for both healthy and disabled retiree mortality tables are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to the above described tables. For 2019, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the expected investment return was reduced from 7.50% to 7.20%. For 2020, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the cost-of-living adjustments for post-1/7/2013 retirees were reduced from 3.00% simple through 2018 to 1.40% simple through 2020, then 2.15% simple. For 2021, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the cost-of-living adjustments for post-1/7/2013 retirees were reduced from 1.40% simple through 2020 to 0.50% simple through 2021, then 2.15% simple.

Net OPEB Liability

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2018-2021.

Changes in assumptions: For 2018, the single discount rate changed from 4.23% to 3.85%. For 2019, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the expected investment return was reduced from 6.50% to 6.00% (b) In January 2020, the Board adopted changes to health care coverage for Medicare and pre-Medicare retirees. It will include discontinuing the PPO plan for pre-Medicare retirees and replacing it with a monthly allowance to help participants pay for a health care plan of their choosing. The base allowance for Medicare eligible retirees will be reduced. The specific effect of these changes on the net OPEB liability and OPEB expense are unknown at this time (c) the single discount rate changed from 3.85% to 3.96%. For 2020, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the single discount rate changed from 3.96% to 3.16%. For 2021, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the single discount rate changed from 3.16% to 6.00% (b) the municipal bond rate changed from 2.75% to 2.00% (c) the health care cost trend rate changed from 10.50% initial and 3.50% ultimate in 2030 to 8.50% initial and 3.50% ultimate in 2035.

Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) Budgetary Basis by Division - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Property Tax	\$13,796,680	\$13,796,680	\$14,854,178	\$1,057,498
Intergovernmental	2,026,026	2,026,026	2,052,092	26,066
Fees and Admissions	2,063,775	2,063,775	2,736,449	672,674
Merchandise Sales	445,525	445,525	577,668	132,143
Interest	100,000	100,000	14,528	(85,472)
Fines and Forfeitures	2,000	2,000	1,394	(606)
Contribution	88,800	88,800	131,936	43,136
Miscellaneous	67,300	67,300	263,515	196,215
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>18,590,106</u>	<u>18,590,106</u>	<u>20,631,760</u>	<u>2,041,654</u>
Expenditures				
Executive Division				
Salaries	471,720	471,720	466,835	4,885
OPERS	66,100	66,100	65,256	844
Medicare	7,000	7,000	6,759	241
Workers' Compensation	5,910	5,910	5,453	457
Medical Insurance	66,000	65,500	43,449	22,051
Professional Memberships	6,800	6,800	5,163	1,637
Training and Education	5,400	5,400	--	5,400
Travel	2,850	2,850	--	2,850
Mileage	2,500	2,500	1,921	579
Supplies	9,950	9,950	3,802	6,148
Contract Services	174,700	174,700	74,914	99,786
Telephone	2,854	3,354	3,314	40
Advertising	2,620	2,620	1,386	1,234
Capital Equipment	1,700	1,700	160	1,540
<i>Total Executive Division</i>	<u>826,104</u>	<u>826,104</u>	<u>678,412</u>	<u>147,692</u>
Registration Division				
Salaries	180,100	180,100	153,269	26,831
OPERS	25,300	25,300	21,457	3,843
Medicare	2,700	2,700	2,222	478
Workers' Compensation	2,260	2,260	1,955	305
Unemployment Compensation	--	805	802	3
Medical Insurance	59,700	58,430	37,534	20,896
Travel	100	100	--	100
Supplies	600	600	19	581
Contract Services	49,266	49,266	33,815	15,451
Telephone	2,853	3,318	3,314	4
Capital Equipment	1,400	1,400	--	1,400
<i>Total Registration Division</i>	<u>324,279</u>	<u>324,279</u>	<u>254,387</u>	<u>69,892</u>

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Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) Budgetary Basis by Division - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Financial Services Division				
Salaries	689,960	578,135	468,465	109,670
OPERS	68,570	68,570	64,817	3,753
Medicare	7,200	7,200	6,790	410
Workers' Compensation	6,130	6,130	5,638	492
Medical Insurance	118,300	118,300	103,760	14,540
Professional Memberships	2,900	2,900	1,561	1,339
Training and Education	5,290	5,290	1,568	3,722
Travel	13,049	13,049	2,418	10,631
Mileage	1,575	1,575	302	1,273
Supplies	53,915	53,915	16,405	37,510
Contract Services	358,174	468,174	452,784	15,390
Telephone	5,706	6,631	6,627	4
Advertising	4,000	4,900	4,829	71
Rentals	2,000	2,000	1,747	253
Insurance	242,000	242,000	233,619	8,381
Capital Equipment	2,050	2,050	448	1,602
Land Acquisition	110,000	110,000	82,735	27,265
Total Financial Services Division	1,690,819	1,690,819	1,454,514	236,305
Marketing Division				
Salaries	409,980	409,980	405,243	4,737
OPERS	57,300	57,300	56,583	717
Medicare	6,100	6,100	5,860	240
Workers' Compensation	5,130	5,130	4,726	404
Medical Insurance	98,400	95,980	79,961	16,019
Professional Memberships	3,345	5,045	5,006	39
Training and Education	1,000	1,000	199	801
Travel	1,385	1,405	1,402	3
Mileage	305	305	65	240
Supplies	47,760	47,760	21,080	26,680
Contract Services	213,899	213,899	154,929	58,970
Telephone	4,280	4,980	4,970	10
Contract Repairs	25	25	10	15
Advertising	6,100	6,100	4,683	1,417
Total Marketing Division	855,009	855,009	744,717	110,292

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Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) Budgetary Basis by Division - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Interpretive Services Division				
Salaries	949,400	943,395	875,366	68,029
OPERS	132,500	132,500	121,641	10,859
Medicare	14,000	14,000	12,644	1,356
Workers' Compensation	11,850	11,850	10,668	1,182
Unemployment Compensation	--	3,205	3,202	3
Medical Insurance	184,300	152,300	152,071	229
Professional Memberships	1,365	1,365	1,183	182
Training and Education	250	250	50	200
Travel	8,500	8,500	7,273	1,227
Mileage	120	320	316	4
Supplies	126,415	126,415	90,368	36,047
Contract Services	91,586	91,586	75,438	16,148
Electric	49,000	49,000	34,207	14,793
Heat (Oil/Gas)	10,000	10,000	8,642	1,358
Water/Sewer	7,000	7,000	6,035	965
Telephone	21,673	24,273	24,107	166
Contract Repairs	10,550	17,550	15,907	1,643
Advertising	3,250	3,250	2,473	777
Rentals	1,150	1,150	415	735
Materials	6,800	31,800	30,820	980
Capital Equipment	9,050	9,050	3,441	5,609
Total Interpretive Services Division	1,638,759	1,638,759	1,476,266	162,493
Park Operations Division				
Salaries	1,885,440	1,885,440	1,841,763	43,677
OPERS	262,600	262,600	245,715	16,885
Medicare	27,300	27,300	26,558	742
Workers' Compensation	23,450	23,450	21,997	1,453
Medical Insurance	511,800	469,710	446,350	23,360
Professional Memberships	2,500	2,500	876	1,624
Training and Education	3,000	3,000	944	2,056
Travel	4,600	4,600	1,839	2,761
Supplies	437,100	437,100	401,049	36,051
Contract Services	114,859	114,859	105,653	9,206
Electric	88,400	89,000	86,098	2,902
Heat (Oil/Gas)	25,000	25,000	9,865	15,135
Water/Sewer	12,000	12,750	12,293	457
Telephone	9,250	9,990	9,390	600
Contract Repairs	60,000	100,000	90,689	9,311
Rentals	50,000	50,000	34,880	15,120
Materials	36,850	36,850	33,891	2,959
Capital Equipment	9,000	9,000	7,967	1,033
Total Park Operations Division	3,563,149	3,563,149	3,377,817	185,332

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Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) Budgetary Basis by Division - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Park Planning Division				
Salaries	670,560	676,702	676,701	1
OPERS	93,600	93,600	90,116	3,484
Medicare	9,800	9,800	9,787	13
Workers' Compensation	8,360	8,360	7,711	649
Medical Insurance	197,800	188,548	174,970	13,578
Professional Memberships	1,000	1,000	996	4
Training and Education	250	250	--	250
Travel	7,700	7,700	4,706	2,994
Mileage	200	200	--	200
Supplies	12,550	12,550	11,477	1,073
Contract Services	44,009	44,709	42,772	1,937
Telephone	18,947	21,357	21,335	22
Materials	19,000	19,000	16,764	2,236
Capital Equipment	500	500	--	500
Total Park Planning Division	1,084,276	1,084,276	1,057,335	26,941
Outdoor Education Division				
Salaries	1,038,800	1,034,200	912,225	121,975
OPERS	145,200	145,200	127,258	17,942
Medicare	15,300	15,300	12,295	3,005
Workers' Compensation	12,970	12,970	11,380	1,590
Medical Insurance	204,200	204,200	200,680	3,520
Professional Memberships	765	765	417	348
Travel	8,570	8,570	5,230	3,340
Mileage	1,900	1,900	749	1,151
Supplies	181,250	181,250	179,780	1,470
Contract Services	134,295	134,295	94,302	39,993
Electric	38,500	38,500	32,213	6,287
Heat (Oil/Gas)	9,200	9,200	7,981	1,219
Water/Sewer	13,030	13,030	9,155	3,875
Telephone	17,210	18,310	17,169	1,141
Contract Repairs	29,600	31,600	30,967	633
Advertising	700	700	--	700
Rentals	9,200	9,200	9,181	19
Materials	2,760	4,260	3,967	293
Capital Equipment	38,125	38,125	37,333	792
Total Outdoor Education Division	1,901,575	1,901,575	1,692,282	209,293

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Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) Budgetary Basis by Division - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Ranger Division				
Salaries	1,042,730	1,042,730	1,039,077	3,653
OPERS	164,700	167,663	167,663	0
Medicare	15,000	15,000	14,998	2
Workers' Compensation	12,850	12,850	12,511	339
Medical Insurance	210,400	206,437	183,185	23,252
Professional Memberships	875	875	450	425
Travel	7,200	7,200	6,240	960
Supplies	29,319	29,319	21,818	7,501
Contract Services	143,586	143,586	130,634	12,952
Telephone	11,037	12,037	10,790	1,247
Contract Repairs	4,380	4,380	4,319	62
Advertising	340	340	182	158
Rentals	150	150	--	150
Capital Equipment	13,743	13,743	7,816	5,927
Total Ranger Division	1,656,310	1,656,310	1,599,681	56,629
Farmpark Division				
Salaries	1,490,240	1,490,240	1,274,527	215,713
OPERS	208,600	208,600	176,008	32,592
Medicare	21,900	21,900	18,435	3,465
Workers' Compensation	18,620	18,620	16,568	2,052
Unemployment Compensation	--	1,900	1,862	38
Medical Insurance	315,000	305,244	284,864	20,380
Professional Memberships	795	795	470	325
Training and Education	7,020	7,020	644	6,376
Travel	900	900	25	875
Supplies	417,270	417,270	351,245	66,025
Contract Services	188,409	188,409	161,701	26,708
Electric	72,000	72,000	63,067	8,933
Heat (Oil/Gas)	30,000	32,700	30,440	2,260
Water/Sewer	20,000	22,056	22,056	0
Telephone	14,254	16,254	16,222	32
Contract Repairs	34,550	34,550	31,693	2,857
Advertising	32,650	32,650	21,463	11,187
Rentals	10,400	10,500	10,427	73
Materials	29,795	29,795	21,686	8,109
Capital Equipment	50,678	51,678	51,463	215
Total Farmpark Division	2,963,081	2,963,081	2,554,866	408,215

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Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non GAAP) Budgetary Basis by Division - General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Golf Division				
Salaries	639,800	639,800	611,781	28,019
OPERS	90,000	90,000	85,325	4,675
Medicare	9,700	9,700	8,197	1,503
Workers' Compensation	8,010	8,010	7,282	728
Medical Insurance	139,300	118,150	109,474	8,676
Professional Memberships	3,715	3,715	1,942	1,773
Training and Education	200	200	--	200
Travel	300	300	170	130
Supplies	300,515	312,515	305,538	6,977
Contract Services	118,598	122,598	120,380	2,218
Electric	40,000	44,000	38,230	5,770
Heat (Oil/Gas)	11,700	11,700	7,311	4,389
Water/Sewer	17,050	17,050	12,229	4,821
Telephone	13,070	13,470	12,066	1,404
Contract Repairs	45,050	45,050	32,702	12,348
Advertising	2,625	2,625	1,887	738
Rentals	126,605	126,605	125,008	1,597
Capital Equipment	450	1,200	950	250
Total Golf Division	1,566,688	1,566,688	1,480,472	86,216
<i>Total General Fund Expenditures</i>	<u>18,070,049</u>	<u>18,070,049</u>	<u>16,370,749</u>	<u>1,699,300</u>
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</i>	520,057	520,057	4,261,011	3,740,954
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfer Out	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	--
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(2,750,000)</u>	<u>(2,750,000)</u>	<u>(2,750,000)</u>	<u>--</u>
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other (Uses)</i>	(2,229,943)	(2,229,943)	1,511,011	3,740,954
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - Beginning of the Year</i>	15,162,676	15,162,676	15,162,676	--
Recovery of Prior Year Encumbrances	276,360	276,360	276,360	--
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - End of the Year</i>	<u>\$13,209,093</u>	<u>\$13,209,093</u>	<u>\$16,950,047</u>	<u>\$3,740,954</u>

Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP) Budgetary Basis - Improvement Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$1,033,000	\$1,033,000	\$36,816	(\$996,184)
Fees and Admissions	15,800	15,800	15,816	16
Interest	7,500	7,500	2,016	(5,484)
Contributions	40,000	40,000	80,963	40,963
Miscellaneous	--	--	10,028	10,028
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>1,096,300</u>	<u>1,096,300</u>	<u>145,639</u>	<u>(950,661)</u>
Expenditures				
Construction	3,016,000	3,016,000	1,621,073	1,394,927
Capital Equipment	792,000	792,000	765,444	26,556
Land Acquisition	600,000	600,000	35,570	564,430
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>4,408,000</u>	<u>4,408,000</u>	<u>2,422,087</u>	<u>1,985,913</u>
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</i>	(3,311,700)	(3,311,700)	(2,276,448)	1,035,252
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers In	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>--</u>
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>--</u>
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other (Uses)</i>	(561,700)	(561,700)	473,552	1,035,252
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - Beginning of the Year</i>	1,171,381	1,171,381	1,171,381	--
Recovery of Prior Year Encumbrances	<u>23,587</u>	<u>23,587</u>	<u>23,587</u>	<u>--</u>
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - End of the Year</i>	<u>\$633,268</u>	<u>\$633,268</u>	<u>\$1,668,520</u>	<u>\$1,035,252</u>

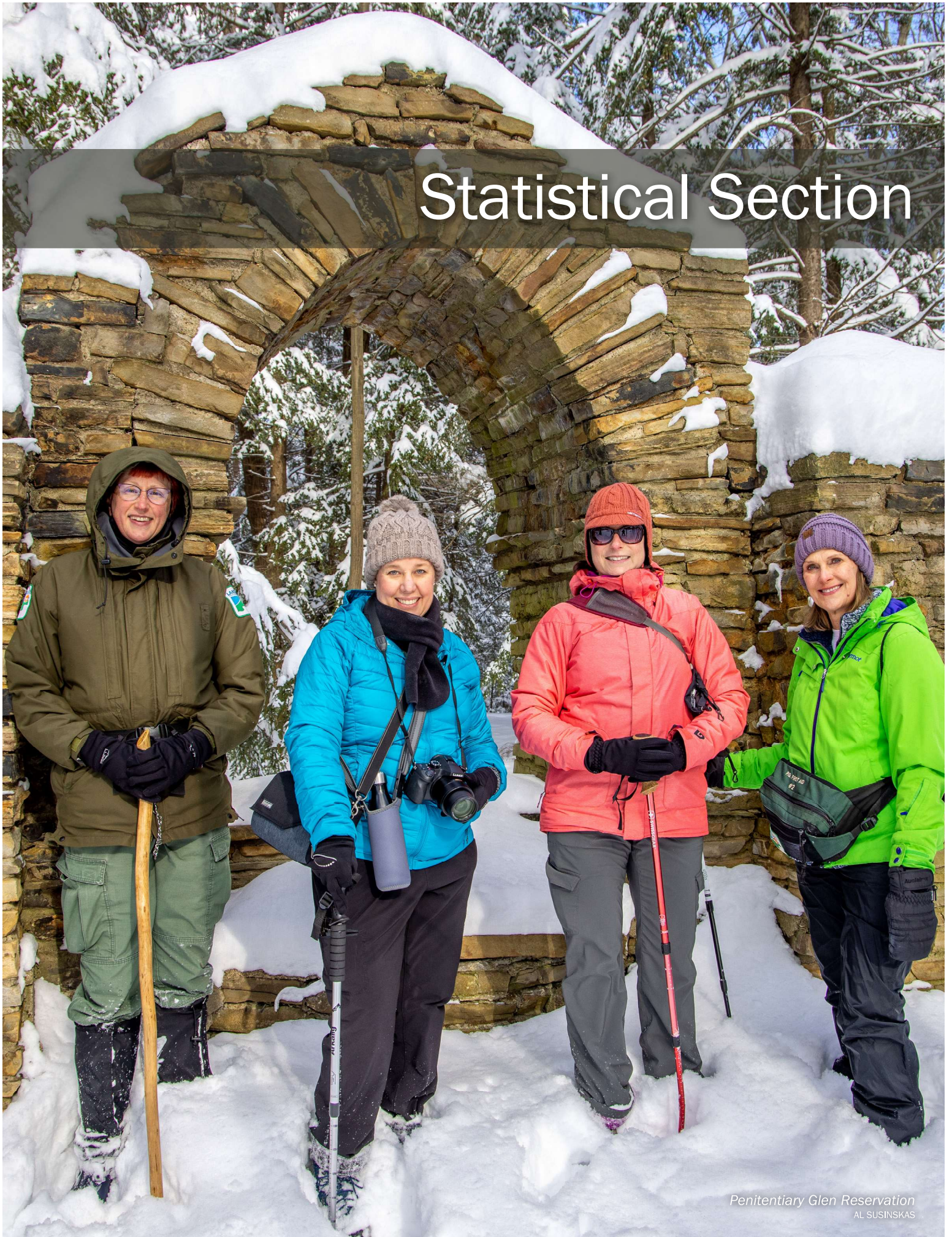
Lake Metroparks
Detailed Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP) Budgetary Basis - Drug Enforcement Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Fines and Forfeitures	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,950	\$950
Interest	75	75	14	(61)
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>3,075</u>	<u>3,075</u>	<u>3,964</u>	<u>889</u>
Expenditures				
Supplies	500	500	--	500
Contracts	1,000	1,000	--	1,000
Capital Equipment	3,000	3,000	1,204	1,796
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>1,204</u>	<u>3,296</u>
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</i>	(1,425)	(1,425)	2,760	4,185
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - Beginning of the Year</i>	<u>16,027</u>	<u>16,027</u>	<u>16,027</u>	<u>--</u>
Recovery of Prior Year Encumbrances	--	--	--	--
<i>Fund Balance Budget Basis - End of the Year</i>	<u>\$14,602</u>	<u>\$14,602</u>	<u>\$18,787</u>	<u>\$4,185</u>

Lake Metroparks
 Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity
 Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP) Budgetary Basis - Internal Service Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Fees and Admissions	\$1,910,000	\$1,910,000	\$1,934,891	\$24,891
Interest	3,500	3,500	2,002	(1,498)
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	--	(1,000)
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>1,914,500</u>	<u>1,914,500</u>	<u>1,936,893</u>	<u>22,393</u>
Expenses				
Contract Services	1,740,000	1,740,000	1,650,511	89,489
<i>Total Expenses</i>	<u>1,740,000</u>	<u>1,740,000</u>	<u>1,650,511</u>	<u>89,489</u>
<i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenses</i>	174,500	174,500	286,382	111,882
<i>Fund Equity Budget Basis - Beginning of the Year</i>	<u>1,811,236</u>	<u>1,811,236</u>	<u>1,811,236</u>	<u>--</u>
<i>Fund Equity Budget Basis - End of the Year</i>	<u><u>\$1,985,736</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,985,736</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,097,618</u></u>	<u><u>\$111,882</u></u>

Statistical Section



STATISTICAL SECTION

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Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports for the relevant year. The Park District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 in 2000; schedules presenting government-wide information include information beginning in that year.

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Table 1

Lake Metroparks
Net Position by Component
Last Ten Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 (1)	2016	2015	2014 (2)	2013	2012
Governmental Activities:										
Investment in										
Capital Assets	\$68,481,421	\$69,552,555	\$70,066,988	\$70,221,556	\$69,370,232	\$59,186,235	\$55,003,063	\$51,566,628	\$49,646,523	\$41,081,648
Restricted	2,154,943	1,476,448	1,394,833	960,253	2,355,907	3,962,840	6,349,303	5,575,359	3,127,569	4,508,926
Unrestricted	6,555,386	(3,276,052)	(3,838,627)	(2,392,759)	(3,448,532)	3,581,184	1,641,140	(1,020,299)	5,217,508	8,935,678
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>										
<i>Net Position</i>	77,191,750	67,752,951	67,623,194	68,789,050	68,277,607	66,730,259	62,993,506	56,121,688	57,991,600	54,526,252
Business-type Activities:										
Investment in										
Capital Assets and Goodwill						7,369,274	7,425,404	7,633,831	7,851,561	8,099,884
Unrestricted						(169,930)	(343,328)	(414,604)	133,546	124,531
<i>Total Business-type Activities</i>										
<i>Net Position</i>						7,199,344	7,082,076	7,219,227	7,985,107	8,224,415
Primary Government:										
Investment in										
Capital Assets and Goodwill	68,481,421	69,552,555	70,066,988	70,221,556	69,370,232	66,555,509	62,428,467	59,200,459	57,498,084	49,181,532
Restricted	2,154,943	1,476,448	1,394,833	960,253	2,355,907	3,962,840	6,349,303	5,575,359	3,127,569	4,508,926
Unrestricted	6,555,386	(3,276,052)	(3,838,627)	(2,392,759)	(3,448,532)	3,411,254	1,297,812	(1,434,903)	5,351,054	9,060,209
<i>Total Primary Government</i>										
<i>Net Position</i>	\$77,191,750	\$67,752,951	\$67,623,194	\$68,789,050	\$68,277,607	\$73,929,603	\$70,075,582	\$63,340,915	\$65,976,707	\$62,750,667

(1) - The Golf Division was restated to the Governmental Activities and the Park District implemented GASB 75.

(2) - Restated for GASB Statement No.68 Implementation

Lake Metroparks
 Changes in Net Position
 Last Ten Years
 (accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 (1)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Program Revenues										
Governmental Activities:										
Charges for Services	\$3,313,230	\$2,505,365	\$3,604,761	\$3,327,662	\$3,464,775	\$2,196,799	\$1,925,663	\$1,864,614	\$1,708,250	\$1,596,912
Operating Grants and Contributions	138,296	116,817	166,561	133,224	153,109	100,408	123,910	93,284	127,874	119,523
Capital Grants and Contributions	138,926	127,239	113,744	177,701	111,005	688,081	3,106,608	1,906,586	5,307,931	34,768
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>										
<i>Program Revenues</i>	3,590,452	2,749,421	3,885,066	3,638,587	3,728,889	2,985,288	5,156,181	3,864,484	7,144,055	1,751,203
Business-type Activities:										
Charges for Services						1,270,903	1,250,204	1,243,789	1,336,732	1,484,143
Operating Grants and Contributions						1,250	350	1,950	1,000	4,200
Capital Grants and Contributions						-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total Business-type Activities</i>										
<i>Program Revenues</i>						1,272,153	1,250,554	1,245,739	1,337,732	1,488,343
<i>Total Primary Government</i>										
<i>Program Revenues</i>						4,257,441	6,406,735	5,110,223	8,481,787	3,239,546
Expenses										
Governmental Activities:										
Parks and Recreation	11,384,789	20,061,020	22,588,374	20,050,584	20,344,042	14,216,827	13,368,742	14,514,432	14,765,506	13,409,553
Interest on Long-term Debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,534	36,231	66,569
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>										
<i>Expenses</i>	11,384,789	20,061,020	22,588,374	20,050,584	20,344,042	14,216,827	13,368,742	14,524,966	14,801,737	13,476,122

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Lake Metroparks
Changes in Net Position
Last Ten Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 (1)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Business-type Activities:										
Golf						1,907,246	1,888,004	1,897,051	1,944,968	1,984,890
<i>Total Business-type Activities</i>										
Expenses						1,907,246	1,888,004	1,897,051	1,944,968	1,984,890
<i>Total Primary Government Expenses</i>						16,124,073	15,256,746	16,422,017	16,746,705	15,461,012
Net (Expense) Revenue										
Governmental Activities	(7,794,337)	(17,311,599)	(18,703,308)	(16,411,997)	(16,615,153)	(11,231,539)	(8,212,561)	(10,660,482)	(7,657,682)	(11,724,919)
Business-type Activities	-	-	-	-	-	(635,093)	(637,450)	(651,312)	(607,236)	(496,547)
<i>Total Primary Government Net Expense</i>	<u>(\$7,794,337)</u>	<u>(\$17,311,599)</u>	<u>(\$18,703,308)</u>	<u>(\$16,411,997)</u>	<u>(\$16,615,153)</u>	<u>(\$11,866,632)</u>	<u>(\$8,850,011)</u>	<u>(\$11,311,794)</u>	<u>(\$8,264,918)</u>	<u>(\$12,221,466)</u>

General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position

Governmental Activities:										
Property Tax	\$14,745,553	\$14,691,973	\$14,924,109	\$14,392,184	\$14,865,103	\$14,490,425	\$14,251,533	\$13,446,921	\$15,014,989	\$13,237,724
Grants and Entitlements, Unrestricted	2,145,997	2,029,948	2,007,449	2,030,230	2,038,969	1,080,734	1,190,385	1,304,184	2,139,465	2,815,857
Interest	31,212	126,281	260,474	235,978	98,274	57,609	20,069	7,810	12,158	6,773
Miscellaneous	310,374	593,154	345,420	265,048	79,487	89,524	122,392	99,107	134,904	98,015
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	(750,000)	(500,000)	(400,000)	(350,000)	(266,700)
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	<u>17,233,136</u>	<u>17,441,356</u>	<u>17,537,452</u>	<u>16,923,440</u>	<u>17,081,833</u>	<u>14,968,292</u>	<u>15,084,379</u>	<u>14,458,022</u>	<u>16,951,516</u>	<u>15,891,669</u>

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Lake Metroparks
Changes in Net Position
Last Ten Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 (1)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Business-type Activities:										
Interest						1,946	278	447	280	201
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets						-	(1,058)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous						415	1,079	25,039	17,648	1,966
Transfers						750,000	500,000	400,000	350,000	266,700
<i>Total Business-type Activities</i>						752,361	500,299	425,486	367,928	268,867
<i>Total Primary Government</i>	17,233,136	17,441,356	17,537,452	16,923,440	17,081,833	15,720,653	15,584,678	14,883,508	17,319,444	16,160,536
Change in Net Position										
Governmental Activities	9,438,799	129,757	(1,165,856)	511,443	466,680	3,736,753	6,871,818	3,797,540	9,293,834	4,166,750
Business-type Activities	-	-	-	-	-	117,268	(137,151)	(225,826)	(239,308)	(227,680)
<i>Total Primary Government</i>	\$9,438,799	\$129,757	(\$1,165,856)	\$511,443	\$466,680	\$3,854,021	\$6,734,667	\$3,571,714	\$9,054,526	\$3,939,070

(1) - The Golf Division was restated to the Governmental Activities and the Park District implemented GASB 75.

Table 3

Lake Metroparks
Program Revenues by Function/Program
Last Ten Years
(*accrual basis of accounting*)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 (1)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Function/Program										
Governmental Activities:										
Parks and Recreation	\$3,590,452	\$2,749,421	\$3,885,066	\$3,638,587	\$3,728,889	\$2,985,288	\$5,156,181	\$3,864,484	\$7,144,055	\$1,751,203
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	3,590,452	2,749,421	3,885,066	3,638,587	3,728,889	2,985,288	5,156,181	3,864,484	7,144,055	1,751,203
Business-type Activities:										
Golf						1,272,153	1,250,554	1,245,739	1,337,732	1,488,343
<i>Total Business-type Activities</i>						1,272,153	1,250,554	1,245,739	1,337,732	1,488,343
<i>Total Primary Government</i>	\$3,590,452	\$2,749,421	\$3,885,066	\$3,638,587	\$3,728,889	\$4,257,441	\$6,406,735	\$5,110,223	\$8,481,787	\$3,239,546

(1) - The Golf Division was restated to Governmental Activities and the Park District implemented GASB 75.

Lake Metroparks
Fund Balances, Governmental Funds
Last Ten Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018 (1)	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
General Fund										
Nonspendable	\$655,156	\$637,472	\$573,417	\$505,505	\$370,772	\$372,235	\$346,957	\$328,013	\$328,906	\$301,090
Committed	4,632	-	-	-	--	--	--	16,008	28,776	16,416
Assigned	87,168	42,475	47,111	46,868	42,030	216,308	166,127	219,989	48,350	216,690
Unassigned	16,513,407	14,989,289	13,202,915	11,760,083	9,948,484	8,024,290	6,152,914	3,985,853	3,014,159	2,212,275
Total General Fund	17,260,363	15,669,236	13,823,443	12,312,456	10,361,286	8,612,833	6,665,998	4,549,863	3,420,191	2,746,471
All Other Governmental Funds										
Nonspendable	\$0	\$970	\$2,964	\$4,951	\$10,379	\$--	\$--	\$--	\$--	\$--
Restricted	18,797	16,312	13,370	9,991	19,214	13,430	7,029	2,654	8,351	5,891
Committed	12,024	0	93,264	115,865	147,548	2,540,712	2,058,039	1,748,933	786,045	596,018
Assigned	2,105,140	1,459,166	1,268,544	1,230,490	1,443,441	1,470,967	4,258,222	3,823,808	3,196,323	4,587,460
Total All Other Governmental Funds	2,135,961	1,476,448	1,378,142	1,361,297	1,620,582	4,025,109	6,323,290	5,575,395	3,990,719	5,189,369
Total Governmental Funds	\$19,396,324	\$17,145,684	\$15,201,585	\$13,673,753	\$11,981,868	\$12,637,942	\$12,989,288	\$10,125,258	\$7,410,910	\$7,935,840

Note: GASB Statement No. 54 changed the reporting of fund balances by establishing fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. The Park District adopted GASB Statement No. 54 for the year ending December 31, 2010.
(1) - Prior to 2018, the Golf Division was included in the Business-type Activities.

Lake Metroparks

Table 5

Changes in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds

Last Ten Years

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018 (1)	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Revenues										
Property Taxes	\$14,854,178	\$14,705,446	\$14,577,382	\$14,444,628	\$14,562,609	\$14,427,675	\$14,260,551	\$13,935,222	\$13,941,446	\$12,067,641
Intergovernmental	2,129,408	2,117,997	2,079,264	2,105,664	2,039,557	3,003,122	5,174,596	3,593,193	5,955,211	2,815,857
Fees and Admissions	2,764,795	2,173,632	2,978,556	2,750,413	1,808,631	1,750,245	1,485,377	1,463,957	1,303,320	1,203,335
Merchandise Sales	577,484	366,204	651,513	613,230	435,184	453,182	435,531	414,872	400,706	392,183
Interest	6,277	115,778	275,466	215,910	93,824	57,563	20,063	14,321	11,932	6,414
Fines and Forfeitures	5,069	5,657	5,734	6,144	9,507	13,916	7,250	3,570	4,224	1,394
Contributions	211,759	138,001	197,927	222,824	136,848	182,908	135,560	564,418	929,099	154,291
Miscellaneous	299,572	574,932	330,474	252,665	136,709	152,702	119,897	99,374	134,904	98,015
Total Revenues	20,848,542	20,197,647	21,096,316	20,611,478	19,222,869	20,041,313	21,638,825	20,088,927	22,680,842	16,739,130
Expenditures										
Parks and Recreation	16,146,517	15,347,511	16,347,069	15,854,947	14,042,412	13,634,859	13,349,659	12,829,623	12,343,055	11,942,728
Capital Outlay	2,421,539	2,968,444	3,178,089	3,701,862	5,265,123	6,030,962	4,934,786	3,493,712	9,871,650	2,612,602
Debt Service:										
Principal Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	625,000	625,000	825,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,741	38,437	68,776
Total Expenditures	18,568,056	18,315,955	19,525,158	19,556,809	19,307,535	19,665,821	18,284,445	16,961,076	22,878,142	15,449,106
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<i>2,280,486</i>	<i>1,881,692</i>	<i>1,571,158</i>	<i>1,054,669</i>	<i>(84,666)</i>	<i>375,492</i>	<i>3,354,380</i>	<i>3,127,851</i>	<i>(197,300)</i>	<i>1,290,024</i>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Transfers In	2,750,000	2,750,000	2,750,000	2,800,000	2,600,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	3,046,418	4,000,000	4,509,480
Transfers Out	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	(2,750,000)	(2,800,000)	(3,150,000)	(3,250,000)	(3,000,000)	(3,446,418)	(4,350,000)	(4,776,180)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	-	(550,000)	(750,000)	(500,000)	(400,000)	(350,000)	(266,700)
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$2,280,486	\$1,881,692	\$1,571,158	\$1,054,669	(\$634,666)	(\$374,508)	\$2,854,380	\$2,727,851	(\$547,300)	\$1,023,324
Debt Service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.6%	5.1%	7.0%

(1) - Prior to 2018, the Golf Division was included in the Business-type Activities.

Lake Metroparks Table 6

Tax Revenues by Source, Governmental Funds

Last Ten Years

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Property Taxes	\$14,854,178	\$14,705,446	\$14,577,382	\$14,444,628	\$14,562,609	\$14,427,675	\$14,260,551	\$13,935,222	\$13,941,446	\$12,067,641

Lake Metroparks
 Assessed and Estimated Actual Value of Taxable Property
 Last Ten Years
 (Amounts in 000's)

Table 7

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>PUBLIC</u>				<u>TOTAL</u>		
	<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>		<u>UTILITY PROPERTY</u>		Full Tax Rate		
	Assessed	Estimated Actual	Assessed	Estimated Actual	Estimated Actual	Per \$1,000 of Assessed	Weighted Average Tax
	<u>Value</u>	<u>Value (1)</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Value (1)</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2021	\$6,038,264	\$17,252,184	\$379,723	\$431,504	\$17,683,688	2.80	2.5597
2020	5,997,692	17,136,263	370,532	421,059	17,557,322	2.80	2.5628
2019	5,967,599	17,050,283	361,378	410,657	17,460,940	2.80	2.5581
2018	5,503,360	15,723,886	346,036	393,222	16,117,108	2.80	2.7639
2017	5,480,455	15,658,443	398,760	453,136	16,111,579	2.80	2.7400
2016	5,504,066	15,725,903	365,366	415,188	16,141,901	2.80	2.7636
2015	5,394,376	15,412,502	344,819	391,841	15,804,343	2.80	2.8000
2014	5,372,965	15,351,329	301,273	342,356	15,693,685	2.80	2.8000
2013	5,391,010	15,402,887	335,746	381,529	15,784,416	2.80	2.8000
2012	5,978,514	17,081,468	339,983	386,344	17,467,812	2.30	2.1759

(1) Estimated Actual Value is calculated by dividing the Assessed Value by the assessment percentage.
 The percentages for 2021 are 35% for all Real Property and 88% for Public Utility Property.

Source: Lake County Auditor's Office

Lake Metroparks
Property Tax Rates - All Direct and Overlapping Governments
(Per \$1,000 Of Assessed Value)
Last Ten Years

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
COUNTY UNITS										
General Fund	\$2.10	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Dev. Disabilities Brd.	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9
ADAMHS Board	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Narcotics	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Child Welfare	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Regional Forensic Lab	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Senior Citizens	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
TOTAL RATES	10.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.6	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Fairport Harbor (a)	90.33	90.9	90.95	90.81	90.92	89.43	88.12	88.12	88.13	88.04
Kirtland Local (a)	73.56	80.19	79.94	79.7	78.82	77.4	75.96	75.96	75.8	75.94
Madison Local (a)	55.59	60.13	59.6	59.4	57.62	61.24	60.58	60.58	60.52	60.5
Mentor Exempt	76.96	77.8	77.49	78.92	78.66	82.05	81.3	81.3	81.34	81.34
Painesville City (a)	59.8	92.22	92.98	93.16	93.04	91.63	90.26	90.26	90.28	90.16
Riverside (a)	55.79	56.25	56.24	56.21	55.28	60.88	60.45	60.45	60.42	60.44
Perry Local (a)	45.7	45.7	45.7	45.7	45.7	44.2	44.2	44.2	44.2	44.2
Wickliffe Local	75.21	75.2	75.21	76.71	83.11	83.11	83.11	83.11	94.58	94.58
Willoughby-Eastlake	53.02	60.52	61.24	63.21	64.27	64.33	62.12	62.12	61.89	66.99

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Lake Metroparks
Property Tax Rates - All Direct and Overlapping Governments
(Per \$1,000 Of Assessed Value)

Last Ten Years	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
CORPORATIONS										
Eastlake	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8
Kirtland	11.05	11.05	11.05	13.05	13.05	18	13.5	13.5	11.05	11.05
Mentor	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Mentor-on-the-Lake	24	24	24	27.8	27.8	27.8	27.8	27.8	27.8	27.8
Painesville	3.7	3.7	8.17	8.17	8.17	8.17	8.17	8.17	10.67	10.67
Wickliffe	8.02	8.09	8.11	8.11	8.11	8.09	11.04	11.04	11.04	11.08
Willoughby	8.53	8.53	8.51	8.49	8.49	8.54	8.46	8.46	8.48	8.48
Willoughby Hills	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3
Willowick	19.5	19.5	19.5	19.5	19.5	19.5	19.75	19.75	19.75	19.75
VILLAGES										
Fairport Harbor	\$9.56	\$10.06	\$10.06	\$10.06	\$10.06	\$17.86	\$17.86	\$17.86	\$17.86	\$17.86
Grand River	7.5	8	8	8	8	8.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Kirtland Hills	18	18	18	18	18	18	23	23	23	23
Lake line	6	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Madison (b)	9.43	9.43	9.43	13.23	13.23	15.23	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8
North Perry (c)	12	12	12	11	11	11	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Perry (c)	12	12	12	11	11	11	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Timberlake	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2
Waite Hill	16	16	16	22.2	22.2	22.2	22.2	22.2	22.2	22.2
TOWNSHIPS										
Concord	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	11.4	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.7	12.3
Leroy	11.9	11.9	11.9	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8
Madison	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9	15.9
Painesville	13.45	13.45	13.45	17.67	17.67	21.17	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.12
Perry	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	9.1	9.1

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Lake Metroparks
Property Tax Rates - All Direct and Overlapping Governments
(Per \$1,000 Of Assessed Value)

Last Ten Years	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
LIBRARIES										
Fairport	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.84
Kirtland	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Madison	1	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25
Mentor	1.1	1.1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Morley	1.73	1.74	1.82	1.8	1.78	1.77	1.7	1.7	1.5	1
Perry	1	1	1	1	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75
Wickliffe	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Willoughby-Eastlake	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	1	2.3	2.3	3.3	3.3

OTHER POLITICAL

SUBDIVISIONS

Lake Metroparks	2.30	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80
Lakeland Community College	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	3.58	3.58	3.58	3.57
Auburn Joint Vocational School	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Lake County School Financing District	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9
Madison Fire District	6.48	6.48	6.48	6.48	6.48	8.48	10.48	10.48	10.48	10.48
Perry Fire District	7	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4

- a. Includes millage for Auburn Joint Vocational School for 2017 and Prior
- b. Includes millage for Madison Fire District for 2017 and Prior
- c. Includes millage for Perry Library District and Perry Fire District for 2017 and Prior

Source: Lake County Auditor's Office

Lake Metroparks
Principal Taxpayers
December 31, 2021 and Nine Years Ago

Name of Taxpayer	Nature of Business	Assessed Value	Percent of Total Assessed Value
Principal Taxpayers Real Estate Tax			
First Energy Nuclear	Electric Company	\$49,551,600	0.7119%
First Energy Generation Corp	Electric Company	20,755,000	0.2982%
Mall Ground Portfolio LLC	Retail shopping	19,436,270	0.2793%
Lubrizol Corporation	Mfg for chemical additives for fuels and lubricants	18,486,980	0.2656%
Tamarac Apartments LLC	Apartments	13,274,640	0.1907%
Willoughby Commons LLC	Retail shopping	9,625,200	0.1383%
Lake Hospital System Inc	Hospital system	8,151,470	0.1171%
Winchester Apts LTD	Apartments	7,700,000	0.1106%
Pine Ridge G & H LLC	Apartments	7,498,570	0.1077%
Steris Corporation	Infection and contamination preventative systems	6,210,250	0.0892%
	Totals	\$160,689,980	2.3088%
	Total Assessed Valuation	\$6,959,994,870	
Principal Taxpayers Real Estate Tax			
First Energy Nuclear	Electric Company	\$65,450,000	0.9404%
CEI	Electric Company	33,250,000	0.4777%
Simon property group LP	Developer of Great Lakes Mall	22,571,720	0.3941%
Lubrizol Corporation	Mfg. for chemical additives for fuels and lubricants	16,385,710	0.2861%
Lake Hospital System Inc	Hospital system	14,498,110	0.2532%
Tam a Rac Estates	Residential developer	12,848,810	0.2244%
DDRTC Willoughby Hills SC	Retail developer	11,338,550	0.1980%
Euclid Realty LLC	Retail developer	11,295,610	0.1972%
First Interstate	Developer of Willoughby Commons and Creekside Common Shopping Center	10,916,500	0.1568%
Winchester Apts LTD	Apartments	8,416,260	0.1209%
	Totals	\$206,971,270	1.1505%
	Total Assessed Valuation	\$5,726,757,170	

Total Assessed Valuation Real property taxes paid in 2021 are based on January 1, 2020
Total Assessed Valuation Real property taxes paid in 2012 are based on January 1, 2011

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Lake Metroparks

Principal Taxpayers

December 31, 2021 and Nine Years Ago

Name of Taxpayer	Nature of Business	Assessed Value		Percent of Total Assessed Value
		2021	2012	
Tangible Public Utility Property Taxpayers				
American Transmission	Electric utility	\$159,714,750		41.0974%
Cleveland Electric Illuminating	Electric utility	128,754,890		33.1309%
First Energy Nuclear	Electric utility	49,162,420		12.6504%
Aqua Ohio Inc	Water utility	29,277,450		7.5336%
East Ohio Gas	Natural gas utility	17,437,050		4.4869%
Northeast Ohio Natural Gas	Natural gas utility	3,396,480		0.8740%
Cobra Pipeline	Natural gas utility	292,670		0.0753%
First Energy Generation	Electric utility	190,370		0.0490%
Solar Energy of America LLC	Electric utility	164,780		0.0424%
Totals		\$388,390,860		99.9398%
Total Assessed Valuation		\$388,624,690		

Tangible Public Utility Property Taxpayers

First Energy Nuclear	Electric utility	\$128,331,670		33.0220%
Cleveland Electric Illuminating	Electric utility	98,613,590		25.3750%
First Energy Generation	Electric utility	41,217,140		10.6059%
Aqua Ohio Inc	Water utility	28,113,660		7.2341%
American Transmission	Electric utility	20,135,550		5.1812%
East Ohio Gas	Natural gas utility	9,422,100		2.4245%
Ohio Edison	Electric utility	8,330,470		2.1436%
Orwell Natural Gas	Natural gas utility	1,531,050		0.3940%
Norfolk Southern	Railroad	565,650		0.1456%
CSX Transportation	Railroad	435,800		0.1121%
Totals		\$336,696,680		86.6380%
Total Assessed Valuation		\$5,726,757,170		

Public utility tangible personal property tax paid in 2021 is based on values listed on December 31, 2020

Public utility tangible personal property tax paid in 2012 is based on values listed on December 31, 2011

Source: Lake County Auditor's Office

Lake Metroparks
 Property Tax Levies and Collection
 Real, Public Utility and Tangible Personal Property (1)
 Last Ten Years

Table 10

Tax Year	Fiscal Year	Current Tax Levy	Current Tax Collection	Percent of Levy Collected	Delinquent Tax Collections(2)	Total Tax Collections	Total Collections as a Percent of Levy
2020-2021	2021	\$16,599,495	\$16,340,914	98.4%	\$339,140	\$16,680,054	100.49%
2019-2020	2020	16,572,658	16,165,900	97.5%	365,954	16,531,854	99.75%
2018-2019	2019	16,431,003	16,029,208	97.6%	361,836	16,391,044	99.76%
2017-2018	2018	16,301,300	15,706,751	96.4%	409,459	16,116,210	98.86%
2016-2017	2017	16,352,508	15,936,945	97.5%	513,191	16,450,136	100.60%
2015-2016	2016	16,223,561	15,752,162	97.1%	564,954	16,317,116	100.58%*
2014-2015	2015	16,094,944	15,554,859	96.6%	600,907	16,155,766	100.38%*
2013-2014	2014	15,933,486	15,402,832	96.7%	378,551	15,781,383	99.05%*
2012-2013	2013	16,024,888	15,549,743	97.0%	475,876	16,025,619	100.00%*
2011-2012	2012	13,696,683	13,281,826	97.0%	401,559	13,683,385	99.90%*

(1) Do not equal amounts in financial statements due to State reimbursements.
 * Delinquent collections are not segregated by tax year.
 (2) The County does not maintain delinquency information by tax year.
 Source: Lake County Auditor's Office

Lake Metroparks
Ratios of Outstanding Debt
Last Ten Years

Table 11

Year	Population	Assessed Value	Gross Bonded Debt	Less Balance in Debt Service Fund	Net Bonded Debt	Ratio of Net Bonded Debt to Assessed Value	Net Bonded Debt Per Capita	Net Bonded Debt as a Percentage of Personal Income
2021	232,603	\$6,417,988,290	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%	0	0%
2020	230,149	6,368,224,940	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2019	230,149	6,328,977,530	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2018	230,514	5,849,397,020	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2017	230,370	5,879,215,040	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2016	228,614	5,869,432,440	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2015	230,510	5,739,195,400	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2014	229,857	5,674,239,290	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
2013	229,857	5,726,757,170	625,000	535	624,465	.01%	2.72	.01%
2012	230,351	6,318,496,590	1,250,000	28,792	1,221,028	.02%	5.30	.02%
2011	230,619	6,413,227,720	2,075,000	38,158	2,036,842	.03%	8.83	.04%

Sources: (1) U.S. Census Bureau
Lake County Auditor's Office

Table 12

Lake County, Ohio
 Computation of Direct and Overlapping Debt
 December 31, 2021

	Governmental Outstanding Debt (1)	Percent Applicable (2)	Amount Applicable to Lake Metroparks
<u>DIRECT DEBT</u>			
Lake Metroparks	\$0	100.00%	\$0
Total Direct Debt	<u>\$0</u>		<u>\$0</u>
<u>OVERLAPPING DEBT</u>			
County of Lake	\$5,375,000	100.00%	\$5,375,000
All Cities wholly within Lake County	67,762,825	100.00%	67,762,825
All Villages wholly within Lake County	4,331,771	100.00%	4,331,771
All Townships wholly within Lake County	8,061,046	100.00%	8,061,046
All School Districts wholly within Lake County	269,743,232	100.00%	269,743,232
All Library/Other Districts wholly within Lake County	2,343,158	100.00%	2,343,158
Kirtland Local School District	9,489,511	99.26%	9,489,511
Madison Local School District	20,958,142	96.13%	20,958,142
Mentor Exempted Village School District	0	99.71%	0
Riverside Local School District	37,205,509	99.56%	37,205,509
Auburn Vocational School District	2,610,529	51.92%	2,610,529
Total Overlapping Debt	<u>\$427,880,723</u>		<u>\$427,880,723</u>
Total Net Direct and Overlapping Debt	<u><u>\$427,880,723</u></u>		<u><u>\$427,880,723</u></u>

(1) Per confirmation with respective entities via Lake County Auditor's Office. Amount excludes general obligation debt reported in enterprise funds.
 (2) Determined, on a percentage basis, by dividing the amount of assessed valuation of the political subdivision's territory that is within the boundaries of Lake County by the total assessed valuation of the political subdivision.

Source: Lake County Auditor's Office

Lake Metroparks
 Legal Debt Margin Information
 Last Ten Years

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Debt Limit	\$64,179,883	\$63,682,249	\$63,289,771	\$58,493,970	\$58,792,150	\$58,694,320	\$57,391,954	\$56,742,393	\$57,267,572	\$63,184,966
Total Debt Applicable to Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	625,000	1,250,000
Legal Debt Margin	\$64,179,883	\$63,682,249	\$63,289,771	\$58,493,970	\$58,792,150	\$58,694,320	\$57,391,954	\$56,742,393	\$56,642,572	\$61,934,966
Total Net Debt Applicable to Limit as a Percentage of	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.09%	1.98%

Legal Debt Margin Calculation December 31, 2021:

Assessed value of taxable property	\$6,417,988,290
Debt Limit (1% of total assessed value)	\$64,179,883
Bonded Debt	\$0

POPULATION	LAKE COUNTY	OHIO
Population, 2020	232,603	11,799,448
Population, 2010	230,041	11,536,504
Population, percent change, April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2021	<0.1%	-0.2%
Population, percent change, April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2019	<0.1%	1.3%
Persons under 5 years, percent, 2021	4.9%	5.9%
Persons under 18 years, percent, 2021	19.7%	22.1%
Persons 65 years and over, percent, 2021	20.6%	17.5%
Female persons, percent, 2021	51.2%	51.0%

White alone, percent, 2021 (a)	91.8%	81.7%
Black or African American alone, percent, 2021 (a)	4.8%	13.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent, 2021 (a)	0.2%	0.3%
Asian alone, percent, 2021 (a)	1.5%	2.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent, 2021 (a)	--	0.1%
Two or more races, percent, 2021	1.8%	2.4%
Hispanic or Latino, percent, 2021 (b)	4.7%	4.0%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent, 2021	87.6%	78.4%

Living in same house 1 year and over, 2015-2019	89.1%	85.3%
Foreign born persons, percent, 2015-2019	5.5%	4.6%
Language other than English spoken at home, pct age 5+, 2015-2019	7.6%	7.2%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2015-2019	92.3%	90.4%
Bachelor's degree or higher, pct of persons age 25+, 2015-2019	27.4%	28.3%
Veterans, 2015-2019	14,572	709,287
Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16+, 2015-2019	23.5	23.7
Housing units, 2019	103,493	5,232,869
Homeownership rate, 2015-2019	74.2%	66.1%
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2015-2019	\$156,200	\$145,700

Households, 2015-2019	96,361	4,676,358
Persons per household, 2015-2019	2.35	2.43
Per capita money income in past 12 months 2015-2019	\$34,409	\$31,552
Median household income 2015-2019	\$64,466	\$56,602
Persons below poverty level	8.3%	13.1%

(a) Includes persons reporting only one race

(b) Hispanics may be of any race, so also are included in applicable race categories

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
 (LAST TEN YEARS)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Lake County</u>	<u>State of Ohio</u>	<u>United States</u>
2021	3.4%	3.4%	3.9%
2020	5.5%	5.2%	6.5%
2019	3.3%	4.2%	3.5%
2018	4.6%	4.8%	3.9%
2017	4.4%	4.7%	4.1%
2016	4.7%	4.7%	4.9%
2015	3.7%	4.6%	5.0%
2014	5.7%	4.8%	5.6%
2013	6.4%	7.2%	6.7%
2012	6.3%	6.7%	7.9%

Source: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

POPULATION

<u>Year</u>	<u>County Population</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Percent Increase (Decrease)</u>
1940	50,202		
1950	75,979	25,777	51.3%
1960	148,700	72,721	95.7%
1970	197,200	48,500	32.6%
1980	212,801	15,601	7.9%
1990	215,499	2,698	1.3%
2000	227,511	12,012	5.6%
2010	230,041	2,530	1.1%
2020	232,601	560	0.2%

Lake County, Ohio
Principal Employers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago
December 31, 2021

Table 15

2021 Employer	Nature of Business	Employed	Total Employment
University Hospitals (6)	Health care	2,693	2.39%
Lubrizol Corporation (5)	Chemical additives	2,133	1.89%
	Infection and contamination		
Steris Corporation (5)	preventive systems	1,937	1.72%
Willoughby-Eastlake City Schools (2)	School District	1,814	1.61%
Avery Dennison Corporation/Fasson (5)	Pressure-sensitive products	1,760	1.56%
Lake County Government (5)	County Government	1,423	1.26%
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc (2)	Retail	1,000	0.89%
City of Mentor (1)	City Government	916	0.81%
Mentor Exempted Village Schools (1)	School District	911	0.81%
Classic Auto Group (1)	Auto Sales	743	0.66%
Totals		15,330	13.59%
Total employment within Lake County (4)		112,800	

2012 Employer (3)	Nature of Business	Employed	Percentage of Total
Lake Health, Inc.	Health care	2,950	2.48%
Lake County Government	County government	2,000	1.68%
Lubrizol Corporation	Chemical additives	1,620	1.36%
	Infection and contamination		
Steris Corporation	preventive systems	1,600	1.34%
Avery Dennison Corporation	Pressure-sensitive products	1,339	1.13%
Willoughby-Eastlake City Schools	School District	1,084	0.91%
First Energy Corporation	Electric Utility	1,060	0.89%
Mentor Exempted Village Schools	School District	1,010	0.85%
	Computer Systems for Power		
ABB Automation Inc.	Plants	431	0.36%
Lincoln Electric	Welders and Welding Equipment	373	0.31%
Totals		13,467	11.32%
Total employment within Lake County (4)		119,000	

- (1) From Mentor Exempted Village School District ACFR
- (2) From respective businesses - Latest Information Available
- (3) From 2012 Lake Metroparks ACFR
- (4) Ohio Labor Market Information Website
- (5) From Crain's Cleveland Business
- (6) Full-time Equivalents Only

Table 16

Lake Metroparks
 Total Park Employees by Function
 Last Ten Years

Function/Program	Total Number of Employees Paid as of December 31									
	2021 (1)	2020 (1)	2019 (1)	2018 (1)	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Governmental	397	405	500	513	452	460	530	450	438	399
Business-type	0	0	0	0	60	70	69	68	58	61
Total	397	405	500	513	512	530	599	518	496	460

(1) - Prior to 2018, the Golf Division was included in the Business-type Activities.

Lake Metroparks
Operating Indicators - Parks and Recreation
Last Ten Years

Table 17

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Park Visits	4,018,732	4,195,870	3,464,054	3,429,984	3,493,552	3,462,465	3,085,476	2,895,612	2,563,142	2,610,279
Rounds of Golf	62,237	54,905	49,172	45,973	51,065	55,212	54,000	52,684	52,268	65,189
Registered Programs	515	156	1,352	1,334	1,187	1,288	1,447	2,081	2,200	2,025
Program Participants	11,867	5,301	19,688	20,186	17,643	17,211	24,139	37,510	35,471	37,243
Special Events (including events held at the Farmpark and Penitentiary Glen **)	42	17	59	45	41	38	35	36	45	43
Environmental Learning Center	81,873	38,732	32,968	32,642	28,581	30,572	26,139	12,042	5,817	3,363
Beach Attendance	435,948	386,981	313,761	322,300	336,848	346,220	203,180	267,012	263,028	214,430
Special Events Participants (attendance totals calculated in the Farmpark and Penitentiary Glen totals also)	85,462	70,510	137,779	142,332	138,487	142,369	133,513	147,844	76,108	137,708
Farmpark Visits*	105,096	50,582	183,981	188,207	207,832	207,661	182,916	181,845	174,993	172,866
Penitentiary Glen Visits	282,390	280,386	220,135	137,784	73,078	51,591	67,837	51,572	48,812	48,565

* Final 2021 Farmpark attendance figures include special events held at the facility which include: Maple Sugaring Weekend, Sheep Shearing Weekend, Horsefest, The Spring Showdown, Railroads in the Parks, Farmfest, Milk and Honey Weekend, Vintage Ohio, Sunflower Weekend, Horsepower Weekend, Apple Butter & Cider Festival, Corn and Pumpkin Weekend, Halloween Hayrides, Country Lights, Pairing Dinners, and corporate and private outings.

** Final 2021 Penitentiary Glen attendance figures include special events held at the facility which include: Fun Day, Earth Day, Public Train Run, Return of the Birds, Annual Photo Contest/Show, Concerts at the Glen, Storytime Puppet Theater, Wildlife Center Open House, Super Star Party, Fall Art Show, Bug Day, Snakes, Turtles, Trains and More, Autumn Open House, and Autumn Night Prowl.

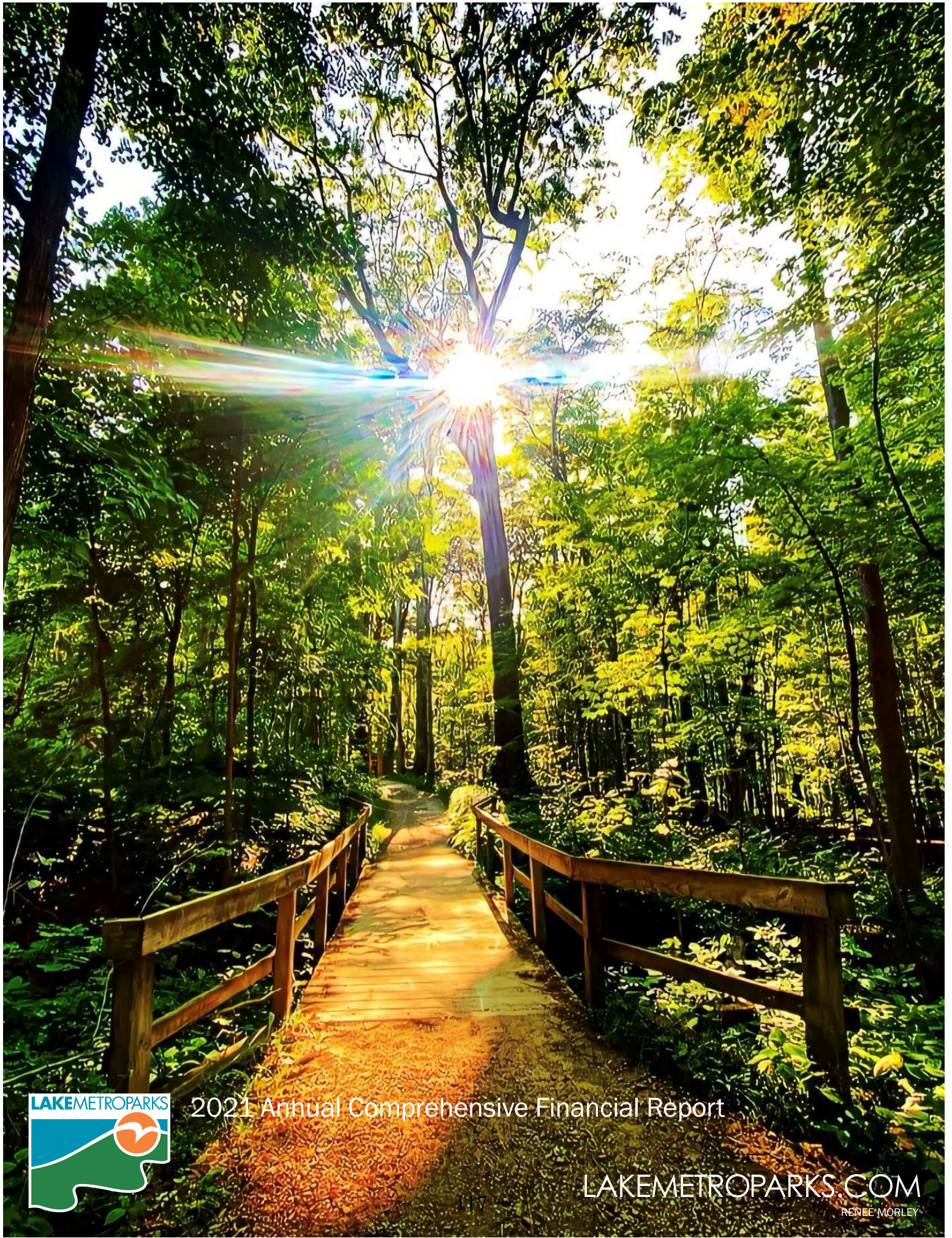
Source: Lake Metroparks Registration, Ranger, Farmpark and Interpretive Services Divisions

Table 18

Lake Metroparks
 Capital Asset Statistics by Function - Parks and Recreation
 Last Ten Years

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
<u>Leisure Services</u>										
Number of Park Properties	46	47	47	47	46	46	45	45	45	44
Area of Properties (acres)	9,778.47	9,689.22	9,646.50	9,586	9,166	9,070	8,890	8,700	8,643	8,199
Programmed Buildings (sq.ft.)	121,431	121,431	121,431	121,431	121,431	121,431	121,431	129,244	125,156	125,156

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AUDIT REPORT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND
ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Board of Park Commissioners
Lake Metroparks
Concord Twp., Ohio

The Honorable Keith Faber
Auditor of State
State of Ohio

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lake Metroparks, Lake County, Ohio, (the Park District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Park District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 22, 2022.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Park District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Park District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Park District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Park District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. 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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Park District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Park District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Park District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc." The signature is written in a cursive style.

James G. Zupka, CPA, Inc.
Certified Public Accountants

April 22, 2022

**LAKE METROPARKS
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

The prior audit report, as of December 31, 2020, included no findings or management letter recommendations.

OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



LAKE METROPARKS

LAKE 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.



Certified for Release 5/24/2022

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