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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Seneca County 109 South Washington Street #2206 Tiffin, Ohio 44883-2841

To the Board of County Commissioners:

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate discretely presented component units and remaining fund information of Seneca County, Ohio (the County), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate discretely presented component units and remaining fund information of Seneca County, Ohio as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General, Maintenance and Repair, and Seneca County Opportunity Center funds for the year then ended in accordance with the 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*, 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 County, 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.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 28 to the financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the County. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### 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 County'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 County'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 County'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 other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions 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 County's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards 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 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 20, 2022, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. 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 County'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 County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 20, 2022

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED)

The management's discussion and analysis of Seneca County's (the County) financial performance provides an overall review of the County's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2021. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the County's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the County's financial performance.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2021 are as follows:

- The total net position of the County increased \$27,739,305, from 2020's total. The net position of the governmental activities increased \$27,128,541, which represents a 29.50 percent increase over the net position at December 31, 2020; meanwhile, the net position of business-type activities increased \$610,764 or 16.52 percent from December 31, 2020's net position. The County's business-type activities consist of the County Sewer District and Emergency Management Services operations.
- General revenues accounted for \$26,110,324 or 42.96 percent of total governmental activities revenue. Program specific revenues accounted for \$34,667,749 or 57.04 percent of total governmental activities revenue.
- The County's governmental activities had \$33,029,532 in expenses; all, of the expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants, or contributions of \$34,667,749. General revenues (primarily taxes) of \$26,110,324 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The County's business-type activities had \$1,110,425 in expenses; \$948,330 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants, or contributions. General revenues of \$152,859 and a transfer of \$620,000 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The General fund, the County's largest major governmental fund, had revenues of 20,094,232 in 2021, a decrease of \$1,601,460 or 7.38 percent from General fund revenues and other financing sources in 2020. The General fund had expenditures and other financing uses of \$18,148,662 in 2021, a decrease of \$1,040,788 or 5.42 percent from 2020. The net effect of changes in revenues and expenditures contributed to the General fund balance increase of \$1,945,570 or 19.26 percent from 2020's net position.

#### **Using the Basic Financial Statements (BFS)**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so that the reader can understand the County as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The statement of net position and the statement of activities provide information about the activities of the whole County, presenting both an aggregate view of the County's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements illustrate how services were financed in the short-term, as well as what current resources remain for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the County's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the County, there are three major governmental funds. The General fund is the largest major fund.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

#### Reporting the County as a Whole

#### Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

The statement of net position and the statement of activities answer the question, "How did the County perform financially during 2021?" These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, revenues and expenses using the accrual basis of accounting, similar, to accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting includes all, of the current year's revenues and expenses, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the County's net position and changes in net position during the year. The change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the County as a whole, the financial position of the County has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the County's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, and other factors.

In the statement of net position and the statement of activities, the County is divided into two distinct kinds of activities:

Governmental activities - Most of the County's programs and services are reported here, including human services, health, public safety, public works, and general government. These services are funded primarily by taxes and intergovernmental revenues including federal and State grants and other shared revenues.

Business-type activities - These services are provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all or a significant portion of the expenses of the goods or services provided.

#### Reporting the County's Most Significant Funds

#### Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County, like other State and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the County's major funds. The County uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions; however, these fund financial statements focus on the County's most significant funds.

The County's major governmental funds are the General fund, the Maintenance and Repair fund and the Seneca County Opportunity Center (SCOC) fund. The County's major enterprise fund is the County Sewer District.

#### Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements; however, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of expendable resources, as well as on balances of expendable resources available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of the governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

The County maintains a multitude of individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the major funds, which were identified earlier. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation.

#### **Proprietary Funds**

The County maintains two proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The County uses enterprise funds to account for Emergency Medical Services and County Sewer District operations.

#### Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the County. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. Custodial funds are the County's only fiduciary fund type.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### Required Supplementary Information (RSI)

The RSI contains information regarding the County's proportionate share of the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System's (OPERS) and State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) net pension liability/net pension asset, net OPEB liability/net OPEB asset and the County's schedule of contributions to OPERS and STRS.

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

The statement of net position provides the perspective of the County as a whole.

The table below provides a summary of the County's net position at December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

#### **Net Position**

	Governmental Activities 2021	Governmental Activities 2020	Business-type Activities 2021	Business-type Activities 2020	Total 2021	Total 2020
<u>Assets</u>						
Current and other assets	\$ 91,093,255	\$ 77,232,362	\$ 2,390,805	\$ 1,892,414	\$ 93,484,060	\$ 79,124,776
Capital assets	85,405,720	83,427,138	5,127,973	5,310,101	90,533,693	88,737,239
Total assets	176,498,975	160,659,500	7,518,778	7,202,515	184,017,753	167,862,015
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	3,857,408	7,055,179	248,240	80,805	4,105,648	7,135,984
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Long-term liabilities outstanding	29,459,940	54,016,416	3,070,607	3,281,513	32,530,547	57,297,929
Other liabilities	4,954,970	2,656,498	58,454	57,021	5,013,424	2,713,519
Total liabilities	34,414,910	56,672,914	3,129,061	3,338,534	37,543,971	60,011,448
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	26,855,767	19,084,600	330,429	248,022	27,186,196	19,332,622
Net Position						
Net investment in capital assets	76,783,002	74,205,963	2,423,241	2,546,027	79,206,243	76,751,990
Restricted	38,212,645	26,979,741	136,346	131,246	38,348,991	27,110,987
Unrestricted (deficit)	4,090,059	(9,228,539)	1,747,941	1,019,491	5,838,000	(8,209,048)
Total net position	\$ 119,085,706	\$ 91,957,165	\$ 4,307,528	\$ 3,696,764	\$ 123,393,234	\$ 95,653,929

The net pension liability/asset is reported pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an Amendment of GASB Statement 27." The net other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability/asset is reported pursuant to GASB Statement 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions." For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the County's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability, and the net OPEB liability to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB, net pension/OPEB asset.

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/asset or net OPEB liability/asset. 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 in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

GASB 68 and GASB 75 require the net pension liability/asset and the net OPEB liability/asset to equal the County's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

- 1. Present value of estimated future pension/OPEB benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service.
- 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 and other postemployment benefits. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this 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 County is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of these liabilities. 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 retirement system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension/OPEB plan as 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.

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 or the net OPEB liability. As explained above, changes in benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of these liabilities but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required 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 and the net OPEB liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

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

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial condition. At December 31, 2021, the County's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded the liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$123,393,234. This amounts to \$\$119,085,706 in the governmental activities and \$4,307,528 in the business-type activities.

Capital assets reported on the government-wide statements represent the largest portion of the County's assets. At year-end, capital assets represented 49.20 percent of total governmental and business-type assets. Capital assets include land and improvements, land improvements, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, infrastructure, and construction in progress. The County's net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets and amounted to \$79,206,243 at December 31, 2021. Capital assets are used to provide services to citizens and are not available for future spending. Although the County's net investment in capital assets is reported net of related long-term obligations, it should be noted that the resources to repay the related debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

As of December 31, 2021, the County is able to report positive balances in all categories of net position, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities. A portion of the County's net position, \$38,212,645 or 32.09 percent in the governmental activities and \$136,346 or 3.17 percent in the business-type activities, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position, which amounts to \$4,090,059 in the governmental activities and \$1,747,941 in the business-type activities, may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

In total, 2021 governmental activities expenses decreased \$22,606,094 or 40.63 percent. This decrease is primarily the result of the decrease in OPEB expense for OPERS. On an accrual basis, the County had OPEB expense of (\$13,144,477) in 2021 compared to \$2,026,858 in 2020. On January 15, 2020, OPERS approved several changes to the health care plan offered to Medicare and non-Medicare retirees in efforts to decrease costs and increase the solvency of the health care plan. These 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 non-Medicare retirees with monthly allowances, similar to the program for Medicare retirees. These changes are reflected in the December 31, 2020 measurement date health care valuation which are reported by the County at December 31, 2021. These changes along with changes in assumptions related to an increase in discount rate from 3.16 percent to 6.00 percent significantly decreased the total OPEB liability for the measurement date December 31, 2020.

General government expenses, which include legislative and executive and judicial programs, accounted for \$8,212,069 or 24.86 percent of total governmental expenses. General government expenses were covered by direct charges to users, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions of \$4,311,531, \$1,093,299, and \$720,841, respectively, in 2021. Health activities are provided mainly by the SCOC. Health activities expenses of \$7,465,228 were funded by \$4,332,746 in operating grants and contributions and \$1,668,483 in charges for health services in 2021. Human services programs support the operations of Public Assistance, Victim Assistance, Veteran Services, and the Children Services Board. Human services expenses accounted for \$7,085,216 or 21.45 percent of total governmental activities expenses. These expenses were funded by \$288,203 in charges to users of services and \$9,153,947 in operating grants and contributions in 2021. Public works expenses accounted for \$5,685,244 or 17.21 percent of expenses and were offset by direct charges to users, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions of \$225,223, \$6,452,855, and \$1,179,735, respectively. Public safety activities include the operations of the County sheriff, coroner, community corrections, homeland security, emergency management, and the Seneca County Youth Center. Public safety expenses accounted for \$3,926,472 or 11.89 percent of total governmental activities expenses. These expenses were funded by \$1,527,238 in charges to users of services and \$3,643,581 in operating grants and contributions in 2021.

The County's direct charges to users of governmental services made up \$8,020,678 or 13.20 percent of total governmental activities revenues. These charges include fees for real estate transfers, fees associated with the collection of property taxes, fines and forfeitures related to judicial activity, income from the lease of property, and licenses and permits.

The State and federal government contributed to the County revenues of \$24,746,495 in operating grants and contributions and \$1,900,576 in capital grants and contributions. Operating grants and contributions are restricted to be used for specific County programs, while capital grants and contributions are restricted to be used for the construction or acquisition of facilities and other capital assets.

General revenues totaled \$26,110,324 and amounted to 42.96 percent of total revenues. These revenues primarily consist of property and sales tax revenue of \$22,851,651, or 87.52 percent of total general revenues in 2021. The other primary source of general revenues is unrestricted grants and entitlements of \$2,544,859.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

The table below shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2021 and 2020.

#### **Change in Net Position**

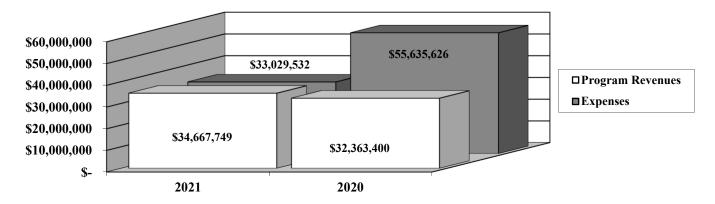
	Governmental ActivitiesGovernmental ActivitiesBusiness-type ActivitiesBusiness-type Activities2021202020212020		Total 2021	Total 2020		
Revenues						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services and sales	\$ 8,020,678	\$ 8,771,173	\$ 942,776	\$ 760,947	, ,	\$ 9,532,120
Operating grants and contributions	24,746,495	22,003,266	5,554	14,902	24,752,049	22,018,168
Capital grants and contributions	1,900,576	1,588,961			1,900,576	1,588,961
Total program revenues	34,667,749	32,363,400	948,330	775,849	35,616,079	33,139,249
General revenues:						
Property taxes	11,665,509	11,722,781	-	-	11,665,509	11,722,781
Other local taxes - lodging excise tax	146,877	100,933	-	-	146,877	100,933
Sales tax	11,186,142	9,712,194	-	-	11,186,142	9,712,194
Unrestricted grants	2,544,859	2,105,883	-	-	2,544,859	2,105,883
Contributions and donations	1,541	9,243	-	-	1,541	9,243
Investment earnings	(254,992)	1,032,288	254	1,473	(254,738)	1,033,761
Other	820,388	1,631,715	152,605	21,826	972,993	1,653,541
Total general revenues	26,110,324	26,315,037	152,859	23,299	26,263,183	26,338,336
Total revenues	60,778,073	58,678,437	1,101,189	799,148	61,879,262	59,477,585
Expenses						
Program expenses:						
General government						
Legislative and executive	6,829,945	11,243,233	-	-	6,829,945	11,243,233
Judicial	1,382,124	2,932,446	-	-	1,382,124	2,932,446
Public safety	3,926,472	10,204,305	-	-	3,926,472	10,204,305
Public works	5,685,244	7,380,732	-	-	5,685,244	7,380,732
Health	7,465,228	13,248,403	-	-	7,465,228	13,248,403
Human services	7,085,216	10,016,255	-	-	7,085,216	10,016,255
Conservation and recreation	150,087	130,844	-	-	150,087	130,844
Community and						
economic development	248,895	212,873	-	-	248,895	212,873
Interest and fiscal charges	256,321	266,535	-	-	256,321	266,535
County Sewer District	-	-	515,381	601,963	515,381	601,963
Emergency Medical Services			595,044	398,059	595,044	398,059
Total expenses	33,029,532	55,635,626	1,110,425	1,000,022	34,139,957	56,635,648
Excess of revenues over / (under) expenses	27,748,541	3,042,811	(9,236)	(200,874)	27,739,305	2,841,937
Transfers	(620,000)	(345,000)	620,000	345,000		
Change in net position	27,128,541	2,697,811	610,764	144,126	27,739,305	2,841,937
Net position at beginning of year	91,957,165	89,259,354	3,696,764	3,552,638	95,653,929	92,811,992
Net position at end of year	\$ 119,085,706	\$ 91,957,165	\$ 4,307,528	\$ 3,696,764	\$ 123,393,234	\$ 95,653,929

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

#### **Governmental Activities**

The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services for 2021 and 2020. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by general revenues (such as tax revenue and unrestricted State grants and entitlements). The County is reliant upon general revenues to finance operations, as program revenues are not sufficient to cover total expenses.

#### Governmental Activities - Program Revenues vs. Total Expenses



The table that follows presents the total and net costs of services, or the extent to which the County relies on general revenues to finance current operations, of the governmental activities for 2021 and 2020.

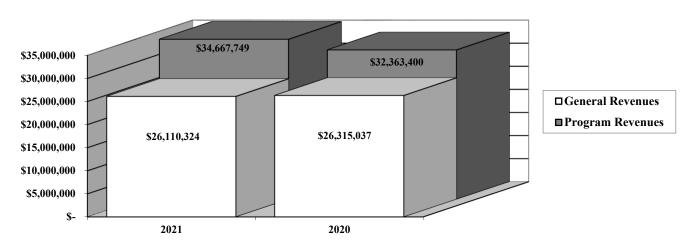
			Government	al Ac	ctivities		
	Total Cost of Services 2021		 Net Cost of Services 2021		Total Cost of Services 2020		Net Cost of Services 2020
Program Expenses:							
General government							
Legislative and executive	\$ 6,	829,945	\$ 2,169,833	\$	11,243,233	\$	6,473,066
Judicial	1,	382,124	(83,435)		2,932,446		1,599,226
Public safety	3,	926,472	(1,244,347)		10,204,305		5,522,381
Public works	5,	685,244	(2,172,569)		7,380,732		1,260,002
Health	7,	465,228	1,463,999		13,248,403		6,139,882
Human services	7,	085,216	(2,356,934)		10,016,255		1,765,175
Conservation and recreation		150,087	150,087		130,844		130,844
Community and							
economic development		248,895	178,828		212,873		115,115
Interest and fiscal charges		256,321	 256,321		266,535		266,535
Total	\$ 33,	029,532	\$ (1,638,217)	\$	55,635,626	\$	23,272,226

The dependence upon general revenues for governmental activities is not apparent, with none of the expenses supported through taxes and other general revenues during 2021.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

The graph below illustrates the County's dependence on general revenues.

#### **Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues**

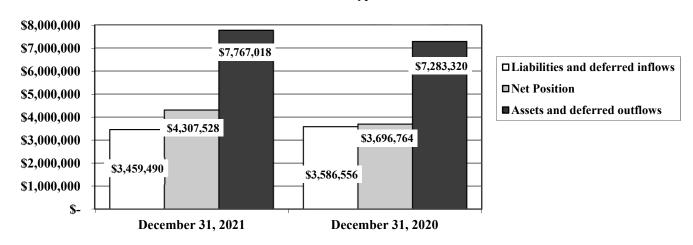


#### **Business-Type Activities**

The County Sewer District and Emergency Medical Services are the County's business-type activities. These operations had program revenues of \$948,330, general revenues of \$152,859, transfers in of \$620,000 and expenses of \$1,110,425 for fiscal year 2021. The net position of the business-type activities increased \$610,764 during 2021.

The following graph illustrates the assets, liabilities, and net position of the County's business-type activities at December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

#### **Net Position of Business - Type Activities**



#### Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

The County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

#### Governmental Funds

The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of current resources and obligations. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, fund balances serve as a useful measure of the County's net resources available for spending at year end.

The County's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$59,320,382 at December 31, 2021, which is \$7,043,741 higher than last year's total fund balance of \$52,276,641.

The schedule below indicates the fund balances as of December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 and the total change in fund balance during the year for all major governmental funds and the non-major governmental funds in the aggregate.

	and Balances ember 31, 2021	and Balances ember 31, 2020	Change		
Major funds:	 <u> </u>				
General	\$ 12,045,932	\$ 10,100,362	\$	1,945,570	
Maintenance and Repair	18,868,509	17,494,365		1,374,144	
Seneca County Opportunity Center	18,519,647	16,098,394		2,421,253	
Nonmajor governmental funds	 9,886,294	 8,583,520		1,302,774	
Total	\$ 59,320,382	\$ 52,276,641	\$	7,043,741	

#### General Fund

The General fund is the primary operating fund of the County. During 2021, the County's General fund balance increased \$1,945,570.

The table that follows assists in illustrating the revenues of the General fund.

Revenues		2021 Amount	_	2020 Amount	Percentage Change		
Taxes	\$	13,400,892	\$	11,989,124	11.78	%	
Charges for services		3,723,007		3,693,630	0.80	%	
Licenses and permits		3,340		2,623	27.34	%	
Fines and forfeitures		176,414		802,225	(78.01)	%	
Intergovernmental		2,422,508		2,823,181	(14.19)	%	
Interest		(179,823)		969,866	(118.54)	%	
Other		547,894		1,413,316	(61.23)	%	
Total	<u>\$</u>	20,094,232	\$	21,693,965	(7.37)	%	

Total revenues decreased \$1,599,733 or (7.37) percent. Taxes increased \$1,411,768 or 11.78 percent due to an increase in the collection of sales taxes during 2021. Charges for services increased \$29,377 or 0.80 percent primarily due to more services rendered in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Fines and forfeitures decreased \$625,811 as a result of decreased sheriff forfeitures during 2021. Intergovernmental revenue decreased \$400,673 or (14.19) percent primarily due to a decrease in federal airport grants received during 2021. Interest decreased \$1,149,689 or (118.54) percent due to change in fair value of investments during 2021. Other revenue decreased \$865,422 or (61.23) percent primarily due to the County received large BWC dividends in 2020. These dividends were awarded by BWC as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. All other revenues remained comparable to the prior year.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

The table that follows assists in illustrating the expenditures of the General fund.

Expenditures	2021 Amount	2020 Amount	Percentage Change	
General government:	 			
Legislative and executive	\$ 6,816,591	\$ 6,821,298	(0.07) %	
Judicial	2,419,826	2,335,062	3.63 %	
Public safety	5,422,226	6,387,406	(15.11) %	
Public works	74,878	61,919	20.93 %	
Health	149,476	123,790	20.75 %	
Human services	381,184	343,751	10.89 %	
Conservation and recreation	149,042	113,191	31.67 %	
Capital outlay	-	588,390	(100.00) %	
Debt service	 <u>-</u>	 2,694	(100.00) %	
Total	\$ 15,413,223	\$ 16,777,501	(8.13) %	

Total expenditures decreased \$1,364,278 or 8.13 percent. Capital outlay decreased \$588,390 or 100 percent due to the County purchasing property in 2020 that was expended out of the General fund. Conservation and recreation expenditures increased \$35,851 or 31.67 percent due to an increase in services in agriculture and recycling in 2021. All other expenditures remained comparable to the prior year.

#### Maintenance and Repair Fund

The Maintenance and Repair fund, a major governmental fund, had revenues of \$6,193,335 in 2021, an increase of \$485,089 from 2020 revenues and other financing sources. The Maintenance and Repair fund had expenditures of \$4,819,191 in 2021, a decrease of \$730,754 from 2020. The fund balance of the Maintenance and Repair fund increased \$1,374,144 or 7.85 percent from 2020 to 2021.

#### Seneca County Opportunity Center (SCOC) Fund

The SCOC fund, a major governmental fund, had revenues of \$13,617,568 in 2021, an increase of \$664,129 from 2020. The SCOC fund had expenditures of \$11,196,315 in 2021, an increase of \$1,410,277 from 2020. The fund balance of the SCOC fund increased \$2,421,253 or 15.04 percent from 2020 to 2021.

#### Budgeting Highlights - General Fund

The County's budgeting process is prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Essentially, the budget is the County's appropriations, which are restricted by the amounts of anticipated revenues certified by the Budget Commission in accordance with the ORC; therefore, the County's plans or desires cannot be totally reflected in the original budget. If budgeted revenues are adjusted due to actual activity, then the appropriations may be adjusted accordingly.

Budgetary information is presented for the General fund, Maintenance and Repair fund, and SCOC fund.

In the General fund, final budgeted revenues of \$19,284,866 were \$651,128 higher than original budgeted revenues of \$18,633,738. Actual revenues and other financing sources of \$20,252,523 was higher than final budgeted revenues by \$967,657.

General fund final budgeted expenditures and other financing uses of \$22,554,502 were \$2,931,295 higher than original budgeted expenditures and other financing uses of \$19,623,207. Actual expenditures and financing uses of \$20,275,650 were \$2,278,852 lower than final budgeted expenditures and financing uses.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

#### **Proprietary Funds**

The County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements for business-type activities, but in more detail.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

#### Capital Assets

At the end of 2021, the County had \$90,533,693 (net of accumulated depreciation) invested in land and improvements (land and improvements not being depreciated, such as road base infrastructure), land improvements, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, infrastructure, and construction in progress. Of this total, \$85,405,720 was reported in the governmental activities and \$5,127,973 was reported in the business-type activities.

The following table shows December 31, 2021 balances compared to December 31, 2020.

## Capital Assets at December 31 (Net of Depreciation)

	Government	al Activities	Business-Ty	pe .	Activities	Total			
	2021	2020	2021		2020	2021		2020	
Land and improvements	\$ 22,431,403	\$ 22,311,983	\$ 26,243	\$	26,243	\$ 22,457,646	\$	22,338,226	
Construction in progress	788,512	1,592,329	-		-	788,512		1,592,329	
Land improvements	1,138,224	467,314	-		-	1,138,224		467,314	
Building and improvements	27,788,700	25,910,509	42,201		42,538	27,830,901		25,953,047	
Machinery and equipment	4,916,828	4,103,343	341,429		355,682	5,258,257		4,459,025	
Infrastructure	28,342,053	29,041,660	4,718,100		4,885,638	33,060,153		33,927,298	
Total	\$ 85,405,720	\$ 83,427,138	\$ 5,127,973	\$	5,310,101	\$ 90,533,693	\$	88,737,239	

See Note 9 to the basic financial statements for detail on the County's capital assets.

The County's largest capital asset category is infrastructure, which includes roads, bridges and culverts. These items are immovable and of value only to the County; however, the annual cost of purchasing these items is quite significant. The net book value of the County's infrastructure (cost less accumulated depreciation) represents approximately 33.19 percent of the County's total governmental capital assets.

The County's largest business-type capital asset category is also infrastructure. These items play a vital role in the income producing ability of the business-type activities. The net book value of the County's infrastructure (cost less accumulated depreciation) represents approximately 92.01 percent of the County's total business-type capital assets.

#### **Debt Administration**

At December 31, 2021 the County had \$270,000 in general obligation bonds, \$7,585,000 in special obligation bonds, \$7,971 in OWDA loans, \$350,000 Joint Justice Center Loan, \$3,080 in OPWC loans payable, and \$2,701,652 in sewer district improvement revenue bonds outstanding. Of this total, \$532,999 is due within one year and \$10,384,704 is due in more than one year.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

The following table summarizes the bonds, notes and loans outstanding.

#### Outstanding Debt, at Year End

	 Governmental Activities 2021		Activities 2021	Governmental Activities 2020		Business-Type Activities 2020	
Long-Term Obligations							
General obligation bonds	\$ 270,000	\$	-	\$	400,000	\$	-
Capital lease obligation	-		-		-		-
Special obligation bonds	7,585,000		-		7,860,000		-
OWDA loan	7,971		-		15,943		-
Joint Justice Center loan	350,000		-		400,000		-
OPWC loan	-		3,080		-		3,422
Sewer improvement bonds	 		2,701,652		_		2,760,652
Total	\$ 8,212,971	\$	2,704,732	\$	8,675,943	\$	2,764,074

At December 31, 2021 the County's voted legal debt margin was \$34,598,460 and the County's unvoted legal debt margin was \$14,288,533. See Note 10 to the basic financial statements for detail on long-term obligations.

#### **Current Economic Factors**

The County's estimated population as of July 1, 2021 per the U.S. Census Bureau is 55,178. The County's average annual unemployment rate during 2021 was 3.3 percent compared to a 4.5 percent average for the State of Ohio.

The County is primarily a rural community with a significant agricultural and durable goods manufacturing presence. The County's \$1.4 billion assessed real property tax base has grown approximately 20 percent over the last six years. The growth is based on residential real estate construction and revaluations of property within the County. The County's debt burden remains modest.

#### Contacting the County's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Honorable Julie A. Adkins, Seneca County Auditor, 109 South Washington Street, Suite 2206, Tiffin, Ohio 44883-2841.

## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Primary Government					
	G	overnmental Activities		isiness-type Activities		Total
Assets:						
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$	58,773,138	\$	2,054,738	\$	60,827,876
Cash and cash equivalents in segregated accounts		171,673		-		171,673
Cash and cash equivalents with fiscal agent		44,362		-		44,362
Receivables:						
Sales taxes		2,888,898		-		2,888,898
Property and other local taxes		13,873,681		-		13,873,681
Accounts		355,647		291,143		646,790
Accrued interest		58,248		-		58,248
Intergovernmental		5,058,317		-		5,058,317
Loans		60,096		-		60,096
Materials and supplies inventory		575,567		-		575,567
Prepayments		379,524		2,332		381,856
Net pension asset		262,084		4,801		266,885
Net OPEB asset		2,183,022		38,402		2,221,424
Prepaid bond insurance		26,563		-		26,563
Assets held for resale		-		-		-
Internal balance		611		(611)		-
Investment in joint ventures		6,381,824		-		6,381,824
Capital assets:						
Non-depreciable capital assets		23,219,915		26,243		23,246,158
Depreciable capital assets, net		62,185,805		5,101,730		67,287,535
Total capital assets, net		85,405,720		5,127,973		90,533,693
Total assets		176,498,975		7,518,778		184,017,753
Deferred outflows of resources:						
Pension		2,795,633		160,962		2,956,595
OPEB		1,061,775		87,278		1,149,053
Total deferred outflows of resources		3,857,408		248,240		4,105,648
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable		1,052,327		12,736		1,065,063
Contracts payable		39,007		-		39,007
Accrued wages and benefits payable		899,206		7,917		907,123
Due to other governments		495,537		19,227		514,764
Accrued interest payable		22,422		18,574		40,996
Payroll withholding payable		308,319		-		308,319
Unearned revenue		2,138,152		-		2,138,152
Long-term liabilities:						
Due within one year		492,303		62,685		554,988
Due in more than one year:						
Net pension liability		18,321,301		325,998		18,647,299
Other amounts		10,646,336		2,681,924		13,328,260
Total liabilities		34,414,910		3,129,061		37,543,971
Deferred inflows of resources:						
Property taxes levied for the subsequent year		10,903,407		-		10,903,407
Pension		9,004,493		185,511		9,190,004
OPEB		6,947,867		144,918		7,092,785
Total deferred inflows of resources		26,855,767		330,429		27,186,196

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## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - (Continued) DECEMBER 31, 2021

**Primary Government** Governmental **Business-type** Activities Activities Total Net position: Net investment in capital assets . . . . . . . . . \$ 76,783,002 2,423,241 79,206,243 Restricted for: 9,320 9,320 Grants and specific programs . . . . . . . . 5,118,013 5,118,013 Human services programs. . . . . . . . . . . . 1,024,965 1,024,965 Community and economic development . . . 289,656 289,656 SCOC programs. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 12,899,584 12,899,584 Roads and bridges. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 18,736,544 18,736,544 134,563 134,563 136,346 136,346 4,090,059 1,747,941 5,838,000 123,393,234 Total net position . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 119,085,706 4,307,528

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Co	rporation	Improveme	nt District
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\$	382,492	\$	3,412

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

		Program Revenues						
	Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales		Operating Grants and Contributions		Capital Grants and Contributions		
Governmental activities:	 							
General government:								
Legislative and executive	\$ 6,829,945	\$	3,101,329	\$	837,942	\$	720,841	
Judicial	1,382,124		1,210,202		255,357		-	
Public safety	3,926,472		1,527,238		3,643,581		-	
Public works	5,685,244		225,223		6,452,855		1,179,735	
Health	7,465,228		1,668,483		4,332,746		-	
Human services	7,085,216		288,203		9,153,947		-	
Conservation and recreation	150,087		-		-		-	
Community and economic development	248,895		-		70,067		-	
Interest and fiscal charges	 256,321				-			
Total governmental activities	 33,029,532		8,020,678		24,746,495		1,900,576	
Business-type activities:								
County Sewer District	515,381		523,879		-		-	
Emergency Medical Services	 595,044		418,897		5,554			
Total business-type activities	 1,110,425		942,776		5,554			
Totals	\$ 34,139,957	\$	8,963,454	\$	24,752,049	\$	1,900,576	
Component Unit:								
Seneca County Land Reutilization Corporation Transportation Improvement District Seneca County	\$ 45,607 599	\$	-	\$	507	\$	-	
		Pro C S Ot	eral revenues: operty taxes lev General purpose Seneca County ( her local taxes l	s Opport evied t	unity Center			

# Property taxes levied for: General purposes Seneca County Opportunity Center. Other local taxes levied for: Lodging excise tax. Sales taxes. Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs. Contributions and donations. Investment earnings. Change in fair value of investments Miscellaneous. Total general revenues. Transfers. Total transfers and general revenues. Change in net position. Net position at beginning of year

Net positon at end of year . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

		Primary Government	t		<b>Component Units</b>				
					Seneca County	Seneca County			
$\mathbf{G}$	overnmental	<b>Business-type</b>			Land Reutilization	Transportation			
	Activities	Activities		Total	Corporation	Improvement District			
\$	(2,169,833)	\$ -	\$	(2,169,833)	\$ -	\$ -			
	83,435	-		83,435	-	-			
	1,244,347	=		1,244,347	=	=			
	2,172,569	-		2,172,569	-	-			
	(1,463,999)	-		(1,463,999)	-	-			
	2,356,934	=		2,356,934	=	-			
	(150,087)	-		(150,087)	-	-			
	(178,828)	-		(178,828)	-	-			
	(256,321)	<del>-</del>		(256,321)		-			
	1,638,217			1,638,217					
	-	8,498		8,498	-	-			
		(170,593)		(170,593)					
		(162,095)		(162,095)					
	1,638,217	(162,095)		1,476,122					
					(45.400)				
	-	-		-	(45,100)	(599)			
	2,558,563	-		2,558,563	-	-			
	9,106,946	-		9,106,946	-	-			
	146,877	-		146,877	-	-			
	11,186,142	-		11,186,142	-	-			
	2,544,859	-		2,544,859	123,134	-			
	1,541	-		1,541	-	-			
	370,491	254		370,745	18	-			
	(625,483)	150 605		(625,483)	-	-			
	820,388	152,605		972,993					
	26,110,324	152,859		26,263,183	123,152				
	(620,000)	620,000							
	25,490,324	772,859		26,263,183	123,152				
	27,128,541	610,764		27,739,305	78,052	(599)			
	91,957,165	3,696,764		95,653,929	304,440	4,011			
\$	119,085,706	\$ 4,307,528	\$	123,393,234	\$ 382,492	\$ 3,412			

#### BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2021

	General	Maintenance and Repair		neca County Opportunity Center	Nonmajor overnmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Assets:							
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$ 9,419,778	\$	17,548,404	\$ 18,781,087	\$ 13,023,869	\$	58,773,138
segregated accounts	171,673		-	-	-		171,673
Cash and cash equivalents with fiscal agent Receivables:	-		-	-	44,362		44,362
Sales taxes	2,888,898		-	-	-		2,888,898
Property and other local taxes	3,231,971		-	10,613,311	28,399		13,873,681
Accounts	217,168		1,425	17,730	119,324		355,647
Due from other funds	2,054		-	-	-		2,054
Interfund loans	846,589		-	-	-		846,589
Accrued interest	41,810		16,438	-	-		58,248
Intergovernmental	1,187,600		2,833,642	500,997	536,078		5,058,317
Loans	-		-	-	60,096		60,096
Loans to other funds	110,095		-	-	-		110,095
Materials and supplies inventory	88,473		459,783	24,501	2,810		575,567
Prepayments	 212,824		9,693	 68,939	 88,068		379,524
Total assets	\$ 18,418,933	\$	20,869,385	\$ 30,006,565	\$ 13,903,006	\$	83,197,889
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 326,264	\$	22,633	\$ 153,413	\$ 550,017	\$	1,052,327
Contracts payable	39,007		-	-	-		39,007
Accrued wages and benefits payable	389,780		47,855	285,008	176,563		899,206
Matured compensated absences payable	15,183		-	6,806	-		21,989
Due to other governments	241,841		8,742	139,200	105,754		495,537
Due to other funds	-		15	-	1,428		1,443
Interfund loans payable	-		-	-	846,589		846,589
Loans from other funds	-		-	-	110,095		110,095
Unearned revenue	40		-	40.240	2,138,112		2,138,152
Payroll withholding payable	 267,979	_	70.245	 40,340	 2.020.550		308,319
Total liabilities	 1,280,094		79,245	 624,767	 3,928,558		5,912,664
Deferred inflows of resources:							
Property taxes levied for the subsequent year	2,538,433		-	8,364,974	-		10,903,407
Delinquent property taxes not available	693,538		-	2,248,337	-		2,941,875
Accrued interest not available	22,907		5,298	-	-		28,205
Fines and forfeitures not available	81,614		-	-	88,154		169,768
Intergovernmental revenue not available	707,163		1,916,333	248,840	-		2,872,336
Sales taxes not available	 1,049,252			 	 -		1,049,252
Total deferred inflows of resources	 5,092,907		1,921,631	 10,862,151	 88,154		17,964,843
Fund balances:							
Nonspendable	583,065		469,476	93,440	90,878		1,236,859
Restricted	-		18,399,033	18,426,207	8,643,355		45,468,595
Committed	11,855		-	-	-		11,855
Assigned	2,583,184		-	-	1,271,721		3,854,905
Unassigned (deficit)	 8,867,828			 	 (119,660)		8,748,168
Total fund balances	 12,045,932		18,868,509	 18,519,647	 9,886,294		59,320,382
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 18,418,933	\$	20,869,385	\$ 30,006,565	\$ 13,903,006	\$	83,197,889

# RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2021

Total governmental fund balances		\$	59,320,382
Amounts reported for governmental activities on the statement of net position are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.			85,405,720
Investments in joint ventures by the governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.			6,381,824
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred inflows in the funds.  Sales taxes receivable  Delinquent property taxes receivable  Accounts receivable  Intergovernmental receivable  Accrued interest receivable  Total	\$ 1,049,252 2,941,875 169,768 2,872,336 28,205		7,061,436
On the statement of net position interest is accrued on outstanding bonds payable, whereas in the governmental funds interest is accrued when due.			(22,422)
Unamortized prepaid bond insurance costs are amortized over the life of the bonds on the statement of net position.			26,563
Unamortized premiums on bond issuances are not recognized in the governmental funds.			(378,711)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.  Compensated absences  General obligation bonds payable  Loans payable  Total	 (2,524,968) (7,855,000) (357,971)		(10,737,939)
The net pension asset is not available to pay for the current period expenditures and the net pension liability does not require the use of current period net resources; therefore, the asset, liability and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in governmental funds.  Deferred outflows of resources - pension Deferred inflows of resources - pension Net pension asset Net pension liability Total	2,795,633 (9,004,493) 262,084 (18,321,301)		(24,268,077)
The net OPEB asset is not available to pay for the current period expenditures and the net OPEB liability does not require the use of current period net resources; therefore, the asset, liability and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in governmental funds.  Deferred outflows of resources - OPEB Deferred inflows of resources - OPEB Net OPEB asset	1,061,775 (6,947,867) 2,183,022		(2.702.070)
Total		-	(3,703,070)
Net position of governmental activities		\$	119,085,706

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Promotion   Survest   Property and other local taxes   \$2,285,786   \$ \$ \$,224,948   \$146,877   \$10,6576,11   \$11,151,060   \$ \$ \$ \$,225,786   \$ \$ \$,224,948   \$146,877   \$10,6576,11   \$10,656   \$10,6566   \$10,		General	Maintenance and Repair	Seneca County Opportunity Center	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
Property and other local taxes	Revenues:						
Sales taxes.         11,115,106         -         -         11,15,106         Special assessments         -         136,866         150,976         1,600,760         1,600,760         1,600,760         1,600,760         1,600,760         3,60,737         325,922         1,610,737         23,502         1,610,737         23,502         1,610,737         28,662,811         1,111,10	From local sources:						
Special assessments.         -         -         -         136,866         136,866           Charges for services.         3,723,007         36,567         1,465,709         1,675,477         6,900,760           Licenses and permits         3,340         -         65,286         59,626           Fines and forticitures.         176,414         30,161         -         326,017         532,529           Intergovernmental         2,422,508         6,150,549         3,882,379         16,207,375         286,6241           Intergovernmental         2,242,088         6,150,449         76,109         2,2541         304,744           Rent         130,735         20,004         76,109         299,797         430,532           Contributions and donations         1,541         29,072         81,715         112,328           Change in fair value of investments         (465,917)         (159,566)         -         -         (625,483)           Other         415,618         59,515         15,460         329,072         820,388           Total revenues         2         20,94232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Total revenues         2         2         2,622,745		\$ 2,285,786	\$ -	\$ 8,224,948	\$ 146,877	\$ 10,657,611	
Charges for services.         3,232,007         36,567         1,465,709         1,675,477         6,900,760           Licenses and permits         3,340         56,266         59,626           Fines and forfeitures.         176,414         30,161         - 326,017         532,592           Intergovernmental.         2,422,508         6,150,549         3,882,379         16,207,375         28,662,811           Interest.         286,094         7,610,9         - 2,941         364,744           Rent         130,735         - 29,072         281,715         112,328           Contributions and donations.         1,541         - 29,072         81,715         112,328           Change in fair value of investments.         (465,917)         (159,566)         18,716         322,795         820,388           Total revenues.         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Expenditures:           Current:           Ceneral government:         - 1,961,559         8,778,150           Ceneral government:         - 1,961,559         8,778,150           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         - 1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial.	Sales taxes	11,115,106	-	-	-	11,115,106	
Licenses and permits         3,340         —         56,266         59,626           Fines and forfeitures.         176,414         30,161         326,017         532,592           Intergovernmental.         2,422,508         6,150,549         3,882,379         16,207,375         28,662,811           Interest.         286,094         76,109         —         2,541         364,734           Rent         130,735         —         299,072         81,715         112,328           Contributions and donations.         1,541         —         29,072         81,715         112,328           Change in fair value of investments.         (465,917)         (159,566)         15,460         329,795         820,388           Total revenues.         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Total revenues.           Expenditures.           Current.           Current.           Current.           Current.           Current.           Current.           Current.           Current.         Legislative and executive.         5,816,591 <td< td=""><td>Special assessments</td><td>=</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>136,866</td><td>136,866</td></td<>	Special assessments	=	-	-	136,866	136,866	
Fines and forfeitures.         176,414         30,161         - 326,017         522,929           Intergovermental.         2,422,508         6,150,549         3,882,379         16,207,375         28,662,811           Interest.         286,094         76,109         - 2,241         364,744           Rent         130,735         - 29,072         81,715         112,328           Contributions and donations.         1,541         - 29,072         81,715         112,328           Change in fair value of investments.         (465,917)         (159,566)         - 5         1,715         625,483           Other.         415,618         59,515         15,460         329,795         820,388           Total revenues.         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Expenditures:           Currents           Currents           Currents           Currents           Currents           Currents           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         - 1,961,559         8,778,150           Legislative and executive surents         6,816,591         - 1,961		3,723,007	36,567	1,465,709	1,675,477	6,900,760	
Intergovernmental.	Licenses and permits	3,340	-	-	56,286	59,626	
Interest.	Fines and forfeitures	176,414	30,161	-	326,017	532,592	
Rent         130,735         -         299,707         430,532           Contributions and donations.         1,541         29,072         81,715         112,328           Change in fair value of investments.         (465,917)         (159,566)         -         -         (625,483)           Other.         415,618         59,515         15,460         329,795         820,388           Total revenues.         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Expenditures:           Current:           Current:           Current:           Current:           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         -         1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial.         2,419,826         -         2,262,226         -         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works         74,878         4,819,191         19,6315         581,513         11,927,304           Health         149,476         4,819,191         1,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conserva	Intergovernmental	2,422,508	6,150,549	3,882,379	16,207,375	28,662,811	
Contributions and donations.         1,541 (455,917) (159,566) (159,666) (	Interest	286,094	76,109	-	2,541	364,744	
Change in fair value of investments.         (465,917)         (159,566)         —         —         (625,483)           Other.         415,618         59,515         15,460         329,795         820,388           Total revenues.         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Expenditures:           Current:           General government:           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         —         —         1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial         24,19,826         —         —         282,879         2,700,705           Public safety         5,422,226         —         —         3760,762         9,182,988           Public works         74,878         4,819,191         —         305,872         5,199,941           Health         149,476         —         11,196,315         581,513         11,227,304           Human services         381,184         —         —         —         468,895           Conservation and recreation         149,042         —         —         248,895           Capital outlay         —         —         —         269,2823	Rent	130,735	-	=	299,797	430,532	
Other.         415,618         59,515         15,460         329,795         820,388           Total revenues         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Expenditures:           Current:           Current:           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         -         1,961,559         8,778,150           Public safety         5,422,226         -         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works         74,878         4,819,191         305,872         51,99,941           Health         149,476         -         11,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         2,692,823         2692,823           Debt service:         -         -         462,972         462,972           Principal retirement         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253	Contributions and donations	1,541	-	29,072	81,715	112,328	
Total revenues         20,094,232         6,193,335         13,617,568         19,262,746         59,167,881           Expenditures:           Current:           Current:           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial         2,419,826         282,879         2,702,705           Public safety         5,422,226         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works         74,878         4,819,191         305,872         3,199,941           Health         149,476         11,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         0         5,503,685         9,884,869           Cosmunity and economic development         149,042         0         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         0         2,692,823         2,692,823         2692,823           Debt service:         Principal retirement         0         462,972         462,972           Interest and fiscal charges         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009 </td <td>Change in fair value of investments</td> <td>(465,917)</td> <td>(159,566)</td> <td>-</td> <td>=</td> <td>(625,483)</td>	Change in fair value of investments	(465,917)	(159,566)	-	=	(625,483)	
Expenditures: Current: General government: Legislative and executive 6.816.591 - 1,961.559 8.778,150 Judicial. 2,419,826 - 282,879 2,702,705 Public safety 5,422,226 - 3,760,762 9,182,988 Public works 74,878 4,819,191 - 305,872 5,199,941 Health 149,476 11,196,315 581,513 11,927,304 Human services 381,184 - 9,503,685 9,884,869 Conservation and recreation 149,042 - 9,503,685 9,884,869 Conservation and recreation 149,042 - 2,48,895 248,895 Capital outlady - 2, 26,92,823 2,692,823 Debt service: Principal retirement - 2, 26,92,823 2,692,823 Debt service: Principal retirement - 2, 274,451 274,451 Total expenditures 15,413,223 4,819,191 11,196,315 20,075,411 51,504,140  Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures 4,681,009 1,374,144 2,421,253 (812,665) 7,663,741  Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in - 2, 24,48,80 2,144,880 Transfers (out) (2,735,439) - 2, 2115,439 (620,000) Net change in fund balances 1,945,570 1,374,144 2,421,253 1,302,774 7,043,741  Fund balances at beginning of year 10,100,362 17,494,365 16,098,394 8,583,520 52,276,641	Other	415,618	59,515	15,460	329,795	820,388	
Current:           General government:         1,961,559         8,778,150           Legislative and executive         6,816,591         -         1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial.         2,419,826         -         -         282,879         2,702,705           Public safety.         5,422,226         -         -         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works.         74,878         4,819,191         -         305,872         5,199,941           Health         149,476         11,196,315         581,513         11,27,304           Human services         381,184         -         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823         2,692,823 <t< td=""><td>Total revenues</td><td>20,094,232</td><td>6,193,335</td><td>13,617,568</td><td>19,262,746</td><td>59,167,881</td></t<>	Total revenues	20,094,232	6,193,335	13,617,568	19,262,746	59,167,881	
General government:         Cegislative and executive         6,816,591         -         1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial.         2,419,826         -         -         282,879         2,702,705           Public safety.         5,422,226         -         -         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works.         74,878         4,819,191         -         305,872         5,199,941           Health         149,476         -         11,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         -         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         -         -         149,042           Community and economic development         -         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Interest and fiscal charges         -         -         -         2,74,451         2,74,451 <td>Expenditures:</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	Expenditures:						
Legislative and executive         6,816,591         -         1,961,559         8,778,150           Judicial         2,419,826         -         282,879         2,702,705           Public safety         5,422,226         -         -         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works         74,878         4,819,191         305,872         5,199,941           Health         149,476         11,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         462,972         462,972           Interest and fiscal charges         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):         - <t< td=""><td>Current:</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></t<>	Current:						
Judicial.   2,419,826   -	General government:						
Public safety         5,422,226         -         -         3,760,762         9,182,988           Public works         74,878         4,819,191         -         305,872         5,199,941           Health         149,476         -         11,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         -         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         -         248,895         248,895           Community and economic development         -         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         -         462,972         462,972           Principal retirement         -         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses)         -	Legislative and executive	6,816,591	-	-	1,961,559	8,778,150	
Public works         74,878         4,819,191         - 305,872         5,199,941           Health         149,476         - 11,196,315         581,513         11,927,304           Human services         381,184         - 2         - 5,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         149,042         149,042           Community and economic development         2         - 248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         2         - 2692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         462,972         462,972         462,972           Interest and fiscal charges         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):           Transfers (out)         (2,735,439)         2,144,880         2,144,880           Total other financing sources (uses)         (2,735,439)         2,2115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         <	Judicial	2,419,826	-	-	282,879	2,702,705	
Health         149,476         - 11,196,315         581,513         11,227,304           Human services         381,184         - 9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         2248,895         248,895           Community and economic development         2248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         2692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         Principal retirement         462,972         462,972           Interest and fiscal charges         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494	Public safety	5,422,226	-	-	3,760,762	9,182,988	
Human services         381,184         -         9,503,685         9,884,869           Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         -         -         149,042           Community and economic development         -         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         -         462,972         462,972           Principal retirement         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):           Transfers in         -         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741 <td colspa<="" td=""><td>Public works</td><td>74,878</td><td>4,819,191</td><td>=</td><td>305,872</td><td>5,199,941</td></td>	<td>Public works</td> <td>74,878</td> <td>4,819,191</td> <td>=</td> <td>305,872</td> <td>5,199,941</td>	Public works	74,878	4,819,191	=	305,872	5,199,941
Conservation and recreation         149,042         -         -         149,042           Community and economic development         -         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         -         -         -         -         462,972         462,972           Principal retirement         -         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Interest and fiscal charges         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses)           Transfers in         -         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741 <td>Health</td> <td>149,476</td> <td>-</td> <td>11,196,315</td> <td>581,513</td> <td>11,927,304</td>	Health	149,476	-	11,196,315	581,513	11,927,304	
Community and economic development         -         -         -         248,895         248,895           Capital outlay         -         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         Principal retirement         -         -         -         -         462,972         462,972           Interest and fiscal charges         -         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Total other financing sources (uses)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494,365         16,098,394         8,583,520         52,276,641 </td <td>Human services</td> <td>381,184</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>9,503,685</td> <td>9,884,869</td>	Human services	381,184	-	-	9,503,685	9,884,869	
Capital outlay         -         -         2,692,823         2,692,823           Debt service:         Principal retirement         -         -         -         462,972         462,972           Interest and fiscal charges         -         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):           Transfers in         -         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (2,764,880)           Total other financing sources (uses)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494,365         16,098,394         8,583,520         52,276,641	Conservation and recreation	149,042	-	-	-	149,042	
Debt service:         462,972 462,972 462,972 10000 462,972 10000 462,972 100000 100000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 100000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 100000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 100000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 10000 1000000	Community and economic development	=	-	=	248,895	248,895	
Principal retirement         -         -         -         462,972 274,451         272,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures.         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):         Transfers in         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         -         -         (29,441)         (2,764,880)           Total other financing sources (uses)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494,365         16,098,394         8,583,520         52,276,641	Capital outlay	-	-	-	2,692,823	2,692,823	
Interest and fiscal charges         -         -         -         274,451         274,451           Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):         Transfers in         -         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (22764,880)           Total other financing sources (uses)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494,365         16,098,394         8,583,520         52,276,641							
Total expenditures         15,413,223         4,819,191         11,196,315         20,075,411         51,504,140           Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures         4,681,009         1,374,144         2,421,253         (812,665)         7,663,741           Other financing sources (uses):         Transfers in         -         -         -         2,144,880         2,144,880           Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         -         -         (29,441)         (2,764,880)           Total other financing sources (uses)         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494,365         16,098,394         8,583,520         52,276,641	Principal retirement	-	-	-	462,972	462,972	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	Interest and fiscal charges	<del>-</del>			274,451	274,451	
over (under) expenditures.       4,681,009       1,374,144       2,421,253       (812,665)       7,663,741         Other financing sources (uses):         Transfers in	Total expenditures	15,413,223	4,819,191	11,196,315	20,075,411	51,504,140	
Other financing sources (uses):       Transfers in	Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
Transfers in	over (under) expenditures	4,681,009	1,374,144	2,421,253	(812,665)	7,663,741	
Transfers (out).         (2,735,439)         -         -         (29,441)         (2,764,880)           Total other financing sources (uses).         (2,735,439)         -         -         2,115,439         (620,000)           Net change in fund balances         1,945,570         1,374,144         2,421,253         1,302,774         7,043,741           Fund balances at beginning of year         10,100,362         17,494,365         16,098,394         8,583,520         52,276,641	Other financing sources (uses):						
Total other financing sources (uses)       (2,735,439)       -       -       2,115,439       (620,000)         Net change in fund balances       1,945,570       1,374,144       2,421,253       1,302,774       7,043,741         Fund balances at beginning of year       10,100,362       17,494,365       16,098,394       8,583,520       52,276,641	Transfers in	=	-	=	2,144,880	2,144,880	
Net change in fund balances	Transfers (out)	(2,735,439)	<u> </u>		(29,441)	(2,764,880)	
Fund balances at beginning of year	Total other financing sources (uses)	(2,735,439)			2,115,439	(620,000)	
	Net change in fund balances	1,945,570	1,374,144	2,421,253	1,302,774	7,043,741	
Fund balances at end of year	Fund balances at beginning of year		17,494,365		8,583,520		
	Fund balances at end of year	\$ 12,045,932	\$ 18,868,509	\$ 18,519,647	\$ 9,886,294	\$ 59,320,382	

# 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

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds			\$ 7,043,741
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the			
statement of activities are different because:			
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.			
Capital asset additions	\$	5,249,118	
Current year depreciation	-	(1,859,947)	
Total			3,389,171
The net effect of various transactions involving capital assets (i.e. sales, disposals, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net position.			(1,410,589)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial			
resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.			
Sales taxes		71,036	
Property taxes		1,154,775	
Intergovernmental revenues		480,392	
Accounts receivable		(101,758)	
Investment income		5,747	
Total			1,610,192
Equity interests in joint ventures do not represent current resources and are not reported in the funds; however, gains or losses resulting from these investments			
increase or decrease assets on the statement of net position.			577,305
Repayment of bond, loans and lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net position.			462,972
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in			, _ , _
governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due.		440	
Decrease in accrued interest payable		449	
Amortization of bond premiums		19,015	
Amortization of prepaid bond insurance		(1,334)	10.120
Total			18,130
Contractually required pension/OPEB contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows.			
Pension		2,601,807	
OPEB		19,844	
Total	-		2,621,651
Except for amounts reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension asset/liability and net OPEB liability are reported as pension/OPEB expense in the statement of activities.			, ,
Pension		72,246	
OPEB		12,918,240	
Total	-		12,990,486
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore			, ,
are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.			 (174,518)
Change in net position of governmental activities			\$ 27,128,541

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) GENERAL FUND

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

	Budgeted Amounts				Fir	riance with nal Budget Positive	
		Original		Final	Actual		Negative)
Revenues:							
Property taxes	\$	2,322,704	\$	2,284,618	\$ 2,285,080	\$	462
Sales taxes		10,235,009		10,913,249	10,913,249		-
Charges for services		3,004,652		3,014,652	3,488,626		473,974
Licenses and permits		2,470		2,470	3,340		870
Fines and forfeitures		180,500		180,500	179,799		(701)
Intergovernmental		1,910,795		1,911,769	2,354,894		443,125
Interest		482,200		482,200	298,209		(183,991)
Rent		152,438		152,438	156,420		3,982
Contributions and donations		-		-	1,541		1,541
Other		342,970		342,970	447,585		104,615
Total revenues		18,633,738		19,284,866	20,128,743		843,877
Expenditures:							
Current:							
General government:							
Legislative and executive		6,899,816		7,240,995	7,042,896		198,099
Judicial		2,644,734		2,611,493	2,489,697		121,796
Public safety		7,162,225		8,121,016	5,542,953		2,578,063
Public works		94,715		100,198	82,507		17,691
Health		150,033		149,925	149,925		-
Human services		783,753		769,657	548,713		220,944
Conservation and recreation		299,916		149,042	149,042		-
Total expenditures		18,035,192		19,142,326	16,005,733		3,136,593
Excess of revenues over expenditures		598,546		142,540	 4,123,010		3,980,470
Other financing sources (uses):							
Advances in		_		_	123,780		123,780
Transfers in		-		-	(890,988)		(890,988)
Transfers (out)		(1,588,015)		(3,412,176)	(3,378,929)		33,247
Total other financing sources (uses)		(1,588,015)		(3,412,176)	(4,146,137)		(733,961)
Net change in fund balance		(989,469)		(3,269,636)	(23,127)		3,246,509
Fund balance at beginning of year		3,873,934		3,873,934	3,873,934		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		1,204,014		1,204,014	1,204,014		
Fund balance at end of year	\$	4,088,479	\$	1,808,312	\$ 5,054,821	\$	3,246,509

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	 Budgeted	Amo	unts		Fir	riance with nal Budget Positive
	Original		Final	Actual	(1)	Negative)
Revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 15,000	\$	15,000	\$ 37,091	\$	22,091
Fines and forfeitures	20,000		20,000	29,751		9,751
Intergovernmental	4,650,000		4,650,000	6,079,276		1,429,276
Interest	95,000		95,000	82,835		(12,165)
Other	 10,000		10,000	166,368		156,368
Total revenues	 4,790,000		4,790,000	 6,395,321		1,605,321
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Public works	 5,184,069		5,676,107	 5,196,782		479,325
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	 (394,069)		(886,107)	 1,198,539		2,084,646
Other financing sources:						
Sale of capital assets	 25,000		25,000	 		(25,000)
Net change in fund balance	(369,069)		(861,107)	1,198,539		2,059,646
Fund balance at beginning of year	15,717,573		15,717,573	15,717,573		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	362,451		362,451	362,451		_
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 15,710,955	\$	15,218,917	\$ 17,278,563	\$	2,059,646

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) SENECA COUNTY OPPORTUNITY CENTER FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

		Budgeted	Amo	unts			riance with nal Budget Positive
	Orig	inal		Final	Actual	(	Negative)
Revenues:							
Property taxes	\$ 7,0	027,000	\$	7,027,000	\$ 8,221,713	\$	1,194,713
Charges for services	1,	181,000		1,181,000	1,447,979		266,979
Intergovernmental	2,0	597,460		2,697,460	3,701,815		1,004,355
Contributions and donations		4,000		10,500	29,072		18,572
Other					 15,460		15,460
Total revenues	10,9	909,460		10,915,960	 13,416,039		2,500,079
Expenditures:							
Current:							
Health	26,	102,322		26,575,014	 12,230,576		14,344,438
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures	(15,	192,862)		(15,659,054)	 1,185,463		16,844,517
Other financing (uses):							
Transfers (out)	(	379,217)		(29,217)	 		29,217
Net change in fund balance	(15,:	572,079)		(15,688,271)	1,185,463		16,873,734
Fund balance at beginning of year	14,9	977,330		14,977,330	14,977,330		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		123,582		1,423,582	1,423,582		-
Fund balance at end of year	\$	328,833	\$	712,641	\$ 17,586,375	\$	16,873,734

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	County Sewer District	Nonmajor Enterprise	Total
Assets:			
Current assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and investments Receivables:	\$ 842,176	\$ 1,212,562	\$ 2,054,738
Accounts	133,915	157,228	291,143
Prepayments	813	1,519	2,332
Total current assets	976,904	1,371,309	2,348,213
Noncurrent assets:			
Net pension asset	904	3,897	4,801
Net OPEB asset	7,234	31,168	38,402
Capital assets:  Non-depreciable capital assets	26,243		26,243
Depreciable capital assets, net	4,768,138	333,592	5,101,730
Total capital assets, net	4,794,381	333,592	5,127,973
-	4,802,519		
Total noncurrent assets		368,657	5,171,176
Total assets	5,779,423	1,739,966	7,519,389
Deferred outflows of resources:			
Pension	9,240	151,722	160,962
OPEB	3,847	83,431	87,278
Total deferred outflows of resources	13,087	235,153	248,240
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	5,212	7,524	12,736
Accrued wages and benefits payable	2,638	5,279	7,917
Due to other funds	611 16,503	2,724	611 19,227
Accrued interest payable	18,574	2,724	18,574
Revenue bonds payable	62,000	_	62,000
OPWC loans payable	685	-	685
Total current liabilities	106,223	15,527	121,750
Long-term liabilities:			
Compensated absences payable	-	39,877	39,877
Revenue bonds payable	2,639,652	=	2,639,652
OPWC loans payable	2,395	-	2,395
Net pension liability	61,410	264,588	325,998
Total long-term liabilities	2,703,457	304,465	3,007,922
Total liabilities	2,809,680	319,992	3,129,672
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Pension	33,771	151,740	185,511
OPEB	26,411	118,507	144,918
Total deferred inflows of resources	60,182	270,247	330,429
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	2,089,649	333,592	2,423,241
Restricted for debt service	136,346	-	136,346
Unrestricted	696,653	1,051,288	1,747,941
Total net position	\$ 2,922,648	\$ 1,384,880	4,307,528

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	<b>Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds</b>		
	County Sew District	er Nonmajor Enterprise	Total
Operating revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 522,	488 \$ 418,897	\$ 941,385
Tap-in fees	,	391 -	1,391
Other operating revenues	1,	006 100	1,106
Total operating revenues	524,	885 418,997	943,882
Operating expenses:			
Personal services	21,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	244,731
Contract services	230,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	346,180
Materials and supplies	,	816 58,653	63,469
Depreciation	178,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	350,018
Other	4,	795 25,720	30,515
Total operating expenses	439,	869 595,044	1,034,913
Operating income (loss)	85,	016 (176,047)	(91,031)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):			
Interest income		254 -	254
Interest and fiscal charges	(75,	· /	(75,512)
Grants and subsidies		- 5,554	5,554
Other nonoperating revenues		- 151,499	151,499
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(75,	258) 157,053	81,795
Income (loss) before transfers	9,	758 (18,994)	(9,236)
Transfer in		- 620,000	620,000
Change in net position	9,	758 601,006	610,764
Net position at beginning of year	2,912,	890 783,874	3,696,764
Net position at end of year	\$ 2,922,	\$ 1,384,880	\$ 4,307,528

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds				
	County Sewer District	Nonmajor Enterprise	Total		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Cash received from customers	\$ 522,801	\$ 377,800	\$ 900,601		
Cash received from tap-in fees	1,391	-	1,391		
Cash received from other operations	1,006	100	1,106		
Cash payments for personal services	(78,604)	(435,308)	(513,912)		
Cash payments for contractual services	(232,116)	(116,371)	(348,487)		
Cash payments for materials and supplies	(6,804)	(60,232)	(67,036)		
Cash payments for other expenses	(4,714)	(27,414)	(32,128)		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	202,960	(261,425)	(58,465)		
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:					
Cash received from grants and subsidies	-	5,554	5,554		
Cash received from transfers in		620,000	620,000		
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		625,554	625,554		
Cash flows from capital and related					
financing activities:					
Acquisition of capital assets	(15,091)	(152,799)	(167,890)		
Principal retirement on revenue bonds	(59,000)	· -	(59,000)		
Principal retirement on loans	(342)	-	(342)		
Interest and fiscal charges	(75,918)	-	(75,918)		
Other nonoperating revenues		151,499	151,499		
Net cash used in capital					
and related financing activities	(150,351)	(1,300)	(151,651)		
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Interest received	254	-	254		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	52,863	362,829	415,692		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	789,313	849,733	1,639,046		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 842,176	\$ 1,212,562	\$ 2,054,738		

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## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds					unds
	County Sewer District			Ionmajor nterprise	Total	
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:						
Operating loss income (loss)	\$	85,016	\$	(176,047)	\$	(91,031)
Adjustments:						
Depreciation		178,478		171,540		350,018
Changes in assets, deferred outflows of resources,						
liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources:						
Accounts receivable		313		(41,097)		(40,784)
Prepayments		(290)		(1,196)		(1,486)
Net pension asset		(132)		(2,300)		(2,432)
Net OPEB asset		(7,234)		(31,168)		(38,402)
Deferred outflows - pension		6,273		(119,197)		(112,924)
Deferred outflows - OPEB		6,763		(61,274)		(54,511)
Accounts payable		(4,575)		(2,935)		(7,510)
Accrued wages and benefits		369		5,279		5,648
Intergovernmental payable		1,067		2,634		3,701
Amounts due to other funds		405				405
Compensated absences payable				(737)		(737)
Net pension liability		(30,904)		73,661		42,757
Net OPEB liability		(63,093)		(130,491)		(193,584)
Deferred inflows - pension		13,445		9,065		22,510
Deferred inflows - OPEB		17,059		42,838		59,897
Unearned revenue						
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	202,960	\$	(261,425)	\$	(58,465)

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Custodial
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,947,381
Cash in segregated accounts	598,722
Receivables (net of allowances	
for uncollectibles):	
Taxes - current	60,934,032
Taxes - delinquent	18,564,317
Accounts	995,412
Due from other governments	3,599,269
Prepayments	58,537
Total assets	100,697,670
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	794,231
Accrued wages and benefits	96,082
Compensated absences payable	279,851
Due to other governments	2,566,298
Total liabilities	3,736,462
Deferred inflows of resources:	
Property taxes levied for the next fiscal year	60,934,032
Net position:	
Restricted for individuals, organizations and other governments	\$ 36,027,176

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Custodial
Additions:	
Intergovernmental	\$ 10,330,272
Amounts received as fiscal agent	15,452,360
Licenses, permits and fees for other governments	6,513,365
Fines and forfeitures for other governments	1,381,499
Property tax collection for other governments	62,802,343
Special assessments collections for other governments	192,644
Other custodial fund collections	2,342,809
Total additions	99,015,292
Deductions:	
Distributions of state funds to other governments	9,585,123
Distributions as fiscal agent	12,950,856
Distributions to individuals	2,301,760
Licenses, permits and fees distributions to other governments.	6,514,247
Fines and forfeitures distributions to other governments	954,704
Property tax distributions to other governments	55,106,511
Special assessment distributions to other governments	192,644
Other custodial fund disbursements	300
Total deductions	87,606,145
Net change in fiduciary net position	11,409,147
Net position beginning of year	24,618,029
Net position end of year	\$ 36,027,176

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **NOTE 1 - REPORTING ENTITY**

Seneca County, Ohio (the County) was created in 1824. The County is governed by a Board of three commissioners elected by the voters of the County. Other officials elected by the voters of the County that manage various segments of the County's operations are the Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Clerk of Courts, Coroner, Engineer, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, two Common Pleas Court Judges and a Probate/Juvenile Court Judge. The County Commissioners authorize expenditures and serve as the budget and taxing authority, contracting body, and the chief administrators of public services for the County, although the elected officials manage the internal operations of their respective departments.

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the County consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the County. Seneca County boards include the Board of Developmental Disabilities (Board of DD), the Job and Family Services Department and all departments and activities that are operated directly by the elected County officials.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the County is financially accountable. The County is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and 1) the County is able to impose its will on that organization or 2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the County. Component units also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the County in that the County approves the organization's budget, the issuance of the organization's debt or the levying of the organization's taxes. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary government's financial statements incomplete or misleading. The County has two component units.

**Component Units** - The component unit columns on the entity-wide financial statements includes the financial data of the County's discretely presented component units Seneca County Land Reutilization Corporation and the Seneca County Transportation Improvement District. The component units are reported in separate columns to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County. Information in the following notes is applicable to the primary government. Information relative to the component units are presented in Notes 20-21.

## Seneca County Land Reutilization Corporation

The Seneca County Land Reutilization Corporation (the Corporation) is a county land reutilization corporation that was formed on November 19, 2015 when the Seneca County Board of Commissioners authorized the incorporation of the Corporation under Chapter 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code. The purpose of the Corporation is for reclaiming, rehabilitating or reutilizing economically non-productive land throughout Seneca County (the "County"). By establishing the Corporation, the County can begin to address dilapidated housing issues in communities located in the County and return properties to productive use. Pursuant to Section 1724.03 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be composed of five members including, (1) the County Treasurer, (2) at least two members of the County Board of Commissioners, (3) one member who is a representative of the largest municipal corporation, based on population according to the most recent federal decennial census, that is located in the County, (4) one member who is a representative of a township with a population of at least ten thousand in the unincorporated area of the township according to the most recent federal decennial census, and (5) any remaining members selected by the County Treasurer and the County Commissioners who are members of the Corporation board. Separately issued financial statements can be obtained from the Seneca County Land Reutilization Corporation, 109 South Washington Street, Suite 2105, Tiffin, Ohio 44883.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## Seneca County Transportation Improvement District (SCTID)

The SCTID is a body politic and corporate, created for the purpose to acquire, construct, enlarge, improve, equip, sell, lease, lease-purchase, exchange, or otherwise dispose of property, structures, and other facilities for transportation projects. The SCTID was specifically created pursuant to Chapter 5540 of the Ohio Revised Code, as amended. The SCTID was created by action of the Board of Seneca County Commissioners on October 25, 2017. The SCTID is governed by a Board of Trustees that acts as the authoritative and legislative body of the entity. The Board is comprised of seven members of whom five are voting and two are non-voting. Each Board member serves a term of one year and there are no term limits for reappointment. The five voting Board members are appointed by the Board of Seneca County Commissioners. In addition, the County is able to impose its will on the SCTID. SCTID's year end is December 31. Separately issued financial statements can be obtained from the Seneca County Transportation Improvement District, 109 South Washington Street, Suite 2105, Tiffin, Ohio 44883.

**Related Organizations** - Seneca County officials are responsible for appointing a voting majority of the board members of the Seneca County Emergency Planning Commission, Tiffin Seneca Public Library, Seneca County Museum Advisory Board, Seneca County Convention and Visitors' Bureau and Seneca Metropolitan Housing Authority; however, Seneca County is not financially accountable for these entities because it cannot impose its will on any of these organizations and a financial benefit/burden relationship does not exist.

The County Treasurer, as the custodian of public funds, invests all public monies held on deposit in the County treasury. The County serves as fiscal agent for the separate agencies, boards and commissions listed below, but is not financially accountable for these organizations. Accordingly, the activity of the following districts and agencies are presented as custodial funds within Seneca County's financial statements:

Seneca County General Health District
Seneca County Emergency Planning Commission
Seneca County Soil and Water Conservation District
Seneca, Sandusky, Wyandot Mental Health & Recovery Services Board
Seneca County Regional Planning Commission
Seneca County Park District

The following organizations are joint ventures and pools in which the County participates.

## Sandusky County-Seneca County - City of Tiffin Port Authority

The Port Authority, a joint venture of Sandusky and Seneca Counties and the City of Tiffin, is established under the authority of Sections 4582.21 et. seq., of the Revised Code, with territorial limits co-terminus with the boundaries of the Counties, with Tiffin being within the boundaries of Seneca County. The Port Authority is governed by a seven member Board of Directors, consisting of two members from each of the counties and the city, with the seventh member being rotated between the three entities every four years. The members are appointed by the County Commissioners in the Counties, and by the Mayor of Tiffin in the City. Appointed members may hold no other public office or public employment except Notary Public, member of the State Militia, or member of a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces. Initial funding for organizational expenses, including purchase of real or personal property by the Port Authority, was contributed by each subdivision with no obligation of future contributions or financial support. The contributions were equal and simultaneous. The Port Authority may be dissolved at any time upon the enactment of an ordinance by the City and resolutions by the Counties. Any real or personal property will be returned to the subdivision from which it was received.

Upon dissolution of the Port Authority, any remaining balances of the Port Authority's funds will be distributed equally to the City and the Counties after paying all expenses and debts.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## Ottawa-Sandusky-Seneca County Solid Waste District

The Solid Waste District is a joint venture of Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca Counties and is established under the authority of Section 3734.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. The cost of operations and expenses is to be funded by fees collected by the District. In the event that fees are not sufficient for the purpose, the Counties shall share all operating costs and expenses incurred in the same proportions as the populations of the respective Counties bear to the total population of all the Counties. Upon the withdrawal of a county from the District, the Board of Directors shall ascertain, apportion, and order a division of the funds on hand, credits and real personal property of the District, either in money or in kind, on any equitable basis between the District and the withdrawing county. Should the District be dissolved, the Boards of County Commissioners shall continue to levy and collect taxes for the payment of any outstanding indebtedness. The Solid Waste District is governed by the three commissioners of each county involved.

#### Mental Health and Recovery Services (MHRS)

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board is a joint venture between Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky and Wyandot counties. The headquarters for the Mental Health Board is in Seneca County. The Board provides community services to mentally ill and emotionally disturbed persons. Statutorily created, a seventeen-member Board is the governing body. Nine members of the Board are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners from the respective counties of which members are residents, and eight members are appointed by the State of Ohio, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services as well as the County Commissioners in Seneca, Sandusky, and Wyandot Counties approved Ottawa County to join the Board effective October 1, 2021. Therefore, the Board moved from a three-county board to a four-county board. The Board's official name changed to the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties. Revenues to provide mental health services are generated through state and federal grants. The Mental Health Board adopts its own budget, hires and fires staff and does not rely on the County to finance deficits. Seneca County is acting as fiscal agent to the Mental Health Board.

#### Northland Homes and Properties, Inc.

Northland Homes and Properties, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation organized for charitable purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The corporation is a joint venture of the Board of DD of Seneca, Crawford, and Marion counties to provide a lifetime of affordable housing and residential services to citizens with developmental disabilities. The corporation is governed by a board of at least ten trustees with each participating county board of developmental disabilities appointing two. The trustees shall serve a maximum of three consecutive three-year terms.

### County Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (CORSA)

The County is a member of CORSA, which is a risk sharing pool among thirty-six counties in Ohio. CORSA was formed as an Ohio nonprofit corporation for the purpose of establishing the CORSA Insurance/Self-Insurance Program, a group primary and excess insurance/self-insurance and risk management program. Member counties agree to jointly participate in coverage of losses and pay all contributions necessary for the specified insurance coverage provided by CORSA. This coverage includes comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, certain property insurance and public officials' errors and omissions liability insurance. Each member county has one vote on all matters requiring a vote, to be cast by a designated representative. The affairs of the CORSA are managed by an elected board of not more than nine trustees. Only county commissioners of member counties are eligible to serve on the board. No county may have more than one representative on the board at any time. Each member county's control over the budgeting and financing of CORSA is limited to its voting authority and any representation it may have on the Board of Trustees.

#### County Employee Benefits Consortium of Ohio, Inc (CEBCO)

The County is a member of CEBCO, which is a self-funded, group purchasing consortium that offers medical, dental, vision, and prescription drug coverage to thirty-six counties in Ohio. CEBCO is a nonprofit organization formed by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) to provide cost-effective employee benefit programs for Ohio county governments. Various plan options are available to members. These plans vary primarily by deductibles, coinsurance levels, office visit copays, and out-of-pocket maximums.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

CEBCO is governed by a board of directors composed mainly of representatives of counties that participate in the program. Premiums are paid on a monthly basis. Pursuant to participation agreements with CEBCO, each member agrees to pay all funding rates associated with the coverage it elects; as such, funding rates are set and billed to the members by CEBCO. The assigned funding rates consist of the following components: administrative fees, stop-loss fees, expected claim costs, and reserves. Reserves are actuarially determined and allocated based on expected claim activity. Rates are calculated to cover the administrative expenses and expected claims costs of the program.

#### County Commissioners' Association of Ohio Service Corporation (CCAOSC)

The CCAOSC is an Ohio corporation established to create an employer group workers compensation-rating plan as regulated by Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The CCAOSC is intended to achieve lower workers' compensation rates for the Group and establish safer working conditions and environments for each participant. The corporation is administered by a Group Executive Committee, which consists of seven members. Two of the members are the President and Treasurer of CCAOSC and five members, who must be County Commissioners, are elected by the participants as their representatives.

#### North Central Ohio Regional Council of Governments (NCORcog)

NCORcog is a legally separate body politic and corporate served by an eight-member Board of Directors that meets the definition of regional Council of governments under Chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code. NCORcog is a regional source for shared services. Cost savings achieved are designed to not only maintain existing essential services, but to enhance them as well.

The initial, founding members, and Board of Directors are the North Central Ohio Educational Service Center (ESC), Seneca County, the City of Tiffin, Clinton Township, the Village of New Riegel, North Central Academy, Tiffin City School District, and Seneca East Local School District. The Superintendent of the North Central Ohio ESC serves as Chair of the Board. The Chair is a non-voting member and shall only vote in the event of a tie. The treasurer of North Central Ohio ESC serves as ex-officio/advisor for fiscal matters and is also a non-voting member. Membership is voluntary pursuant to resolution, ordinance or other appropriate action. Application of membership shall be subject to approval by the Board of Directors. Each political subdivision is entitled to one vote. The North Central Ohio ESC serves as the fiscal agent. NCORcog issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report. The report may be obtained by writing to the Treasurer of the North Central Ohio ESC, 928 West Market Street, Tiffin, Ohio 44883.

#### Clearwater Council of Governments

The Clearwater Council of Governments (Clearwater) is a regional council of governments comprised of the Boards of Developmental Disabilities (DD) of Crawford, Erie, Huron, Marion, Morrow, Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, and Wyandot Counties. The Board of Directors is made up of the superintendents from each of these DD Boards. Clearwater is the administrator of various grant monies for each these Boards of DD. The degree of control exercised by any participating government is limited to its representation of the Board. Financial information can be obtained from the Clearwater Council of Governments, 8200 West State Route 163, Oak Harbor, Ohio, 43449.

## Metro-Richland County (METRICH)

The County is a member of the Metro-Richland County Enforcement Unit which is a jointly governed organization between Crawford, Huron, Morrow, Knox, Seneca, Marion, Ashland, Hancock and Wyandot Counties, the City of Mansfield, the City of Tiffin and 38 other communities. METRICH remains one of the only decentralized task forces in the state promoting a Community Policing philosophy approach to task force operations. There is a control group in each county (Prosecutor, Sheriff, and chiefs of Police) that direct local efforts including setting local goals and objectives in support of the regional goals and objectives.

The METRICH Control Board is represented by each of the nine Prosecutors, Sheriffs and the Chief of Police of the participating agencies. Funding is obtained through grants administered by the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS). This grant funding is utilized to support task force operations throughout all nine counties. Information can be obtained from the Mansfield Division of Police, Chief Keith Porch, Project Director.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The preparation of the Seneca County financial statements conforms to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for local governmental units as prescribed in the statements issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and other recognized authoritative sources. The County's most significant accounting policies are described below.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The County's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including the statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements** - The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the County as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the County that are governmental in nature and those that are considered business-type activities.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activities of the County at year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the County's governmental activities and business-type activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and, therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants, and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the County, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental program or business activity is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

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

## **B.** Fund Accounting

The County uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds - Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the County 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 purpose 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 plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources is reported as fund balance. The following are the County's major governmental funds:

<u>General fund</u> - The General fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The General fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

<u>Maintenance and Repair fund</u> - The Maintenance and Repair fund accounts for revenue derived from motor vehicle licenses, gasoline taxes, and investment revenue. Expenditures in this fund are restricted by State law to County road and bridge repair/improvement programs.

<u>Seneca County Opportunity Center fund (SCOC)</u> - The SCOC fund accounts for a county-wide property tax levy and federal and state grants and entitlements for operating the SCOC, and providing additional support services for handicapped individuals.

Other governmental funds of the County are used to account for (a) financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets, (b) specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to an expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects and (c) financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

**Proprietary Funds** - Proprietary fund accounting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. Enterprise funds may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services.

The following is the County's major enterprise fund:

<u>County Sewer District fund</u> - The County Sewer District fund accounts for money received from user and tap-in fees for sewer services provided to residents in various development areas of the County and grant and loan activities for the sewer and wastewater treatment facility acquisition and construction.

The other enterprise fund of the County accounts for emergency medical services (EMS) operations.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and custodial funds. Trust funds are distinguished from custodial funds by the existence of a trust agreement or equivalent arrangements that have certain characteristics. Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in a trust fund. Currently, the County does not have any trust funds. The County's custodial funds account for assets held by the County for political subdivisions for which the County acts as fiscal agent and for taxes, State-levied shared revenues, fines and forfeitures collected for and distributed to other political subdivisions, and other amounts collected for and distributed to organizations or individuals.

## C. Measurement Focus

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets, all deferred outflows of resources, all liabilities and all deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the County are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position.

#### Fund Financial Statements

All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, current deferred outflows of resources, current liabilities, and current deferred inflows of resources are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance reflects 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.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

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

Like the government-wide financial statements, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds are accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. In fiduciary funds, a liability to the beneficiaries of fiduciary activity is recognized when an event has occurred that compels the government to disburse fiduciary resources. Fiduciary fund liabilities other than those to beneficiaries are recognized using the economic resources measurement focus.

The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net position for proprietary funds presents increases (i.e. revenues) and decreases (i.e. expenses) in total net position. The statement of cash flows reflects how the County finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

Fiduciary funds present a statement of changes in fiduciary net position which reports additions to and deductions from custodial funds.

#### D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting; proprietary funds and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

## Revenues-Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions

Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, are recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On the modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means 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 County, available means expected to be received within sixty days after year-end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the County receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, sales taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the period in which the sales are made. 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 County must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the County on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered both measurable and available at year end: sales taxes, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, State-levied locally shared taxes (including gasoline tax and motor vehicle license tax), grants, interest, and rent.

#### Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the government-wide statement of net position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, represents 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.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

In addition to liabilities, both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental fund financial statements report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the County, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, payments in lieu of taxes and unavailable revenue. Property taxes and payments in lieu of taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of December 31, 2021, but which were levied to finance 2022 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow of resources on both the government-wide statement of net position and the 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 County, unavailable revenue includes, but is not limited to, sales taxes, delinquent property taxes, intergovernmental grants, and fines and forfeitures. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available.

This deferred inflow of resources is only reported on the government-wide statement of net position.

## Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

#### E. Budgetary Process

All funds, other than custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates the need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the County Commissioners may appropriate. The appropriations resolution is the County Commissioners' authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the County Commissioners. The legal level of control has been established by the County Commissioners at the fund, program, department, and object level.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if there are projected increases or the County Auditor identifies decreases in revenue. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts when the original appropriations were adopted.

The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the final amended certificate of estimated resources issued during 2021.

The appropriations resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriations resolution for that fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the County Commissioners during the year.

#### F. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the County is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the County's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and investments".

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

During 2021, investments were limited to STAR Ohio, negotiable certificates of deposit (CDs), U.S. Government money market accounts, commercial paper, corporate bonds, Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (FAMC), Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) securities, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) securities, Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB) securities, Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) securities, U.S. Treasury notes, Non-taxable municipal bonds, and taxable municipal issues.

Cash and cash equivalents that are held separately within departments of the County, and not included in the County Treasury, are recorded as "cash and cash equivalents in segregated accounts". Investments are reported at fair value, except for non-negotiable certificates of deposit, which are reported at cost. Fair value is based on quoted market prices. Any increase or decrease in fair value is reported as a component of investment earnings.

During 2021, the County invested in STAR Ohio. STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of 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 Pools and Pool Participants." The City measures its 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 an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

For 2021, there were no limitations 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, 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 County has also deposited funds in the Government Insured Deposit Program. This program allows Ohio's political subdivisions to deposit monies in a network of FDIC-insured banks via a single account.

Interest earnings are allocated to County funds according to State statutes and grant requirements. Interest revenue credited to the General fund during 2021 was \$286,094, which includes approximately \$247,457 assigned from other County funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the County are considered to be cash equivalents in the financial statements. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months, and not purchased from the cash management pool, are reported as investments.

#### G. Prepayments

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2021 are recorded as prepayments using the consumption method by recording a current asset for the prepaid amount and reflecting the expenditure/expense in the year in which services are consumed. At year-end, because prepayments are not available to finance future governmental fund expenditures, a nonspendable fund balance is recorded by an amount equal to the carrying value of the asset on the fund financial statements.

### H. Inventory

Inventory is presented at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-out basis and is expended/expensed when used. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption. On the fund financial statements, reported material and supplies inventory is equally offset by a nonspendable fund balance which indicates that it does not constitute available spendable resources.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### I. Loans Receivable

Loans receivable represent the right to receive repayment for certain loans made by the County. These loans are based upon written agreements between the County and the various loan recipients. Reported loans receivable is offset by a nonspendable, restricted, or committed fund balance in the governmental fund types.

#### J. Capital Assets

General capital assets are capital assets, which are associated with and generally arise from governmental activities. They generally result from expenditures in governmental funds. General capital assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets used by the enterprise funds are reported in both the business-type activities column of the government-wide statement of net position and in the respective funds.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and reductions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition value on the date donated. The County maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000 for all assets except infrastructure. The capitalization threshold for infrastructure is \$10,000. The County's infrastructure consists of roads, bridges, culverts and sewers. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized. Interest incurred during the construction of enterprise fund capital assets is also capitalized.

All capital assets are depreciated, except for land and improvements (land and improvements not being depreciated, such as road base) and construction in progress. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Useful lives for infrastructure were estimated based on the County's historical records of necessary improvements and replacement. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives.

DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED LIVES
Buildings and Improvements	50-150
Land Improvements	50-100
Machinery and Equipment	5-20
Software	
Vehicles	
Infrastructure	5-50

#### K. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans or interfund services provided and used are classified as "interfund loans receivable/payable" and receivables and payables resulting from long-term interfund loans are classified as "loans to/from other funds". Receivables and payables resulting from the routine lag between the dates interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur are classified as "due to/from other funds".

Interfund balances within governmental activities and within business-type activities are eliminated on the government-wide statement of net position. The only interfund balances which remain on the government-wide statement of net position are those between governmental and business-type activities. These amounts are reflected as "internal balances".

#### L. Compensated Absences

Vacation and comp time benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable the County will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The County records a liability for accumulated unused vacation and comp time when earned for all employees with more than one year of service.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as liabilities using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the County has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employee wage rates at year-end taking into consideration any limits specified in the County's termination policy. The County records a liability for sick leave for employees with seven or more years of service at varying rates depending on County policy.

The entire compensated absences liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

On governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as a liability and expenditure to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated leave is paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported. For enterprise funds, the entire amount of compensated absences is reported as a fund liability.

## M. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported on the government-wide financial statements. All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from the 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, compensated absences that are paid from governmental funds are reported as liabilities on the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year. Bonds, loans and capital lease obligations are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due. Net pension/OPEB liability should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits.

### N. Net Position

Net position represent the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources. The County's net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position.

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use, either through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The County's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

### O. Fund Balance

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

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

<u>Nonspendable</u> - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable in the General fund.

<u>Restricted</u> - Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that 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.

<u>Committed</u> - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Commissioners (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Commissioners 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.

<u>Assigned</u> - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the General fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Board of Commissioners.

<u>Unassigned</u> - 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 only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The County applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is 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.

#### P. Stabilization Arrangement

The County Commissioners have \$1,000,000 of fund balance in the General fund to be used for budget stabilization. The County Commissioners have these funds to cover emergency situations or when revenue shortages or budgetary imbalances arise. The budget stabilization arrangement may be removed by action of the County Commssioners at any time.

## Q. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the County, these revenues are charges for services of the County Sewer District and EMS operations. Operating expenses are the necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the fund. Revenues and expenses not meeting these definitions are reported as non-operating.

#### R. Capital Contributions

Capital contributions on the proprietary fund financial statements arise from contributions from governmental activities, from outside contributions of capital assets, from grants, or from outside contributions of resources restricted to capital acquisition and construction.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### S. Interfund Transactions

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide financial statements are reported in the same manner as general revenues.

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after non-operating revenues/expense in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

## T. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of management and are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. No events of this nature occurred during 2021.

#### U. Estimates

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

## V. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability, net pension/OPEB asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related 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 plan. 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 plans report investments at fair value.

#### W. Fair Value Measurements

The County categorizes 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.

## NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

## A. Change in Accounting Principles

For 2021, the County has implemented GASB Statement No. 89, "<u>Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period.</u>"

GASB Statement No. 89 establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. GASB Statement No. 89 requires that interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred for financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. GASB Statement No. 89 also reiterates that financial statements prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus, interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period should be recognized as an expenditure on a basis consistent with governmental fund accounting principles. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 89 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the County.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

For 2021, the County has applied GASB Statement No. 95, "Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain <u>Authoritative Guidance</u>" to GASB Statement Nos. 91, 92 and 93, which were originally due to be implemented in 2021 and to GASB Statement No. 87, which was originally due to be implemented in 2020. GASB Statement No. 95 provides temporary relief to governments and other stakeholders in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. This objective is accomplished by postponing the effective dates of certain provisions in Statements and Implementation Guides that first became effective or are scheduled to become effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2018, and later.

The following pronouncements are postponed by one year and the County has elected delaying implementation until the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022:

- Statement No. 91, Conduit Debt Obligations
- Statement No. 92, Omnibus 2020
- Statement No. 93, Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates

The following pronouncements are postponed by eighteen months and the County elected delaying implementation until the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022:

- Statement No. 87, Leases
- Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, Leases

#### **B.** Deficit Fund Balances

Fund balances at December 31, 2021 included the following individual fund deficits:

Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>_I</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
Electric monitoring	\$	1,098
Delinquent care and custody grant		45,521
Wolf creek ditch project		73,041

The General fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities.

#### NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Monies held by the County are classified by State statute into two categories. Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the County treasury and must be maintained as cash in the County Treasury, or in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Monies held by the County which are not considered active are classified as inactive and can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States treasury bills, bonds, notes or any other obligations or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency, or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

- 2. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met;
- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts, including, but not limited, to passbook accounts;
- 6. No load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool, the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
- 8. Securities lending agreements in which the County lends securities and the eligible institution agrees to exchange either securities described in 1 or 2 above, or cash, or both securities and cash, equal value for equal value;
- 9. High grade commercial paper in an amount not to exceed 5 percent of the County's total average portfolio; and,
- 10. Bankers acceptances for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days and in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the County's total average portfolio.

Protection of the deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives, are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. Except as noted above, an investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the County, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

## A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At December 31, 2021, the carrying amount of all County deposits was \$32,874,661 and the bank balance of all County deposits was \$33,697,432. Of the bank balance, \$1,017,799 was covered by the FDIC and \$32,679,633 was exposed to custodial credit risk discussed below.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the County will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The County has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by (1) eligible securities pledged to the County's and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured, or (2) participation in the OPCS, a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

For 2021, the County was in the OPCS; however, certain County financial institutions were approved for a reduced collateral rate through the OPCS. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the County to a successful claim by the FDIC.

#### B. Cash on Hand

At year end, the County had \$2,000 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the financial statements as a component of "equity in pooled cash and investments".

## C. Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agents

At year end, the County had \$44,362 in monies held by a fiscal agent. These monies were set aside for future debt service payments. This amount is included in investments below.

These amounts have been included on the financial statements of the County as "cash and cash equivalents with fiscal agents.

Investment Maturities

#### D. Investments

As of December 31, 2021, the County had the following investments and maturities.

			Investment Maturities									
Measurement/ Investment Type	M	leasurement Amount	6	Months or Less		7 to 12 Months		13 to 18 Months		19 to 24 Months		Greater than 24 months
Amortized Cost: STAR Ohio	\$	2,446,766	\$	2,446,766	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Fair Value:												
U.S. Government money market		88,585		88,585		-		-		-		-
Commercial paper		2,048,980		1,829,510		219,470		-		-		-
Corporate bonds		3,275,867		-		-		1,052,591		-		2,223,276
Negotiable CDs		9,020,463		1,123,311		1,512,696		2,741,355		973,379		2,669,722
FAMC		367,187		-		-		-		-		367,187
FHLB		3,766,175		-		-		273,356		-		3,492,819
FHLMC		4,994,359		-		-		-		-		4,994,359
FFCB		7,294,367		860,129		249,982		907,802		554,410		4,722,044
FNMA		2,796,640		-		-		502,879		299,160		1,994,601
U.S. treasury notes		5,593,510		-		-		1,565,126		891,368		3,137,016
Non-taxable municipal bonds		1,039,873		290,113		502,035		-		-		247,725
Taxable municipal issue	_	1,980,581		462,678	_	_	_			257,387		1,260,516
Total	\$	44,713,353	\$	7,101,092	\$	2,484,183	\$	7,043,109	\$	2,975,704	\$	25,109,265

The weighted average maturity of investments is 2.30 years.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The County's investments in U.S. Government money market mutual funds are valued using quoted market prices in active markets (Level 1 inputs). The County's investments in negotiable CD's, commercial paper, commercial medium-term notes, federal agency securities (FAMC, FHLB, FHLMC, FFCB and FNMA), U.S. treasury notes, taxable municipal issues and non-taxable municipal bonds are valued using quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources for similar assets or liabilities for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly (Level 2 inputs).

*Interest Rate Risk:* As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the County's investment policy limits maturities only to matching anticipated cash flow requirements.

Credit Risk: STAR Ohio and the U.S. Government money market account were assigned an AAAm rating from Standard & Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The County's investments in federal agency securities and U.S. treasury notes were rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively. The commercial paper issues were given a short-term rating of A-1 and A-1+ by Moody's and P-1 by Standard & Poor's The corporate bonds were given a rating of A1, A2, and Aaa from Moody's and AA+, AA, A+, and A by Standard & Poor's. The municipal issues and bonds were given a rating of Aa2, Aaa, by Moody's and AAA, AA, SP-1+ by Standard & Poor's. The County has no investment policy that addresses credit risk. The negotiable CDs were not rated.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the County will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The federal agency securities are exposed to custodial credit risk in that they are uninsured, unregistered and held by the counterparty's trust department or agent, but not in the County's name. The County's U.S. Bank commercial paper account was exposed to custodial credit risk, while the County's negotiable CDs were covered by the FDIC. The County's investment policy addresses custodial credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The County places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The percentage of each investment type held by the County as of December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	Measurement		
Measurement/ Investment Type	Amount		% of Total
Amortized Cost:			
STAR Ohio	\$	2,446,766	5.47
Fair Value:			
U.S. Government money market		88,585	0.20
Commercial paper		2,048,980	4.58
Corporate bonds		3,275,867	7.33
Negotiable CDs		9,020,463	20.17
FAMC		367,187	0.82
FHLB		3,766,175	8.42
FHLMC		4,994,359	11.17
FFCB		7,294,367	16.31
FNMA		2,796,640	6.26
U.S. treasury notes		5,593,510	12.51
Non-taxable municipal bonds		1,039,873	2.33
Taxable municipal issue		1,980,581	4.43
Total	\$	44,713,353	100.00

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### E. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments for the primary government as reported in the note above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net position as of December 31, 2021:

<u>Cash and investments per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 32,874,661
Investments	44,713,353
Cash on hand	 2,000
Total	\$ 77,590,014
Cash and investments per statement of net position	
Governmental activities	\$ 58,989,173
Business-type activities	2,054,738
Custodial funds	 16,546,103
Total	\$ 77,590,014

#### **NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

**A.** Short-term interfund loans receivable/payable consisted of the following at December 31, 2021, as reported on the fund financial statements:

Receivable fund	e fund Payable funds		Amount
General	Nonmajor governmental funds:		
Sheriff programs		\$	10,000
	Community corrections		20,000
	CDBG		16,589
	County capital projects		800,000
	Total short-term interfund loans payable/receivable	\$	846,589

The short-term interfund loans receivable balances in the General fund and other nonmajor governmental funds resulted from advances made to provide working capital for operations and other projects. All advances were authorized by resolution of the County Commissioners. Short-term interfund loans between governmental funds are eliminated for reporting on the statement of net position.

**B.** Long-term interfund loans payable/receivable consisted of the following at December 31, 2021:

Receivable fund Payable funds		 Amount
General	Nonmajor governmental funds:	
	Sheriff programs	\$ 22,054
	Community corrections	10,000
	Selective traffic enforcement	5,000
	Wolf creek ditch project	 73,041
	Total long-term interfund loans payable/receivable	\$ 110,095

The long-term interfund loan balances result from resources provided by the receivable fund to the payable fund to provide cash flow resources until anticipated revenues are received. Interfund loans payable/receivable between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements.

C. Amounts due to/from other funds consisted of the following at December 31, 2021, as reported on the fund financial statements:

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

	Due from other	
		funds
Due to other funds (payable):	Gen	eral Fund
Maintenance and repair	\$	
Nonmajor governmental		-
Real estate assessment		114
Lodging excise tax		749
Ditch maintenance		367
Victims of crime act		198
County sewer district enterprise		611
Total	\$	2,054

Amounts due to/from other funds between governmental funds are eliminated for reporting on the statement of net position. Amounts due to/from other funds between governmental funds and enterprise funds are reported as a component of internal balance on the statement of net position.

**D.** Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to (1) the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and (2) to use unrestricted revenues collected in the General fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2021, consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

	Tra	nsfer from:					
Transfer to:		General	onmajor vernmental	Amount			
Nonmajor governmental funds EMS nonmajor enterprise fund	\$	2,115,439 620,000	\$	29,441	\$	2,144,880 620,000	
	\$	2,735,439	\$	29,441	\$	2,764,880	

\$29,441 in transfers between nonmajor governmental funds were authorized by court order.

Transfers among the governmental funds and transfers among the enterprise funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements.

## **NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES**

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the County. Taxes collected from real property taxes (other than public utility) in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on the assessed value as of January 1 of that preceding year, the lien date. Assessed values are established by the County Auditor at 35 percent of appraised market value. All property is required to be revaluated every six years. 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 real and tangible personal property taxes collected in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values determined as of December 31 of the second year preceding the tax collection year, the lien date. Public utility tangible personal property is assessed at varying percentages of true value; public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value. 2021 public utility property taxes became a lien December 31, 2020, are levied after October 1, 2021, and are collected in 2022 with real property taxes. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same dates as real property taxes described previously.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The County Treasurer collects property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts in the County. The County Auditor periodically remits to taxing districts their portion of the taxes collected. The collection and distribution of taxes for all subdivisions within the County, excluding the County itself, is account for through custodial funds. Property taxes receivable represents real property taxes, public utility taxes, delinquent tangible personal property taxes and other outstanding delinquencies which are measurable as of December 31, 2021 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. In the governmental funds, property and other taxes receivable has been offset by a deferred inflow of resources for the current portion, since the current taxes were not levied to finance 2021 operations, and for the delinquent portion, since the collection of the taxes during the available period is not subject to reasonable estimation. On an accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a revenue while on a modified accrual basis this amount is recorded as a deferred inflow of resources.

The full tax rate for all County operations for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$10.60 per \$1,000 of assessed value. \$1.90 per \$1,000 of assessed value is levied for the general operations, while the remaining \$8.70 is levied for the Seneca County Opportunity Center.

The assessed values of real and tangible personal property upon which 2021 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

Real Property	\$ 1,056,100,580	72.63	%
Public Utility Personal Property	 397,894,550	27.37	%
Total Assessed Value	\$ 1,453,995,130	100.00	%

#### NOTE 7 - PERMISSIVE SALES AND USE TAX

In November, 1988, the Citizens of Seneca County passed a one percent sales and use tax on all retail sales except sales of motor vehicles made in the County and on the storage, use or consumption in the County of tangible personal property. On January 1, 2004 the Commissioners imposed a four-year temporary one-half of one percent sales tax effective January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2007. On February 6, 2007 the Commissioners passed a resolution to make the one-half of one percent sales tax permanent. Proceeds of the tax are credited entirely to the General fund.

Vendor collections of the tax are paid to the State Treasurer by the twenty-third day of the month following collection. The State Tax Commissioner certifies the amount of the tax to be returned to the County. The Tax Commissioner's certification must be made within the forty-five days after the end of each month. The Office of Budget and Management then has five days in which to draw the warrant payable to the County.

A receivable is recognized at year-end for amounts that will be received from sales, which occurred during 2021. On an accrual basis, the full amount of the receivable is recognized as revenue. On a modified accrual basis, the amount of the receivable not collected within the available period is recorded as a deferred inflow of resources.

#### **NOTE 8 - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at December 31, 2021 consisted of taxes, interest, accounts (billings for user charged services including unbilled utility services, fines and forfeitures), loans (community development block grant monies loaned to local businesses) and intergovernmental receivables arising from grants, entitlements and shared revenues. All intergovernmental revenues are considered collectible in full. Sewer enterprise fund receivables are considered collectible in full. Delinquent accounts receivable may be certified and collected as a special assessment, subject to foreclosure for nonpayment.

Receivables recorded on the County's financial statements are recorded to the extent the amounts are determined material and substantiated, not only by supporting documentation, but also by a reasonable systematic method of determining their existence, completeness, valuations and collectability. Using these criteria, the County has elected to not record child support arrearages in the custodial funds.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

These amounts, while potentially significant, are not considered measurable and, because collections are often significantly in arrears, the County is unable to determine a reasonable value.

Loans receivable to be collected in the CDBG fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) amount to \$60,096, of which \$50,788 is expected to be collected in more than one year.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

Fund Type/Fund	Description	Amount			
Major Funds					
General Fund	Local Government	\$ 491,996			
	Homestead and Rollback	127,549			
	Jail Housing	138,132			
	Casino revenue	382,732			
	Defense of Indigents	44,640			
	Miscellaneous Grants	2,551			
Total General Fund		1,187,600			
Maintenance and Repair	Motor Vehicle License	1,011,324			
	Gasoline Tax	1,822,318			
Total Maintenance and Repair		2,833,642			
Seneca County Opportunity Center					
	Homestead and rollback	248,840			
	Miscellaneous Grants	252,157			
Total Seneca County Opportunity Center		500,997			
Nonmajor Governmental Funds					
Child support enforcement agency	Grant	132,686			
Public assistance fund	Grant	366,352			
CDBG	Grant	1,953			
Wireless 911	Grant	16,488			
Sheriff highway safety	Grant	4,995			
Victims of crime act	Grant	13,604			
Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds		536,078			
Total		\$ 5,058,317			

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## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## NOTE 9 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	Balance			Balance	
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	12/31/20	Additions	Deletions	12/31/21	
Non denucciable Capital Agests					
Non-depreciable Capital Assets	Ф <b>22 211 002</b>	Ф 110 4 <b>2</b> 0	¢.	Ф 22 421 402	
Land and Improvements	\$ 22,311,983	\$ 119,420	\$ -	\$ 22,431,403	
Construction in Progress	1,592,329	788,512	(1,592,329)	788,512	
Total Non-depreciable Capital Assets	23,904,312	907,932	(1,592,329)	23,219,915	
Depreciable Capital Assets:					
Land Improvements	727,050	780,459	-	1,507,509	
Buildings and Improvements	47,522,201	2,044,630	-	49,566,831	
Machinery and Equipment	15,173,438	862,072	(375,942)	15,659,568	
Infrastructure	45,660,373	2,246,354	(2,746,541)	45,160,186	
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	109,083,062	5,933,515	(3,122,483)	111,894,094	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation:					
Land Improvements	(259,736)	(109,549)	-	(369,285)	
Buildings and Building Improvements	(21,611,692)	(166,439)	-	(21,778,131)	
Machinery and Equipment	(11,070,095)	(42,180)	369,535	(10,742,740)	
Infrastructure	(16,618,713)	(1,541,779)	1,342,359	(16,818,133)	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(49,560,236)	(1,859,947)	1,711,894	(49,708,289)	
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	59,522,826	4,073,568	(1,410,589)	62,185,805	
Total Governmental Activities Capital					
Assets, Net	\$ 83,427,138	\$ 4,981,500	\$ (3,002,918)	\$ 85,405,720	

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

## Governmental Activities:

General government:	
Legislative and executive	\$ 133,696
Judicial	3,357
Public safety	63,013
Public works	1,612,124
Health	18,462
Human services	28,250
Conservation and recreation	 1,045
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 1,859,947

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

<b>Business-type Activities:</b>	Balance 12/31/20	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/21	
Non-depreciable Capital Assets					
Land and Improvements	\$ 26,243	\$ -	<u>\$</u>	\$ 26,243	
Depreciable Capital Assets					
Buildings and Improvements	218,465	-	-	218,465	
Machinery and Equipment	1,668,186	167,890	-	1,836,076	
Infrastructure	6,708,356	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	6,708,356	
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	8,595,007	167,890	<u>-</u>	8,762,897	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation:					
Buildings and Improvements	(175,927)	(337)	-	(176,264)	
Machinery and Equipment	(1,312,504)	(182,143)	-	(1,494,647)	
Infrastructure	(1,822,718)	(167,538)	-	(1,990,256)	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(3,311,149)	(350,018)		(3,661,167)	
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	5,283,858	(182,128)		5,101,730	
Business-Type Activities Capital					
Assets, Net	\$ 5,310,101	\$ (182,128)	<u> </u>	\$ 5,127,973	

Depreciation expense was charged to business-type activities as follows:

## **Business-Type Activities:**

County Sewer District enterprise	\$ 178,478
EMS nonmajor enterprise	 171,540
Total Depreciation expense	\$ 350,018

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## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

Long-term obligation activity for the year ended December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	<u> </u>	Outstanding		Additions		<u>Deductions</u>	_	Outstanding 12/31/21	Di	Amount ue Within One Year	
Governmental Activities											
Special Obligation Bonds	\$	7,860,000	\$	-	\$	(275,000)	\$	7,585,000	\$	280,000	
General Obligation Bonds		400,000		-		(130,000)		270,000		135,000	
Joint Justice Center Loan											
(Direct Borrowing)		400,000		-		(50,000)		350,000		50,000	
Compensated Absences		2,350,450		297,299		(100,792)		2,546,957		21,989	
OWDA On-Lot Septic											
Loan (Direct Borrowing)		15,943		-		(7,972)		7,971		5,314	
Net Pension Liability		25,716,944		-		(7,395,643)		18,321,301		-	
Net OPEB Liability		16,875,353			_	(16,875,353)					
Governmental Activities	\$	53,618,690	\$	297,299	\$	(24,834,760)		29,081,229	\$	492,303	
		Add:	Unam	nortized Premiu	ım o	n Bond Issue:		378,711			
							\$	29,459,940			
Business-Type Activities											
Sewer District Improvement											
Revenue Bonds	\$	2,760,652	\$	-	\$	(59,000)	\$	2,701,652	\$	62,000	
Compensated Absences		40,614		-		(737)		39,877		-	
Net Pension Liability		283,241		42,757		-		325,998		-	
Net OPEB Liability		193,584		-		(193,584)		-		-	
OPWC Sewer Project Loan											
(Direct Borrowing)		3,422		<u>-</u>		(342)	_	3,080		685	
Business-type Activities	\$	3,281,513	\$	42,757	\$	(253,663)	\$	3,070,607	\$	62,685	

## Special Obligation Bonds

On July 7, 2016, the County issued \$8,905,000 in series 2016 special obligation sales tax supported bonds to provide funds to pay part of the County's portion of the costs of the Joint Justice Center Project.

The series 2016 special obligation sales tax supported bonds are comprised of \$7,585,000 in serial bonds outstanding at December 31, 2021. The interest rate on the current interest bonds range from 2% to 4%. The bonds were issued for a twenty-six year period, with a final stated maturity date of December 1, 2041. The bonds will be retired through the county sales tax bond retirement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

### General Obligation Bonds

On June 9, 2009, the County issued \$5,285,000 in general obligation refunding bonds to refund other general obligation bonds. General obligation bonds pledge the full faith and credit of the government. The general obligation bonds mature on December 1, 2023, and bear an annual interest rate of 2.00-5.00 percent. At December 31, 2021, the County had \$270,000 in general obligation bonds outstanding. The general obligation refunding bonds are paid from the bond retirement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) by money received from the leases to the various departments and other offices that also occupy the building and the balance from the General fund.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The County issued general obligation refunding bonds to provide resources to purchase U. S. Government State and Local Government Series securities that were placed in an irrevocable trust for the purpose of generating resources for all future debt service payments of \$5,070,000 of general obligation bonds. The investments and fixed earnings are sufficient to fully service the defeased debt until the debt is called or matures. For financial reporting purposes, the debt has been considered defeased and therefore removed as a liability from the County's government-wide financial statements. As of December 31, 2021, the amount of defeased debt amounted to \$275,000.

#### Joint Justice Center Loan

On January 26, 2015 the County entered into an interest free loan agreement with North Central Ohio Educational Service Center for up to \$500,000. As of December 31, 2021, County had \$350,000 outstanding. Payments will be paid in quarterly payments of \$12,500, until paid in full, immediately following a 12-month grace period after the date of the final disbursement. The loan will be paid from the General fund.

The loan is a direct borrowing that has terms negotiated directly between the County and the North Central Ohio Educational Service Center and is not offered for public sale. The loan has no significant finance-related terms related to events of default, termination events or acceleration clauses.

#### Sewer District Improvement Revenue Bonds

On June 21, 2012, the County authorized the issuance of \$3,212,000 in sewer district improvement revenue bonds at an interest rate of 2.75% for the acquisition and construction of sewer systems throughout the County. This issuance is composed of \$1,712,000 in series 2012A revenue bonds, \$400,000 in series 2012B revenue bonds, and \$1,100,000 in series 2012C revenue bonds. The bonds are liabilities of the County Sewer District enterprise fund, are payable with charges for sewer service, and are backed by the full faith and credit of the County should these revenues be insufficient to satisfy future debt service requirements. Principal and interest payments on the bonds during 2021 required 51.15% of net revenues and 25.70% of total revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$3,982,263. Principal and interest paid for the current year was \$134,918, total net revenues were \$263,748 and total revenues were \$524,885.

Proceeds from the series 2012A and 2012B sewer district improvement revenue bonds were used for the construction of sewer lines and a wastewater treatment facility in the unincorporated community of Bascom in Hopewell Township. Principal payments on the series 2012A and 2012B bonds are payable annually on October 1, beginning in 2014 and continuing through 2051. Proceeds from the series 2012C sewer district improvement revenue bonds were used to acquire the Village of New Riegel's sewer operations through the retirement of the Village of New Riegel's outstanding sewer system mortgage revenue bonds. Principal payments on the series 2012C bonds began on October 1, 2012, and continue annually through 2051.

#### **OWDA** Loan

The County has an interest-free Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan which is paid directly from the EPA On-Lot Septic Grant capital projects fund with money received from repayment of loans to individuals. The OWDA loan is an interest free loan. Disbursement of the proceeds was not capitalized as an asset, therefore the balance of the OWDA loan is not included in the calculation of the County's net investment in capital assets.

OWDA loan is a direct borrowing that has terms negotiated directly between the County and the OWDA and is not offered for public sale. In the event of default, the OWDA may declare the full amount of the then unpaid original loan amount to be immediately due and payable and/or require the County to pay any fines, penalties, interest, or late charges associated with the default.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### OPWC Loan

The County has a loan from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for the Honey Creek Sewer Separation Project which is reported as a liability of the County Sewer District enterprise fund and is paid directly from the user fees charged to residents of the sewer district. The OPWC loan is an interest free loan.

The OPWC loan is a direct borrowing that has terms negotiated directly between the County and the OPWC and is not offered for public sale. In the event of default, the OPWC may (1) charge an 8% default interest rate from the date of the default to the date of the payment and charge the County for all costs incurred by the OPWC in curing the default, (2) in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 164.05, direct the county treasurer of the county in which the County is located to pay the amount of the default from funds that would otherwise be appropriated to the County from such county's undivided local government fund pursuant to ORC 5747.51-5747.53, or (3) at its discretion, declare the entire principal amount of loan then remaining unpaid, together with all accrued interest and other charges, become immediately due and payable.

Net Pension Liability and Net OPEB Liability - See Notes 13 and 14 for details.

Compensated Absences - Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid. Among the County's governmental activities, these funds include General fund, Maintenance and Repair, Seneca County Opportunity Center and the following nonmajor governmental funds: Real Estate Assessment, Ditch Maintenance, Public Assistance, CSEA, DRETAC, Dog and Kennel, Community Corrections Grant, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management Agency, Delinquent Care and Custody Grant, Allen Eiry Guardianship, Victims of Crime Act Grant, Probate Court Programs, and Juvenile Court Programs. Compensated absences of the business-type activities will be made from the EMS nonmajor enterprise fund.

#### Legal Debt Margin

The Ohio Revised Code provides that the net general obligation debt of the County, exclusive of certain exempt debt, issued without a vote of the electors shall never exceed one percent of the total assessed valuation of the County.

The Code further provides that the total voted and unvoted net debt of the County, less the same exempt debt, shall never exceed a sum equal to three percent of the first \$100,000,000 of the assessed valuation, plus one and one-half percent of such valuation in excess of \$100,000,000 and not in excess of \$300,000,000, plus two and one-half percent of such valuation in excess of \$300,000,000. The assessed valuation used in determining the County's legal debt margin has been modified by House Bill 530 which became effective March 30, 2006. In accordance with House Bill 530, the assessed valuation used in calculating the County's legal debt margin calculation excludes tangible personal property used in business, telephone or telegraph property, interexchange telecommunications company property, and personal property owned or leased by a railroad company and used in railroad operations. The statutory limitations on debt are measured by a direct ratio of net debt to tax valuation and expressed in terms of a percentage. Based on this calculation, the County's voted legal debt margin was \$34,598,460 at December 31, 2021 and the unvoted legal debt margin was \$14,288,533 at December 31, 2021.

The following is a summary of the County's future annual debt service principal and interest requirements for long-term obligations of the governmental activities:

	General Obligation Bonds						OWDA On-Lot Septic Loan					
Year Ended	I	Principal		Interest		Total	Pr	incipal		Interest		Total
2022 2023	\$	135,000 135,000	\$	11,205 5,603	\$	146,205 140,603	\$	5,314 2,657	\$	- -	\$	5,314 2,657
Total	\$	270,000	\$	16,808	\$	286,808	\$	7,971	\$	_	\$	7,971

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

		Sales Tax Supported Bonds						Joint Justice Center Loan						
Year Ended		Principal		Interest		Total		rıncıpal		Interest		Total		
2022	\$	280,000	\$	252,350	\$	532,350	\$	50,000	\$	_	\$	50,000		
2023		285,000		245,350		530,350		50,000		-		50,000		
2024		295,000		238,225		533,225		50,000		-		50,000		
2025		300,000		230,850		530,850		50,000		-		50,000		
2026		310,000		221,850		531,850		50,000		-		50,000		
2027 - 2031		1,700,000		963,750		2,663,750		100,000		-		100,000		
2032 - 2036		2,000,000		652,150		2,652,150		-		-		-		
2037 - 2041	_	2,415,000		236,100		2,651,100								
Total	\$	7,585,000	\$	3,040,625	\$	10,625,625	\$	350,000	\$	_	\$	350,000		

The following is a summary of the County's future annual debt service requirements for long-term obligations of the business-type activities:

	OPWC Sewer Project Loan						Sewer District Improvement Revenue Bonds					
Year Ended	Pri	ncıpal	11	nterest		Total		Principal		Interest		Total
2022	\$	685	\$	-	\$	685	\$	62,000	\$	74,295	\$	136,295
2023		684		-		684		62,000		72,591		134,591
2024		685		-		685		64,000		70,884		134,884
2025		684		-		684		65,000		69,126		134,126
2026		342		-		342		67,000		67,337		134,337
2027 - 2031		-		-		-		364,000		307,979		671,979
2032 - 2036		-		-		-		420,000		254,876		674,876
2037 - 2041		-		-		-		479,000		193,991		672,991
2042 - 2046		-		-		-		549,000		124,471		673,471
2047 - 2051								569,652	_	45,061		614,713
Total	\$	3,080	\$		\$	3,080	\$	2,701,652	\$	1,280,611	\$	3,982,263

#### **NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

## A. Property and Liability

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; damage to and theft or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. The County maintains liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 general aggregate. In addition, the County maintains replacement cost insurance on all buildings and their contents, with a \$2,500 deductible on contents. Blanket building and personal property insurance are in the amount of \$141,438,157.

The County has additional insurance coverage in the following amounts for various items:

General Liability	\$1,000,000	Foster Parents	\$5,000,000
Crime Coverage	\$1,000,000	Valuable Papers	\$2,500,000
Errors and Omissions Liability	\$1,000,000	Prosecuting Attorney Defens	se\$25,000
Employee Dishonesty	\$1,000,000	Fleet Insurance:	
Law Enforcement Liability	\$1,000,000	Deductible	\$2,500
Equipment Breakdown Coverage	\$100,000,000	Liability	\$1,000,000
Stop Gap Liability	\$1,000,000	Uninsured/Underinsured Mo	otorist\$250,000
Excess Liability	\$4,000,000	Sewer Lines	\$4,731,049
Flood	\$100,000,000	Earthquake	\$100,000,000

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from last year.

#### B. Worker's Compensation

The County participates in the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program (the Program), an insurance purchasing pool. The Program is intended to achieve lower workers' compensation rates while establishing safe working conditions and environments for the participants. The workers' compensation experience of the participating counties is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all participants of the Program. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Program rather than its individual rate. In order to allocate the savings derived by formation of the Program, and to maximize the number of participants in the Program, the Program's executive committee then collects rate contributions from or pays rate equalization rebates to the various participants. Participation in the Program is limited to counties that can meet the Plan's selection criteria. The firm of CompManagement, Inc., provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the Program to cover the costs of administering the Program.

The County may withdraw from the Program if written notice is provided sixty days prior to the prescribed application deadline of the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation; however, the participant is not relieved of the obligation to pay any amounts owed to the program prior to withdrawal, and any participant leaving the Program allows representatives of the Program to access loss experience for three years following the last year of participation.

#### C. Natural Gas

The County Commissioners Association of Ohio Service Corporation (CCAOSC) partnered with the Palmer Energy Company to help manage a natural gas program for member counties. The program was designed specifically to help counties save money on their natural gas bill by utilizing the strength of group buying. By grouping together, counties leverage their buying power when shopping the market, thus securing the best price possible. The independent energy professionals of the Palmer Energy Company, on behalf of the CCAOSC, obtain the best price for natural gas from various reputable suppliers through the RFP process. Advisory committee meetings are held for oversight purposes regarding the natural gas program. Presently there are over 54 counties participating. Those counties are collectively saving millions of dollars in the program.

## **NOTE 12 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

County employees earn vacation and sick leave at varying rates depending on length of service and department policy. All accumulated, unused vacation time, not to exceed vacation earned in three years, is paid upon separation if the employee has at least one year of service with the County. Sick leave time may be accrued without limit. Accumulated, unused sick leave is paid at varying rates depending on length of service to employees who retire.

#### NOTE 13 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

### Net Pension Liability/Asset and Net OPEB Liability/Asset

Pensions and OPEB 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.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The net pension liability/asset and the net OPEB liability/asset represent the County's proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB 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 County's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The County cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the County does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability/asset is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, the retirement systems to provide health care to eligible benefit recipients.

The proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term net pension/OPEB liability/asset on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension/OPEB 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.

The remainder of this note includes the pension disclosures. See Note 14 for the OPEB disclosures.

#### Plan Description - Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - County 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 combination cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit/defined contribution pension plan. Participating employers are divided into state, local, law enforcement and public safety divisions. While members in the state and local divisions may participate in all three plans, law enforcement and public safety divisions exist only within the traditional plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. 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 <a href="https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml">https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml</a>, 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 in the traditional and combined plans 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 and combined plans as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS Comprehensive Annual Report referenced above for additional information, including requirements for reduced and unreduced benefits):

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### Group A

Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013

## State and Local

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

#### Traditional Plan 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

#### Combined Plan Formula:

1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 30

#### **Public Safety**

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

#### Law Enforcement

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

## Public Safety and Law Enforcement

#### Traditional Plan Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

#### Group B

20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013

#### State and Local

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

#### **Traditional Plan 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

#### **Combined Plan Formula:**

1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 30

#### **Public Safety**

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

## Law Enforce ment

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 52 with 15 years of service credit

#### Public Safety and Law Enforcement

#### Traditional Plan Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

#### Group C

Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013

#### State and Local

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit

#### Traditional Plan 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

#### Combined Plan Formula:

1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 35

#### **Public Safety**

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 52 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit

#### Law Enforcement

#### Age and Service Requirements:

Age 48 with 25 years of service credit or Age 56 with 15 years of service credit

#### Public Safety and Law Enforcement

#### Traditional Plan Formula:

2.5% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 25 years and 2.1% for service years in excess of 25

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 initial amount of a member's pension benefit is vested upon receipt of the initial benefit payment for calculation of an annual cost-of-living adjustment.

When a traditional plan benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, current law provides for an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA). This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. Members retiring under the combined plan receive a cost—of—living adjustment on the defined benefit portion of their pension benefit. For those who retired prior to January 7, 2013, the cost of living adjustment is 3 percent. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, current law provides that the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3.00%.

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 member's contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member's investment selections.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the member's contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member's 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 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 annuitization of the benefit (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. When members choose to annuitize their defined contribution benefit, the annuitized portion of the benefit is reclassified to a defined benefit.

Beginning in 2022, the Combined Plan will be consolidated under the Traditional Pension Plan (defined benefit plan) and the Combined Plan option 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:

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

- \* This rate is determined by OPERS' Board and has no maximum rate established by ORC.
- \*\* This rate is also determined by OPERS' Board, but is limited by ORC to not more than 2 percent greater than the Public Safety rate.
- \*\*\* Member contributions within the combined plan are not used to fund the defined benefit retirement allowance
- \*\*\*\* This employer health care rate is for the traditional and combined plans. The employer contribution for the member-directed plan is 4.00%.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll.

The County's contractually required contribution for the Traditional Pension Plan, the Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan was \$2,610,735 for 2021. Of this amount, \$129,235 is reported as due to other governments.

## Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – County licensed teachers participate in STRS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at <a href="www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a>.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

New members have a choice of three retirement plans: a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined (CO) Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307. The DB Plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation will be 2.2% of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Effective July 1, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced to zero. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 28 years of service, or 33 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

The DC Plan allows members to place all of their member contributions and 9.53% of the 14% employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.47% of the 14% employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12% of the 14% member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2% is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity after termination of employment at age 50 and after termination of employment.

New members who choose the DC Plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance.

Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy - Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For 2021, plan members were required to contribute 14% of their annual covered salary. The County was required to contribute 14%; the entire 14% was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The 2021 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The County's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$78,331 for 2021.

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

The net pension liability and net pension asset for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability or asset used to calculate the net pension liability or asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

STRS's total pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net pension liability or asset was based on the County'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 -		
	OPERS -	OPERS -	Member-		
	Traditional	Combined	Directed	STRS	Total
Proportion of the net					
pension liability/asset					
prior measurement date	0.133861%	0.104624%	0.081481%	0.004240%	
Proportion of the net					
pension liability/asset					
current measurement date	0.129444%	0.092098%	0.090294%	0.004121%	
Change in proportionate share	- <u>0.004417</u> %	- <u>0.012526</u> %	<u>0.008813</u> %	- <u>0.000119</u> %	
Proportionate share of the net					
pension liability	\$ 18,120,369	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 526,930	\$ 18,647,299
Proportionate share of the net	\$ 10,120,307	<b>J</b>	Φ -	\$ 320,730	\$ 10,0 <del>1</del> 7,277
pension asset	_	(251,324)	(15,561)	_	(266,885)
Pension expense	(23,849)	5,925	(11,161)	(46,281)	(75,366)
i chiston expense	(23,047)	3,723	(11,101)	(40,201)	(75,500)

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

	OPERS -								
		OPERS -	OPERS - Member-						
	Τ	raditional		Combined		Directed	STRS		Total
Deferred outflows									
of resources									
Differences between expected and									
actual experience	\$	-	\$	-	\$	10,687	\$	16,279	\$ 26,966
Changes of assumptions		-		15,693		443		146,181	162,317
Changes in employer's proportionate percentage/difference between									
employer contributions		113,508		-		-		5,028	118,536
Contributions subsequent to the									
measurement date		2,500,328	_	59,888		50,519		38,041	2,648,776
Total deferred									
outflows of resources	\$	2,613,836	\$	75,581	\$	61,649	\$	205,529	\$ 2,956,595

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

	OPERS -									
	(	OPERS -	О	PERS -	Member-					
	T	raditional	C	ombined	Directed		STRS			Total
Deferred inflows										
ofresources										
Differences between expected and										
actual experience	\$	757,990	\$	47,419	\$	-	\$	3,303	\$	808,712
Net difference between projected and actual earnings										
on pension plan investments		7,062,792		37,373		1,704		454,115		7,555,984
Changes in employer's proportionate percentage/difference between										
employer contributions		736,768		_				88,540		825,308
Total deferred										
inflows of resources	\$	8,557,550	\$	84,792	\$	1,704	\$	545,958	\$	9,190,004

\$2,648,776 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability/asset 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:

				(	OPERS -		
		OPERS -	OPERS -	]	Member-		
	7	Traditional	Combined		Directed	STRS	Total
Year Ending December 31:							
2022	\$	(3,440,205)	\$ (17,993)	\$	1,190	\$ (107,056)	\$ (3,564,064)
2023		(1,161,543)	(11,428)		1,445	(83,786)	(1,255,312)
2024		(2,879,031)	(20,044)		1,051	(91,694)	(2,989,718)
2025		(963,263)	(9,330)		1,287	(95,934)	(1,067,240)
2026		-	(4,001)		1,343	-	(2,658)
Thereafter			(6,303)		3,110		(3,193)
Total	\$	(8,444,042)	\$ (69,099)	\$	9,426	\$ (378,470)	\$ (8,882,185)

#### **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 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all 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, prepared as of December 31, 2020, are presented below.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

Wage inflation 3.25%

Future salary increases, including inflation
COLA or ad hoc COLA

3.25% to 10.75% including wage inflation
Pre 1/7/2013 retirees: 3.00%, simple

Post 1/7/2013 retirees: 0.50%, simple through 2021, then 2.15% simple

Investment rate of return

Current measurement date

Prior measurement date

7.20%

Actuarial cost method

Individual entry age

In October 2020, the OPERS Board adopted a change in COLA for Post-January 7, 2013 retirees, changing it from 1.40% simple through 2020 then 2.15% simple to 0.50% simple through 2021 then 2.15% simple.

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 above described tables.

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

During 2020, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio, and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Defined Benefit portfolio contains the investment assets for the Traditional Pension Plan, the defined benefit component of the Combined Plan and 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 investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Defined Benefit portfolio was 11.70% 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 long-term expected 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return were provided by the Board's investment consultant.

For each major asset class that is included in the Defined Benefit portfolio's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

		Weighted Average
		Long-Term Expected
	Target	Real Rate of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	(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/asset was 7.20%, post-experience study results, for the Traditional Pension Plan, the Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan. The discount rate used to measure total pension liability prior to December 31, 2020 was 7.20%. 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 for the Traditional Pension Plan, Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability/asset calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.20%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability/asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.20%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.20%) than the current rate:

			Current	
	1% Decrease	D	iscount Rate	1% Increase
County's proportionate share				
of the net pension liability (asset):				
Traditional Pension Plan	\$34,564,700	\$	18,120,369	\$4,446,935
Combined Plan	(175,001)		(251,324)	(308,210)
Member-Directed Plan	(13,658)		(15,561)	(17,072)

## Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation are presented below:

	June 30, 2021					
Inflation	2.50%					
Projected salary increases	12.50% at age 20 to					
	2.50% at age 65					
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation					
Payroll increases	3.00%					
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	0.00%					

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

For the June 30, 2021, actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50% of rates through age 69, 70% of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90% of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100% of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90% of rates for males and 100% of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

STRS Ohio's investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return *
Domestic Equity	28.00 %	7.35 %
International Equity	23.00	7.55
Alternatives	17.00	7.09
Fixed Income	21.00	3.00
Real Estate	10.00	6.00
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	2.25
Total	100.00 %	

<sup>\*10-</sup>Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25% and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2021. A discount rate of 7.45% was used in the prior year. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2021. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2021.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

				Current		
	1%	Decrease	Dis	count Rate	1% Increase	
County's proportionate share						
of the net pension liability	\$	986,743	\$	526,930	\$	138,389

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### NOTE 14 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

#### Net OPEB Asset

See Note 13 for a description of the net OPEB asset.

#### 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. Currently, Medicare-eligible retirees are able to select medical and prescription drug plans from a range of options and may elect optional vision and dental plans. Retirees and eligible dependents enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B have the option to enroll in a Medicare supplemental plan with the assistance of the OPERS Medicare Connector. The OPERS Medicare Connector is a relationship with a vendor selected by OPERS to assist retirees, spouses and dependents with selecting a medical and pharmacy plan. Monthly allowances, based on years of service and the age at which the retiree first enrolled in OPERS coverage, are deposited into an HRA. For non-Medicare retirees and eligible dependents, OPERS sponsors medical and prescription coverage through a professionally managed self-insured plan. An allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium is offered to retirees and eligible dependents. The allowance is based on the retiree's years of service and age when they first enrolled in OPERS coverage.

Medicare-eligible retirees who choose to become re-employed or survivors who become employed in an OPERS-covered position are prohibited from participating in an HRA. For this group of retirees, OPERS sponsors secondary coverage through a professionally managed self-insured program. Retirees who enroll in this plan are provided with a monthly allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium. Medicare-eligible spouses and dependents can also enroll in this plan as long as the retiree is enrolled.

OPERS provides a monthly allowance for health care coverage for eligible retirees and their eligible dependents. The base allowance is determined by OPERS.

The health care 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 separation, member directed plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

Effective January 1, 2022, OPERS will discontinue the group plans currently offered to non-Medicare retirees and re-employed retirees. Instead, eligible non-Medicare retirees will select an individual medical plan. OPERS will provide a subsidy or allowance via an HRA allowance to those retirees who meet health care eligibility requirements. Retirees will be able to seek reimbursement for plan premiums and other qualified medical expenses.

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 with a minimum age of 60, or generally 30 years of qualifying service at any age. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. Current retirees eligible (or who become eligible prior to January 1, 2022) to participate in the OPERS health care program will continue to be eligible after January 1, 2022. Eligibility requirements will change for those retiring after January 1, 2022, with differing eligibility requirements for Medicare retirees and non-Medicare retirees. 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' Annual Comprehensive Financial Report referenced below for additional information.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

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 <a href="https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml">https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml</a>, 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 allowing 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, OPERS no longer allocated a portion of its employer contributions to health care for the traditional plan and the combined plan.

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 14.00% of earnable salary and public safety and law enforcement employers contributed at 18.10%. 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. For 2021, OPERS did not allocate any employer contribution to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan. The OPERS Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving 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 4.00%.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The County's contractually required contribution was \$20,208 for 2021. Of this amount, \$1,000 is reported as due to other governments.

#### Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description - The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements elimination date was postponed indefinitely. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a> or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy - Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14% of covered payroll. For 2021, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

## Net OPEB Assets, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows or Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB asset and total OPEB asset 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.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

STRS's total OPEB asset was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB asset used to calculate the net OPEB asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net OPEB asset was based on the County'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:

	OPERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the net			
OPEB liability			
prior measurement date	0.130919%	0.004240%	
Proportion of the net			
OPEB liability/asset			
current measurement date	<u>0.126737</u> %	<u>0.004121</u> %	
Change in proportionate share	- <u>0.004182</u> %	- <u>0.000119</u> %	
Proportionate share of the net			
OPEB asset	\$ (2,134,532)	\$ (86,892)	\$ (2,221,424)
OPEB expense	(13,136,070)	(8,407)	(13,144,477)

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

	OPERS			STRS	Total		
Deferred outflows							
of resources							
Differences between							
expected and							
actual experience	\$	-	\$	3,094	\$	3,094	
Changes of assumptions		1,049,358		5,550		1,054,908	
Changes in employer's							
proportionate percentage/							
difference between							
employer contributions		70,570		273		70,843	
Contributions							
subsequent to the							
measurement date		20,208		-		20,208	
Total deferred							
outflows of resources	\$	1,140,136	\$	8,917	\$	1,149,053	

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

	OPERS	STRS	Total		
Deferred inflows	 				
of resources					
Differences between					
expected and					
actual experience	\$ 1,926,402	\$ 15,919	\$	1,942,321	
Net difference between					
projected and actual earnings					
on OPEB plan investments	1,136,882	24,084		1,160,966	
Changes of assumptions	3,458,582	51,836		3,510,418	
Changes in employer's					
proportionate percentage/					
difference between					
employer contributions	470,949	8,131		479,080	
Total deferred					
inflows of resources	\$ 6,992,815	\$ 99,970	\$	7,092,785	

\$20,208 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ending December 31, 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:

	OPERS		STRS		 Total
Year Ending December 31:					_
2022	\$	(3,132,150)	\$	(26,078)	\$ (3,158,228)
2023		(2,112,733)		(25,473)	(2,138,206)
2024		(494,040)		(25,097)	(519,137)
2025		(133,959)		(10,546)	(144,505)
2026		(5)		(3,927)	(3,932)
Thereafter		-		68	68
Total	\$	(5,872,887)	\$	(91,053)	\$ (5,963,940)

## **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 health care costs 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 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.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

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%
Projected Salary Increases,	3.25 to 10.75%
including inflation	including wage inflation
Single Discount Rate:	
Current measurement date	6.00%
Prior Measurement date	3.16%
Investment Rate of Return	
Current measurement date	6.00%
Prior Measurement date	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	
Current measurement date	2.00%
Prior Measurement date	2.75%
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	
Current measurement date	8.50% initial,
	3.50% ultimate in 2035
Prior Measurement date	10.50%, initial
	3.50%, ultimate in 2030
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal

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 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, if any contribution are made into the plans, the contributions are assumed to be received continuously throughout the year based on the actual payroll payable at the time contributions are made. 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 was 10.50% for 2020.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The allocation of investment assets within 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 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.

For each major asset class that is included in the Health Care's portfolio's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

		Weighted Average
		Long-Term Expected
	Target	Real Rate of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	(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% was used to measure the total OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2020. 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 net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and (2) a 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 the actuarial assumed rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.00%. 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 the year 2120. As a result, the actuarial assumed long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through the year 2120, the duration of the projection period through which projected health care payments are fully funded.

Change in Benefit Terms - On January 15, 2020, the Board approved several changes to the health care plan offered to Medicare and non-Medicare retirees in efforts to decrease costs and increase the solvency of the health care Plan. These 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 non-Medicare retirees with monthly allowances, similar to the program for Medicare retirees. These changes are reflected in the December 31, 2020 measurement date health care valuation which are reported by the County at December 31, 2021. These changes significantly decreased the total OPEB liability for the measurement date December 31, 2020.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB asset calculated using the single discount rate of 6.00%, as well as what the 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%) or one-percentage-point higher (7.00%) than the current rate:

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

		Current					
	1%	Decrease	Discount Rate		19	% Increase	
County's proportionate share							
of the net OPEB asset	\$	530,764	\$	2,134,532	\$	3,452,958	

Sensitivity of the County'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 asset. The following table presents the net OPEB asset calculated using the assumed trend rates, and the expected net OPEB asset if it were calculated using a health care cost trend rate that is 1.00% lower or 1.00% 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%. 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% in the most recent valuation.

	Current Health					
	Care Trend Rate					
	_19	6 Decrease	A	ssumption	1%	6 Increase
County's proportionate share	·					
of the net OPEB asset	\$	2,186,554	\$	2,134,532	\$	2,076,328

## Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2021, actuarial valuation, compared with June 30, 2020, are presented below:

	June 3	0, 2021	June 30, 2020		
Inflation	2.50%		2.50%		
Projected salary increases	12.50% at age 20	) to	12.50% at age 20	) to	
	2.50% at age 65		2.50% at age 65		
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of inv	restment	7.45%, net of inv	estment	
	expenses, include	ding inflation	expenses, inclu	ding inflation	
Payroll increases	3.00%		3.00%		
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	0.00%		0.00%		
Discount rate of return	7.00%		7.45%		
Blended discount rate of return	N/A		N/A		
Health care cost trends					
	Initial	Ultimate	Initial	Ultimate	
Medical					
Pre-Medicare	5.00%	4.00%	5.00%	4.00%	
Medicare	-16.18%	4.00%	-6.69%	4.00%	
Prescription Drug					
Pre-Medicare	6.50%	4.00%	6.50%	4.00%	
Medicare	29.98%	4.00%	11.87%	4.00%	

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

For healthy retirees the mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50% of rates through age 69, 70% of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90% of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100% of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90% of rates for males and 100% of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

**Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date** - The discount rate was adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45% for the June 30, 2021 valuation.

**Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date** - The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022 from 2.055% to 2.100%. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2022. The Medicare Part D subsidy was updated to reflect it is expected to be negative in CY2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return *
Domestic Equity	28.00 %	7.35 %
International Equity	23.00	7.55
Alternatives	17.00	7.09
Fixed Income	21.00	3.00
Real Estate	10.00	6.00
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	2.25
Total	100.00 %	

<sup>\*10-</sup>Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25% and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

**Discount Rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB asset was 7.00% as of June 30, 2021. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS Ohio continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.00% was used to measure the total OPEB asset as of June 30, 2021.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate - The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2021, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00%, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

	Current						
	1%	Decrease	Disc	ount Rate	1% Increase		
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$	73,323	\$	86,892	\$	98,226	
	1% Decrease		Current Trend Rate		1% Increase		
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$	97,767	\$	86,892	\$	73,444	

#### NOTE 15 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements.

The statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (non-GAAP budgetary basis) presented for the General fund, Maintenance and Repair fund, and Seneca County Opportunity Center fund are presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- (a) Revenues and other financing sources are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis);
- (b) Expenditures and other financing uses are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis);
- (c) In order to determine compliance with Ohio law, and to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, total outstanding encumbrances (budget basis) are recorded as the equivalent of an expenditure, as opposed to assigned or committed fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable (GAAP basis);
- (d) Advances-in and advances-out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis);
- (e) Investments are reported at fair value (GAAP basis) rather than cost (budget basis); and,
- (f) Some funds are included in the General fund (GAAP basis), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budget basis).

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements (as reported in the fund financial statements) to the budgetary basis statements for all governmental funds for which a budgetary basis statement is presented:

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## Net Change in Fund Balance

	General Fund		 ntenance and epair Fund	Seneca County Opportunity Center	
Budget basis	\$ (23,127)		\$ 1,198,539	\$	1,185,463
Net adjustment for revenue accruals		(427,333)	(201,986)		201,529
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals		(381,760)	39,544		49,940
Net adjustment for other sources/uses		1,035,698	-		-
Funds budgeted elsewhere		535,336	-		-
Adjustment for encumbrances		1,206,756	 338,047		984,321
GAAP basis	\$	1,945,570	\$ 1,374,144	\$	2,421,253

Certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the General fund on a GAAP basis. These include the mental expense rotary fund, sheriff rotary fund, unclaimed monies fund, hazardous materials fund, clerk of courts title administration fund, public safety rental fund, recorder equipment fund, employee benefits fund, underground storage tank fund, Medicaid transitional replacement fund, budget stabilization fund and the payroll withholding funds.

#### **NOTE 16 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The County has received federal and State grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies on their designee. These audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. Based on prior experience, the County Commissioners believe such disallowances, if any, will be not be material.

The County is named among defendants in pending litigation. Plaintiffs are seeking damages in excess of one million dollars from all defendants; however, as of December 31, 2021, the likelihood of a successful claim against the County is not known.

#### **NOTE 17 - CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

The County has previously issued Hospital and Healthcare Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds to provide financial assistance to the Flat Rock Homes, Good Shepherd Home, St. Francis Home, Inc., Project and Catholic Healthcare Partners. During 2013 the County issued Health Care Facilities Revenue Bonds to provide assistance to Volunteers of America Rehabilitation Centers, Inc. and Economic Development and Lease Revenue Bonds to provide assistance to Heidelberg University. On June 18, 2019, The County issued \$36,500,000 in Economic Development Revenue Bonds, Series 2019 to provide assistance to Heidelberg University, which refunded the outstanding principal of the Series 2013 Lease Revenue Bonds. The bonds are secured by the properties financed and are payable solely from the payments received on the underlying leases. Upon repayment of the bonds, ownership of the acquired facilities transfers to the entities served by the issuances. Neither Seneca County, the State of Ohio, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for the repayment of the bonds or lease; therefore, these obligations are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. As of December 31, 2021, an estimated \$485,865,000 in revenue bond obligations were outstanding.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 18 - PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOLS**

## A. County Risk Sharing Authority (CORSA)

The County is a member of CORSA, which is a public entity risk sharing pool of thirty-nine counties in Ohio. CORSA was formed as an Ohio nonprofit corporation for the purpose of establishing the CORSA Insurance/Self Insurance Program, a group primary and excess insurance/self-insurance and risk management program. Member counties agree to jointly participate in coverage of losses and pay all contributions necessary for the specified insurance coverage provided by CORSA. This coverage includes comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, certain property insurance and public officials' errors and omissions liability insurance. Each member county has one vote on all matters requiring a vote, to be cast by a designated representative. The affairs of the Corporation are managed by an elected board of not more than nine trustees. Only county commissioners of member counties are eligible to serve on the board. No county may have more than one representative on the board at any time. Each member county's control over the budgeting and financing of CORSA is limited to its voting authority and any representation it may have on the Board of Trustees. CORSA has issued certificates of participation in order to provide adequate cash reserves. The certificates are secured by the member counties' obligations to make coverage payments to CORSA. The participating counties have no responsibility for the payment of the certificates. Financial statements may be obtained by contacting the County Commissioners Association of Ohio in Columbus, Ohio.

## B. County Employee Benefits Consortium of Ohio (CEBCO)

The County is a member of CEBCO, which is a self-funded, group purchasing consortium that offers medical, dental, vision, and prescription drug coverage to thirty-six counties in Ohio. CEBCO is a nonprofit organization formed by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) to provide cost-effective employee benefit programs for Ohio county governments. Various plan options are available to members. These plans vary primarily by deductibles, coinsurance levels, office visit copays, and out-of-pocket maximums. CEBCO is governed by a board of directors composed mainly of representatives of counties that participate in the program. Members sign a three-year commitment to CEBCO. Premiums are paid on a monthly basis. Pursuant to participation agreements with CEBCO, each member agrees to pay all funding rates associated with the coverage it elects; as such, funding rates are set and billed to the members by CEBCO. The assigned funding rates consist of the following components: administrative fees, stop-loss fees, expected claim costs, and reserves. Reserves are actuarially determined and allocated based on expected claim activity. Rates are calculated to cover the administrative expenses and expected claims costs of the program. Financial statements may be obtained by contacting the Managing Director of Health and Wellness, 209 East State Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

#### C. County Commissioners Association of Ohio Service Corporation (CCAOSC)

The County is participating in the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Service Corporation (CCAOSC), a pool established under the rules of Ohio Revised Code Section 4123.29, which permits the establishment of employer group rating plans. The CCAOSC was established through the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) in order to group the experience of employers for workers' compensation rating purposes.

CCAOSC retains the services of a third party administrator (TPA) in the administration of workers' compensation claims. A Group Executive Committee consists of seven members. Two of the members are president and treasurer, the remaining five members, who must be county commissioners, are elected by the participants. The Group Executive Committee calculates annual rate contributions and rebates, approves the selection of a TPA, approves proposed TPA fees and determines eligibility of participants. The County may withdraw from the group with sixty days written notice and is responsible for payment of its workers' compensation with no further responsibilities or equity. Further financial information for the County Commissioner Association of Ohio Service Corporation can be seen in the CCAO Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2021.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 19 - JOINT VENTURES**

## A. Sandusky County-Seneca County-City of Tiffin Port Authority

Seneca County joined Sandusky County and the City of Tiffin in a joint venture, as described in Note 1, to purchase a railroad line from Tiffin to Woodville. The Port Authority may be dissolved at any time upon the enactment of an ordinance by the City and resolutions by the Counties. Any real or personal property will be returned to the subdivision from which it was received. Upon dissolution of the Port Authority, any personal property belonging to the Port Authority will be distributed equally to the City and the Counties after paying all expenses and debts. Non-interest revenue bonds were issued by the Port Authority during 1989 to purchase 25.1 miles of railroad in May 1990. Debt service requirements are secured by future revenue from shippers who will utilize the railroad. Principal is payable on the bonds through 2028. Summary financial information for the Port Authority for the year ended December 31, 2021 is presented below. Further financial information is in the Sandusky County-Seneca County-City of Tiffin Port Authority financial report for the year ending December 31, 2021.

	Joint Venture			County Share		
Total Assets Total Liabilities	\$	6,174,154 (379,055)	\$	2,058,052 (126,352)		
Net Position	\$	5,795,099	\$	1,931,700		
Revenues Expenses	\$	1,555,712 (242,032)	\$	518,571 (80,678)		
Increase in Net Position	\$	1,313,680	\$	437,893		

#### B. Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca Solid Waste District

Seneca County has also entered into a joint venture with Ottawa and Sandusky Counties to form the Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca County Solid Waste District. The Counties contributed no initial funding and the District is funded entirely by fees. In the event that fees are not sufficient for the operations, the counties shall share all operating costs and expenses incurred in the same proportions as the populations of the respective counties bears to the total population of all counties. Seneca County's share of the total is approximately 35.72 percent. Summary financial information as of, and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 is presented below:

	Jo	int Venture	Co	unty Share			Population	Equity P	ercent
Beginning Net Position	\$	3,143,554	\$	1,124,717	Otta	awa	40,104	2	6.09%
Revenues		1,830,873		653,933	Sandus	sky	58,715	3	8.19%
Expenses		(1,650,504)		(591,444)	Sen	eca	54,906	3:	5.72%
<b>Ending Net Position</b>	\$	3,323,923	\$	1,187,206	To	otal	153,725	10	0.00%

Summary financial information on the Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca County Solid Waste District is unaudited cash basis financial data. Further information was not available at this time. Additional financial information can be obtained from the Sandusky County, Ohio Auditor.

## C. Mental Health and Recovery Services Board (MHRS)

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board (MHRS) is a governmental joint venture between Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky and Wyandot counties. The MHRS Board provides mental health education, consultation, training and referral services to the public. Seneca County serves as the fiscal agent of the MHRS Board. The counties share in the equity of the MHRS Board based on the percentages of population within the three counties. Seneca County's share of the total is approximately 31.30 percent.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

Summary financial information as of, and for the year ended December 31, 2021 is presented below. Further financial information can be found in the Annual Financial Report of the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties as of December 31, 2021.

	Jo	oint Venture	County Share	_	Population	<b>Equity Percent</b>
Beginning Net Position	\$	6,282,752	\$ 2,559,052	Sandusky	58,715	33.47%
Revenues		8,329,802	2,607,013	Seneca	54,906	31.30%
Expenses		(6,391,725)	(2,593,158)	Wyandot	21,708	12.37%
<b>Ending Net Position</b>	\$	8,220,829	\$ 2,572,907	Ottawa	40,104	22.86%
				Total	175,433	100.00%

#### D. Northland Homes and Properties, Inc.

Northland Homes and Properties, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation organized for charitable purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The corporation is a joint effort of the DD Boards of Seneca, Crawford and Marion counties to provide a lifetime of affordable housing and residential services to citizens with developmental disabilities. The corporation is governed by a board of at least ten Trustees with each participating county board of developmental disabilities appointing two. The Trustees shall serve a maximum of three consecutive three-year terms. The housing purchases are financed by State grants that are distributed to each Board of DD and then to the Corporation. The Boards of DD also fund the operational costs of the Corporation.

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Trustees shall distribute all remaining assets of the corporation to the participating county boards of developmental disabilities.

Summary financial information as of, and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 is presented below. Further financial information can be found in the Northland Homes and Properties, Inc. financial report as of December 31, 2021.

	Jo	int Venture	County Share			
Total Assets	\$	2,672,087	\$	890,696		
Total Liabilities		(602,054)		(200,685)		
Net Position	\$	2,070,033	\$	690,011		
Revenues	\$	867,581	\$	289,194		
Expenses		(587,439)		(195,813)		
Increase in Net Position	\$	280,142	\$	93,381		

## NOTE 20 - SENECA COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION - COMPONENT UNIT

#### A. Description of the Entity

Seneca County Land Reutilization Corporation (the Corporation) is a county land reutilization corporation that was formed on November 19, 2015 when the Seneca County Board of Commissioners authorized the incorporation of the Corporation under Chapter 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code through resolution as a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio. The purpose of the Corporation is for reclaiming, rehabilitating or reutilizing economically non-productive land throughout Seneca County (the County). The Corporation can potentially address parcels where the fair market value of the property has been greatly exceeded by the delinquent taxes and assessed liens and are therefore not economically feasible to initiate foreclosure actions upon. By establishing the Corporation, the County can begin to address dilapidated housing issues in communities located in the County and also return properties to productive use.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The Corporation has been designated as the County's agent to further its mission to reclaim, rehabilitate, and reutilize vacant, abandoned, tax foreclosed and other real property in the County by exercising the powers of the County under Chapter 5722 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Pursuant to Section 1724.03 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be composed of five members including, (1) the County Treasurer, (2) at least two members of the County Board of Commissioners, (3) one member who is a representative of the largest municipal corporation, based on population according to the most recent federal decennial census, that is located in the County, (4) one member who is a representative of a township with a population of at least ten thousand in the unincorporated area of the township according to the most recent federal decennial census, and (5) any remaining members selected by the County Treasurer and the County Commissioners who are members of the Corporation board. The term of office of each ex officio director runs concurrently with the term of office of that elected official. The term of officer of each appointed director is two years.

The Corporation is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio. In accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organization Are Component Units" and GASB Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus", the Corporation's primary government and basic financial statements include components units which are defined as legally separate organizations for which the Corporation is financially accountable. The Corporation is financially accountable for an organization if the Corporation appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Corporation is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or impose its will over the organization; or (2) the Corporation is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the Corporation is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the Corporation is obligated for the debt of organization. The Corporation does not have any component units and does not include any organizations in its presentation. The Corporation's management believes these basic financial statements present all activities for which the Corporation is financially accountable. The Corporation is a component unit of Seneca County, Ohio.

The basic financial statements of the Corporation have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The Corporation's significant accounting policies are described below.

#### B. Basis of Presentation

The Corporation's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

## Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Corporation as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for the fiduciary funds. These statements usually distinguish between those activities of the Corporation that are governmental and those that are business-type. The Corporation, however, does not have any business-type activities or fiduciary funds.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Corporation at year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the Corporation's governmental activities.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the Corporation, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental program is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Corporation.

#### Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Corporation segregates transactions related to certain Corporation functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Corporation at this more detailed level. The Corporation's General fund is its only governmental fund.

## C. Fund Accounting

The Corporation uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. For financial statement presentation purposes, the Corporation's fund is classified as governmental.

#### Governmental Funds

Governmental funds focus 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 repaid. The difference between governmental fund assets plus deferred outflows less liabilities plus deferred inflows is reported as fund balance. The following is the Corporation's only governmental fund:

General Fund - The General fund accounts for all financial resources that are received from the County Treasurer from penalties collected on delinquent property taxes and interest on those delinquencies. The General fund receives 5% of all collections of delinquent real property, personal property, and manufactured and mobile home taxes that are deposited into the County's Delinquent Real Estate Tax Assessment and Collection (DRETAC) fund. The General fund balance is available to the Corporation for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

## D. Measurement Focus

## Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets, all deferred outflows, all liabilities and all deferred inflows associated with the operation of the Corporation 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.

#### Fund Financial Statements

The General fund is accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, current deferred outflows, current liabilities and current deferred inflows generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

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 the General fund. For 2021, there were no differences between the government-wide statements and the governmental fund statements.

## E. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded on the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The General fund uses the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred inflow of resources and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

## Revenues - Exchange and Nonexchange 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 Corporation, available means expected to be received within sixty days of year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Corporation receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements and donations. 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 Corporation must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Corporation on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, intergovernmental revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at year-end.

## Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

## F. Budgetary Process

The Corporation is not bound by the budgetary laws prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code for purely governmental entities. The Corporation did not adopt an annual budget prior to the beginning of the year or approve appropriations and subsequent amendments during the year.

## G. Federal Income Tax

The Corporation is exempt from federal income tax under Section 115(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### H. Cash and Investments

All monies received by the Corporation are deposited in demand deposit accounts. The Corporation had no investments during the year or at the end of the year.

Investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents.

## I. Prepayments

Certain payments to vendors reflect the costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the balance sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed. At year end, because prepayments are not available to finance future governmental fund expenditures, a nonspendable fund balance is recorded by an amount equal to the carrying value of the asset on the fund financial statements. The Corporation had no prepayments outstanding at December 31, 2021.

#### J. Assets Held for Resale

Assets held for resale represent properties purchased by or donated to the Corporation. Purchased properties are valued based upon the purchase price plus any costs of maintenance, rehabilitation, or demolition of homes on the properties. Donated or forfeited properties are reported at fair value. The Corporation holds the properties until the home is either sold to a new homeowner, sold to an individual who will rehabilitate the home, or the home on the property is demolished. Properties with demolished homes could be transferred to the city or township they are in after demolition, until those parcels may be merged with adjacent parcels for development or green space projects, or the Corporation may sell other lots to the owners of adjacent parcels for a nominal cost.

## K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

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

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 fund.

#### L. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The Corporation had no restricted net position at December 31, 2021.

#### M. Intergovernmental Revenue

The Corporation receives operating income the County. This money represents the penalties and interest on current unpaid and delinquent property taxes once these taxes are paid. Pursuant to ORC 321.263, these penalty and interest monies are collected by the County when taxes are paid and then are paid to the Corporation upon the Corporation's written request.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### N. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Corporation 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 classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) 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, for example, assets held for resale and prepaid amounts.

Restricted - The restricted classification is used 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 imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Corporation's Board of Directors. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors remove 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 - Assigned fund balance includes amounts that are constrained by the Corporation's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. In the General fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has by resolution authorized the Treasurer to assign fund balance.

*Unassigned* - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General fund.

The Corporation applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is 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.

## O. Estimates

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

#### P. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Corporation Administration and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The Corporation had no extraordinary or special items during 2021.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## Q. Deposits and Investments

At December 31, 2021, the carrying amount and bank balance of all Corporation deposits was \$380,892. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of December 31, 2021, \$250,765 of the Corporation's bank balance was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the remaining \$130,127 was either covered by the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS) or exposed to custodial credit risk as described below.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Corporation will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Corporation has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by (1) eligible securities pledged to the Corporation's and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured, or (2) participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the Corporation to a successful claim by the FDIC.

## R. Risk Management

The Corporation is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For 2021, the Corporation was covered under Seneca County's policy with the County Risk Sharing Authority (CORSA) for liability insurance.

There has been no reduction in coverage from the prior year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage the past two years and there was no significant change in insurance coverage from the prior year.

## S. Transactions with Seneca County

Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 321.261 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Corporation has been authorized by the Seneca County Board of Commissioners to receive 5% of all collections of delinquent real property, personal property, and manufactured and mobile home taxes that are deposited into the County's Delinquent Real Estate Tax Assessment and Collection (DRETAC) fund and will be available for appropriation by the Corporation to fund operations.

At December 31, 2021, the Corporation recognized revenues of \$123,134 for these fees that were collected by Seneca County in 2021.

## T. Contingencies

The Corporation received financial assistance from State agencies in the form of grants. The disbursements of funds received under these programs generally require compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General fund. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Corporation.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### U. COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Corporation. The impact on the Corporation's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

#### NOTE 21 - SENECA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - COMPONENT UNIT

#### A. Description of the Entity

The Transportation Improvement District, Seneca County (the District), is a body politic and corporate, created for the purpose to acquire, construct, enlarge, improve, equip, sell, lease, lease-purchase, exchange, or otherwise dispose of property, structures, and other facilities for transportation projects. The District was specifically created pursuant to Chapter 5540 of the Ohio Revised Code, as amended. The District was created by action of the Board of Seneca County Commissioners on October 25, 2017.

The District is governed by a Board of Trustees that acts as the authoritative and legislative body of the entity. The Board is comprised of seven members of whom five are voting and two are non-voting. Each Board member serves a term of one year and there are no term limits for reappointment. The five voting Board members are appointed by the Board of Seneca County Commissioners, one nonvoting member is appointed by the Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives of the general assembly, and one nonvoting member is appointed by the President of the Senate of the general assembly.

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio. In accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organization Are Component Units" and GASB Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus", the District's primary government and basic financial statements include components units which are defined as legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or impose its will over the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the District is obligated for the debt of organization. The District does not have any component units and does not include any organizations in its presentation. The District's management believes these basic financial statements present all activities for which the District is financially accountable. The District is a component unit of Seneca County, Ohio.

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

## **B.** Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Financial Statements The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for the fiduciary funds.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

These statements usually distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are business-type. The District, however, does not have any business-type activities or fiduciary funds.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the District at year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limitations. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

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

#### C. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations or limitations. For financial statement presentation purposes, the District's funds are classified as governmental. There is one category of funds: Governmental.

Governmental Funds Governmental funds focus 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 funds' assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following is the District's major governmental fund:

General Fund - The General fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

#### D. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the 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 District are included on the of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position.

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

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

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. At December 31, 2021, there were no differences between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

## E. Basis of Accounting

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

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

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

Under the modified accrual basis, intergovernmental revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end.

**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.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the District, deferred inflows of resources include unavailable revenue. 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 District, unavailable revenue includes intergovernmental receivable. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available. At December 31, 2021 the District did not have deferred outflows/inflows of resources.

**Expenses/Expenditures** On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## F. Budgetary Process

The District is not bound by the budgetary laws prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code for purely governmental entities. The District did not adopt an annual budget prior to the beginning of the year or approve appropriations and subsequent amendments during the year.

#### G. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Seneca County Treasurer maintains a cash and investment pool used for all County and the District's funds. The District has no other cash deposits or investments and does not receive interest income on its cash balances held in the County Treasury.

Protection of the County's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment by Surety Company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

#### H. Capital Assets

The District reports no capital assets.

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

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide 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. At December 31, 2021, the District had no payables or accrued liabilities.

#### J. Receivables

The District had no receivables outstanding at December 31, 2021.

## K. Fund Balance

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

<u>Nonspendable</u> - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) 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, for example, assets held for resale and prepaid items.

<u>Restricted</u> - The restricted fund balance is used when constraints are placed on the use of resources that 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.

<u>Committed</u> - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Trustees (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Trustees removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

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.

<u>Assigned</u> - The assigned fund balance classification is intended to be used by the District for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the General fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the Board of Trustees.

<u>Unassigned</u> - 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 only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

#### L. Net Position

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is 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. The District had no restricted net position at December 31, 2021.

#### M. Estimates

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

#### N. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the District Administration and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The District had no extraordinary or special items during 2021.

#### O. Risk Management

The District is covered under Seneca County's County Risk Sharing Authority (CORSA) insurance policy.

#### P. Contingencies

Federal and State contracts are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies or their designees. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenses disallowed under terms of the grant. There are no such claims pending and no known situations which would lead to such a claim. In addition, based upon prior experience and audit results, management believes that such disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

## Q. COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the District. The impact on the District's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 22 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

For the year ended December 31, 2021 the County participated in the following related party transactions:

Related Party	Purpose	A	mount
Soil and Water Conservation District	Flood Plain Administration	\$	10,000
Seneca County Regional Planning Commission	Assessment		42,559
Total		\$	52,559

## NOTE 23 - JOINT USE, MANAGEMENT AND LEASE AGREEMENT

On September 22, 2015, the County entered into an agreement with the City of Tiffin in which both parties agreed to provide financing, construction and improvements for the Joint Justice Center. The County is responsible for 75% of the annual operating costs and the City of Tiffin is responsible for the remaining 25%. Each party is also must contribute monies for capital costs of improvements to the Joint Justice Center, the Justice Center Site and replacing or improving furniture, furnishings and equipment. The County is responsible for contributing \$30,000 and the City is responsible for contributing \$10,000. Those contributions increase by three percent each fiscal year.

On May 17, 2018, the County entered into an agreement with the City of Tiffin and the City of Fostoria for the reimbursement of services associated with the current contract with the County and Inspiron Logistics, Wireless Emergency Notification System for a period of three years, beginning June 1, 2018 thru May 30, 2021. The agreement automatically renews annually until terminated in writing.

#### **NOTE 24 - OPERATING LEASE**

Effective May 1, 2021, the County (the Lessor) entered into an agreement to lease the County Home farm and main barn, consisting of approximately 147.1 acres, to Doug Fredritz (the Lessee) at \$37,475 per year. The term of the lease is for one year, ending April 30, 2022. Rent per year is to be paid by the lessor on or before December 1 of each year of the lease. The land is to be occupied and used for agricultural purposes related to planting, growing and harvesting of crops. Annual rental acreage amount may be reduced by up to 5 acres, at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners. Violation of any part of the lease by either party is cause for the other party to terminate the lease by giving 60 days written notice.

#### **NOTE 25 - OTHER COMMITMENTS**

The County utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year end may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the County's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

Fund	Encumbrances				
General fund	\$	849,179			
Maintenance and Repair fund		315,005			
Seneca County Opportunity Center		740,795			
Nonmajor governmental funds		4,484,087			
Total	\$	6,389,066			

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

## NOTE 26 - FUND BALANCE

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources in the governmental funds.

Constraints placed on fund balances for the governmental funds are presented below:

Fund balance	 General		Iaintenance and Repair	Op	eca County portunity Center	Nonmajor Governmental Funds		G	Total overnmental Funds
Nonspendable:									
Materials and supplies									
inventory	\$ 88,473	\$	459,783	\$	24,501	\$	2,810	\$	575,567
Prepayments	212,824		9,693		68,939		88,068		379,524
Unclaimed monies	171,673		-		-		-		171,673
Long-term loans	 110,095						_		110,095
Total nonspendable	 583,065		469,476		93,440		90,878	_	1,236,859
Restricted:									
Capital projects	-		-		-		9,320		9,320
Grants and specific programs	-		-		-		6,270,855		6,270,855
SCOC programs	-		-	1	8,426,207		-		18,426,207
Human services programs	-		-		-		1,938,961		1,938,961
Roads and bridges	-		18,399,033		-		-		18,399,033
Community and									
economic development	-		-		-		289,656		289,656
Other purposes	 				_		134,563	_	134,563
Total restricted	 		18,399,033	1	8,426,207		8,643,355	_	45,468,595
Committed:									
Underground storage tank	 11,855	_						_	11,855
Assigned:									
Debt service	-		-		-		70,509		70,509
Capital projects	-		-		-		1,201,212		1,201,212
Grants and specific programs	11,429		-		-		-		11,429
General government	2,045,347		-		-		-		2,045,347
Public safety	143,178		-		-		-		143,178
Human services	134,663		-		-		-		134,663
Employee benefits	244,871		-		-		-		244,871
Public works	 3,696								3,696
Total assigned	 2,583,184				<u>-</u>		1,271,721	_	3,854,905
Unassigned (deficit)	 8,867,828						(119,660)		8,748,168
Total fund balances	\$ 12,045,932	\$	18,868,509	\$ 1	8,519,647	\$	9,886,294	\$	59,320,382

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 27 - TAX ABATEMENTS**

As of December 31, 2021, the County provides tax abatements through two programs - Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) and Enterprise Zone (Ezone). These programs relate to the abatement of property taxes.

<u>CRA</u> - Under the authority of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3735.67, the CRA program is an economic development tool administered by municipal and county governments that provides real property tax exemptions for property owners who renovate existing or construct new buildings. CRA's are areas of land in which property owners can receive tax incentives for investing in real property improvements. Under the CRA program, local governments petition to the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) for confirmation of a geographical area in which investment in housing is desired. Once an area is confirmed by the ODSA, local governments may offer real property tax exemptions to taxpayers that invest in that area. Property owners in the CRA can receive temporary tax abatements for renovation of existing structures and new construction in these areas. Property owners apply to the local legislative authority for approval to renovate or construct in the CRA. Upon approval and certification of completion, the amount of the abatement is deducted from the individual or entity's property tax bill.

Ezone - Under the authority of ORC Sections 5709.62 and 5709.63, the Ezone program is an economic development tool administered by municipal and county governments that provides real and personal property tax exemptions to businesses making investments in Ohio. An Ezone is a designated area of land in which businesses can receive tax incentives in the form of tax exemptions on qualifying new investment. An Ezone's geographic area is identified by the local government involved in the creation of the zone. Once the zone is defined, the local legislative authority participating in the creation must petition the OSDA. The OSDA must then certify the area for it to become an active Enterprise Zone. The local legislative authority negotiates the terms of the Enterprise Zone Agreement (the Agreement) with the business, which may include tax sharing with the Board of Education. Legislation must then be passed to approve the Agreement. All Agreements must be finalized before the project begins and may contain provisions for the recoupment of taxes should the individual or entity fail to perform. The amount of the abatement is deducted from the business's property tax bill.

The County has entered into Economic Zone (EZ) tax abatement agreements for the abatement of real property taxes with the City of Tiffin and the City of Fostoria. The total value of the County's share of taxes abated from EZ and CRA programs in 2021 was \$195 and \$11,121, respectively.

#### **NOTE 28 - COVID-19**

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During 2021, the County received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the County. The impact on the County's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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## SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY/NET PENSION ASSET OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

## LAST EIGHT YEARS

	20212020		2020	2019		2018		
Traditional Plan:								
County's proportion of the net pension liability		0.129444%		0.133861%		0.135176%		0.131682%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	18,120,369	\$	24,974,350	\$	35,392,536	\$	19,773,939
County's covered payroll	\$	17,849,993	\$	18,113,629	\$	17,503,793	\$	16,818,677
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		101.51%		137.88%		202.20%		117.57%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		86.88%		82.17%		74.70%		84.66%
Combined Plan:								
County's proportion of the net pension asset		0.092098%		0.104624%		0.100040%		0.117856%
County's proportionate share of the net pension asset	\$	251,324	\$	205,929	\$	106,943	\$	153,572
County's covered payroll	\$	383,114	\$	445,243	\$	409,550	\$	459,185
County's proportionate share of the net pension asset as a percentage of its covered payroll		65.60%		46.25%		26.11%		33.44%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension asset		157.67%		145.28%		126.64%		137.28%
Member Directed Plan:								
County's proportion of the net pension asset		0.090294%		0.081481%		0.078083%		0.078923%
County's proportionate share of the net pension asset	\$	15,561	\$	2,907	\$	1,701	\$	2,637
County's covered payroll	\$	504,040	\$	463,020	\$	427,240	\$	411,510
County's proportionate share of the net pension asset as a percentage of its covered payroll		3.09%		0.63%		0.40%		0.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension asset		188.21%		118.84%		113.42%		124.46%

Note: Information prior to 2014 was unavailable. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the County's measurement date which is the prior year-end.

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

 2017	 2016	2015		 2014
0.129274%	0.129323%		0.127219%	0.127219%
\$ 27,927,276	\$ 21,469,046	\$	14,684,663	\$ 14,352,986
\$ 16,321,667	\$ 14,434,208	\$	15,229,083	\$ 16,090,392
171.11%	148.74%		96.43%	89.20%
77.25%	81.08%		86.45%	86.36%
0.111159%	0.110370%		0.116450%	0.110645%
\$ 58,857	\$ 51,463	\$	40,770	\$ 11,111
\$ 432,683	\$ 389,575	\$	404,450	\$ 346,754
13.60%	13.21%		10.08%	3.20%
116.55%	116.90%		114.83%	104.56%
0.065284%	0.071569%		n/a	n/a
\$ 259	\$ 274		n/a	n/a
\$ 268,300	\$ 394,092		n/a	n/a
0.10%	0.07%		n/a	n/a
103.40%	103.91%		n/a	n/a

## SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

## LAST EIGHT YEARS

	2021		2020 2019		2019	2018		
County's proportion of the net pension liability		0.004121%		0.004240%		0.004758%		0.004687%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	526,930	\$	1,025,835	\$	1,052,285	\$	1,030,584
County's covered-employee payroll	\$	504,657	\$	599,950	\$	573,536	\$	561,850
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		104.41%		170.99%		183.47%		183.43%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		87.78%		75.48%		77.40%		77.30%

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Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the County's measurement date which is the prior year-end.

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

 2017	 2016	 2015	 2014
0.005000%	0.004600%	0.004888%	0.004711%
\$ 1,187,841	\$ 1,539,826	\$ 1,351,019	\$ 1,145,990
\$ 564,600	\$ 553,757	\$ 555,685	\$ 518,723
210.39%	278.07%	243.13%	220.93%
75.30%	66.80%	72.10%	74.70%

#### SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

#### LAST TEN YEARS

	 2021	2020	 2019	2018
Traditional Plan:				
Contractually required contribution	\$ 2,500,328	\$ 2,498,999	\$ 2,535,908	\$ 2,450,531
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 (2,500,328)	 (2,498,999)	(2,535,908)	 (2,450,531)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
County's covered payroll	\$ 17,859,486	\$ 17,849,993	\$ 18,113,629	\$ 17,503,793
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%
Combined Plan:				
Contractually required contribution	\$ 59,888	\$ 53,636	\$ 62,334	\$ 57,337
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 (59,888)	 (53,636)	 (62,334)	 (57,337)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
County's covered payroll	\$ 427,771	\$ 383,114	\$ 445,243	\$ 409,550
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%
Member Directed Plan:				
Contractually required contribution	\$ 50,519	\$ 50,404	\$ 46,302	\$ 42,724
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 (50,519)	 (50,404)	 (46,302)	 (42,724)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
County's covered payroll	\$ 505,190	\$ 504,040	\$ 463,020	\$ 427,240
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%

 2017	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013	2012
\$ 2,186,428	\$ 1,958,600	\$ 1,732,105	\$ 1,827,490	\$ 2,091,751	\$ 1,624,062
 (2,186,428)	(1,958,600)	(1,732,105)	 (1,827,490)	 (2,091,751)	 (1,624,062)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
\$ 16,818,677	\$ 16,321,667	\$ 14,434,208	\$ 15,229,083	\$ 16,090,392	\$ 16,240,620
13.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	13.00%	10.00%
\$ 59,694	\$ 51,922	\$ 46,749	\$ 48,534	\$ 45,078	\$ 22,098
 (59,694)	 (51,922)	 (46,749)	 (48,534)	 (45,078)	 (22,098)
\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
\$ 459,185	\$ 432,683	\$ 389,575	\$ 404,450	\$ 346,754	\$ 277,962
13.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	13.00%	7.95%
\$ 41,151	\$ 32,196	\$ 47,291			
 (41,151)	 (32,196)	 (47,291)			
\$ 	\$ 	\$ 			
\$ 411,510	\$ 268,300	\$ 394,092			
10.00%	12.00%	12.00%			

#### SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

#### LAST TEN YEARS

	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Contractually required contribution	\$ 78,331	\$ 70,652	\$ 83,993	\$ 80,295
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(78,331)	 (70,652)	 (83,993)	 (80,295)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
County's covered payroll	\$ 559,507	\$ 504,657	\$ 599,950	\$ 573,536
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

 2017	 2016	2015	 2014	 2013	 2012
\$ 78,659	\$ 79,044	\$ 77,526	\$ 72,239	\$ 67,434	\$ 66,845
 (78,659)	 (79,044)	 (77,526)	 (72,239)	 (67,434)	 (66,845)
\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
\$ 561,850	\$ 564,600	\$ 553,757	\$ 555,685	\$ 518,723	\$ 514,192
14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%

#### SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY/NET OPEB ASSET OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

#### LAST FIVE YEARS

	_	2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
County's proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset		0.126737%	0.130919%	0.131868%	0.129140%
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/(asset)	\$	(2,134,532)	\$ 17,068,937	\$ 16,435,790	\$ 13,423,280
County's covered payroll	\$	18,737,147	\$ 19,021,892	\$ 18,340,583	\$ 17,689,372
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/asset as a percentage of its covered payroll		11.39%	89.73%	89.61%	75.88%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability/asset		115.57%	47.80%	46.33%	54.14%

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#### 2017

0.125744%

- \$ 12,700,586
- \$ 17,022,650

74.61%

54.15%

#### SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY/NET OPEB ASSET STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

#### LAST FIVE YEARS

	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
County's proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset	0.004121%	0.004240%	0.004758%	0.004687%
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (86,892)	\$ (74,511)	\$ (78,810)	\$ (75,000)
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 504,657	\$ 599,950	\$ 573,536	\$ 561,850
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/asset as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	17.22%	12.42%	13.74%	13.35%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability/asset	174.73%	182.13%	174.70%	176.00%

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# 0.005000% \$ 195,095 \$ 564,600 34.55%

#### SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF COUNTY OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

#### LAST TEN YEARS

	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Contractually required contribution	\$ 20,208	\$ 20,161	\$ 18,521	\$ 17,090
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 (20,208)	 (20,161)	 (18,521)	 (17,090)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
County's covered payroll	\$ 18,792,447	\$ 18,737,147	\$ 19,021,892	\$ 18,340,583
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.11%	0.11%	0.10%	0.09%

 2017	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013	 2012
\$ 193,853	\$ 336,197	\$ 296,476	\$ 333,730	\$ 160,446	\$ 644,704
 (193,853)	 (336,197)	 (296,476)	 (333,730)	 (160,446)	 (644,704)
\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
\$ 17,689,372	\$ 17,022,650	\$ 15,217,875	\$ 15,633,533	\$ 16,437,146	\$ 16,518,582
1.10%	1.97%	1.95%	2.13%	0.98%	3.90%

#### SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF COUNTY OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

#### LAST TEN YEARS

	 2021	 2020	2019	 2018
Contractually required contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 	 	 	 
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
County's covered payroll	\$ 559,507	\$ 504,657	\$ 599,950	\$ 573,536
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

 2017	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013	 2012
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,965	\$ 5,187	\$ 5,141
 	 	 	 (4,965)	 (5,187)	 (5,141)
\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
\$ 561,850	\$ 564,600	\$ 553,757	\$ 555,685	\$ 518,723	\$ 514,192
0.00%	0.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%

## NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### PENSION

#### OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

#### Changes in benefit terms:

<sup>o</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2014-2021.

#### Changes in assumptions:

- <sup>a</sup> There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for 2014-2016.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2017, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) reduction in the actuarially assumed rate of return from 8.00% down to 7.50%, (b) for defined benefit investments, decreasing the wage inflation from 3.75% to 3.25% and (c) changing the future salary increases from a range of 4.25% 10.05% to 3.25%-10.75%.
- □ There were no changes in assumptions for 2018.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2019, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of return and discount rate were reduced from 7.50% down to 7.20%.
- □ There were no changes in assumptions for 2020.
- □ There were no changes in assumptions for 2021.

#### STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

#### Changes in benefit terms:

- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2014-2016.
- <sup>o</sup> For 2017, STRS decreased the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to zero effective July 1, 2017.
- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms for 2018.
- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms for 2019.
- □ There were no changes in benefit terms for 2020.
- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms for 2021.

#### Changes in assumptions:

- <sup>a</sup> There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for 2014-2016.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2017, the following changes of assumption affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%, (b) the inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%, (c) the payroll growth assumption was lowered to 3.00%, (d) total salary increases rate was lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, in addition to a decrease of 0.25% due to lower inflation (e) the healthy and disabled mortality assumptions were updated to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016 and (f) rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience.
- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in assumptions for 2018.
- □ There were no changes in assumptions for 2019.
- □ There were no changes in assumptions for 2020.
- For 2021, the following changes of assumption affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.45% to 7.00%.

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## NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

#### OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS)

#### Changes in benefit terms:

- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2017-2020.
- For 2021, the following were the most significant changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement date: the Board approved several changes to the health care plan offered to Medicare and non-Medicare retirees in efforts to decrease costs and increase the solvency of the health care Plan. These 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 non-Medicare retirees with monthly allowances, similar to the program for Medicare retirees. These changes are reflected in the December 31, 2020 measurement date health care valuation. These changes significantly decreased the total OPEB liability for the measurement date December 31, 2020.

#### Changes in assumptions:

- <sup>a</sup> There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for 2017.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2018, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) reduction in the actuarially assumed rate of return from 4.23% down to 3.85%.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2019, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affect the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate was increased from 3.85% up to 3.96%, (b) The investment rate of return was decreased from 6.50% percent down to 6.00%, (c) the municipal bond rate was increased from 3.31% up to 3.71% and (d) the health care cost trend rate was increased from 7.50%, initial/3.25%, ultimate in 2028 up to 10.00%, initial/3.25% ultimate in 2029.
- For 2020, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affect the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate was decreased from 3.96% up to 3.16%, (b) the municipal bond rate was decreased from 3.71% up to 2.75% and (c) the health care cost trend rate was increased from 10.50%, initial/3.25%, ultimate in 2029 up to 10.50%, initial/3.50% ultimate in 2030.
- For 2021, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affect the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate was increased from 3.16% up to 6.00%, (b) the municipal bond rate was decreased from 2.75% up to 2.00% and (c) the health care cost trend rate was decreased from 10.00%, initial/3.50%, ultimate in 2030 down to 8.50%, initial/3.50% ultimate in 2035.

#### STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

#### Changes in benefit terms:

- <sup>n</sup> There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for 2017.
- For 2018, STRS reduced the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients from 2.1% to 1.9% per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 2019.
- For 2019, STRS increased the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients from 1.9% to 1.944% per year of service effective January 1, 2019. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased January 1, 2019 and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2020, the non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984% to 2.055% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.
- For 2021, the non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984% to 2.055% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

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## NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

#### Changes in assumptions:

- <sup>a</sup> There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for 2017.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2018, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) increase in the discount rate from 4.13% to 7.45% and (b) decrease in trend rates from 6.00%-11.00% initial; 4.50% ultimate down to 5.23%-9.62% initial; 4.00% ultimate.
- For 2019, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) increase in prescription drug trend rates from -5.23%-9.62% initial; 4.00% ultimate up to 4.00%-9.62% initial; 4.00% ultimate.
- For 2020, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) decrease in medical trend rates from 4.93%-5.87% to -6.69%-5.00% and (b) an increase in prescription drug trend rates from 7.73%-9.62% to 6.50%-11.87%.
- <sup>a</sup> For 2021, the following were the most significant changes of assumptions that affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) decrease in the discount rate from 7.45% to 7.00%, (b) decrease in Medicare medical trend rates from 6.69% initial; 4.00% ultimate down to -16.18% initial; 4.00% ultimate and (c) increase in Medicare prescription drug trend rates from 11.87% initial; 4.00% ultimate up to 29.98% initial; 4.00% ultimate.

## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

FEDERAL GRANTOR Pass Through Grantor Program / Cluster Title	Federal AL Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
Passed Through Ohio Department of Job and Family Services				
SNAP Cluster				
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition	10 501	C 2024 44 5004 / C 2222 44 6000		ф 206.226
Assistance Program	10.561	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		\$ 396,326
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
National School Lunch Program  Cash Assistance	10.555	IRN066241		11.050
COVID-19 - Cash Assistance	10.555	IRN066241		11,850 1,139
NonCash Assistance (Food Distribution)	10.555	IRN066241		2,511
Cash Assistance	10.555	IRN093286		20,963
COVID-19 - Cash Assistance	10.555	IRN093286		2,759
NonCash Assistance (Food Distribution) Total AL #10.555	10.555	IRN093286		597 39,819
10tal AL #10.000				39,019
School Breakfast Program	10.553	IRN093286		10,919
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				50,738
COVID-19 - Pandemic EBT Administrative Costs	10.649	N/A		614
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture				447,678
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT				
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT Passed Through Ohio Department of Development				
Community Development Block Grants/State's Program and				
Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii	14.228	B-F-19-1CQ-1		62,402
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE				
Passed Through the Ohio Attorney General				
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2021-VOCA-133899028		93,898
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2021-SVAA-133899031		6,130
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2022-VOCA-134719009		20,295
Crime Victim Assistance Total AL #16.575	16.575	2022-SVAA-134719012	-	789 121,112
	16.585	2040 DC DV 0425		
Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program		2018-DC-BX-0135		125,000
Criminal and Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program	16.745	2018-MO-BX-0049		124,247
Direct Comprehensive Onicid Abuse Site Recod Brogram	16.838	2020 AB BY 0067		E E7E
Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program	10.030	2020-AR-BX-0067		5,575
Total U.S. Department of Justice				375,934
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR				
Passed Through Montgomery County Workforce Investment Act (WIOA) Area 7 WIOA Cluster				
WIOA oldstein WIOA Adult Program	17.258	2020-7174-1		257,643
WIOA Youth Activities	17.259	2020-7174-1		220,019
WIOA Dislocated Worker Formula Grants	17.278	2020-7174-1		544,360
Total WIOA Cluster				1,022,022
Employment Service Cluster				
Employment Service/Wagner-Peyser Funded Activities	17.207	2020-7174-1		2,298
Unemployment Insurance	17.225	2020-7174-1		22,798
Trade Adjustment Assistance	17.245	2020-7174-1		399
WIOA National Dislocated Worker Grants / WIA National Emergency Grants	17.277	2020-7174-1		45,165
Total U.S. Department of Labor				1,092,682
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Direct				
Direct Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-39-0076-011-2015		13,287
Airport Improvement Program  Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-39-0076-012-2018		22,511
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-39-0076-013-2019		38,676
COVID-19 - Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-39-0076-015-2020		30,000
COVID-19 - Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-39-0076-016-2021		13,000
Airport Improvement Program Total AL # 20.106	20.106	3-39-0076-017-2021		627,703 745,177
. Stat. 1 & 11 & 20.100				140,177
Passed Through Ohio Department of Transportation				
Highway Planning and Construction Cluster Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	112546		20.000
	20.205	113516		38,880
	20.205	113875		14 580
Highway Planning and Construction Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster	20.205	113875		14,580 53,460

## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

FEDERAL GRANTOR Pass Through Grantor Program / Cluster Title	Federal AL Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
Passed Through Ohio Department of Public Safety				
Highway Safety Cluster State and Community Highway Safety	20 600	IDED/STED 2024 O 00024		7 000
State and Community Highway Safety State and Community Highway Safety	20.600 20.600	IDEP/STEP-2021-O-00031 IDEP/STEP-2022-O-00005		7,223 3,852
Total AL # 20.600				11,075
National Priority Safety Programs	20.616	DDEP-2021-O-00027		1,924
Total Highway Safety Cluster				12,999
Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving while Intoxicated Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving while Intoxicated	20.608 20.608	IDEP/STEP-2021-O-00031 IDEP/STEP-2022-O-00005		6,302 1,143
Total AL # 20.608	20.000	152176121 2022 0 00000		7,445
Total U.S. Department of Transportation				819,081
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY				
Passed Through Ohio Office of Budget and Management COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	HB481-CRF-Local		538,438
	21.019	HD401-CRF-LUCAI		536,436
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	FY2021		10.842
Total AL # 21.019	2	1.1202.		549,280
Passed Through Ohio Office of Budget and Management				
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	SLFRP0659		3,167,290
Total U.S. Department of Treasury				3,716,570
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
Direct Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional				
and National Significance	93.243	1H79T1081926-01		400,000
Passed Through Health Resources and Services Administration COVID-19 - Provider Relief Fund	93.498	N/A		9,532
	93.490	N/A		9,552
Passed Through Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		21,928
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989	\$ 30,689	725,811
Child Support Enforcement	93,563	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989	,	827,731
	00.000	0 2021 11 00017 0 2220 11 0000		021,101
CCDF Cluster Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		88,250
Grants to States for Access and Visitation Programs	93.597	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989	62,905	62,905
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		38,236
Foster Care Title IV-E	93.658	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		589,826
Adoption Assistance	93.659	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		172,579
Passed Through Ohio Department of Job and Family Services				
Social Services Block Grant	93.667	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		690,888
Passed Through Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities				
Social Services Block Grant Total AL # 93.667	93.667	21010HSOSR		31,494 722,382
Passed Through Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Medicaid Cluster				
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	G-2021-11-5991 / G-2223-11-6989		359,112
Passed Through Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities				
Medical Assistance Program Medical Assistance Program	93.778 93.778	21050H5ADM 22050H5ADM		249,604 81,214
Total Medicaid Cluster	,			689,930
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			93,594	4,349,110
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## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

FEDERAL GRANTOR  Pass Through Grantor  Program / Cluster Title	Federal AL Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY				
Passed Through Ohio Emergency Management Agency				
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMC-2020-EP-00004		25,119
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMC-2021-EP-00002		10,937
Total Emergency Management Performance Grants				36,056
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				36,056
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Passed Through Ohio Department of Education				
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	FY2021		22,515
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	FY2022		6,656
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				29,171
Education Stabilization Fund				
COVID-19 - Governors Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund	84.425C	FY2021		39,794
COVID-19 - Governors Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund	84.425C	FY2022		10,560
Total Governors Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund				50,354
Total U.S. Department of Education				79,525
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 93,594	\$ 10,979,038

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule

# NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR 200.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **NOTE A - BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Seneca County, Ohio (the County) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2021. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County.

#### NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement.

#### NOTE C - INDIRECT COST RATE

The County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### **NOTE D - SUBRECIPIENTS**

The County passes certain federal awards received from Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to other governments or not-for-profit agencies (subrecipients). As Note B describes, the County reports expenditures of Federal awards to subrecipients when paid in cash.

#### NOTE E - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER

The County commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the County assumes it expends federal monies first.

#### **NOTE F - FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

The County reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the entitlement value. The County allocated donated food commodities to the respective program that benefitted from the use of those donated food commodities.

# NOTE G - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME) GRANT PROGRAMS WITH REVOLVING LOAN CASH BALANCE

The current cash balance on the County's CDBG local program income account as of December 31, 2021 is \$104,225.

The current cash balance on the County's HOME local program income account as of December 31, 2021 is \$89,174.

# NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR 200.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

#### **NOTE H - MATCHING REQUIREMENTS**

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

#### **NOTE I – TRANSFERS BETWEEN FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

During fiscal year 2021, the County made allowable transfers of \$395,789 from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) (AL #93.558) program to the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) (AL #93.667) program. The Schedule shows the County spent approximately \$725,811 on the TANF program. The amount reported for the TANF program on the Schedule excludes the amount transferred to the SSBG program. The amount transferred to the SSBG program is included as SSBG expenditures when disbursed. The following table shows the gross amount drawn for the TANF program during fiscal year 2021 and the amount transferred to the Social Services Block Grant program.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	\$ 1,121,600
Transfer to Social Services Block Grant	(395,789)
Total Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	\$ 725,811

#### NOTE J - TITLE XIX MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

During the calendar year, the County Board of Development Disabilities received a settlement payment for 2017 and 2018 Cost Reports from the Ohio Department of Development Disabilities for the Medicaid Program (AL #93.778) in the amount of \$3,993 and \$3,949, respectively. The Cost Report Settlement payment was for settlement of the difference between the statewide payment rate and the rate calculated based upon actual expenditures for Medicaid services. This revenue is not listed on the County's Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards since the underlying expenses occurred in the prior reporting periods.

#### NOTE K - PRIOR FEDERAL EXPENDITURES

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 Provider Relief Fund Passed through Health Resources and Services Administration (AL #93.498) of \$9,532 was inadvertently reported on the County's 2020 Schedule. Based on guidance these should not be reported on the Schedule until reported on the PRF Portal which was not required until July 1, 2021. Therefore, the amounts on the 2020 Schedule were overstated by \$9,532. This error would not have a material effect on the assessment of our testing for major programs or our testing of the major programs.

The County signed a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FFA) (AL #20.106) on August 22, 2019 for the design and construction of taxiway pavement rehabilitation at the Seneca County Airport. The FFA approved previous expenditures, including \$710 from 2019 and \$37,966 from 2020. Therefore, the amounts on the 2021 Schedule are the amounts reimbursed in 2021 of \$38,676.

The County signed a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FFA) (AL #20.106) on September 4, 2018 for land acquisition, obstruction removal at the Seneca County Airport. The FFA approved previous expenditures, including \$1,094 from 2018, and \$21,417 from 2019. Therefore, the amounts on the 2021 Schedule are the amounts reimbursed in 2021 of \$22,511.

# NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR 200.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Continued)

The County signed a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FFA) (AL #20.106) on September 16, 2015 for land acquisition, and conduct wildlife hazard site visit at the Seneca County Airport. The FFA approved previous expenditures, including \$1,762 from 2016, \$8,441 from 2017, and \$3,625 from 2018 and unapproved a previous expenditure of \$540 from 2014. Therefore, the amounts on the 2021 Schedule are the amounts reimbursed in 2021 of \$13,287.



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

Seneca County 109 South Washington Street #2206 Tiffin, Ohio 44883-2841

To the Board of County Commissioners:

We have audited, in accordance with 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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate discretely presented component units and remaining fund information of Seneca County, Ohio, (the County) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 20, 2022, wherein we noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures, which may impact subsequent periods of the County.

#### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purposes of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County'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 County'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 were not identified.

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#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County'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 financial statements. 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 County'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 County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 20, 2022



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

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To the Board of County Commissioners:

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

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Seneca County, Ohio's (the County) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Seneca County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2021. Seneca County's major federal programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Seneca County complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2021.

#### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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#### Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

The County's Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the County's federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our audit. 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, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the County's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred
  to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the County's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in
  order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report
  on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the
  purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over
  compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

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

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Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of this testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 20, 2022

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#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS 2 CFR § 200.515 DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### 1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds – AL #21.027
		Child Support Enforcement – AL #93.563
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	Yes

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

None

3	FINDINGS	FOR FEDERAL	<b>AWARDS</b>

None

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#### **AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



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