DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OF SUMMIT COUNTY SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO

REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021



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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Development Finance Authority of Summit County, Summit County, prepared by Rea & Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Development Finance Authority of Summit County is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 13, 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Summit County, Ohio 47 N. Main Street, Suite 407 Akron, Ohio 44308

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Development Finance Authority of Summit County, Summit County, Ohio, (the Authority) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Development Finance Authority of Summit County, Summit County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the respective changes in its financial position and its cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We have 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*). 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 Authority, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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 Authority'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.

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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 Audit 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 Authority'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 Authority'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 Pension and Other Post-Employment Benefit Schedules, as listed in the table of contents, to 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.

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We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 2, 2023 on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Kea & Associates, Inc.

Rea & Associates, Inc. New Philadelphia, Ohio August 2, 2023

Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

General

The Management of the Development Finance Authority of Summit County (the "Authority") provides the readers of the Authority's financial statements this brief narrative overview of the financial activities of the Authority for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

The Authority, an independent political subdivision of the State of Ohio, was established in 1999 for the purpose of providing community and economic development financing activities in Summit County, Ohio. Since then, the Authority has expanded its service capacity through Cooperative Agreements in several Ohio counties. The Authority engages in this activity by managing activities through issuance of various revenue bonds. In addition, the Authority is co-manager of an industrial park on property owned by the Akron-Canton Airport. The Authority also manages private non-profit community development organizations, which are described below.

In 2011, the Authority created the Development Fund of the Western Reserve (DFWR), a private, not-for profit 501(c)(3), to apply for certification through the U.S. Treasury Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI) to become eligible for allocations of New Markets Tax Credits (NMTC). DFWR, a certified Community Development Entity (CDE) of the U.S. Treasury, serves an 18-county area of northeast Ohio and is the only CDE exclusively focused on NMTC financing activity in northeast Ohio. The Authority assists with the management of DFWR through a service agreement.

Since 2012, DFWR has deployed \$120.5 million of NMTC allocation into twenty-four projects in Northeast Ohio.

In 2017, the Authority, with assistance from Summit County, created and expanded the Akron-Summit County Energy Special Improvement District (ESID), to enable commercial property owners to finance energy efficiency projects within the County. DFA manages the ESID, as of December 2022, twenty-one Summit County communities had joined the ESID.

In 2019, the Authority facilitated the creation of the Western Reserve Community Fund (WRCF), a private non-profit 501(C)(3) organization, intended to become a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). CDFI's expand economic opportunity in low-income communities by providing access to financial products and services for local residents and businesses. WRCF's target market is disadvantaged businesses and communities located in Summit County. During 2021, WRCF received CDFI certification and to date, has made over 120 loans. The Authority assists with the management of WRCF through a service agreement.

From 2019 through 2022 the Authority has engaged in project management activities for two specific projects -47 N. Main St. and the Civic Theatre renovation and new construction. The Authority facilitates the management and funding of these projects under the guidelines of cooperative agreements.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

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Overview

The Authority engages in economic development finance activities that are conduit stand-alone and/or Jobs and Investment Fund ("Bond Fund") projects. During 2022, Standard & Poor's Global Rating (S&P) gave the Authority an A- Bond Fund Rating with a "positive outlook".

Springfield Township (Summit County), Columbus, Akron and Toledo projects totaling \$21.47 million were financed through the Bond Fund during 2022.

It is noteworthy to consider the following regarding all of the Authority's finance projects:

In 2022, tax-exempt conduit bond financing was provided to finance for the Ocasek City of Akron Muni Court construction project.

All conduit transactions are non-recourse to the Authority and require lenders or bondholders to look only to the borrower's lease or debt service payments and any specific revenue sources and cash reserves to provide sufficient funds to meet lease payments and/or debt service payments.

Bond Fund transactions require the Authority to look only to the borrower lease or loan payments for debt service unless a default arises, in which case the reserve mechanisms in the Bond Fund will make the debt service payments to the extent sufficient funds are available. As of December 31, 2022, the Authority had issued \$166.750 million to fund 46 projects with an outstanding principal balance of \$95.625 million.

As of December 31, 2022, the Bond Fund contained \$40,680,801 in reserves with an additional reserve of \$3,681,375 for Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) projects. In 2022, two of the Authority's bond fund projects used PACE.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Condensed Statement of Net Position Information

The table below provides a summary of the Authority's financial position and operations for 2022 and 2021.

Comparison of 2022 vs. 2021:

						Ch	ange	
	-	2022	_	2021		Amount		%
Assets:								
Current assets	\$	9,014,685	\$	10,127,704	\$	(1,113,019)		(11.0%)
Other assets	-	123,457,708		108,378,312	_	15,079,396		13.9%
Total assets		132,472,393		118,506,016		13,966,377		11.8%
Deferred outflows of resources	-	324,781	_	278,149	_	46,632		16.8%
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources		132,797,174		118,784,165		14,013,009		11.8%
Liabilities and net position: Liabilities:								
Current liabilities		7,435,713		6,777,707		658,006		9.7%
Other liabilities		110,691,110		99,386,944		11,304,166		11.4%
Total liabilities		118,126,823		106,164,651		11,962,172		11.3%
Deferred inflows of resources	-	650,722	_	460,430		190,292		41.3%
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	-	118,777,545	_	106,625,081		12,152,464		11.4%
Net position:								
Restricted		9,953,512		8,656,182		1,297,330		15.0%
Unrestricted	-	4,066,117	_	3,502,902		563,215		16.1%
Total net position	\$	14,019,629	\$_	12,159,084	\$	1,860,545		15.3%

The increase to restricted assets and other liabilities from 2021 to 2022 is primarily due to bond fund activity. The Authority funded four new projects in 2022.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

The table below provides a summary of the Authority's financial position and operations for 2021 and 2020.

Comparison of 2021 vs. 2020:

						Cha	inge	
	-	2021		2020	_	Amount		%
Assets:								
Current assets	\$	10,127,704	\$	7,352,676	\$	2,775,028		37.7%
Capital assets - net	φ	10,127,704	φ	1,150,000	φ	(1,150,000)		(100%)
Restricted assets		108,378,312		1,130,000		5,430,363		· · ·
	-		-		-			5.3%
Total assets		118,506,016		111,450,625		7,055,391		6.3%
Deferred outflows of resources		278,149	_	291,643	_	(13,494)		(4.6%)
Total assets and deferred								
outflows of resources		118,784,165		111,742,268		7,041,897		6.3%
Liabilities and net position:								
Liabilities:								
Current liabilities		6,777,707		5,539,051		1,238,656		22.4%
Other liabilities		99,386,944		94,742,044		4,644,900		4.9%
Total liabilities	-	106,164,651		100,281,095		5,883,556		5.9%
Deferred inflows of resources	-	460,430	_	202,595		257,835		127.3%
Total liabilities and deferred								
inflows of resources		106,625,081		100,483,690		6,141,391		6.1%
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Net position:								
Investment in capital assets		-		1,150,000		(1,150,000)		(100%)
Restricted		8,656,182		7,510,427		1,145,755		15.3%
Unrestricted		3,502,902		2,598,151	_	904,751		34.8%
Total net position	\$	12,159,084	\$	11,258,578	\$	900,506	_	8.0%

Increases in restricted assets and other liabilities from 2020 to 2021 is primarily caused by projects issued in the current year offset by scheduled payment activity on outstanding issues.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

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The net pension liability (NPL) is one of the largest single liabilities reported by the Authority at December 31, 2022 and 2021 and is reported pursuant to GASB Statement 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27*. During 2018, the Authority adopted 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 District's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability/asset to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Prior accounting for pensions (GASB 27) and postemployment benefits (GASB 45) focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension and OPEB costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's net pension liability or net OPEB liability/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 and the net OPEB liability/asset to equal the Authority's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

- 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 Authority 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.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

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Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability or the net OPEB liability/asset. 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/asset are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability/asset section of the statement of net position.

In accordance with GASB 68 and GASB 75, the Authority'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 and net OPEB liability, respectively, not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

Long Term Debt

Additional information on the outstanding debt can be found in Notes 5, 13, 14, 15 and 17. The following table summarizes outstanding debt.

		Balance at January 1, 2022	_	Additions		Balance a DecemberReductions2022	31
Notes Payable	\$	8,659,129	\$	36,449	\$	(2,872,517) \$ 5,823,0)61
Revenue Bonds		15,955,000		-		(1,060,000) 14,895,0	
Bond Fund Transactions	-	79,755,000		21,465,000		(5,595,000) 95,625,0	000
	\$	104,369,129	\$	21,501,449	\$	<u>(9,527,517)</u> \$ <u>116,343,0</u>)61
		Balance at January 1, 2021	_	Additions	_	BalanceDecemberReductions2021	
Notes Payable	\$	6,933,738	\$	1,800,000	\$	(74,609) \$ 8,659,1	29
Revenue Bonds		16,855,000		4,540,000		(5,440,000) 15,955,0	000
Bond Fund Transactions		74,645,000	_	13,060,000		(7,950,000) 79,755,0	000
	\$	98,433,738	\$_	19,400,000	\$	<u>(13,464,609)</u> \$ <u>104,369,1</u>	29

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Capital Assets

Additional information on the Authority's capital assets can be found in Note 10 to the Authority's financial statements. The Authority did not have capital assets as of December 31, 2022. A summary of the activity in the Authority's capital assets during the years ended December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	Balance at January 1 2021		Additions	Deletions	2.	alance at cember 31 2021
Capital assets not being depreciated:						
Land	\$ 500,000	\$	-	\$ (500,000)	\$	-
Capital assets being depreciated:						
Building	1,000,000		-	(1,000,000)		-
Less accumulated depreciation:						
Buildings	(350,000)		(4,167)	354,167		-
Total capital assets being						
depreciated, net	650,000	-	(4,167)	(645,833)	_	-
Capital assets, net	\$ 1,150,000	\$	(4,167)	\$ (1,145,833)	\$	

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Information

The Authority's net position increased by \$1,860,545 in 2022. Operating revenues increased by 28% in 2022 primarily due to increases in loan processing fees. Operating expenses increased primarily due to an increase in salary and benefits offset by a decreases in project related expenses. The change in non-operating activity is primarily due to a gain on the sale of assets held for sale.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

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		2022	_	2021	-	Amount	%
Operating revenues			_		-		
Operating revenues: Project management							
and administrative fees	\$	711,091	\$	880,412	\$	(169,321)	(19.2%)
CAK Business Park	φ	/11,091	φ	880,412	φ	(109,521)	(19.270)
administrative revenue		37,495		45,710		(8,215)	(18.0%)
Loan processing fees		967,784		434,679		533,105	122.6%
Summit County economic		201,104		+5+,077		555,105	122.070
development grant		197,500		75,000		122,500	163.3%
New Market Tax Credit financing revenue		200,000		197,500		2,500	1.3%
Management service agreement revenue		400,000		334,000		66,000	19.8%
Total operating revenues		2,513,870		1,967,301		546,569	27.8%
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Operating expenses:							
Salaries and benefits		985,136		483,270		501,866	103.8%
Professional services		140,518		141,803		(1,285)	(0.9%)
Office and occupancy		131,929		138,265		(6,336)	(4.6%)
Depreciation expense		-		4,167		(4,167)	(100%)
Bank fees		117,113		116,983		130	0.1%
Project related expenses		82,525		340,067		(257,542)	(75.7%)
Total operating expenses		1,457,221		1,224,555		232,666	19.0%
Operating income		1,056,649		742,746		313,903	42.3%
Non-operating revenues (expenses):							
Gain on sale of asset held for sale		354,167		-		354,167	-
Interest income		409,527		26,151		383,376	1,466.0%
Interest income - related party		4,500		1,200		3,300	275.0%
Non-operating grant revenue		54,765		72,500		(17,735)	(24.5%)
Change in equity interests		(1,702)		(4,913)		3,211	(65.4%)
Forgiveness of note receivable				(14,977)		14,977	(100.0%)
Total non-operating							
revenue, net		821,257		79,961		741,296	927.1%
Pass-through revenue (expenses):							
Project deposits - Civic Renovation				468,705		(468,705)	(100.0%)
Pass-through expenses -		-		400,705		(408,705)	(100.070)
Civic Renovation		_		(468,705)		468,705	(100.0%)
Project deposits – Bldg. G - CDBG		37,743		369,436		(331,693)	(100.0%)
Pass-through expenses –		57,745		507,450		(331,073)	(0).070)
Bldg. G - CDBG		(55,104)		(291,637)		236,533	(81.1%)
Total pass-through		(33,101)		(2)1,031)		230,333	(01.170)
revenues (expenses)		(17,361)	_	77,799		(95,160)	(122.3%)
Change in net position		1,860,545		900,506		960,039	106.6%
Net position - beginning of year		12,159,084	_	11,258,578		900,506	8.0%
Net position - end of year	\$ <u></u>	14,019,629	\$	12,159,084	\$	1,860,545	15.3%

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

					Change	
	2021		2020	-	Amount	%
Operating revenues:						
Project management and administrative fees \$	880,412	\$	1,179,064	\$	(298,652)	(25.3%)
CAK business park lease	15 510		77.011		(22,201)	(11.20())
lease administrative revenue	45,710		77,911		(32,201)	(41.3%)
Loan processing fees	434,679		111,911		322,768	288.4%
Summit County economic	75 000		75 000			0.00/
development grant	75,000 197,500		75,000 195,000		-	0.0%
New Market Tax Credit financing revenue Management service agreement revenues	334,000		,		2,500	1.3%
Total operating revenues	1,967,301		274,000		<u> </u>	21.9%
Total operating revenues	1,907,501		1,912,886		54,415	2.8%
Operating expenses:						
Salaries and benefits	483,270		829,983		346,713	41.8%
Professional services	141,803		130,019		(11,784)	(9.1%)
Office and occupancy	138,265		123,130		(15,135)	(12.3%)
Depreciation expense	4,167		25,000		20,833	83.3%
Bank fees	116,983		93,618		(23,365)	(25.0%)
Other operating expenses	340,067		174,229		(165,838)	(95.2%)
Total operating expenses	1,224,555		1,375,979		151,424	11.0%
Operating income	742,746		536,907		205,839	38.3%
Non-operating revenues (expenses):						
Interest Income	26,151		142,944		(116,793)	(81.7%)
Interest Income - related party	1,200		-		1,200	100.0%
Non-operating grant revenue	72,500		72,500		-	0.0%
Change in equity interests	(4,913)		(7,500)		2,587	(34.5%)
Forgiveness of note receivable	(14,977)		-		(14,977)	(100.0%)
Total non-operating revenue, net	79,961		207,944		(127,983)	(61.5%)
Pass-through revenue (expenses):						
Project deposits - Civic Renovation	468,705		-		468,705	100.0%
Pass-through expenses - Civic Renovation	(468,705)		-		(468,705)	100.0%
Project deposits - Bldg. G - CDBG	369,436		1,146,511		(777,075)	(67.8%)
Pass-through expenses Bldg. G - CDBG	(291,637)		(1,393,550)		1,101,913	(79.1%)
Total pass-through revenues (expenses)	77,799		(247,039)		(324,838)	(131.5%)
Change in net position	900,506		497,812		402,694	80.9%
Net position - beginning of year	11,258,578		10,760,766		497,812	4.6%
Net position - end of year \$	12,159,084	\$ <u></u>	11,258,578	\$	900,506	8.0%

Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

The Authority's net position increased by \$900,506 in 2021 and increased by \$497,812 in 2020. Operating revenues increased by 3% in 2021 primarily due to increases in loan processing fees and related party service agreements offset by a decrease in project management and administrative fees. Operating expenses decreased primarily due to decreases in salary and benefits offset by increases in other operating expenses, professional services, and office and occupancy expenses. The change in non-operating activity is primarily due to a decrease in interest income offset by forgiveness of note receivable.

Factors Expected to Impact the Authority's Future Financial Position or Results of Operations

In 2022, revenue from operations and deal flow was healthy despite lingering pandemic effects and market volatility. Indicators point to an active project pipeline in 2023.

During 2022, the Authority, Lockheed Corporation, LTA, Inc. and USEPA executed a 4th and 5th amendment to a Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) which governs the use of the Akron Airdock which is owned by the Authority and leased to Lockheed. The 5th amendment enabled DFA to sell the building to Lockheed. Lockheed subsequently sold the building to LTA. The Authority sold the building to Lockheed for \$1.5 million.

In 2021, Development Fund of the Western Reserve (DFWR) was awarded a \$50 million New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) allocation. DFWR deployed approximately \$25 million NMTC during 2022. DFWR is managed by the Authority's staff through a service agreement. In 2022 and 2021, DFWR compensated the Authority in the amount of \$454,000 and \$454,000 respectively. The Authority expects compensation of \$450,000 in 2023.

During 2022, the Authority experienced significant expansion of program services provided by the Western Reserve Community Fund (WRCF), a certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). WRCF is managed by the Authority's staff through a service agreement. WRCF's growing importance to the Authority and the community became readily apparent during 2021 and accelerated in 2022. WRCF's lending capability encompasses four key product areas. As the 2022 year ended, the Authority was hiring additional staff due to the increased loan volume. In 2022 and 2021, WRCF compensated the Authority in the amount of \$100,000 and \$100,000 respectively. The Authority expects compensation of \$400,000 in 2023.

Contacting the Authority's Finance Department

The financial statements are designed to provide the public, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to show the Authority's accountability for funds it receives and generates. If you have any questions about these financial statements or need additional financial information, please contact Christopher Burnham, President, and/or Chad Mayle, CFO.

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Statements of Net Position December 31, 2022 and 2021

		2022		2021
Assets				
Current assets				
Unrestricted assets				
Cash	\$	2,796,683	\$	2,494,188
Accounts receivable	+	50,419	Ŧ	24,271
Administrative fee receivable		70,804		65,001
Prepaid expenses		16,779		9,316
Total unrestricted assets, current		2,934,685		2,592,776
Restricted assets				
Asset held for sale		_		1,145,833
Accounts receivable - 47 N Main St Project		-		836,212
Note receivable - Akron Summit County ESID		-		2,883
Current portion of operating receivable		1,115,000		1,060,000
Current portion of bond fund receivable		4,965,000		4,490,000
Total restricted assets, current	_	6,080,000		7,534,928
Total current assets		9,014,685		10,127,704
Non-current assets				
Non-current assets Net OPEB asset		148,120		69,303
Restricted assets		140,120		09,505
Cash - board restricted		1,392,486		1,976,313
Restricted cash - Energy Efficiency RLF		2,118,090		-
Restricted cash - MCCAP Bond fund program reserve		1,002,682		1,000,187
Restricted cash - 47 N Main project		476		1,194,881
Investment - board restricted		700,529		359,301
Restricted investment - Bond fund program reserve		7,512,600		7,510,349
Restricted investment - State 166 loan program reserve		2,000,012		2,000,000
Restricted investment - Energy loan program reserve		3,789,550		3,753,113
Equity in P-Cure, Ltd.		23,918		23,918
Equity in Dentaray, Ltd.		3,190		3,190
Equity in Akron Fusion Ventures, LP		26,055		27,757
Note receivable - related party - WRCF		300,000		300,000
Operating receivable - Akron Civic Theater		10,205,000		10,830,000
Operating receivable - Bridgestone		3,575,000		4,065,000
Bond fund transactions (see Note 5)		90,660,000		75,265,000
Total restricted assets, non-current		123,309,588	_	108,309,009
Total non-current assets	_	123,457,708	_	108,378,312
Total assets		132,472,393		118,506,016

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Statements of Net Position (continued) December 31, 2022 and 2021

	_	2022		2021
Deferred outflows of resources				
Deferred outflows - pension		291,919		177,684
Deferred outflows - OPEB		32,862		100,465
Total deferred outflows of resources		324,781	-	278,149
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	132,797,174	\$	118,784,165
Liabilities			-	
Current liabilities				
Payable from unrestricted assets				
-	\$	243,399	\$	382,672
Accounts payable	Ŧ	28,592		292,443
Accrued expenses		52,893		27,040
Total payable from unrestricted assets, current	_	324,884	_	702,155
Payable from restricted assets				
Note payable - Summit County, current portion		30,829		75,000
Revenue bonds - Akron Civic Theater, current portion		625,000		585,000
Revenue bonds - Bridgestone, current portion		490,000		475,000
Revenue bonds - Bond fund projects, current portion		4,965,000		4,490,000
MCCAP bond fund program reserve grant		1,000,000		-
47 North Main Street tenant liability		-	_	450,552
Total payable from restricted assets, current	_	7,110,829	_	6,075,552
Total current liabilities		7,435,713		6,777,707
Non-current liabilities				
Unearned revenue		48,045		66,643
Net pension liability		410,833		576,172
Payable from restricted assets				
Note payable - Summit County - Civic		-		30,829
Note payable - State of Ohio		2,000,000		2,000,000
Energy loan loss reserve escrow		3,789,550		3,753,113
MCCAP bond fund program reserve escrow		2,682		1,000,187
Note payable - Summit County - 47 N Main St Project		-		1,800,000
Revenue bonds - Akron Civic Theater		10,205,000		10,830,000
Revenue bonds - Bridgestone		3,575,000		4,065,000
Bond fund transactions (see Note 5)		90,660,000		75,265,000
Total restricted liabilities, non-current		110,232,232	_	98,744,129
Total non-current liabilities	_	110,691,110	_	99,386,944
Total liabilities		118,126,823		106,164,651

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Statements of Net Position (continued) December 31, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Deferred inflows of resources		
Deferred inflows - pension	497,683	248,679
Deferred inflows - OPEB	153,039	211,751
Total deferred inflows of resources	650,722	460,430
Net position		
Restricted	9,953,512	8,656,182
Unrestricted	4,066,117	3,502,902
Total net position	14,019,629	12,159,084
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,		
and net position	\$ 132,797,174	\$ 118,784,165

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

		2022	_	2021
Operating revenues				
Project management and administrative fees	\$	711,091	\$	880,412
CAK Business Park - administrative revenue		37,495		45,710
Loan processing fees		967,784		434,679
Summit County economic development grants		197,500		75,000
New market tax credit financing revenue		200,000		197,500
Management service agreement revenue	_	400,000	_	334,000
Total operating revenues		2,513,870		1,967,301
Operating expenses				
Salaries and benefits		985,136		483,270
Professional services		140,518		141,803
Office and occupancy		131,929		138,265
Depreciation expense		-		4,167
Bank fees		117,113		116,983
Project related expenses	_	82,525		340,067
Total operating expenses		1,457,221		1,224,555
Operating income		1,056,649		742,746
Non-operating revenues (expenses)				
Gain on sale of asset held for sale		354,167		-
Interest income		409,527		26,151
Interest income - related party		4,500		1,200
Non-operating grant revenue		54,765		72,500
Change in equity interests		(1,702)		(4,913)
Forgiveness of note receivable	_	-		(14,977)
Total non-operating revenues, net		821,257		79,961
Pass-though revenue (expenses)				
Project deposits - Civic Renovations		-		468,705
Pass-though expenses - Civic Renovation		-		(468,705)
Project deposits - Bowery Building G		37,743		369,436
Pass-though expenses - Bowery Building G		(55,104)	_	(291,637)
Total non-operating pass-though revenues (expenses)	_	(17,361)	_	77,799
Total non-operating revenues	_	803,896		157,760
Change in net position		1,860,545		900,506
Net position - beginning of year	_	12,159,084	_	11,258,578
Net position - end of year	\$	14,019,629	\$_	12,159,084

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

For the Tears Ended December	л Э 1 ,		1	
		2022		2021
Operating activities				
Operating activities Cash received from development projects	\$	4,132,269	\$	1,100,415
Cash received from operating grants	φ	4,132,209	φ	75,000
Cash payments to and on behalf of employees		(1,059,779)		(665,530)
Cash payments for other operating expenses		(2,328,136)		(310,574)
Net cash provided by operating activities		941,854		199,311
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Capital financing activities				
Proceeds from sale of asset held for resale		1,500,000		-
Net cash provided by capital financing activities		1,500,000		-
Non-capital financing activities				
Borrowings on energy loan loss reserve escrow		36,437		239
Borrowings on MCCAP bond fund reserve escrow		2,495		152
Borrowings on 47 N Main project reserve escrow		2,475		1,800,038
Repayment of note payable - Summit County - 47 N Main St		(1,800,000)		1,000,050
Payment of line of credit / note payable		(1,800,000) (75,000)		(75,000)
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Repayments received on Akron Summit County ESID loan		2,883		36,447
Borrowings on WRCF loan		-		(300,000)
Repayments received on lease receivable - A&K		-		98,968
Cash received from revenue bonds - Akron Civic		585,000		540,000
Cash received from revenue bonds - Bridgestone		475,000		360,000
Cash payments from revenue bonds - Akron Civic		(585,000)		(540,000)
Cash payments from revenue bonds - Bridgestone		(475,000)		(360,000)
Cash payments for pass-through activity, net		(17,361)		-
Proceeds from other non-operating grants		54,765		-
Bond fund:				
Cash received from borrowings on revenue bonds		21,465,000		13,060,000
Cash received from repayments on revenue bonds		5,595,000		7,950,000
Cash payments from borrowings on revenue bonds		(21,465,000)		(13,060,000)
Cash payments from repayments on revenue bonds		(5,595,000)		(7,950,000)
Net cash (used) provided by non-capital financing activities		(1,795,781)		1,560,844
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Investing activities		(270.028)		(01 574)
Cash payments for net purchase of investments		(379,928)		(91,574)
Cash received from interest on investments		414,027		425
Cash payments for non-operating activities		(35,324)		-
Cash received for non-operating activities		-		79,961
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,225)		(11,188)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		644,848		1,748,967
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year		6,665,569		4,916,602
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$	7,310,417	\$	6,665,569

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Statements of Cash Flows (continued) For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

	_	2022	_	2021
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents to the				
statement of net position				
Cash - unrestricted	\$	2,796,683	\$	2,494,188
Cash - board restricted		1,392,486		1,976,313
Restricted cash Energy Efficiency RLF		2,118,090		-
Restricted cash - MCCAP bond fund program reserve		1,002,682		1,000,187
Restricted cash - 47 N Main project	_	476	_	1,194,881
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$	7,310,417	\$ _	6,665,569
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities				
Operating income	\$	1,056,649	\$	742,746
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided				
by operating activities				
Depreciation		-		4,167
Change in assets and liabilities				
Accounts receivable		4,034		(11,985)
Administrative fees receivable		(5,803)		11,917
Prepaid expenses		(7,463)		(119)
Accounts receivable - restricted - 47 N Main St Project		836,212		(836,212)
Net OPEB asset		(78,817)		69,303
Deferred outflows of resources		(46,632)		13,494
Deposits held		(121,912)		62,992
Accounts payable		(276,070)		190,476
Accrued expenses		25,853		4,001
47 North Main Street tenant liability		(450,552)		236,187
Net pension / OPEB liability		(165,339)		(526,893)
Unearned revenue		(18,598)		(18,598)
Deferred inflows of resources	-	190,292	_	257,835
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ _	941,854	\$	199,311
Non-cash transactions				
Forgiveness of note receivable	\$	-	\$	14,977
Reclassification of escrow reserve to grants payable		1,000,000		-
Loss on equity interest	_	1,702	_	4,914
Non-cash transactions	\$	1,001,702	\$ _	19,891

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The Development Finance Authority of Summit County (the "Authority") was formed, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4582.21 to 4582.59, by the Summit County Council in 1993 to preserve key railroad lines from abandonment in an era of rail mergers and consolidations. In 1999, County Council recognized the expanding role of port authorities within the state and passed legislation enabling the Authority to use the economic development powers allowed under the Ohio Revised Code.

The Authority engages in community and economic development finance, creating employment opportunities, and providing financing and tax incentives to local businesses in order to provide a foundation to compete in the international marketplace. The Authority is directed by a seven-member Board appointed by the Summit County Executive, in accordance with the procedures provided by the Summit County Charter.

The Authority's activities are financed and operated as an enterprise fund such that the costs and expenses of providing services are recovered primarily through user charges. The Authority's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Authority is financially accountable.

Fund Accounting

The Authority maintains its accounting records in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of government entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific receipts and disbursements. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The Authority uses an enterprise fund to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

Basis of Presentation

The Authority's basic financial statements consist of a statement of net position, a statement of revenue, expenses and changes in net position, and a statement of cash flows. The Authority uses a single enterprise fund to maintain its financial records during the year.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. For financial statement presentation purposes, the Authority utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred.

The Authority's activities are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources associated with the Authority's operations are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Authority finances and meets the cash flows of its enterprise activity. The Authority distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues generally result from closing fees and servicing fees. Operating expenses for the Authority include the cost of providing these services, including administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses. Nonoperating revenues include pledged revenue to support repayment of bonds issued through the Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program, assigned tax increment financing payments revenues related to other financing projects, energy grants, contribution revenues, loan financing revenues and interest earnings. Nonoperating expenses include pass through tax increment financing payments related to other financing projects, interest payments on bonds, bond issuance costs, fiscal charges and developer expenses related to projects financed through the Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program. Non-operating expenses also include changes in the fair value of the Authority's investments.

Conduit Debt

As part of its efforts to promote economic development within northeastern Ohio, the Authority has issued debt obligations and loaned the proceeds to industrial, commercial, governmental and nonprofit organizations, primarily located within Summit County and other northeast Ohio counties. The obligations are secured by the property financed and other security and are payable solely from the payments received by the trustee from the borrowers or other sources designated in the related agreements.

Budgetary Process

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and requires an annual budget. This budget includes estimated receipts and appropriations. In addition, the Rules and Regulations of the Authority require the Board to adopt an appropriation resolution. The Authority maintains budgetary control by not permitting expenditures to exceed their respective appropriations without amendment of appropriations from the Board of Directors.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Cash and Investments

Summit County is the fiscal agent for the Authority's operations. Accordingly, the Summit County Fiscal Officer maintains a portion of the Authority's cash in a Custodial fund on the County's financial records. The Authority's Secretary of the Board is the fiscal agent for the Authority's development projects. The Authority maintains some of its cash with one local bank. This account is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to the maximum allowed.

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, all bank deposits, including investments in short-term certificates of deposit, the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio ("STAR Ohio") and overnight investments of excess deposits in repurchase agreements are considered to be cash equivalents.

Restricted Cash - Board Restricted

The Authority's cash is designated by the Board of Directors and invested in short-term certificates of deposit. These investments are considered cash equivalents and could be deemed unrestricted per action of the Board of Directors through issuance of specific resolutions. These accounts include the Supplemental Bond Fund Account, 47 Operating Expense Account, Home Avenue Project Fund Account, 47 N. Main Capital Reserve Account and the County Grant Reserve Account.

Also included as restricted cash – board restricted are funds relating to the Project Activity Fund Account which are pass-through monies to the Authority used to service ongoing projects currently under contract.

Restricted Cash-Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund

The Authority's cash is held by the Summit County Fiscal Officer as part of the Authority's cash in a Custodial fund on the County's financial records.

Restricted Cash – MCCAP Bond Fund Program Reserve

The Authority's cash is held by the Summit County Fiscal Officer as part of the Authority's cash in a Custodial fund on the County's financial records.

Restricted Cash - 47 N Main Project

The Authority's cash is held by the Summit County Fiscal Officer as part of the Authority's cash in a Custodial fund on the County's financial records.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time based on relevant market information about the financial instrument. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and, therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could affect the estimates.

Capital Assets

All capital assets are capitalized at historical cost. policy. Consistent with its capital asset policy, the Authority maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000 and capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over a range of 3 to 39 years depending on the specific asset class.

Compensated Absences

It is the Authority's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused sick pay benefits. Beginning in January 2019, vacation earned during the calendar year must be used in the same year and will not be accrued in the next calendar year.

Pensions and Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension/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.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the Authority, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the statements of net position for pension/OPEB. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension/OPEB are explained in Notes 11 and 12.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized until that time. For the Authority, deferred inflows of resources include pension/OPEB, which are explained in Notes 11 and 12.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Non-Operating Grant and Pass-Through Revenue and Expenses

Non-operating grant revenue and expenses are those that are not generated by the Authority's primary mission and relate to the transfer of resources from one governmental entity to another. The Authority recognized non-operating grant revenue and expenses related to the Summit County grant in the amount of \$54,765 and \$72,500 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The Authority recognized non-operating pass through grant revenue and expenses related to the Civic Theatre's Administrative Building and Ticket Office (Building G of the Bowery project) in Akron, Ohio in the amount of \$37,743 in revenue and \$55,104 in expenses for the year ended December 31, 2022 and \$838,141 in revenue and \$760,342 in expenses for the year ended December 31, 2021, respectively.

Use of 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.

Reclassification

Prior year data has been reclassified in order to be comparative and provide an understanding of the changes in financial position and operations.

Note 2: Change in Accounting Principles

Newly Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Authority implemented the following Governmental Accounting Standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB):

GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the informational needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. GASB Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, *Leases*, provides guidance that clarifies, explains, or elaborates on the requirements for GASB Statement No. 87. These changes were incorporated in the Authority's 2022 financial statements; however there was no effect on beginning net position.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 2: Change in Accounting Principles (continued)

Newly Adopted Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

GASB Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020*. This statement addresses a variety of topics with objectives to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. The implementation of this GASB pronouncement did not result in any changes to the Authority's financial statements.

Newly Issued Accounting Pronouncements, Not Yet Adopted

GASB Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*, was issued in March 2020. This statement clarifies the accounting and financial reporting surrounding public-private and public-public partnerships and availability payment arrangements. The requirements of this statement will take effect for financial statements starting with the fiscal year that ends June 30, 2023. The Authority has not yet determined the impact that this GASB pronouncement will have on its financial statements and disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*, was issued in May 2020. This statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements. The requirements of this statement will take effect for financial statements starting with the fiscal year that ends June 30, 2023. The Authority has not yet determined the impact that this GASB pronouncement will have on its financial statements and disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*, was issued in April 2022. This statement addresses a variety of topics with objectives to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. The effective date of this standard to reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. The Authority has not yet determined the impact that this GASB pronouncement will have on its financial statements and disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections—An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62, was issued in June 2022. The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The effective date of this standard to reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2023. The Authority has not yet determined the impact that this GASB pronouncement will have on its financial statements and disclosures.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 3: Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is a market-based measurement that is determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. As a basis for considering such assumptions, the Authority uses a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value as follows:

- Level 1 Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets;
- Level 2 Inputs, other than the quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the reporting entity to develop its own assumptions.

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of are as follows:

	-	12/31/22	_	12/31/21
Investment - Huntington	\$	399,716	\$	359,301
Investment - US Bank - Bond Fund Program		300,813		-
Investment - Bond Fund Reserve		7,512,600		7,510,349
Investment - State 166 Loan Reserve		2,000,012		2,000,000
Investment - Energy Loan Loss Reserve		3,789,550		3,753,113
Equity in P-Cure, Ltd.		23,918		23,918
Equity in Dentaray, Ltd.		3,190		3,190
Equity in Akron Fusion Ventures, LP		26,055		27,757

The classification of fair value measurements within the hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the measurement. Valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities measured at fair value are as follows:

- Investment and reserves are comprised of money markets, certificate of deposits, and U.S. treasuries: Valued based at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.
- Equity investments: Value based using the net asset value of the underlying partnerships as a practical expedient of fair value. The assets of each underlying entity are valued at fair value using a market approach. In reaching its determination of fair value, many factors are considered, including, but not limited to, the financial statements and tax returns of the entities prepared by independent accountants and the expected proceeds the Authority would receive through an ordinary sale of the investment using market participant data and assumptions.

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Note 3: Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Fair Value

The amortized cost, gross unrealized holding gains, gross unrealized holding losses, and fair value of availablefor-sale investment securities by major security type and class of security as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

December 31, 2022:

	Total	 Level 1	_	Level 2	 Level 3
Financial assets:					
Investment - Huntington \$	399,716	\$ -	\$	399,716	\$ -
Investment - US Bank - Bond Fund					
Program	300,813	-		300,813	-
Investment - Bond Fund Reserve	7,512,600	-		7,512,600	-
Investment - State 166 Loan Reserve	2,000,012	-		2,000,012	-
Investment - Energy Loan Loss Reserve	3,789,550	-		3,789,550	-
Equity in P-Cure, Ltd.	23,918	-		-	23,918
Equity in Dentaray, Ltd.	3,190	-		-	3,190
Equity in Akron Fusion Ventures, LP	26,055	-		-	26,055
December 31, 2021:					
Financial assets:					
Investment - Huntington \$	359,301	\$ -	\$	359,301	\$ -
Investment - Bond Fund Reserve	7,510,349	-		7,510,349	-
Investment - State 166 Loan Reserve	2,000,000	-		2,000,000	-
Investment - Energy Loan Loss Reserve	3,753,113	-		3,753,113	-
Equity in P-Cure, Ltd.	23,918	-		_	23,918
Equity in Dentaray, Ltd.	3,190	_		-	3,190
Equity in Akron Fusion Ventures, LP	27,757	-		-	27,757

Certain secured financing arrangements require the Authority to post cash collateral or maintain minimum cash balances in reserves. These amounts are reported in the balance sheets as restricted investments. At December 31, 2022, such restricted amounts were \$7,512,600, \$2,000,012, and \$3,789,550. At December 31, 2021, such restricted amounts were \$7,510,349, \$2,000,000, and \$3,753,113.

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Note 3: Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Fair Value (continued)

Bond Reserve Investment First American Government Obligated Funds US Bank National Association Commercial	Maturity Date N/A	\$ <u>12/31/22</u> 779,874	\$	<u>12/31/21</u> 777,636
Paper Sweep Natixis Funding Corp	N/A 7/15/2027	\$ 249,394 6,483,332 7,512,600	\$ _	249,381 6,483,332 7,510,349
State 166 Reserve First American Government Obligated Funds US Bank National Association Certificate of Deposit	N/A	\$ 12 2,000,000 2,000,012	\$ \$_	- 2,000,000 2,000,000
Energy Loan Loss Reserve First American Government Obligated Funds	N/A	\$ 3,789,550	\$	3,753,113
US Bank Fund Program First American Government Obligated Funds	N/A	\$ 300,813	\$	-
Investment - Huntington Money Market	N/A	\$ 399,716	\$	359,301

Note 4: Deposits and Investments

Deposits

The Authority's depository requirements are governed by state statutes and require that deposits be placed in eligible banks or savings and loans located in Ohio. Any public depository in which the Authority places deposits must pledge as collateral eligible securities of aggregate market value at least equal to the amount of deposits not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Collateral that may be pledged is limited to obligations of the following entities: the U.S. government and its agencies, the State of Ohio, and any legally constituted taxing subdivision within the State of Ohio.

Custodial Credit Risk

The Authority's carrying amount of cash on deposit with the County, which is included in the carrying amount balances disclosed above, was \$7,310,417 and \$6,665,569 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The Summit County Fiscal Officer is responsible for maintaining adequate depository collateral for all funds in the Summit County's pooled and deposit accounts and ensuring that all monies are invested in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code.

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Note 4: Deposits and Investments (continued)

Investments

The Authority's investment policies are governed by State statutes which authorize the Authority to invest in obligations of the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities; bonds and other State of Ohio obligations; certificates of deposit; money market mutual funds; and repurchase transactions and commercial paper. Repurchase transactions must be purchased from financial institutions as discussed in "deposits" above or any eligible dealer who is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers. Repurchase transactions are not to exceed a period of 30 days and must be secured by the specific government securities upon which the repurchase agreements are based.

These securities must be obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States and must mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The market value of the securities subject to a repurchase agreement must exceed the value of the principal by 2% and be marked to market daily. State law does not require security for public deposits and investments to be maintained in the Authority's name.

The Authority is prohibited from investing in any financial instrument, contract or obligation whose value or return is based upon, or linked to, another asset or index, or both, separate from the financial instrument, contract or obligation itself (commonly known as a "derivative"). The Authority is also prohibited from investing in reverse repurchase agreements.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Authority's investment policies limit its investment portfolio to maturities of five years or less, which is in accordance with Ohio law.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of investments in a single issuer. The Authority places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

Credit Risk

The Authority's investment policy addresses credit risk by limiting investments to the safest types of securities, pre-qualifying financial institutions, brokers, intermediaries and financial advisors and by diversifying the investment portfolio so that potential losses on individual securities do not exceed income generated from the remaining portfolio.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

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Note 4: Deposits and Investments (continued)

Equity Investments

The Authority's equity interest in P-Cure, Ltd. was \$23,918 and \$23,918 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. No contributions were made in 2022 and 2021. The Authority recognized an unrealized loss \$4,240 as of 2021. P-Cure, Ltd. has not prepared publicly available financial statements as of December 31, 2022.

The Authority's equity interest in Dentaray, Ltd. was \$3,190 and \$3,190 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. No contributions were made in 2022 and 2021. The Authority recognized an unrealized gain of \$347 as of December 31, 2021. Dentaray, Ltd. has not prepared publicly available financial statements as of December 31, 2022.

The Authority's equity interest in Akron Fusion Investment Partners I, LP was \$26,055 and \$27,757 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The net profits and losses of Akron Fusion Ventures, LP are allocated among the Members in proportion to the number of units owned by each member in accordance with the operating agreement. The unrealized loss values being utilized for 2022 and 2021 are based on the prior year information as the current year financial statements and K-1 are not yet available. The Authority recognized unrealized losses of \$1,702 and \$1,021 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 on this equity interest.

In 2020, the Authority received 3,453 ordinary membership units in Intellirod Spine, Inc, which results in an 1.804% share. The Authority's equity interest in Intellirod Spine, Inc. was \$0 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

In 2015, 2012 and 2011, Summit County directed the Authority to make an equity contribution of \$25,333, \$75,000 and \$25,000 respectively, into Startvest 09, LP ("Startvest 09"), which results in a 2.6505% share as of December 31, 2022 and 2021. The Authority's equity interest in Startvest 09 was \$0 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Note 5: Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program

The Authority has established a Bond Fund Program to provide long-term, fixed interest rate financing for qualified industrial, commercial, and public projects. The primary objective of the Bond Fund Program is to further economic development efforts and investments in Summit County through the retention and creation of quality, private-sector jobs.

The State of Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) awarded the Authority a grant of \$2 million, received in April 2001, which was deposited into the Bond Fund Program Reserve account. The conditional grant from ODOD is for a 20-year term, with 100% of the interest earned on the fund remitted back to ODOD through December 2011. Beginning in 2012 and continuing through December 2021, 50% of the interest earned is required to be remitted back to ODO. After December 2021 interest is not longer required to be remitted back to ODO. In February 2001, the Authority obtained a \$3 million grant from Summit County for the Bond Fund Program, which was also deposited into the Bond Fund Program Reserve account.

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Note 5: Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program (continued)

In January 2010, the Authority obtained a commitment from the Ohio Manufacturers' Association (OMA), the Ohio Edison Company, the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and the Toledo Edison Company (collectively the "Companies") for \$2.4 million to be paid in three equal installments from January 2010 through July 2011. The Authority was required to deposit these funds into the Bond Fund Program Reserve account, and to the fullest extent reasonable under the Bond Fund Program, these funds should be used by OMA members which are also the Authority's customers.

Under the Program, debt service requirements on each bond issue are to be secured by a pledge of amounts to be received under lease or loan agreements with borrowers who utilize the financed facilities. In addition, all borrowers are required to provide cash or a letter of credit as additional security for the related bonds. Amounts in the Bond Fund Program Reserve may be used for debt service in the event the borrower is unable to make the required payments under the lease. Amounts held in the Authority's Bond Fund Program Reserve were \$7,512,600 and \$7,510,349 at December 31, 2022 and 2021 respectively, and are included in restricted assets in the accompanying statement of net position.

In April 2017, the Authority obtained an investment of \$2 million from Summit County for the Bond Fund Program, which was deposited to the Bond Fund Program Reserve account, with 100% of the interest earnings remitted to the County's General Fund. In August 2017, the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) provided a 166 Direct Loan of \$2 million to the Authority to further increase the Bond Fund Reserves and the Authority's lending capacity. Interest earnings on the additional \$2 million of reserves are 100% remitted to ODSA and the loan has a single repayment at the end of the 40-year term.

In February and June 2018, the Authority obtained an investment of \$2,242,953 and \$1,364,214 respectively from ODOD to act as a reserve for any Bond Fund Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) projects that have a Level 2 energy audit as outlined by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). Amounts held in the Authority's Energy Loan Loss Reserve were \$3,789,550 and \$3,753,113 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, and are included in restricted assets in the accompanying statement of net position.

The Authority Bond Fund program reserve letter of credit held by Huntington Bank was \$7.5 million at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

In October 2021, the Authority along with Cleveland Cuyahoga Port Authority, the Toledo Lucas County Port Authority, the Columbus-Franklin Finance Authority, the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority, and the Dayton-Montgomery County Port Authority entered into a partnership with JobsOhio to support five regional investment-grade bond funds with an added reserve of \$10 million each. These Authorities will use this allocation to finance projects in other counties and enhance collaboration throughout Ohio.

In 2022, Bond Fund projects totaling \$21.47 million were closed, including for the Ocasek Municipal Court, a PACE project in Springfield Township, and projects in the cities of Columbus and Toledo.

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Note 5: Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program (continued)

In 2021, there were three Bond Fund projects in the amount of \$13.06 million, the Canal Place Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) in Akron, Crystal Clinic TIF in Fairlawn, and Greens at Belden, Phase 2 TIF, in Jackson Township.

Changes in the Authority's Bond Fund program for the year ended December 31, 2022 were as follows:

	Balance January 1 2022	Increase	Decrease		Balance December 31 2022	Due Within One Year
	2022	merease	Declease	-	2022	One Teal
Cavalier project	\$ 2,195,000	\$ -	\$ (430,000) \$	\$	1,765,000 \$	460,000
Plaza Schroer project	570,000	-	(20,000)		550,000	25,000
Shearer's Food project	1,485,000	-	(1,485,000)		-	-
University Edge project	3,800,000	-	(595,000)		3,205000	625,000
IRG Rubber City project	5,115,000	-	(290,000)		4,825,000	305,000
Garfield Heights project	295,000	-	(215,000)		80,000	80,000
Village of Seville project	640,000	-	(140,000)		500,000	150,000
Summit County Workforce-1 project	1,575,000	-	(300,000)		1,275,000	315,000
Summit County Workforce-2 project	1,105,000	-	(50,000)		1,055,000	50,000
Summit County Workforce-3 project	55,000	-	(10,000)		45,000	10,000
Dublin Bridge Park project	4,385,000	-	(145,000)		4,240,000	145,000
Family & Community Services project	2,245,000	-	(110,000)		2,135,000	115,000
Hercules Motor Company project	2,220,000	-	(105,000)		2,115,000	110,000
Cascades (PACE) project	5,110,000	-	(210,000)		4,900,000	220,000
Spray Products project	4,580,000	-	(315,000)		4,265,000	335,000
Crystal Clinic (PACE) project	3,500,000	-	(220,000)		3,280,000	230,000
Maplecrest project	3,580,000	-	(60,000)		3,520,000	70,000
ARDL (PACE) project	2,250,000	-	(140,000)		2,110,000	150,000
Spring Hill TIF project	2,880,000	-	(65,000)		2,815,000	70,000
Founders Park project	5,390,000	-	(145,000)		5,245,000	165,000
Grandview project	4,100,000	-	(100,000)		4,000,000	115,000
Greens at Belden project	3,190,000	-	-		3,190,000	125,000
HOF Village Hotel project	2,670,000	-	(50,000)		2,620,000	100,000
Yankee Trace - Randall Park project	3,760,000	-	(190,000)		3,570,000	200,000
Crystal Clinic (TIF)	4,295,000	-	(115,000)		4,180,000	240,000
Greens at Belden II	2,590,000	-	-		2,590,000	100,000
Canal Place (PACE)	6,175,000	-	(90,000)		6,085,000	185,000
Toledo Innovation Center	-	6,350,000	-		6,350,000	135,000
Osasek Building (PACE)	-	7,300,000	-		7,300,000	95,000
CDSF, LLC (PACE)	-	3,815,000	-		3,815,000	40,000
Rohr Road (TIF)	-	4,000,000	_	-	4,000,000	-
Total	\$ 79,755,000	\$ 21,465,000	\$ (5,595,000)	\$ <u>-</u>	<u>95,625,000</u> \$	4,965,000

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

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Note 5: Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program (continued)

Changes in the Authority's Bond Fund program for the year ended December 31, 2021 were as follows:

	Balance January 1 2021		Increase	Decrease	Balance December 31 2021	Due Within One Year
Cavalier project	\$ 2,600,000	\$	-	\$ (405,000)	\$ 2,195,000 \$	430,000
Plaza Schroer project	590,000		-	(20,000)	570,000	20,000
Shearer's Food project	1,840,000		-	(355,000)	1,485,000	380,000
City of Cleveland - Flats East project	4,200,000		-	(4,200,000)	-	-
University Edge project	4,365,000		-	(565,000)	3,800,000	595,000
IRG Rubber City project	5,390,000		-	(275,000)	5,115,000	290,000
Garfield Heights project	510,000		-	(215,000)	295,000	215,000
Village of Seville project	770,000		-	(130,000)	640,000	140,000
Summit County Workforce-1 project	1,870,000		-	(295,000)	1,575,000	300,000
Summit County Workforce-2 project	1,155,000		-	(50,000)	1,105,000	50,000
Summit County Workforce-3 project	65,000		-	(10,000)	55,000	10,000
Dublin Bridge Park project	4,525,000		-	(140,000)	4,385,000	145,000
Family & Community Services project	2,350,000		-	(105,000)	2,245,000	110,000
Hercules Motor Company project	2,320,000		-	(100,000)	2,220,000	105,000
Cascades (PACE) project	5,305,000		-	(195,000)	5,110,000	210,000
Spray Products project	4,880,000		-	(300,000)	4,580,000	315,000
Crystal Clinic (PACE) project	3,710,000		-	(210,000)	3,500,000	220,000
Maplecrest project	3,640,000		-	(60,000)	3,580,000	60,000
ARDL (PACE) project	2,390,000		-	(140,000)	2,250,000	140,000
Spring Hill TIF project	2,940,000		-	(60,000)	2,880,000	65,000
Founders Park project	5,510,000		-	(120,000)	5,390,000	145,000
Grandview project	4,100,000		-	-	4,100,000	100,000
Greens at Belden project	3,190,000		-	-	3,190,000	-
HOF Village Hotel project	2,670,000		-	-	2,670,000	50,000
Yankee Trace - Randall Park project	3,760,000		-	-	3,760,000	190,000
Crystal Clinic (TIF)	-		4,295,000	-	4,295,000	15,000
Greens at Belden II	-		2,590,000	-	2,590,000	-
Canal Place (PACE)	-	-	6,175,000		6,175,000	90,000
Total	\$ 74,645,000	\$	13,060,000	\$ (7,950,000)	\$ <u>79,755,000</u> \$	4,490,000

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Note 5: Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program (continued)

Approximate annual principal and interest payments, required to be made by the Authority, for the next five years and thereafter are:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 4,965,000	\$ 3,822,261	\$ 8,787,261
2024	5,540,000	3,610,990	9,150,990
2025	6,050,000	3,374,550	9,424,550
2026	5,020,000	3,129,796	8,149,796
2027	5,400,000	2,931,639	8,331,639
2028-2032	24,000,000	11,780,960	35,780,960
2033-2037	19,290,000	7,225,049	26,515,049
2038-2042	13,875,000	3,824,797	17,699,797
2043-2047	8,150,000	1,465,631	9,615,631
2048-2052	3,335,000	241,278	3,576,278
Total	\$ <u>95,625,000</u>	\$ <u>41,406,951</u>	\$ <u>137,031,951</u>

Note 6: Tax-Exempt Conduit Debt Financing Projects

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards, the following revenue bond financing projects issued by the Authority are considered conduit debt and do not create a liability and therefore are not presented on the Authority's financial statements. The Authority has no responsibility for the payment of the following debt and the loan payments are paid directly to the respective trustee by the borrower. Total amount of conduit debt outstanding was \$129,145,521 and \$118,363,654 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Brookside Greens

In August 2021, the Authority issued \$3.22 million in tax-exempt unrated development revenue bonds to redevelop the Brookside Golf Course known as Brookside Greens into single-family residential homes and multifamily units. The project is located within the city of Norton. The outstanding balance was \$3,220,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Summit County Series 2021B

In 2021, the Authority, at the request of the County, refinanced the Goodyear County bonds in the amount of \$10,455,000 Summit County Series 2021B Tax-Exempt Bonds. The balance outstanding was \$10,305,000 and \$10,455,00 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 6: Tax-Exempt Conduit Debt Financing Projects (continued)

Western Reserve Academy

In July 2020, the Authority assisted Western Reserve Academy in refinancing bonds from 2017, which were issued in part to finance a portion of Seymour Hall, a secondary education facility, on its campus in Hudson, Ohio. The Authority issued a tax-exempt revenue bond in the amount of \$17.742 million, which was directly purchased by a bank. The outstanding balance was \$17.742 million as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Akron Community Service Center and Urban League, Inc.

In March 2019, the Authority issued \$2.75 million in Development Revenue Refunding Bonds, which were purchased by the County of Summit, to assist in the refinancing of the construction costs of a new community center in Akron, Ohio. The outstanding balance was \$2,392,958 and \$2,503,937 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium and Youth Sports Fields Project

In June 2018, the Authority issued \$10.03 million in non-rated, Tax-Exempt Development Revenue TIF bonds to assist in the financing of public infrastructure for the Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium and Youth Sports Fields project in Canton, Ohio. The outstanding balance was \$9,237,000 and \$9,451,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. In January 2023, the TIF bonds were refunded and paid off in the aggregate principal amount of \$9,237,000.

Akron Fire Station #4 and Administrative Building Project

In July 2018, the Authority issued \$9.585 million in Tax-Exempt Development Revenue Bonds to assist in the financing, acquisition, construction, and renovation of the Akron Fire Station #4 and Administrative Building project in Akron, Ohio. The outstanding balance was \$8,205,000 and \$8,570,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Fairlawn GIG Project

In May 2016, the Authority issued \$10.175 million of Lease Revenue Bonds to finance the costs of acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping of a municipal broadband utility to provide wireless and fiber optic high speed internet services to Fairlawn, Ohio as well as to the Akron, Fairlawn, Bath Joint Economic Development District (JEDD). The outstanding balance was \$8,850,000 and \$9,080,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 6: Tax-Exempt Conduit Debt Financing Projects (continued)

Village of Reminderville Project

In June 2015, the Authority issued \$8.2 million of Development Lease Revenue Bonds. The bonds were used to finance the costs of the project which included construction of a new facility consisting of a 42,000 square foot Recreation Center in Reminderville, Ohio. The outstanding balance was \$7,315,000 and \$7,505,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Summa Health System Obligated Group Project

In October 2014, the Authority issued up to \$13.675 million of Refunding Revenue Bonds for the purpose of refunding the Series 2006 Bonds. The bond proceeds were used to finance the construction and equipping of a wellness facility to be leased by Summa Health Systems (Summa). Summa and the Authority entered into a financing lease agreement pertaining to this facility. The lease is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. All expenses related to the revenue bonds are being paid out of the bond proceeds. In 2021, the Authority assisted Summa with refinancing the bonds. The outstanding balance was \$10,030,000 and \$10,545,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Canal Park Project

In November 2012, the Authority issued \$3.6 million of Development Revenue Bonds to finance the costs of the project. The principal and interest payments relating to the Bonds are secured by and payable from (i) Appropriation Payments to be made by the City of Akron under the Cooperative Agreement, (ii) certain Revenues received by the Authority and (iii) moneys on deposit under the Indenture. The City is not party to the Indenture but is a third-party beneficiary under the Indenture. Akron Baseball, LLC, the Construction Agent, constructed the Project on behalf of the Authority in accordance with the Cooperative Agreement dated as of November 2012. The bonds were refunded and reissued during 2020. The outstanding balance was \$2,975,000 and \$3,000,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

KB Compost Project

In February 2012, the Authority issued \$28 million of Exempt Facilities Revenue Bonds. The bonds were used to finance the costs of the project. These bonds are special obligations of the Authority payable solely from the revenue received by the trustee under its agreement with the KB Compost Services, Inc. KB Compost Services, Inc. and the Authority entered into a financing loan agreement pertaining to this project. The loan is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. All expenses related to the revenue bonds are being paid out of the bond proceeds. The bond is secured by assets of the project. In 2018, the Series 2012A and 2012B Bonds were reissued to benefit the borrower for a total value of \$12,636,541. The outstanding balance was \$8,988,541 and \$9,900,541 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 6: Tax-Exempt Conduit Debt Financing Projects (continued)

The University of Akron Student Housing Project

In May 2011, the Authority issued \$33.8 million of Lease Revenue Bonds. The bonds were used to finance (i) the acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of a student housing facility containing approximately 531 beds for the benefit of students of The University of Akron (the "University"), together with site preparation, public infrastructure, and related facilities and improvements; (ii) capitalized interest on the Series 2011 Bonds for a specified period; and (iii) payment of other costs and expenses incident to the issuance of the Series 2011 Bonds. The real property on which the Project is located is leased to the Authority pursuant to a Ground Lease Agreement between the Authority and the University. The Authority will sublease the land and lease the project to the University pursuant to the Facilities Lease Agreement between the University and the Authority. Pursuant to the terms of the University Lease Agreement, the University makes lease payments to the Authority in such amounts sufficient to pay when due the principal and any interest on the Series 2011 Bonds. The bonds were refunded June 2016 with an outstanding principal of the reissued bond of \$18.555 million as of December 31, 2016. On November 26, 2019, the Series 2011 Bonds were refunded and defeased with an escrow account held by US Bank for the first optional redemption date of January 1, 2021.

Kent State University Project

In September 2010, the Authority issued \$13.745 million of Taxable Build American Revenue Bonds. The bonds were used to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, equipping, furnishing, and improvement of real and personal property comprising port authority facilities to be used as an auxiliary and educational facility for the benefit of Kent State University, including without limitation, construction of an approximately 44,000 square foot building and improvements thereto on an approximately 12 acre site that is a portion of the real property located in the City of Twinsburg, Summit County, Ohio. These bonds are special obligations of the Authority payable solely from revenue received by the trustee under its agreement with Kent State University. The loan is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. All expenses related to the revenue bonds are being paid out of the bond proceeds. The bond is secured by assets of the project. The outstanding balance was \$10,360,000 and \$11,105,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 6: Tax-Exempt Conduit Debt Financing Projects (continued)

Austen Biolnnovation Institute in Akron ("ABIA") Project/47 N Main County Non-Tax Revenue Bonds

In March 2011, the Authority issued \$7.4 million of Tax-Exempt Private Activity Bonds. The bonds financed a portion of the renovation, construction and improvement of a building located at 47 North Main Street in the City of Akron, Ohio. These bonds were special obligations of the Authority payable solely from pledged revenues, being generally (a) loan payments made by or on behalf of ABIA under the Loan Agreement, (b) all of the moneys received or to be received by the Port Authority or the Trustee in respect of the loan under the Loan Agreement, (c) contribution payments that the county is required to make under the Cooperative Agreement if loan payments made by ABIA are insufficient to cover Bond Service Charges or there is a deficiency in the funds required to be on deposit in the Bond Reserve Fund, (d) amounts in the Special Funds, including the Bond Reserve Fund, and (e) income from investments in the foregoing. The bond was secured by assets of the project through a mortgage agreement. In November 2019, the bonds were refinanced with the execution of the December 2020 optional redemption, which occurred. The mortgage was released as part of the purchase transaction more fully described in Note 21. The outstanding balance was \$5,600,000 and \$5,980,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Callis Towers, LLC Project

In October 2007, the Authority issued \$12 million of Summit County Port Authority Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds. The bond proceeds were used to make a mortgage loan insured by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) to Callis Towers, LLC, to finance a portion of the acquisition, renovation, rehabilitation, and equipping of a 277-unit, 15 story residential building located on 2.5 acres in Akron, Ohio. These bonds are special obligations of the Authority payable solely from the revenue received by the trustee under its agreement with Callis Towers, LLC. Callis Towers, LLC and the Authority entered into a financing loan agreement pertaining to this project. The loan is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. All expenses related to the revenue bonds are being paid out of the bond proceeds. The bond is secured by assets of the project. The bonds were redeemed in November 2021.

Collinson Apartments Project

In December 2006, the Authority issued \$4 million of Summit County Port Authority Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds. The bond proceeds were used to finance the costs of acquiring, renovating, and equipping a rental facility in the City of Akron. These bonds are special obligations of the Authority payable solely from the revenue received by the trustee under its agreement with New Hillwood I Associate, LLC. New Hillwood I Associate, LLC and the Authority entered into a financing loan agreement pertaining to this project. The loan is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. All expenses related to the revenue bonds are being paid out of the bond proceeds. The bond is secured by assets of the project. The outstanding balance was \$3,335,000 and \$3,395,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 6: Tax-Exempt Conduit Debt Financing Projects (continued)

Lawrence School Project

In August 2005, the Authority issued \$10.475 million of Summit County Port Authority Adjustable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds (Series 2005). The bond proceeds were used to finance the cost of acquisition of a 47-acre parcel located in Sagamore Hills, and the construction, equipping, and improvement of a private school building on that site, to be owned by Lawrence School. These bonds are special obligations of the Authority payable solely from the revenue received by the trustee under its agreement with Lawrence School. Lawrence School and the Authority entered into a financing lease agreement pertaining to this project. The lease is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. All expenses related to the revenue bonds are being paid out of the bond proceeds. The bond is secured by assets of the project. The revenue bonds were refunded in 2015 with the reissuance of \$7.7 million of refunding revenue bonds. In September 2019, the Series 2017 bonds were refunded and reissued with \$6.649 million of Development Refunding Revenue Bonds. The outstanding balance was \$5,570,022 and \$5,911,176 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Ocasek Summit County Series 2022 (City of Akron - Ocasek Office Building Project)

In February 2022, the Authority, at the request of the City, issued \$15,020,000 million in Non-Taxable Lease Revenue Bonds, Summit County Series 2022. The balance outstanding was \$15,020,000 as of December 31, 2022. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance a portion of the costs to acquire, renovate, construct, equip, and otherwise develop "port authority facilities" as provided in the Act (as defined herein) on the property located at 161 South High Street, Akron, Ohio (the "Project Site") and consisting of the existing Oliver Ocasek Building in the City of Akron, Ohio (the "City" or the "Lessee") for use as office facilities for the City and the State of Ohio and for use as the new Akron Municipal Court administrative facilities and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

Note 7: Taxable Conduit Debt Financing Projects

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards, the following revenue bond financing projects issued by the Authority are considered conduit debt and do not create a liability and therefore are not presented on the Authority's financial statements. The Authority has no responsibility for the payment of the following debt and the loan payments are paid directly to the respective trustee by the borrower. Total amount of conduit debt outstanding was \$25,145,000 and \$23,800,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Franciscan University of Steubenville Project

In December 2018, the Authority issued \$19.75 million in Taxable Higher Education Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2018A and Series 2018B, to assist in the refinancing of capital projects for the Franciscan University of Steubenville project in Steubenville, Ohio. The outstanding balance was \$19,080,000 and \$19,260,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 7: Taxable Conduit Debt Financing Projects (continued)

Turkeyfoot Green- Series 2022

In November 2022, the Authority issued \$2.0 million in Taxable Development Revenue Bonds, Series 2022, to assist the developer with the construction of certain public improvements located on 24.71 acres at 1541 E. Turkeyfoot Lake Road, Green Ohio, the project site. The outstanding balance was \$2,000,000 as of December 31, 2022.

Summit County Series 2021A - previously Bridgestone

In 2021, the Authority, at the request of the County, refinanced the Bridgestone bonds in the amount of \$4,540,000 Summit County Series 2021A taxable. The outstanding balance was \$4,065,000 and \$4,540,000 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Note 8: Conduit Capital Operating Agreements Financing Projects

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards, the following capital financing projects issued by the Authority are considered conduit debt and do not create a liability and therefore are not presented on the Authority's financial statements. The Authority has no responsibility for the payment of the following debt and the loan payments are paid directly to the respective trustee by the borrower. Total amount of conduit debt outstanding was \$22,527,994 and \$44,028,735 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Ray Fogg Season Business Center Five

In April 2021, the Authority issued \$18.5 million in Taxable Development Revenue Bonds to finance a portion of the costs to assist Season Building Center 5, LLC with acquiring, constructing, renovating, installing, furnishing, and developing a 247,000 square foot high bay, speculative industrial building on 16 acres in Stow by Ray Fogg Builders. The balance outstanding was \$3,421,406 and \$6,329,484 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

City of Ashland, Vision Development

In February 2021, in cooperation with the City of Ashland, the Authority issued a \$19.29 million Taxable Development Revenue Bond to help finance the project, which consists of the development of a multifamily apartment building consisting of 192 units in Ashland, Ohio. Vision Development Inc. is the project developer and District Three, LLC is the owner. The balance outstanding was \$0 and \$10,109,790 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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Note 8: Conduit Capital Operating Agreements Financing Projects (continued)

Crystal Clinic Embassy, LLC

In December 2019, the Authority issued \$73.125 million in Taxable Development Lease Bonds and entered into a five-year term capital lease with CC Embassy, LLC relating to the construction of a new surgical specialty hospital in Fairlawn, Ohio. In addition, the Authority, along with the Columbus Franklin County Finance Authority issued up to \$4.5 million in Taxable Development Revenue Bonds as part of the financing for a new Crystal Clinic Hospital facility which will include 60 inpatient beds, 12 operating rooms, urgent orthopedic care services, imaging, and other support services. The balance outstanding was \$0 and \$7,997,236 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

St. Edwards

In 2018 the Authority issued \$19,750,000 million in Taxable Development Lease Revenue Bonds to facilitate the construction of a privately-owned building to accommodate a nonprofit assisted living and nursing home tenant, St. Edwards. The Authority also issued \$2.94 million from its Jobs & Investment Bond Fund to provide public infrastructure to the project. This bond had an interest only period with conversation date of August 10, 2021. The Authority also issued \$621,115 in Taxable Subordinate TIF bonds for this project, which are to be paid only to the extent excess TIF payments are available from future Phase II and Phase III improvements. The balance outstanding was \$19,106,588 and \$19,592,225 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Note 9: Conduit Operating Agreements / Sales Tax Exemption

For certain transactions, the Authority issues sales tax exemptions without bond issuance. Therefore, there are no outstanding balances due to other financing sources. The Authority enters into a capital lease structure with the project owner that enables the benefit of the sales tax exemption without the Authority being part of the financing of the project.

CDSF, Inc.

In November 2021, the Authority entered into an agreement with CDSF in Springfield Township, Ohio, to facilitate approximately \$8.3 million in building improvements for a cold storage facility, part of which were financed by the Authority's Bond Fund. Agreement expires in 2026.

Gardner Pie

In April 2021, the Authority approved an agreement for up to \$27 million of project costs to allow the Company to renovate its existing facility to add a second production line to significantly increase production. The Company also acquired 19 acres to build a 50,045 square foot addition to its existing plant which includes a new packaging department and additional freezer capacity. Agreement expires in 2026.

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Note 9: Conduit Operating Agreements / Sales Tax Exemption (continued)

Canal Place – PACE

In February 2021, The Authority issued \$6.175 million in Taxable Development Revenue Bonds through the Jobs & Investment Bond Fund (rated A- by S&P) for Property Accessed Clean Energy ("PACE") financing, in addition to a non-recourse capital lease to assist with funding the project to finance energy conservation improvements including LED lighting, HVAC, and windows for the redevelopment of Buildings 10 & 17 at Canal Place. The project entails building approximately 160,000 square feet of market-rate residential apartments to the existing 190,000 square foot finished office space, which is being updated. Agreement expires in 2071.

Former Goodyear Headquarters/IRG Market Residences I

In 2020, this \$16 million project consisted of the renovation of 60,000 square feet on three floors of the former Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company headquarters building located in the East End neighborhood redevelopment. The project includes 22 market-rent residential units per floor, for a total of 66 units. This project is part of the ongoing redevelopment of the 1.4 million square foot former Goodyear Corporate Headquarters campus. The total estimated investment in the East End Project exceeds \$100 million. The East End Project, a mixed-use development encompassing several hundred thousand square feet of retail, office, hospitality and residences, is being developed in multiple phases by Industrial Realty Group, LLC. Agreement expires in 2045.

Akron- Romig Road Amazon Distribution Facility

In July 2019, the Authority entered into an agreement for a maximum term of thirty years with Akron Romig Road LLC relating to the construction of a 600,000 square foot distribution facility at the former Rolling Acres Mall site in Akron, Ohio. The agreement expires in 2023.

East End Babcock & Wilcox Headquarters

In July 2019, the Authority entered into a financing agreement of \$16.3 million to assist with the renovation of the former Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company headquarters in the East End Neighborhood. The property will be used by Babcock & Wilcox who is relocating their corporate headquarters to Akron, Ohio. The agreement is for a maximum term of twenty-five years with IRG RC Market Offices, II, LLC. Agreement expires in 2044.

Bowery Development

In 2018 the Authority approved an agreement with Bowery Development for up to \$40 million to assist with the renovation of six buildings in downtown Akron. Agreement expires in 2068.

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Note 9: Conduit Operating Agreements / Sales Tax Exemption (continued)

Riverwood Development

In January 2022, the Authority approved an agreement, for project costs related to the development of 130 ranch style apartments and 30 townhouse apartments located on 75 acres with approximately 40 acres of green space with walking trails and located at 1870 Akron Peninsula Road, Akron Ohio George Road, Ashland Ohio. Agreement expires in 2027.

Wyoga Lake Development

In January 2022, the Authority approved an agreement, for project costs related to the development of 163 apartments and 51,000 square foot commercial space located at the corner of Wyoga Lake Road and East Steels Corner Road. The project is located on 37.94 acres, of which approximately 31.21 acres will be utilized for residential, and 6.05 acres will be allotted for commercial use. Agreement expires in 2027.

Ray Fogg Season Business Center Six

In June 2022, the Authority approved an agreement for up to \$25 million of project costs to construct a 254,474 square foot high bay, industrial property located in Stow, Ohio. Agreement expires in 2027.

Charles River Laboratories

In June 2022, the Authority approved an agreement, for project costs related to a 200,000 square foot expansion project consisting of a two-story vivarium with expanded laboratories and support areas located at 1407 George Road, Ashland Ohio. Agreement expires in 2027.

Turkeyfoot Green

In November 2022, the Authority approved an agreement and Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) for project costs and development of a 250-unit multi-family apartment building, a clubhouse and fitness center, and 500 space parking garage located on 24.71 acres at 1541 E. Turkeyfoot Lake Road, Green Ohio. Agreement expires in 2027.

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Note 10: Capital Assets

During 2021, the Authority entered into a cooperative agreement and the capital assets were considered held for sale. See Note 21.

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

	-	Balance at 1/1/21	Additions	Deletions	Balance at 12/31/21
Capital assets not being depreciated: Land	\$	500,000	\$ -	\$ (500,000) \$	-
Capital assets being depreciated: Buildings		1,000,000	-	(1,000,000)	-
Less accumulated depreciation: Buildings	_	(350,000)	(4,167)	354,167	
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	-	650,000	(4,167)	(645,833)	
Capital assets, net	\$ _	1,150,000	\$ (4,167)	\$ (1,145,833) \$	

Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

Net Pension Liability and Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

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

The net pension/OPEB liabilities (asset) represents the Authority'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.

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

Net Pension Liability and Net OPEB Asset/Liability (continued)

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

GASB 68 and 75 assumes the liability (asset) is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for OPEB benefits including primarily health care. In most cases, 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/OPEB liabilities within 30 years. If the pension/OPEB 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 (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients.

The proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term net pension/OPEB liability on the accrual basis of accounting. Funded benefits are presented as an other net pension/OPEB asset. Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in accrued expense on the accrual basis of accounting. The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 12 for the required OPEB disclosures.

Plan Description - Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description – Authority employees, participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The Traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Member-Directed plan is a defined contribution plan and the Combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. While members 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 <u>https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml</u>, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 614-222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

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

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. Final average salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over the member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earning 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 Traditional plan is a defined benefit plan in which a member's retirement benefits are calculated on a formula that considers years of service and FAS. Pension benefits are funded by both member and employer contributions and investment earnings on those contributions.

The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to the FAS for the three member groups under the Traditional plan (see OPERS ACFR referenced above for additional information):

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 5 years of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30 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 5 years of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30 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

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

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

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

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

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

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 their benefit account (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.

Funding Policy – The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions and currently limits the employer contribution to a rate not to exceed 14% of covered payroll for state and local employer units. Member contribution rates, as set forth in the Ohio Revised Code, are not to exceed 10% of covered payroll for members in the state and local classifications.

The portion of employer contributions used to fund pension benefits is net of postemployment health care benefits. The portion of the employer's contribution allocated to health care was 0% for 2022 for the traditional plan. Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Authority's contractually required contribution for the traditional plan was \$101,512 and \$77,275 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Of these amounts, \$4,748 and \$2,923 is reported as an accrued expense for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability for OPERS as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, were measured as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of those dates. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Authority's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

Subsequent payments made during the current fiscal year are accounted for as deferred outflows. The following table reflects the proportionate share of pension expense for the current and prior years for all plans and thus the Authority, in total. The related deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources associated with the net pension liability are presented below.

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	OPERS - Traditio				
		2022		2021	
Proportion of the net pension liability:					
Current measurement period	0.0	00472200%	0.0	00328300%	
Prior measurement period	<u>0.0</u>	00389100%	0.0	00389100%	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.0</u>	00083100%	<u>0.</u> 0	00060800%	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	410,833	\$	576,172	
Pension expense	\$	70,942	\$	111,708	

At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	_	OPERS -	Tradi	tional
	_	2022		2021
Deferred outflows of resources				
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	20,944	\$	-
Changes of assumptions		51,375		-
Changes in employers proportionate percentage /				
difference between employer contributions		118,088		100,409
Authority contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date	_	101,512		77,275
Total deferred outflows of resources	\$ _	291,919	\$	177,684
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	9,011	\$	24,101
Changes of assumptions				
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments	_	488,672		224,578
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$	497,683	\$	248,679

The \$101,512 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from Authority contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability/asset in the year ending December 31, 2023.

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

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
	 Traditional
Year Ending December 31:	
2023	\$ 27,118
2024	(141,748)
2025	(114,908)
2026	 (77,738)
	\$ (307,276)

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 active member population is assumed to remain constant. For purposes of financing the unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, total payroll is assumed to grow at the wage inflation rate indicated below.

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

Key methods and assumptions used in valuation of total pension liability/asset - 2021

	OPERS
	Traditional Plan
Valuation date	December 31, 2021
Experience study	5-year period ended
	December 31, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	6.90%
Wage inflation	2.75%
Projected salary increases,	
including 2.75% wage inflation	2.75 to 10.75%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-Jan 7, 2013 retirees	3.00% Simple
Post-Jan 7, 2013 retirees	3.00% Simple through 2022
	then 2.05% Simple

Key methods and assumptions used in valuation of total pension liability/asset - 2020

	OPERS Traditional Plan
Valuation date	December 31, 2020
Experience study	5-year period ended
	December 31, 2015
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	7.20%
Wage inflation	3.25%
Projected salary increases,	
including 3.25% wage inflation	3.25 to 10.75%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-Jan 7, 2013 retirees	3.00% Simple
Post-Jan 7, 2013 retirees	0.50% Simple through 2021
	then 2.15% Simple

OPERS conducts an experience study every five years in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 145.22. The study for the five-year period ended December 31, 2020 and methods and assumptions were approved and adopted by the OPERS Board of Trustees.

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on 130% of the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality tables (males and females). Post-retirement mortality rates are based on 115% of the PubG-2010 Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females). Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females). For all of the previously described tables, the base year is 2010 and mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scales (males and females) to all of these tables.

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

During 2021, 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 of the traditional plan, the defined benefit component of the combined plan and the annuitized accounts of the member-directed plan. The money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for changing amounts actually invested for the Defined Benefit portfolio was a gain of 15.3% for 2021.

The allocation of investment assets with the Defined Benefit portfolio is approved by the Board 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. The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy and the long-term expected real rates of return:

	2021	2021 Weighted Average Long-Term Expected	2020	2020 Weighted Average Long-Term Expected
	Target	Real Rate of Return	Target	Real Rate of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	(Arithmetic)	Allocation	(Arithmetic)
Fixed income	24.0%	1.03%	25.0%	1.32%
Domestic equities	21.0%	3.78%	21.0%	5.64%
Real estate	11.0%	3.66%	10.0%	5.39%
Private equity	12.0%	7.43%	12.0%	10.42%
International equities	23.0%	4.88%	23.0%	7.36%
Risky parity	5.0%	2.92%	0.0%	0.00%
Other investments	4.0%	2.85%	<u>9.0%</u>	4.75%
Total	<u>100.0%</u>	4.21%	<u>100.0%</u>	5.43%

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Note 11: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for measurement years 2021 and 2020 was 6.9% and 7.2%, respectively. 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 statutorily required rates, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefits payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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

Authority's proportionate share of net pension liability (asset) at December 31, 2022:

	 1% Decrease (5.9%)	D	iscount Rate (6.9%)	1% Increase (7.9%)
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) – traditional	\$ 1,083,180	\$	410,833	\$ (148,649)

Authority's proportionate share of net pension liability at December 31, 2021:

	1% Decrease (6.2%)	D	viscount Rate (7.2%)	_	1% Increase (8.2%)
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability – traditional	\$ 1,099,052	\$	576,172	\$	141,399

Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Investment rate of return decreased from 7.20% to 6.90%. Wage inflation decreased from 3.25% to 2.75%.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description – OPERS administers three separate pension plans: the traditional pension plan, a defined benefit plan; the combined plan, a hybrid defined benefit/defined contribution plan; and the member-directed plan, a defined contribution plan. Effective January 1, 2022 the combined plan is no longer available for member selection. Authority employees are in OPERS' traditional plan; therefore, the following disclosure focuses on the traditional 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 (HRA) 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.

OPERS provides a monthly allowance for health care coverage for eligible retirees and their eligible dependents. The base allowance is determined by OPERS. For those retiring on or after January 1, 2015, the allowance has been determined by applying a percentage to the base allowance. The percentage applied is based on years of qualifying service credit and age when the retiree first enrolled in OPERS health care. Monthly allowances range between 51 percent and 90 percent of the base allowance. Those who retired prior to January 1, 2015, will have an allowance of at least 75 percent of the base allowance.

The heath 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 discontinued 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.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

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

In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional plan must have twenty or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with a minimum age of 60. Members in Group A are eligible for coverage at any age with 30 or more years of qualifying service. Members in Group B are eligible at any age with 32 years of qualifying service, or at age 52 with 31 years of qualifying service. Members in Group C are eligible for coverage with 32 years of qualifying service and a minimum age of 55. Current retirees eligible (or who became 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 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.

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

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

Funding Policy – The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postemployment health care through their contributions to OPERS. When funding is approved by OPERS Board of Trustees, a portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2022, state and local employers contributed at a rate of 14.0% of earnable salary. This is 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. The portion of the employer's contribution allocated to health care was 0% for 2022 and 2021 for the traditional 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.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Authority was not required to make any contractually required contributions to fund health care in 2022 or 2021.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

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

The net pension asset for OPERS as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, were measured as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of those dates. The Authority's proportion of the net pension asset was based on the Authority's share of contributions to the plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

Subsequent payments made during the current fiscal year are accounted for as deferred outflows. The following table reflects the proportionate share of pension expense for the current and prior years for all plans and thus the Authority, in total. The related deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources associated with the net pension liability (asset) are presented below.

Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

		OPERS - Traditional			
		2022	_	2021	
Proportion of the net OPEB asset:					
Prior measurement period	0.0	00389000%	0	.00328800%	
Current measurement period	<u>0.</u>	0.00472900%		0.00389000%	
Change in proportionate share of net OPEB asset	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.00083900%</u>		<u>0.00060200%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$	148,120	\$	69,303	
Reduction of OPEB expense	\$	(69,926)	\$	(359,300)	

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

Net OPEB Asset, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows or Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (continued)

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

	 OPERS		
	 2022 20		2021
Deferred outflows of resources			
Changes of assumptions	\$ -	\$	34,068
Changes in employer's proportionate percentage / difference			
between employer contributions	 32,862		66,397
Total deferred outflows of resources	\$ 32,862	\$	100,465
Deferred inflows of resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 22,469	\$	62,545
Net difference between projected and actual earnings			
on OPEB plan investments	70,613		36,913
Changes of assumptions	 59,957		112,293
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$ 153,039	\$	211,751

There were no deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from the Authority's contributions subsequent to the measurement date which would have been recognized as an increase of the net OPEB asset in the year ending December 31, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	_	OPERS
Year Ending December 31	:	
2023	\$	(66,390)
2024		(28,215)
2025		(15,428)
2026	_	(10, 144)
	\$ _	(120,177)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value 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.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

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 asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2020, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2021. 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:

Key methods and assumptions used in valuation of total OPEB asset - 2021

	Assumptions
Valuation date	December 31, 2020
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2021
Experience study	5-year period ended December 31, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age normal
Projected salary increases,	
including 2.75% wage inflation	2.75% to 10.75%
Investment rate of return	6.00%
Municipal bond rate	1.84%
Single discount rate of return	6.00%
Health care cost trend	Initial 5.50% to 3.50% ultimate in 2034

Key methods and assumptions used in valuation of total OPEB asset - 2020

	Assumptions
Valuation date	December 31, 2019
Rolled-forward measurement date	December 31, 2020
Experience study	5-year period ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age normal
Projected salary increases,	
including 3.25% wage inflation	3.25 to 10.75%
Investment rate of return	6.00%
Municipal bond rate	2.00%
Single discount rate of return	6.00%
Health care cost trend	Initial 8.50% to 3.50% ultimate in 2035

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2020.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

For 2021, pre-retirement mortality rates are based on 130% of the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality Tables (males and females). Post-retirement mortality rates are based on 115% of the PubG-2010 Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females). Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females). For all of the previously described tables, the base year is 2010 and mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scales (males and females) to all of these tables.

For 2020, 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. Postretirement 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 established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Postretirement 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 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. Postretirement 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.

During 2021 and 2020, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Health Care portfolio includes the assets for health care expenses for the Traditional pension plan, Combined plan and Member-Directed plan eligible members. Within the Health Care portfolio, contributions into the plans are assumed to be received continuously throughout the year based on the actual payroll payable at the time contributions are made, and health care-related payments are assumed to occur mid-year. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Health Care portfolio was a gain of 14.30% for 2021 and 10.96% in 2020, respectively.

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.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

The table below displays the Board-approved asset allocation policy and the long-term expected real rates of return:

	2021 Target	2021 Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	2020 Target	2020 Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	(Arithmetic)	Allocation	(Arithmetic)
Fixed income	34.0%	0.91%	34.0%	1.07%
Domestic equities	25.0%	3.78%	25.0%	5.64%
Real estate	7.0%	3.71%	7.0%	6.48%
International equities	25.0%	4.88%	25.0%	7.36%
Risk parity	2.0%	2.92%	0.0%	0.00%
Other investments	7.0%	1.93%	<u>9.0%</u>	4.02%
Total	100.0%	3.45%	100.0%	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, 2021. 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) tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate are not met). This single discount rate was based on an expected rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00% and a municipal bond rate of 1.84% for the measurement date of December 31, 2021. 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 2121. As a result, the long-term expected rate of return on health care payments are fully funded.

A single discount rate of 6.00% was used to measure the OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2020. This single discount rate was based on an expected rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.00% for the measurement date of December 31, 2020.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

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

Authority's proportionate share of net OPEB asset at December 31, 2022:

	1% Decrease (5.00%)	Γ	Discount Rate (6.00%)	_	1% Increase (7.00%)
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 87,108	\$	148,120	\$	198,760

Authority's proportionate share of net OPEB liability at December 31, 2021:

	_	1% Decrease (5.00%)]	Discount Rate (6.00%)	<u>-</u>	1% Increase (7.00%)
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$	17,233	\$	69,303	\$	112,110

Sensitivity of the Authority'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 1.0% lower or 1.0% 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 2022 is 5.50%. The trend starting in 2021 is 8.5%. 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.

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Note 12: Defined Benefit OPEB Plans (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS (continued)

As of December 31, 2022

Authority's proportionate share of the	1%	Decrease_	(th Care Cost Current scount Rate	_	1% Increase
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$	149,720	\$	148,120	\$	146,221
As of December 31, 2021						
	1%	Decrease	(th Care Cost Current scount Rate		1% Increase
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$	70,993	\$	69,303	\$	67,414

Note 13: Akron Civic Theatre Project

In September 2001, the Authority issued \$14.6 million of Summit County Port Authority Revenue Bonds, comprised of \$13.6 million of Current Interest Bonds and \$1 million of Capital Appreciation Bonds. The proceeds from the revenue bonds were primarily used to fund the renovation of the Akron Civic Theatre facility. These bonds are payable solely from the proceeds received by the Authority under its agreement with the Akron Civic Theatre.

In 2012, the Authority issued \$15.295 million of Port Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds, for the purpose of (1) refunding the Development Finance Authority's outstanding Revenue Bonds issued in 2001 to provide the funds to pay the costs of a project to be leased to The Community Hall Foundation, Inc., dba Akron Civic Theatre, and (2) paying issuance costs of the Series 2012 Bonds. The bonds refunded in the 2001 issue mature on December 1, 2033. The balance outstanding on the revenue bonds were \$10,830,000 and \$11,415,000 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The Akron Civic Theatre and the Authority entered into an agreement pertaining to the Civic Theatre facility. The agreement is non-cancelable until the underlying revenue bonds are paid in full. Payments will be derived from the County Bed Tax revenues, through agreement among Summit County, National Inventors Hall of Fame and the Authority. In addition, the City of Akron guarantees the bonds.

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Note 13: Akron Civic Theatre Project (continued)

All expenses related to the revenue bonds were paid out of the bond proceeds. The operation and maintenance of the theatre is the responsibility of the Akron Civic Theatre. In 2002, there was a shortfall in fundraising revenue committed to the project by the Civic Theatre which led to the notes payable and receivable explained in Note 14.

Approximate future annual receipts and payments for the refunding bonds are:

	Year	 Principal	_	Interest		Total
	2023	\$ 625,000	\$	427,763	\$	1,052,763
	2024	675,000		409,013		1,084,013
	2025	730,000		382,013		1,112,013
	2026	790,000		352,813		1,142,813
	2027	930,000		313,313		1,243,313
	2028-2032	5,735,000		947,881		6,682,881
	2033	1,345,000		53,800	_	1,398,800
Total		\$ 10,830,000	\$	2,886,596	\$	<u>13,716,596</u>

In 2019, the Authority's constructed a new box office and an Administrative Building for the Akron Civic Theatre as part of the Bowery Redevelopment Project. An elevator was also installed to provide additional access to the City's Lock III Park. The Authority and Civic Theatre are also building an adjacent deck and patio. The Authority managed this project on behalf of the Civic Theatre as agreed upon in a cooperative agreement between the Akron Civic Theatre and the Authority. Funding is provided through the Summit County Land Bank, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the City of Akron, and the Ohio Erie Canalway Association grant funds. Construction is expected to be finished in 2023.

In 2021, the Authority and the Civic realized the completion of the Phase III Lobby Restoration. Work in this phase included restoration of the ceilings and walls of the interior of the Grand Lobby, Great Hall, and entrance to the Entry Arcade, as well as renovation of the murals located in the Grand Lobby, Great Hall and Entry Arcade, the brass front entrance doors, and the original ticket booth.

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Note 14: Notes Payable and Notes Receivable

Note Payable with Summit County

The Authority has an unsecured note payable with Summit County. The purpose of the note was for renovation costs for the Akron Civic Theatre. The balance outstanding on the unsecured note payable was \$30,829 and \$105,829 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Approximate annual principal payments, required to be made by the Authority, under this debt for the next five years and thereafter are:

Year	A	mount
2023	\$	30,829
Total	\$	30,829

Note Payable with State of Ohio

During 2017, the Authority entered into an agreement with the Ohio Development Services Agency (now titled the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD)) as part of the State 166 Loan Program. This agreement provided a \$2 million loan to the Authority to increase loan loss reserves of the Jobs and Investment Bond Fund Program. The loan does not accrue interest. The only payments on this program are investment earnings from the principal amount held in the bond fund reserve. The loan is due in a balloon payment to ODOD in the year 2057. The outstanding balance is \$2,000,000 and \$2,000,000 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Energy Loan Loss Reserve Escrow

During 2018, the Authority entered into an additional loan loss reserve agreement with ODOD. The agreement provides additional loan loss reserves on eligible loans for energy projects. Total amounts awarded, approved and remitted by ODOD totaled \$3,789,550 and \$3,753,113 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. There is currently no repayment schedule for this loan. Upon termination, any amounts in the additional reserve that no longer are pledged to supplement eligible loans for energy projects shall be returned to the ODOD.

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Note 14: Notes Payable and Notes Receivable (continued)

MCCAP Bond Fond Reserve Escrow

During 2020, the Authority, along with the Western Reserve Community Fund (WRCF), entered into an agreement with Summit County, the City of Akron, the Akron Urban League, and the Fedeli Group, LLC to assist with financing for small minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, LGBTQ+-owned and disabled-owned businesses in the construction and tech assistance industries, with access to capital to finance project-related bonding, material and labor-costs. This agreement provided a \$1 million loan for the Authority to create and maintain reserves to enable these contractors to obtain a surety bond for construction projects. The loan does not accrue interest. During 2022, it was determined and agreed upon by the county to terminate the loan and transfer \$1,000,000 to WRCF. The outstanding balance is \$2,682 and \$1,000,187 for the years ended 2022 and 2021, respectively.

47 N Main Project

During 2021, the Authority entered into an agreement with Summit County, the City of Akron, and Akron Children's Hospital, to assist with financing construction and improvements for the 47 N Main building to ready for sale. See Note 2. This agreement provided a \$1.8 million loan for the Authority to create and maintain reserves for the construction project. \$1.4 million of the loan will be repaid by the Authority as it draws upon the City Grant and any amount loaned above the \$1.4 million used for the project will be forgiven by the County. The loan does not accrue interest. Upon termination, any amounts in the reserve that no longer are pledged to supplement eligible project costs shall be returned to Summit County. The project was completed in August 2022 and the property was sold in September of 2022.

Note 15: Airdock Remediation

In January 2007, the Authority entered into an agreement with the Director of Development of the State of Ohio for a Brownfield Revolving Fund Loan for the Airdock Project. The Authority also entered into a grant agreement with the Clean Ohio Council for Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund (CORF) for the Airdock Project. The purpose of the loan and grant was to conduct interior remediation activities including cleaning dust and debris from the building interior structure, at the Airdock site located in Akron which was owned by the Authority and leased to Lockheed Martin Corporation. This property was sold in 2022. The amount of the loan and grant was \$2 million and \$3 million, respectively. This loan is a debt obligation of the Lockheed Martin Corporation and payments are made on a monthly basis under their agreement with ODSA. The Authority recognized administration fees as a result of the agreement with Lockheed Martin.

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Note 16: Operating Agreements

In December of 2012, the Authority leased the 1034 Home Avenue building to A&K Summit Holdings, LLC for a period of one year. The annual base rent during the initial lease term was \$12,000 per year. Rental payments during the post-option exercise lease term are in monthly installments as follows: (a) \$2,656 for month's one through nine and (b) \$9,495 for months ten through ninety-six. The Authority recognized \$113,944 of rental income from property leased under this agreement in 2021. In December 2020, A&K and the Authority agreed to a sale of the property, which closed in January 2021.

In December 2017, the Authority entered into an agreement with the Bowery Development Group, LLC (lessee), which is undertaking to redevelop a part of Downtown Akron. The project is a mixed-use purpose project located on 0.7 acres neighboring the historic Akron Civic Theatre on South Main Street. The new development, includes office, retail, entertainment, apartments and a public arcade space. The Authority holds fee simple title to the project site. The Authority and the lessee have entered into a lease under which the Authority is leasing the project to the lessee for \$1.00 per year, with all of the lease receivable collected in 2018. The lease is triple net, the Authority assisted the lessee, on a non-recourse basis, with financing sources for the project. The Authority receives an annual \$100,000 administrative fee related to this project.

Note 17: Bridgestone Project

On December 1, 2010, the Authority issued \$7,450,000 of Federally Taxable Recovery Zone Economic Development Revenue Bonds and \$100,000 of Federally Taxable Revenue Bonds as part of the Bridgestone Project. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to provide funds to pay a portion of the costs of constructing the new technical center which is being constructed as the international technical center and research and development headquarters for Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC (BATO). BATO will operate the technical center project, which will provide research and development and technical support for BATO's operations. The technical center project comprises the technical center buildings, a multi-level parking facility for approximately 475 vehicles, and an elevated pedestrian walkway connecting the tech center and the parking facility. The parking facility and a portion of the pedestrian walkway are the projects being financed with the 2010 bond proceeds.

Pursuant to the terms of the Cooperative Agreements, Summit County makes its County Revenue Payments to the Trustee from the County Nontax Revenues in amounts sufficient to pay Bond Service Charges on the Nontax Revenue Bonds when due.

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Note 17: Bridgestone Project (continued)

The Authority, at the request of the County refinanced the project in 2021. The issuance resulted in a difference between the cash flows required to service the old debt and the cash flows required to service the new debt of \$491,931. The issuance resulted in an economic gain of \$458,213. The principal balance outstanding of the defeased debt was \$4,065,000 and \$4,540,000 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Approximate future annual principal and interest payments for this obligation are:

	Year	Principal		Interest	_	Total
	2023 2024 2025 2026 2027	\$ 490,000 490,000 495,000 510,000 510,000	\$	58,739 51,659 44,578 37,426 30,056	\$	548,739 541,659 539,578 547,426 540,056
	2028-2030	1,570,000	_	45,663		1,615,663
Total		\$ 4,065,000	\$ _	268,121	\$_	<u>4,333,121</u>

Note 18: Risk Management

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters. Commercial insurance has been obtained to cover damage or destruction to the Authority's property and for public liability, personal injury, and third-party property damage claims. Settled claims have not exceeded the Authority's commercial insurance coverage for any the past three years. No substantial changes in insurance coverage have occurred in any major risk category in 2022 and 2021; settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

Employee health care benefits are provided under a group insurance arrangement and the Authority is insured through the State of Ohio for workers' compensation benefits.

Note 19: Related Party Transactions

The Authority received a \$75,000 grant from Summit County for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. \$75,000 of the grant funds were used for economic development and job creation purposes in both 2022 and 2021 as agreed upon by the county.

In 2022, the Authority received an additional \$125,000 grant from Summit County for the year ended December 31, 2022. The \$125,000 of the grant funds were used for capitalization of the Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund.

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Note 20: Letter of Credit

The Authority has a \$7.5 million, unsecured letter of credit with a bank in order to support issuance of development bonds via the Authority's Bond Fund Program. The \$7.5 million, unsecured letter of credit was renewed through October 31, 2023 with no significant changes in the terms. No amounts were outstanding on this letter of credit as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Note 21: Commitments

Kelso - Brimfield TIF Project

In May 2010, the Authority authorized up to \$1 million in Subordinate Tax-Exempt Revenue Bonds to reimburse Kelso Development LLC for costs incurred related to the acquisition of land and construction of improvements in connections with the Brimfield Plaza Development. Costs will be reimbursed after the original TIF bonds are paid off and only to the extent there are excess proceeds. Development at the site includes a medical office building and retail.

Summit County - 47 North Main Street Project

In 2011, the County sold the project site to the Authority at a price equivalent to the appraised value of the property, plus approximately \$190,000, which is the amount of improvement indebtedness owed by the county on the property. The purchase was based on the Fiscal Officer's appraisal of \$2,490,000. The Authority, to assist the Austin BioInnovation Institute (ABIA), issued \$7.5 million of Tax-Exempt Development Revenue Bonds to provide financing for the renovation of the building. These bonds were retired/paid off in December 2019.

The Authority issued a 22 year note in the amount of \$2.49 million upon purchase of the project site which is secured by a county mortgage in the project site. The estimated annual principal payment for years 1 through 20 is \$86,793. The estimated annual principal payment for years 21 and 22 is \$377,070.

In April 2016, the County and the Authority, by Board resolution, approved a deferment of payments on the note for the period of March 15, 2017 to March 15, 2021, with the deferred payments being added to the final payment due in 2033 under the terms of the Loan and note. In 2022, the County released the Authority of the note as part of the purchase transaction described below.

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For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 21: Commitments (continued)

Summit County - 47 North Main Street Project (continued)

The Authority leased floors one, two, three, and a portion of the basement to ABIA, who entered into subleases with other non-profit health care providers. The Authority leased floors four, five, six, and the balance of the basement to the County for its Department of Job and Family Services ("DJFS") through March 2016. During this time, the Authority used approximately 2,040 square feet of floor four of the project site as its offices. During 2020, ABIA was dissolved and the Authority agreed to lease 20,850 sq. ft. to Akron Children's Hospital and the Authority also moved into the former ABIA space on floor three. In 2021, the Authority entered into a Cooperative Agreement with the city of Akron, Summit County, and Akron Children's Hospital agreeing to sell the property to Akron Children's Hospital for the appraised \$4.5 million value subject to the Authority, on behalf of community partners, disposing of certain deteriorated buildings on the project site. The Cooperative Agreement provided for the County to loan the Authority up to \$1.4 million to complete the demolition projects as well as make certain improvements to the 47 N. Main Building. The city agreed to provide a grant up to \$1.4 million to pay project costs. Additionally, should project costs exceed \$1.4 million the County agreed to provide up to \$400,000 in grant funding. The project was completed in August 2022 and the property sold during September of 2022. The Authority is now a tenant in the building.

The Authority manages the property per the Cooperative Agreement. The Authority has recorded a liability in the amount of \$450,552 for the year ended December 31, 2021 for estimated payments received which were greater than the total operating expenses allocated for the year then ended.

8 and 80 Holdings TIF Project

The Project is located in the Village of Boston Heights and consists of certain public improvements constructed by 8 & 80 Holdings, LLC (the Developer) and dedicated to the Village in support of the acquisition, construction, and installation of an approximately 150,000 sq. ft. Costco general merchandise store; including 700 parking spaces and a fuel station, as well as the development of seven additional retail outlet parcels. The costs of the project are being advanced by the Developer under a separate construction loan. The Village of Boston Heights has agreed to pay a portion of the Service Payments to the Developer for the costs of the project. The Village and the Developer requested that the Authority issue a series of revenue bonds to secure the Village's obligation to pay the service payments to the developer when due.

Note 22: Contingencies

The Authority, in the normal course of its activities, could be exposed to various claims and pending litigation. In the opinion of Authority management, the disposition of these other matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the Authority.

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Note 23: Development Fund of The Western Reserve, Inc.

The Development Fund of the Western Reserve, Inc. (DFWR), an Ohio non-profit corporation (the "Corporation"), was formed on May 26, 2011 to serve or provide investment capital for Low-Income Communities (LICs), as defined in Section 45D(e) of the Internal Revenue Code and the Treasury Regulations there under, or low-income persons ("Low-Income Persons"). The Corporation is certified as a qualified Community Development Entity (CDE) under the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program. One hundred percent (100%) of the Corporation's activities are targeted to Low-Income Persons of LICs. The Corporation's service area is comprised of an eighteen-county area in Northeast Ohio. Pursuant to the Management Services Agreement (the "Management Agreement") between the Corporation and the Authority, the Authority provides management, financial, operational compliance and administrative services as necessary to assist the Corporation in fulfilling its on-going, day-to-day responsibilities. In exchange for these services, the Corporation pays the Authority a fee in an amount equal to: (a) fifty percent (50%) of (i) closing fees and (ii) any ongoing administrative fees received by the Corporation from time to time under the NMTC Program for investments, loans and/or transactions consummated thereunder; and (b) all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Authority and its service personnel consisting of travel, outside consultants, conference calls, postage, courier costs and other miscellaneous expenses. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Corporation paid support services expenses for the NMTC of \$200,000 and \$197,500, respectively, to the Authority. The annual management fee paid for 2022 and 2021 was \$250,000 and \$234,000, respectively.

Note 24: Akron Summit County ESID Expansion Project

Since 2017, the Authority with the County of Summit has encouraged the expansion of the City of Akron's Energy Special Improvement District (ESID) throughout the rest of Summit County. This joint effort works to expand the ESID to enable private and public commercial property owners to finance energy-related improvements in a number of ways; through special assessments, the Authority's Jobs & Investment Bond Fund, or various private lenders. Twenty-one Summit County communities now belong to the ESID. The ESID Board of Directors is composed of member representatives from each municipality and township.

During 2017, the Authority loaned \$30,000 to the ESID to facilitate the issuance of expansion project loans. The Authority is the designated ESID Program Administrator which includes disbursement of the ESID project loans and receipt of the special assessment payments, which are known as Energy Special Improvement District assessments, from the Summit County Fiscal Officer in the tax year following disbursement of each ESID project loan. During 2019, the Authority loaned an additional \$10,000 to the ESID to further facilitate issuance of expansion project loans. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, as Program Administrator, the Authority disbursed \$0 and \$1,700 for two ESID expansion project loans. The ESID also received administrative fees from the assessment payments for all energy efficiency projects with Summit County, Ohio.

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Note 24: Akron Summit County ESID Expansion Project (continued)

The Authority entered into a payment agreement with Summit County to assist with processing ESID project assessments.

The balance on the note receivable was \$-0- and \$2,883 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Note 25: Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc.

Western Reserve Community Fund, Inc, (WRCF) a nonprofit organization, was incorporated on March 7, 2019 to provide increased access to capital in low-income areas and to apply for certification as a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). WRCF's target market is disadvantaged businesses and communities located in Summit County.

Also, in March 2019, in a joint effort with Summit County, the Authority agreed to make a grant of \$250,000, which the County matched, and entered into a grant agreement with WRCF to capitalize the newly created entity.

The Authority entered into a Management Services Agreement with WRCF on November 12, 2019 with quarterly payments beginning on March 15, 2020. The management service agreement is updated annually, during 2022, the third amendment was approved. WRCF receives management services, office space, and related utilities as part of the Management Services Agreement. The annual management fee paid for 2022 and 2021 was \$150,000 and \$100,000, respectively.

In 2021, the Authority made a 10-year interest only loan of \$300,000 to WRCF with principal due in 2031.

Note 26: Subsequent Events

The Authority anticipates the following projects to close in 2023, which have been authorized by the Board:

Spring Hill TIF Phase Two

In January 2023, the Authority issued \$7 million non-recourse TIF Bonds on behalf of DeHoff Development and the City of Green to pay the costs of public infrastructure.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (continued)

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Note 26: Subsequent Events (continued)

Other noteworthy events:

In April 2023, the Authority received two applications for its new energy efficiency revolving loan fund (RLF) and expects both loans to close during 2023.

On April 1, 2023, DFA notified Cascade Plaza Associates that the property is in default. With Board authorization at the end of April 2023 the DFA made a bond payment in the amount of \$230,245. Management is currently negotiating with Cascade Plaza Associates on future action; however, no plans have been finalized.

WRCF Board authorized the repayment of a \$300,000 loan the DFA provided to WRCF in the year 2021. The full principal balance was returned in April 2023.

Expecting a renewal in October 2023 of the Huntington Bank unsecured Letter of Credit for the Authority' Jobs and Investment Bond Fund with no significant changes in terms.

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Nine Years

Traditional Plan:

	_	2022 (1)	2021 (1)	2020 (1)	2019 (1)	
Authority's proportion of the net pension liability		0.004722%	0.003891%	0.003283%	0.002753%	
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	410,833 \$	576,172 \$	648,907 \$	753,991	
Authority's covered payroll	\$	551,964 \$	481,464 \$	379,364 \$	346,064	
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		74.43%	119.67%	171.05%	217.88%	
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		92.62%	86.88%	82.17%	74.70%	
	_	2018 (1)	2017 (1)	2016 (1)	2015 (1)	2014 (1)
Authority's proportion of the net pension liability		0.002564%	0.002834%	0.002764%	0.002873%	0.002873%
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	402,242 \$	643,582 \$	478,796 \$	346,561 \$	338,734
Authority's covered payroll	\$	370,357 \$	352,500 \$	350,625 \$	352,277 \$	331,592
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		108.61%	182.58%	136.56%	98.38%	102.15%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		84.66%	77.25%	81.08%	86.45%	86.36%

(1) Information prior to 2014 is not available. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the Authority's measurement date, which is the prior year-end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Authority's Pension Contributions Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Ten Years

	_	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Contractually required contribution	\$	101,512 \$	77,275 \$	67,405 \$	53,111 \$	48,449
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	_	(101,512)	(77,275)	(67,405)	(53,111)	(48,449)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$_	\$	\$	\$	\$	-
Authority's covered payroll	\$	725,086 \$	551,964 \$	481,464 \$	379,364 \$	346,064
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%
	_	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$	48,146 \$	42,300 \$	42,075 \$	42,273 \$	43,107
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	_	(48,146)	(42,300)	(42,075)	(42,273)	(43,107)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$_	\$	\$	\$	\$	-
Authority's covered payroll	\$	370,354 \$	352,500 \$	350,625 \$	352,275 \$	331,592
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		13.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	13.00%

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the Authority's measurement date, which is the prior year-end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset/Liability Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Six Years

	_	2022 (1)	2021 (1)	2020 (1)	2019 (1)
Authority's proportion of the net OPEB asset/liability		0.004229%	0.003890%	0.003288%	0.002762%
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) liability	\$	(148,120) \$	(69,303) \$	454,158 \$	360,100
Authority's covered payroll	\$	551,964 \$	481,464 \$	379,364 \$	346,064
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) liability as a percentage of its covered payroll Plan fiduciary net position as a		-26.84%	-14.39%	119.72%	104.06%
percentage of the total OPEB liability		128.23%	115.57%	47.80%	46.33%
Authority's proportion	-	2018 (1)	2017 (1)		
of the net OPEB asset/liability		0.002577%	0.002670%		
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) liability	\$	279,843 \$	269,723		
Authority's covered payroll	\$	370,357 \$	352,500		
Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		75.56%	76.52%		
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability		5414.00%	54.05%		

(1) Information prior to 2017 is not available. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the Authority's measurement date, which is the prior year-end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Authority's OPEB Contributions Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Last Ten Years

	_	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Contractually required contribution	\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	_					
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	-
Authority's covered payroll	\$	725,086 \$	551,964 \$	481,464 \$	379,364 \$	346,064
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	_	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$	3,704 \$	7,050 \$	7,010 \$	7,007 \$	3,315
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	_	(3,704)	(7,050)	(7,010)	(7,007)	(3,315)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	-
Authority's covered payroll	\$	370,354 \$	352,500 \$	350,625 \$	352,275 \$	331,592
Contributions as a percentage of						

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the Authority's measurement date, which is the prior year-end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

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Note 1: Net Pension Liability

Changes in Assumptions – OPERS

Amounts reported in the required supplementary information for OPERS Traditional Plan incorporate changes in assumptions used by OPERS in calculating the pension liability. These assumptions are presented below for the periods indicated:

Key Methods and Assumptions in Valuing Total Pension Liability – 2022

	OPERS
	<u>Traditional plan</u>
Experience Study	5-year period ended
	December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	6.90%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Projected Salary Increases,	
including 2.75% inflation	2.75 to 10.75%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	3.00% Simple
Post-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	3.00% Simple through 2022
	then 2.05% Simple

Key Methods and Assumptions in Valuing Total Pension Liability – 2021

Experience Study	OPERS <u>Traditional plan</u> 5-year period ended December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	7.20%
Wage Inflation	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases,	
including 3.25% inflation	3.25 to 10.75%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	3.00% Simple
Post-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	0.50% Simple through 2021 then 2.15% Simple

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Net Pension Liability (continued)

Changes in Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

Key Methods and Assumptions in Valuing Total Pension Liability - 2020

	OPERS <u>Traditional plan</u>
Experience Study	5-year period ended
	December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	7.20%
Wage Inflation	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases,	
including 3.25% inflation	3.25 to 10.75%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	3.00% Simple
Post-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	1.40% Simple through 2020
	then 2.15% Simple

Key Methods and Assumptions in Valuing Total Pension Liability - 2019

Experience Study

Actuarial Cost Method Actuarial Assumptions: Investment Rate of Return Wage Inflation Projected Salary Increases, including 3.25% inflation COLA or Ad Hoc COLA: Pre-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees Post-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees OPERS <u>Traditional plan</u> 5-year period ended December 31, 2015 Individual Entry Age

> 7.20% 3.25%

3.25 to 10.75%

3.00% Simple 3.00% Simple through 2018 then 2.15% Simple

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Net Pension Liability (continued)

Changes in Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

Key Methods and Assumptions in Valuing Total Pension Liability – 2017-2018

	OPERS <u>Traditional plan</u>
Experience Study	5-year period ended
	December 31, 2015
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	7.50%
Wage Inflation	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases,	
including 3.25% inflation	3.25 to 10.75%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Pre-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	3.00% Simple
Post-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees	3.00% Simple through 2018
	then 2.15% Simple

Key Methods and Assumptions in Valuing Total Pension Liability – 2016 and prior

Experience Study

Actuarial Cost Method Actuarial Assumptions: Investment Rate of Return Wage Inflation Projected Salary Increases, including 3.75% inflation COLA or Ad Hoc COLA: Pre-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees Post-Jan 7, 2013 Retirees OPERS <u>Traditional plan</u> 5-year period ended December 31, 2010 Individual Entry Age

> 8.00% 3.75%

4.25 to 10.05%

3.00% Simple 3.00% Simple through 2018 then 2.80% Simple

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: Net Pension Liability (continued)

Changes in Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

Mortality rates – For amounts reported beginning in 2022, the 2021 measurement use pre-retirement mortality rates based on 130% of the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality tables (males and females). Post-retirement mortality rates are based on 115% of the PubG-2010 Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females). Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females). For all of the previously described tables, the base year is 2010 and mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scales (males and females) to all of these tables.

Amounts reported beginning in 2017 use mortality rates based on the RP-2014. Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table. For males, Healthy Annuitant Mortality tables were used, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015. For females, Healthy Annuitant Mortality tables were used, adjusted for mortality improvements back to the observation period base year as 2010. The mortality rates used in evaluating disability allowances were based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality tables, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation base year of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015 for mortality improvement back to the observation base year of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015 for mortality improvement back to the observation base year of 2006 and then established the base year as 2015 for males and 2010 for females. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year for both healthy and disabled retiree mortality tables are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to the above described tables.

Amounts reported for 2016 and prior use mortality rates based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table projected 20 years using Projection Scale AA. For males, 105 percent of the combined healthy male mortality rates were used. For females, 100 percent of the combined healthy female mortality rates were used. The mortality rates used in evaluating disability allowances were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table with no projections. For males 120 percent of the disabled female mortality rates were used set forward two years. For females, 100 percent of the disabled female mortality rates were used.

Note 2: Net OPEB Liability

Changes in Assumptions – OPERS

For fiscal year 2022, the municipal bond rate decreased from 2.00% to 1.84% and wage inflation decreased from 3.25% to 2.75%. The single discount rate remained 6.00%. The health care cost trend rate decreased from 8.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2035 to 5.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2034.

For fiscal year 2021, the municipal bond rate decreased from 2.75% to 2.00% and the single discount rate increased from 3.16% to 6.00%. The health care cost trend rate decreased from 10.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2030 to 8.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2035.

For fiscal year 2020, the municipal bond rate decreased from 3.71% to 2.75% and the single discount rate decreased from 3.96% to 3.16%. The health care cost trend rate also increased from 10.00% initial, 3.25% ultimate in 2029 to 10.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2030.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information (continued)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Note 2: Net OPEB Liability (continued)

Changes in Assumptions – OPERS (continued)

For fiscal year 2019, the OPERS Board voted to lower the investment return assumption for its health care investment portfolio from 6.50% to 6.00%. Municipal bond rate increased from 3.31% to 3.71% and the single discount rate increased from 3.85% to 3.96%. The health care cost trend rate also increased from 7.50% initial, 3.25% unlimited in 2028 to 10.00% initial, 3.25% ultimate in 2029.



Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Summit County, Ohio 47 N. Main Street, Suite 407 Akron, Ohio 44308

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Development Finance Authority of Summit County, Summit County, Ohio (the Authority) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 2, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority'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

Development Finance Authority of Summit County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2 of 2

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 is 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 Authority'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 Authority's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Kea & Associates, Inc.

Rea & Associates, Inc. New Philadelphia, Ohio August 2, 2023



DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OF SUMMIT COUNTY

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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.



Certified for Release 9/26/2023

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