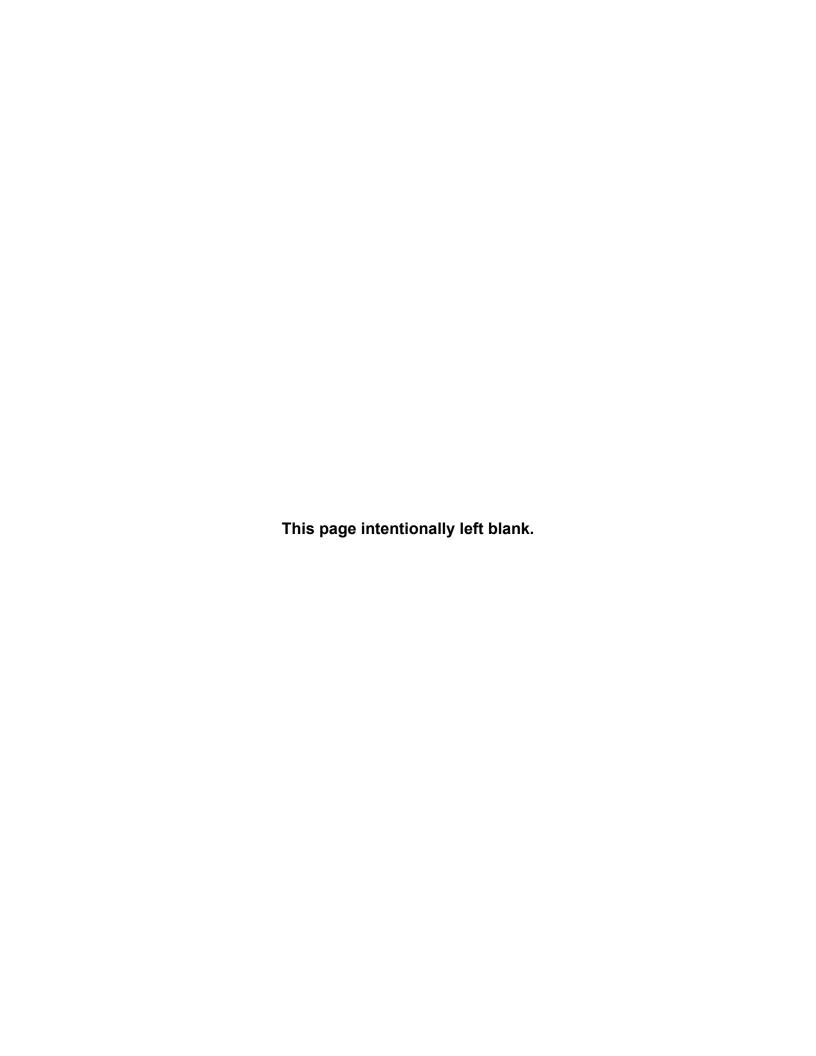




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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

St. Clairsville Public Library Belmont County 108 West Main Street St. Clairsville, Ohio 43950

To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Unmodified and Adverse Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the St. Clairsville Public Library, Belmont County, Ohio (the Library), which comprises the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions which Ohio Revised Code § 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 2.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Library, as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Library, 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.

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Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Library on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code § 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(C), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code § 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(C) permit. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
 fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures
 include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial
 statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Library'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.

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conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that
raise substantial doubt about the Library'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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 19, 2023, on our consideration of the Library's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Library'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 Library's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 19, 2023

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ST. CLAIRSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BELMONT COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$282,291	\$0	\$0	\$282,291
Public Library	561,588	0	0	561,588
Intergovernmental	30,207	0	0	30,207
Patron Fines and Fees	5,421	0	0	5,421
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	32,510	2,090	0	34,600
Earnings on Investments	15,450	1,307	977	17,734
Miscellaneous	10,378	0	0	10,378
Total Cash Receipts	937,845	3,397	977	942,219
Cash Disbursements Current:				
Library Services:	709,067	2,238	0	711,305
Captial Outlay	25,806	7,884	0	33,690
Total Cash Disbursements	734,873	10,122	0	744,995
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	202,972	(6,725)	977	197,224
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)				
Other Financing Sources	36	0	0	36
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	36	0	0	36
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	203,008	(6,725)	977	197,260
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	895,912	97,993	67,123	1,061,028
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$1,098,920	\$91,268	\$68,100	\$1,258,288

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

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 1 - Reporting Entity

The St. Clairsville Public Library (the Library), is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. It was organized as a school district public library under the laws of the State of Ohio. The Library has its own Board of Trustees of seven members who are appointed by the St. Clairsville -Richland City School District Board of Education. The Library provides the community with reading and educational materials, computer use, wifi use, and various programs throughout the year.

The Library has no component units.

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

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The Library's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, and a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all proprietary and fiduciary fund types which are organized on a fund type basis.

Fund Accounting

The Library uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self- balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Library are presented below:

General Fund The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Library for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Special Revenue Funds These funds accounts for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service of capital projects. The Library had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

<u>Marcyl Lewis Memorial Fund</u> – This fund accounts for interest earnings and donations received in memory of a deceased individual. The interest earnings and donations are to allow the Library to expand/improve the Library.

Capital Project Funds These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Library had the following significant capital project fund:

<u>Capital Project Fund</u> - This fund accounts for interest earnings and donation receipts restricted to acquiring or constructing major capital projects (except those accounted for in the Marcyl Lewis Memorial Fund).

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e. when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (C) permit.

Budgetary Process

The Board must annually approve appropriation measure and subsequent amendments. Budgetary expenditures may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function and object level approved by Board motion.

A summary of 2022 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Deposits and Investments

The Library's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Investment in STAR Ohio is measured at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

Capital Assets

The Library records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements for not report these items as assets.

Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Library must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classification are as follows:

Nonspendable The Library classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

Restricted Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Committed The Board of Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Library must adhere to these commitments unless the Board amends the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted or committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as assigned unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by the Library Board or a Library official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

Unassigned Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Library applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Note 3 - Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2022, follows:

2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$778,184	\$937,881	\$159,697
Special Reenue	4,800	3,397	(1,403)
Capital Projects	3,800	977	(2,823)
Total	\$786,784	\$942,255	\$155,471

2022 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropration	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$810,690	\$741,974	\$68,716
Special Revenue	84,000	10,122	73,878
Capital	67,000	0	67,000
Total	\$961,690	\$752,096	\$209,594

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 4 - Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Library is pooled. Monies for all fund are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Library's deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	2022
Demand deposits	\$118,893
Total deposits	118,893
STAR Ohio	1,139,395
Total investments	1,139,395
Total carrying amount of deposits and investments held in the Pool (ties to FS)	\$1,258,288

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

At December 31, 2022, the Library had \$30 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as part of the Fund Cash Balances on the financial statements.

Investments

Investments in STAR Ohio and mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or bookentry form.

Note 5 - Grants-In-Aid and Taxes

Grants in Aid

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the Public Library Fund (PLF). The State allocates PLF to each county based on the total tax revenue credited to the State's general revenue fund during the preceding month using the statutory allocation method. Estimated entitlement figures were issued to County Auditors. The actual current year entitlements were computed in December of the current year. The difference between the estimate and actual will be adjusted evenly in the PLF distributions made from January-June of the subsequent year.

Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject adopts rates. The State Department of Taxation, Division of Tax Equalization, adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or deduction amounts the State pays as Other Governments' Grants In Aid. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collection, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Library.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 6 - Risk Management

Commercial Insurance

The Library is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During 2022, the Library contracted with Steele Insurance Associates, Inc. for various types of insurance coverage as follows:

Commercial Property Coverage: \$3,428,930

Legal Liability: \$1,000,000

Library Materials: \$920,418

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three years and there was no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

Workers' Compensation

The Library pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The System administers and pays all claims.

Note 7 - Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Library participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salary and the library contributed 14% of participants gross salary. The library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2022.

Note 8 - Post-employment Benefits

OPERS offers a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment plan, which includes multiple healthcare plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2022. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2022.

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.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Note 9 - Debt

Financed Purchases

The Library has entered into a financed purchase agreement for copier machines where ownership of the underlying asset may transfer to the Library by the end of the contract. The Library disbursed \$1,884 to pay costs for the year ended December 31, 2022. Future financed purchase payments are as follows:

Year	Amount
2023	\$1,884
2024	314
Total	\$2,198

Note 10 - Fund Balances

Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At year end the balances of these amounts were as follows:

Fund Balances	General
Outstanding Encumbrances	\$7,101

In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

Note 11 - COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021, while the national state of emergency continues. During 2022, the Library received no COVID-19 funding. However, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures could impact subsequent periods of the Library. The impact on the Library's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

The Library's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined.

ST. CLAIRSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BELMONT COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

				Totals
		Special	Capital	(Memorandum
	General	Revenue	Projects	Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$259,904	\$0	\$0	\$259,904
Public Library	519,131	0	0	519,131
Intergovernmental	10,997	0	0	10,997
Patron Fines and Fees	3,886	0	0	3,886
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	8,693	2,990	0	11,683
Earnings on Investments	593	65	50	708
Miscellaneous	1,498	0	0	1,498
Total Cash Receipts	804,702	3,055	50	807,807
Cash Disbursements				
Current:				
Library Services:	618,436	1,199	0	619,635
Captial Outlay	8,357	26,405	11,114	45,876
Total Cash Disbursements	626,793	27,604	11,114	665,511
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	177,909	(24,549)	(11,064)	142,296
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	718,003	122,542	78,187	918,732
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$895,912	\$97,993	\$67,123	\$1,061,028

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 1 - Reporting Entity

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted or committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as assigned unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by the Library Board or a Library official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

Unassigned Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Library applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Note 3 - Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2021, follows:

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$718,218	\$804,702	\$86,484
Special Reenue	30,490	3,055	(27,435)
Capital Projects	2,000	50	(1,950)
Total	\$750,708	\$807,807	\$57,099

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropration	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$735,715	\$626,793	\$108,922
Special Revenue	108,390	27,604	80,786
Capital	70,000	11,114	58,886
Total	\$914,105	\$665,511	\$248,594

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 4 - Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Library is pooled. Monies for all fund are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Library's deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	2022
Demand deposits	\$139,367
Total deposits	139,367
STAR Ohio	921,661
Total investments	921,661
Total carrying amount of deposits and investments held in the Pool (ties to FS)	\$1,061,028

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

At December 31, 2021, the Library had \$30 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as part of the Fund Cash Balances on the financial statements.

Investments

Investments in STAR Ohio and mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or bookentry form.

Note 5 - Grants-In-Aid and Taxes

Grants in Aid

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the Public Library Fund (PLF). The State allocates PLF to each county based on the total tax revenue credited to the State's general revenue fund during the preceding month using the statutory allocation method. Estimated entitlement figures were issued to County Auditors. The actual current year entitlements were computed in December of the current year. The difference between the estimate and actual will be adjusted evenly in the PLF distributions made from January-June of the subsequent year.

Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject adopts rates. The State Department of Taxation, Division of Tax Equalization, adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or deduction amounts the State pays as Other Governments' Grants In Aid. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collection, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Library.

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Note 6 - Risk Management

Commercial Insurance

The Library is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During 2021, the Library contracted with Steele Insurance Associates, Inc. for various types of insurance coverage as follows:

Commercial Property Coverage: \$3,428,930

Legal Liability: \$1,000,000

Library Materials: \$920,418

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three years and there was no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

Workers' Compensation

The Library pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The System administers and pays all claims.

Note 7 - Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Library participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salary and the library contributed 14% of participants gross salary. The library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2021.

Note 8 - Post-employment Benefits

OPERS offers a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment plan, which includes multiple healthcare plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2021. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2021.

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Note 9 - Debt

Leases

The Library leases copier machines under a non-cancelable lease. The Library disbursed \$1,884 to pay lease costs for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Year	Amount
2022	\$1,884
2023	1,884
2024	314
Total	\$4,082

Note 11 - COVID-19

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



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

St. Clairsville Public Library Belmont County 108 West Main Street St. Clairsville, Ohio 43950

To the Board of Trustees:

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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements of the St. Clairsville Public Library, Belmont County, Ohio (the Library), and have issued our report thereon dated September 19, 2023, wherein we noted the Library followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(C) permit.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Library'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 Library's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Library'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 Library's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Library'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 Library's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 19, 2023



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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



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