



OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE  
**KEITH FABER**





**CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Cuyahoga County Board of Health  
Cuyahoga County  
5550 Venture Drive  
Parma, Ohio 44130

To the Board Members:

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

***Opinions***

We have audited the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the Board), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash-basis financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in cash-basis financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General, HIV/STI Care and Prevention, COVID-19 Response, and Injury Prevention Funds for the year then ended in accordance with the cash-basis of accounting described in Note 2.

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

***Emphasis of Matter - Accounting Basis***

We draw attention to Note 2C of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 2C, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. 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 Board's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

**Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted to opine on the financial statements as a whole that collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied to the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, this schedule is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

**Other Information**

We applied no procedures to management's discussion & analysis as listed in the table of contents. Accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on it.

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

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 27, 2024, on our consideration of the Board's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. 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 Board'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 Board's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

March 27, 2024

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**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis*  
*December 31, 2021*

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	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>Assets</b>	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u><u>\$6,078,857</u></u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Restricted for:	
Other Purposes	\$1,876,387
Unrestricted	<u>4,202,470</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u><u>\$6,078,857</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Activities - Cash Basis*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

	Program Receipts			Net Receipts (Disbursements) and Change in Net Position
	Disbursements	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
Administration	\$3,887,914	\$0	\$0	(\$3,887,914)
Environmental Public Health	10,218,633	5,031,183	5,318,206	130,756
Prevention & Wellness	11,855,269	782,954	9,967,782	(1,104,533)
Epidemiology, Surveillance and Informatics	10,825,720	0	11,139,954	314,234
Principal Retirement	231,000	0	0	(231,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	238,813	0	0	(238,813)
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	<u>\$37,257,349</u>	<u>\$5,814,137</u>	<u>\$26,425,942</u>	<u>(\$5,017,270)</u>
		<b>General Receipts</b>		
		Property Taxes Levied for General Health Purposes		4,529,911
		Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs		1,197,472
		Other		537,688
		<i>Total General Receipts and Transfers</i>		<u>6,265,071</u>
		Change in Net Position		1,247,801
		<i>Net Position, Beginning of Year</i>		<u>4,831,056</u>
		<i>Net Position, End of Year</i>		<u>\$6,078,857</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
 Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances  
 Governmental Funds  
 December 31, 2021

	<u>General</u>	<u>COVID-19 Response</u>	<u>HIV/STI Care and Prevention</u>	<u>Injury Prevention</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets</b>						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$7,143,585</u>	<u>\$301,957</u>	<u>(\$1,753,503)</u>	<u>\$856,517</u>	<u>(\$469,699)</u>	<u>\$6,078,857</u>
<b>Fund Balances</b>						
Restricted	\$0	\$301,957	\$0	\$856,517	\$717,913	\$1,876,387
Unassigned (Deficit)	<u>7,143,585</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,753,503)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,187,612)</u>	<u>4,202,470</u>
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<u><u>\$7,143,585</u></u>	<u><u>\$301,957</u></u>	<u><u>(\$1,753,503)</u></u>	<u><u>\$856,517</u></u>	<u><u>(\$469,699)</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,078,857</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Fund Balances*  
*Governmental Funds*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

	<u>General</u>	<u>COVID-19 Response</u>	<u>HIV/STI Care and Prevention</u>	<u>Injury Prevention</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Property Taxes	\$4,529,911	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,529,911
Intergovernmental	1,197,472	9,657,290	7,102,255	4,696,252	4,795,698	27,448,967
Fines, Licenses and Permits	3,693,214	0	0	0	0	3,693,214
Charges for Services	1,940,630	0	0	0	180,293	2,120,923
Gifts and Contributions	174,447	0	0	0	0	174,447
Other	9,737	102,514	0	0	425,437	537,688
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>11,545,411</u>	<u>9,759,804</u>	<u>7,102,255</u>	<u>4,696,252</u>	<u>5,401,428</u>	<u>38,505,150</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>						
Administration	3,395,828	0	0	0	492,086	3,887,914
Environmental Public Health	5,820,605	0	0	3,152,023	1,246,005	10,218,633
Prevention & Wellness	1,406,227	0	6,849,774	193,509	3,405,759	11,855,269
Epidemiology, Surveillance and Informatics	305,237	9,197,816	0	0	1,322,667	10,825,720
Principal Retirement	231,000	0	0	0	0	231,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	238,813	0	0	0	0	238,813
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>11,397,710</u>	<u>9,197,816</u>	<u>6,849,774</u>	<u>3,345,532</u>	<u>6,466,517</u>	<u>37,257,349</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>147,701</u>	<u>561,988</u>	<u>252,481</u>	<u>1,350,720</u>	<u>(1,065,089)</u>	<u>1,247,801</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>						
Transfers In	0	0	8,530	0	154,754	163,284
Transfers Out	(163,284)	0	0	0	0	(163,284)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(163,284)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,530</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>154,754</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>(15,583)</u>	<u>561,988</u>	<u>261,011</u>	<u>1,350,720</u>	<u>(910,335)</u>	<u>1,247,802</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year</i>	<u>7,159,168</u>	<u>(260,031)</u>	<u>(2,014,514)</u>	<u>(494,203)</u>	<u>440,636</u>	<u>4,831,056</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year</i>	<u>\$7,143,585</u>	<u>\$301,957</u>	<u>(\$1,753,503)</u>	<u>\$856,517</u>	<u>(\$469,699)</u>	<u>\$6,078,858</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes*  
*In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis*  
*General Fund*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Property Taxes	\$4,814,023	\$4,814,023	\$4,529,911	(\$284,112)
Intergovernmental	1,393,455	1,406,816	1,197,472	(209,344)
Fines, Licenses and Permits	3,740,912	3,905,995	3,693,214	(212,781)
Charges for Services	1,649,415	1,432,005	1,940,630	508,625
Gifts and Contributions	0	0	174,447	174,447
Other	268,954	216,639	9,737	(206,902)
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>11,866,759</u>	<u>11,775,478</u>	<u>11,545,411</u>	<u>(230,067)</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Administration	2,742,855	2,643,665	3,395,828	(752,163)
Environmental Public Health	5,288,928	5,418,404	5,820,605	(402,201)
Prevention & Wellness	2,959,540	2,841,640	1,406,227	1,435,413
Epidemiology, Surveillance and Informatics	852,907	1,121,403	305,237	816,166
Capital Outlay	261,802	286,277	0	286,277
Principal Retirement	224,000	224,000	231,000	(7,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	248,406	248,406	238,813	9,593
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>12,578,438</u>	<u>12,783,795</u>	<u>11,397,710</u>	<u>1,386,085</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(711,679)</u>	<u>(1,008,317)</u>	<u>147,701</u>	<u>1,156,018</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers Out	(251,913)	(77,860)	(163,284)	(85,424)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(251,913)</u>	<u>(77,860)</u>	<u>(163,284)</u>	<u>(85,424)</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	(963,592)	(1,086,177)	(15,583)	1,070,594
<i>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</i>	<u>7,159,168</u>	<u>7,159,168</u>	<u>7,159,168</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance, End of Year</i>	<u>\$6,195,576</u>	<u>\$6,072,991</u>	<u>\$7,143,585</u>	<u>\$1,070,594</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes*  
*In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis*  
*HIV/STI Care and Prevention Fund*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Intergovernmental	<u>\$12,269,154</u>	<u>\$13,953,218</u>	<u>\$7,102,255</u>	<u>(\$6,850,963)</u>
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>12,269,154</u>	<u>13,953,218</u>	<u>7,102,255</u>	<u>(6,850,963)</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Prevention & Wellness	<u>10,391,596</u>	<u>12,075,923</u>	<u>6,849,774</u>	<u>5,226,149</u>
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>10,391,596</u>	<u>12,075,923</u>	<u>6,849,774</u>	<u>5,226,149</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>1,877,558</u>	<u>1,877,295</u>	<u>252,481</u>	<u>(1,624,814)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers In	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,530</u>	<u>8,530</u>
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,530</u>	<u>8,530</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>1,877,558</u>	<u>1,877,295</u>	<u>261,011</u>	<u>(1,616,284)</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year</i>	<u>(2,014,514)</u>	<u>(2,014,514)</u>	<u>(2,014,514)</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year</i>	<u>(\$136,956)</u>	<u>(\$137,219)</u>	<u>(\$1,753,503)</u>	<u>(\$1,616,284)</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes*  
*In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis*  
*COVID-19 Response Fund*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$11,272,477	\$18,341,281	\$9,657,290	(\$8,683,991)
Other	0	0	102,514	\$102,514
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>11,272,477</u>	<u>18,341,281</u>	<u>9,759,804</u>	<u>(8,581,477)</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Epidemiology, Surveillance and Informatices	<u>11,021,346</u>	<u>18,035,555</u>	<u>9,197,816</u>	<u>8,837,739</u>
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>11,021,346</u>	<u>18,035,555</u>	<u>9,197,816</u>	<u>8,837,739</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>251,131</u>	<u>305,726</u>	<u>561,988</u>	<u>256,262</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	251,131	305,726	561,988	256,262
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year</i>	<u>(260,031)</u>	<u>(260,031)</u>	<u>(260,031)</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year</i>	<u><u>(\$8,900)</u></u>	<u><u>\$45,695</u></u>	<u><u>\$301,957</u></u>	<u><u>\$256,262</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes*  
*In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis*  
*Injury Prevention Fund*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Intergovernmental	<u>\$11,042,441</u>	<u>\$11,025,197</u>	<u>\$4,696,252</u>	<u>(\$6,328,945)</u>
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>11,042,441</u>	<u>11,025,197</u>	<u>4,696,252</u>	<u>(6,328,945)</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Prevention & Wellness	215,565	208,027	193,509	14,518
Environmental Public Health	<u>10,439,292</u>	<u>10,429,586</u>	<u>3,152,023</u>	<u>7,277,563</u>
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>10,654,857</u>	<u>10,637,613</u>	<u>3,345,532</u>	<u>7,292,081</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>387,584</u>	<u>387,584</u>	<u>1,350,720</u>	<u>963,136</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	387,584	387,584	1,350,720	963,136
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year</i>	<u>(494,203)</u>	<u>(494,203)</u>	<u>(494,203)</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year</i>	<u><u>(\$106,619)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$106,619)</u></u>	<u><u>\$856,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$963,136</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements



**Cuyahoga County Board of Health**  
**Cuyahoga County**  
*Notes to the Basic Financial Statements*  
*For the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

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**Note 1 – Description of the Board and Reporting Entity**

The Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the Board) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Board administers and enforces, within its jurisdiction, all public health and sanitation laws of the State of Ohio. The Board provides public health services for the prevention or restriction of disease. In addition to the required programs, the Board adopts regulations and provides programs to enable residents of the Board to live in a healthy and environmentally safe community. The Board is comprised of 36 cities, 19 villages and two townships within Cuyahoga County representing over 850,000 residents. The five-member Board is appointed by the District Advisory Council which consists of the President of the Board of County Council, the chief executive of each municipal corporation not constituting a city health district and the chairman of the board of trustees of each township. The Board appoints a Health Commissioner and can hire and fix compensation of employees. The Board is dependent upon the County to provide facilities and legal counsel and act as custodian for its funds. The budget is approved by the Board which is responsible for fiscal management through its authority to enter into contracts and prepare financial reports. The Board is not part of the reporting entity of the County of Cuyahoga.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Board is financially accountable. The Board is financially accountable for an organization if the Board members appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Board is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Board is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Board is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Board is obligated for the debt of the organization. The Board is also financially accountable for any organizations for which the Board approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the Board, are accessible to the Board and are significant in amount to the Board. The Board has no component units.

The Board participates in the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (PEP), a public entity risk pool. This organization is presented in Note 8 to the basic financial statements.

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

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the Board's accounting policies.

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A. Basis of Presentation

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Board as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. The statements distinguish between those activities of the Board that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Board has no business-type activities.

The statement of net position presents the cash balances of the governmental activities of the Board at year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each of the Board's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the Board is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the Board's general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

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

B. Fund Accounting

The Board uses fund accounting 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. Funds are used to segregate resources that are restricted as to use. The funds of the Board consist of only governmental funds.

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**Governmental Funds**

Governmental funds are financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions. Monies are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. The following are the Board's major governmental funds:

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

HIV/STI Care and Prevention Fund - This fund receives federal and state grant funding to provide HIV- related services to those living with HIV who do not have sufficient health care coverage or financial resources for coping with HIV disease. Program goals include reducing new HIV infections, increasing access to care and improving health outcomes for people living with HIV, and reducing HIV-related health disparities and health inequities. Program services include core medical as well as support services.

COVID-19 Response Fund – This fund accounts for and reports federal grant and non-grant monies restricted to COVID-19 response activities for the purpose of case investigation, contact tracing, infection prevention and control and other related activities to stop the spread of COVID-19 in the community.

Injury Prevention Fund – This fund accounts for and reports federal, state and/or local grant and non-grant monies restricted to injury prevention programming. The injury prevention programming focuses on two primary areas for the purpose of reducing opioid overdose deaths and reducing child fatality incidents in children from birth to eighteen years old.

The other governmental funds of the Board account for and report grants and other resources whose use is restricted, committed or assigned to a particular purpose.

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C. Basis of Accounting

The Board's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in the Board's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Any such modifications made by the Board are described in the appropriate section in this note.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued liabilities and the related expenses) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

All board funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board may appropriate. The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control set by statute. The legal level of control has been established at the budget summary edit level for all funds. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Grant funds are appropriated one time and the appropriations carryover from year to year until the grant is closed. For the general fund, unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

ORC Section 5705.28(C) (1) requires the Board to file an estimate of contemplated revenue and expenses with the municipalities and townships within the Board by about June 1 (forty-five days prior to July 15). The County Office of the Fiscal Officer cannot allocate property taxes from the municipalities and townships within the Board if the filing has not been made.

ORC Section 3709.28 establishes budgetary requirements for the Board, which are similar to ORC Chapter 5705 budgetary requirements. On or about the first Monday of April the Board must adopt an itemized appropriation measure. The appropriation measure, together with an itemized estimate of revenues to be collected during the next fiscal year, shall be certified to the County Budget Commission. Subject to estimated resources, the Board may, by resolution, transfer appropriations from one appropriation item to another, reduce or increase any item, create new items, and make additional appropriations or reduce the total appropriation. Such appropriation modifications shall be certified to the County Budget Commission for approval.

The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts submitted to the County Budget Commission when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the changes to the grant awards in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

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

**E. Cash and Investments**

As required by Ohio Revised Code, the County Treasurer is custodian for the Board's cash. The Board's assets, are held in the County's cash and investment pool, and are valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying amount. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Board's records. Deposits and investments disclosures for the County as a whole may be obtained from the County. Questions related to cash and investments should be directed to the Office of the Cuyahoga County Treasurer, 2079 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44115 or (216) 443-7400.

**F. Restricted Assets**

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

**G. Inventory and Prepaid Items**

The Board reports disbursements for inventories and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

**H. Capital Assets**

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

**I. Accumulated Leave**

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Board's cash basis of accounting.

**J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans**

The Board recognizes the disbursement for their employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 9 and 10, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for other post-employment benefits (OPEB).

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K. Long- Term Obligations

The Board's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds or other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when the cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid.

L. Net Position

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The government-wide statement of net position reports \$1,876,387 of restricted net position, none of which is restricted by enabling legislation. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for special Board programs. The Board's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an obligation is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

M. Fund Balance

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

**Non-spendable-** The non-spendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. The Board did not have any non-spendable fund balances.

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

**Committed-** The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by formal action (resolution) of the Board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. In contrast to fund balance that is restricted by enabling legislation, the committed fund balance classification may be redeployed for other purposes with appropriate due process. Constraints imposed on the use of committed amounts are imposed by the Board, separate from the authorization to raise the underlying revenue; therefore, compliance with these constraints is not considered to be legally enforceable. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements. The Board did not have any committed fund balances.

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**Assigned-** Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Board for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Board or a Board official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute. The Board did not have any assigned fund balances.

**Unassigned-** Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and include amounts not contained in the other classifications (restricted, committed, and or assigned). In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Board applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amount 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.

The Board fund balance is classified as restricted or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the Board is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds.

**N. Internal Activity**

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

**Note 3 – Change in Accounting Principle**

For 2021, the Board implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 89, Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period. This Statement establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. These changes were incorporated in the Board's 2021 financial statements; however, there was no effect on beginning net position or fund balance.

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**Note 4- Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budget Basis presented for the General fund, COVID-19 Response, HIV/STI Care and Prevention and Injury Prevention special revenue funds are prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget.

**Note 5 – Accountability**

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

<b>Major Fund:</b>	
HIV/STI Care and Prevention	\$1,753,503
<b>Non-Major Funds:</b>	
Breast & Cervical Cancer	74,886
Dental Sealant	20,744
Family Planning Services	35,996
Healthy Homes/Lead Prevention Program	497,702
Newborn Home Visiting	132,869
Public Health Infrastructure	202,018
Starting Point	81,396
Teen Pregnancy Prevention	105,629
Tobacco Reduction	36,372

The fund deficits in the above funds resulted from interfund liabilities due to timing issues with the reimbursement of expenses for various grants. The general fund is liable for the deficits in these funds and will provide advances when cash is required, not when the liability occurs.



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**Note 6 – Deposits and Investments**

As required by Ohio Revised Code, the Cuyahoga County Treasurer is custodian for the Board's deposits. The Board's cash pool, used by all funds, is deposited with the Cuyahoga County Treasurer. The cash pool is commingled with Cuyahoga County's cash and investment pool and is not identifiable as to demand deposits or investments. All collections are remitted to the Cuyahoga County Treasurer for deposit and all disbursements are made by warrants prepared by the Cuyahoga County Office of the Fiscal Officer drawn on deposits held in the name of Cuyahoga County. Deposits and deposit risk and investments and investment risk are presented in the December 31, 2021 Cuyahoga County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. The fund balances are expressed in cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are available for immediate expenditure or liquid investments which are immediately marketable, have negligible credit risk, and mature within three months. The carrying amount of cash on deposit with the Cuyahoga County Treasurer at December 31, 2021 was valued at the Treasurer's carrying reported amount.

**Note 7 – Property Taxes**

The cities, villages and townships that receive services from the Board, contribute to the operations of the Board. The County Office of the Fiscal Officer assesses each subdivision their share of the operating cost, which is calculated by the Board and received through property tax collections. When the County Office of the Fiscal Officer disburses property tax to the subdivision, the appropriate deduction is made on the subdivision settlement and transmitted to the Board.

**Note 8 – Risk Management**

The Board is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The Board insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

The Board is a member of the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (PEP), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio local governments. PEP provides property and casualty coverage for its members. American Risk Pooling Consultants, Inc. (ARPCO), a division of York Insurance Services Group, Inc. (YORK), functions as administrator of PEP and provides underwriting, claims loss control, risk management, and reinsurance services for PEP. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP), which is also administered by ARPCO. Member governments pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

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**Notes 8 – Risk Management (continued)**

Financial Position

The pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of December 31, 2021:

	2021
Cash and Investments	\$41,996,850
Actuarial Liabilities	(14,974,099)
	\$27,022,751

Based on discussions with PEP, the expected rates PEP charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to PEP for each of membership. The Board contributed \$50,698 to PEP in 2021.

After one year of membership, a member may withdraw on the anniversary of the date of joining PEP, if the member notifies PEP in writing (via certified mail) 60 days prior to the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to PEP. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim occurred or was reported prior to the withdrawal.

Year	Contributions to PEP
2018	\$62,704
2019	54,361
2020	51,680
2021	50,698

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**Note 9- Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

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

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional 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 <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling (800) 222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members in the traditional and combined plans were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional and combined plans as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report referenced above for additional information including requirements for reduced and unreduced benefits):

<b>Group A</b> Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013	<b>Group B</b> 20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013	<b>Group C</b> Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013
<b>State and Local</b>	<b>State and Local</b>	<b>State and Local</b>
<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	<b>Age and Service Requirements:</b> Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit
<b>Formula:</b>	<b>Formula:</b>	<b>Formula:</b>
<b>Traditional Plan Formula</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Traditional Plan Formula</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Traditional Plan Formula</b> 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35
<b>Combined Plan Formula</b> 1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Combined Plan Formula</b> 1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 30	<b>Combined Plan Formula</b> 1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 35

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

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

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**Note 9- Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued)**

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

Defined contribution plan benefits are established in the plan documents, which may be amended by the Board. Member-directed plan and combined plan members who have met the retirement eligibility requirements may apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the member's contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member's investment selections. Combined plan members wishing to receive benefits must meet the requirements for both the defined benefit and defined contribution plans. Member-directed participants must have attained the age of 55, have money on deposit in the defined contribution plan and have terminated public service to apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the member-directed plan consists of the members' contributions, vested employer contributions and investment gains or losses resulting from the members' investment selections. Employer contributions and associated investment earnings vest over a five-year period, at a rate of 20 percent each year. At retirement, members may select one of several distribution options for payment of the vested balance in their individual OPERS accounts. Options include the purchase of a monthly defined benefit annuity from OPERS (which includes joint and survivor options), partial lump-sum payments (subject to limitations), a rollover of the vested account balance to another financial institution, receipt of entire account balance, net of taxes withheld, or a combination of these options.

When members choose to annuitize their defined contribution benefit, the annuitized portion of the benefit is reclassified to a defined benefit.

Beginning in 2022, the Combined Plan will be consolidated under the Traditional Pension Plan (defined benefit plan) and the Combined Plan option will no longer be available for new hires beginning in 2022.

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

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

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

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**Note 9- Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued)**

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The Board's contractually required contribution was \$1,467,280 for year 2021.

**Note 10- Postemployment Benefits**

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (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 that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment health care trust, which funds multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. Currently, Medicare-eligible retirees are able to select medical and prescription drug plans from a range of options and may elect optional vision and dental plans. Retirees and eligible dependents enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B have the option to enroll in a Medicare supplemental plan with the assistance of the OPERS Medicare Connector. The OPERS Medicare Connector is a relationship with a vendor selected by OPERS to assist retirees, spouses and dependents with selecting a medical and pharmacy plan. Monthly allowances, based on years of service and the age at which the retiree first enrolled in OPERS coverage, are deposited into an HRA. For non-Medicare retirees and eligible dependents, OPERS sponsors medical and prescription coverage through a professionally managed self-insured plan. An allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium is offered to retirees and eligible dependents. The allowance is based on the retiree's years of service and age when they first enrolled in OPERS coverage.

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

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

The health care trust is also used to fund health care for member-directed plan participants, in the form of a Retiree Medical Account (RMA). At retirement or separation, member directed plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

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

In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional pension and combined plans must have twenty or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with a minimum age of 60, or generally 30 years of qualifying service at any age. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. Current retirees eligible (or who become eligible prior to January 1, 2022) to participate in the OPERS health care program will continue to be eligible after January 1, 2022. Eligibility requirements will change for those retiring after January 1, 2022, with differing eligibility requirements for Medicare retirees and non-Medicare retirees.

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**Note 10- Postemployment Benefits (continued)**

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 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, OH 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. A portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans. Beginning in 2018, OPERS no longer allocated a portion of its employer contributions to health care for the traditional plan and the combined plan.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2021, State and Local employers contributed at a rate of 14.00 percent of earnable salary and Public Safety and Law Enforcement employers contributed at 18.10 percent. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund health care.

Each year, the OPERS Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. For 2021, OPERS did not allocate any employer contribution to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan. The OPERS Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries to pay a portion of the health care benefits provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The employer contribution as a percentage of covered payroll deposited into the RMA for participants in the Member-Directed Plan for 2021 was 4.0 percent.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. For the year ended December 31, 2021, OPERS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

**Note 11 – Operating Lease**

The Board entered into an operating lease with Quadient Leasing (formerly known as MailFinance, Inc.) in July 2019, for the purpose of leasing a mailing system for 60 months. This is a non-cancelable lease that is paid annually. The Board paid total rental cost of \$4,325 in 2021.

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**Note 12 – Interfund Transfers**

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2021, consisted of the following:

Transfers To	Transfers from General Fund
<b><i>Major Governmental Fund:</i></b>	
HIV/STI Care and Prevention	\$8,530
<b><i>Non-major Governmental Funds:</i></b>	
Creating Healthy Communities	61,432
Healthy Homes/Lead Prevention Program	35,773
Public Health Infrastructure	57,549
<i>Non-major Governmental Funds Subtotal</i>	<b>\$163,284</b>

The transfers from the general fund to the non-major special revenue funds for \$163,284 were made to support programs and projects in those funds.

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**Note 13 – Fund Balances**

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

<u>Fund Balances</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>COVID-19 Response</u>	<u>HIV/STI Care and Prevention</u>	<u>Injury Prevention</u>
Restricted for:				
Bathing Beaches	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Board of Health Hospitalization	0	0	0	0
Child & Family Health Services	0	0	0	0
COVID-19 Response	0	301,957	0	0
Creating Healthy Communities	0	0	0	0
Injury Prevention	0	0	0	856,517
Lead Case Mgmt/Blood Testing	0	0	0	0
Mosquito Control	0	0	0	0
Options Regional Referral	0	0	0	0
Preventive Health Block Grant	0	0	0	0
Silver Oak Landfill	0	0	0	0
Watershed Program	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Restricted</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>301,957</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>856,517</u>
Unassigned (Deficit)	<u>7,143,585</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,753,503)</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b><u>\$7,143,585</u></b>	<b><u>\$301,957</u></b>	<b><u>(\$1,753,503)</u></b>	<b><u>\$856,517</u></b>

<u>Fund Balances- Continued</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Restricted for:		
Bathing Beaches	\$6,830	\$6,830
Board of Health Hospitalization	12,149	12,149
Child & Family Health Services	114,192	114,192
COVID-19 Response	0	301,957
Creating Healthy Communities	95,962	95,962
Injury Prevention	0	856,517
Lead Case Mgmt/Blood Testing	21,711	21,711
Mosquito Control	3,000	3,000
Options Regional Referral	2,329	2,329
Preventive Health Block Grant	45,434	45,434
Silver Oak Landfill	397,794	397,794
Watershed Program	18,512	18,512
<b>Total Restricted</b>	<u>717,913</u>	<u>1,876,387</u>
Unassigned (Deficit)	<u>(1,187,612)</u>	<u>4,202,470</u>
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b><u>(\$469,699 )</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,078,857</u></b>



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**Note 14 – Lease Purchase Agreement**

On March 9, 2018, the Board entered into a lease purchase agreement in the amount of \$4,800,000, with a financial institution to assist in financing to pay costs of constructing, renovating, furnishing and equipping improvements to its building facilities (located at 5550 Venture Drive, Parma, Ohio 44130). In 2021, the Board paid \$180,000 and \$183,813 in principal and interest, respectively for the lease purchase agreement entered into on March 9, 2018.

On December 27, 2018, the Board entered into an additional lease purchase agreement, in the amount of \$1,350,000, with a financial institution to assist in financing to pay costs of constructing, renovating, furnishing and equipping improvements to its building facilities (located at 5550 Venture Drive, Parma, Ohio 44130). In 2021, the Board paid \$51,000 and \$55,000 in principal and interest, respectively for the lease purchase agreement entered on December 27, 2018.

The Board’s long-term loan activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, was as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Outstanding 12/31/2020</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Outstanding 12/31/2021</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Loans Payable						
Building Facilities Issue (March 9, 2018)	4.25%	\$4,325,000	\$0	\$180,000	\$4,145,000	\$190,000
Building Facilities Issue (December 27, 2018)	4.40%	1,250,000	0	51,000	1,199,000	53,000
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>		<b>\$5,575,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$231,000</b>	<b>\$5,344,000</b>	<b>\$243,000</b>

The following is a summary of the Board’s future annual debt service requirements for the lease purchase agreements stated above.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Loans</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2022	\$243,000	\$228,918
2023	251,000	218,512
2024	263,000	207,760
2025	276,000	196,495
2026	283,000	184,674
2027-2031	1,611,000	730,400
2032-2036	1,971,000	355,614
2037	446,000	19,107
Total	<u>\$5,344,000</u>	<u>\$2,141,480</u>

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**Note 15 – 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 Board received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Board. The impact on the Board's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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<b>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</b>				
<i>Direct</i>				
Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs				
19/20 Overdose Data To Action (OD2A) Initiative	93.136	1 NU17CE925005-01-00	\$863,980	\$1,127,116
20/21 Overdose Data To Action (OD2A) Initiative	93.136	5 NU17CE925005-02-00	1,471,148	1,693,665
21/22 Overdose Data To Action (OD2A) Initiative	93.136	5 NU17CE925005-03-00	152,220	300,920
Total Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs			<u>2,487,348</u>	<u>3,121,701</u>
Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program				
19/20 Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program	93.297	TP1AH000093-05-00	0	(1,774)
Total Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program			<u>0</u>	<u>(1,774)</u>
Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America				
20/21 Ending the HIV Epidemic A Plan for America	93.686	1 UT8HA33929-01-00	69,454	181,945
21/22 Ending the HIV Epidemic A Plan for America	93.686	5 UT8HA33929 02 00	302,000	529,201
Total Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America			<u>371,454</u>	<u>711,146</u>
Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health				
2020/2021 Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health	93.738	NU58DP006586-03-00	487,309	613,543
COVID-19 2021 Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health Supplemental	93.738	6 NU58DP006586-03-01	14,066	250,305
Total Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health			<u>501,375</u>	<u>863,848</u>
HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants				
20/21 HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants	93.914	H89HA23812-10-01	1,440,724	1,564,627
21/22 HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants	93.914	6 H89HA23812-10-01	2,528,272	2,950,142
COVID-19 20/21 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A COVID-19 Response	93.914	H9AHA36945-01-00	218,564	228,927
Total HIV Emergency Relief Project Grants			<u>4,187,560</u>	<u>4,743,696</u>
<i>Passed Through the State Department of Health:</i>				
Public Health Emergency Preparedness				
20/21 Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069	01810012PH1221	115,982	456,534
21/22 Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069	01810012PH1322	30,738	322,869
Total Public Health Emergency Preparedness			<u>146,720</u>	<u>779,403</u>
Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) and Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)				
Aligned Cooperative Agreements				
19/20 Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.074	01810012PH1120	143,630	143,682
Total Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) and Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Aligned Cooperative Agreements			<u>143,630</u>	<u>143,682</u>
Immunization Cooperative Agreements				
COVID-19 2021 COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Supplement	93.268	01810012VE0121	14,827	402,900
Total Immunization Cooperative Agreements			<u>14,827</u>	<u>402,900</u>
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)				
COVID-19 2020 COVID-19 Contact Tracing Supplemental	93.323	01810012CT0121	0	596,077
COVID-19 2021 Enhanced Operations	93.323	01810012EO0121	0	1,257,484
Total Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)			<u>0</u>	<u>1,853,561</u>
Public Health Crisis Response				
COVID-19 2020 Coronavirus Response	93.354	01810012CO0120	0	959,339
Total Public Health Crisis Response			<u>0</u>	<u>959,339</u>
State Physical Activity and Nutrition				
2019/2020 Cribs for Kids and Safe Sleep	93.439	01810011CK0220	0	2,788
2020 Breastfeeding in Workplace	93.439	6NU58DP006505-01-02	0	4,500
2021 Breastfeeding in Workplace	93.439	6NU58DP006505-03-01	0	4,639
Total State Physical Activity and Nutrition			<u>0</u>	<u>11,927</u>
HIV Prevention				
2020 HIV Prevention	93.940	01810012HP0120	146,540	174,426
2021 HIV Prevention	93.940	01810012HP0221	514,672	932,941
Total HIV Prevention			<u>661,212</u>	<u>1,107,367</u>
Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Prevention and Control Grants				
2020 STI Prevention	93.977	01810012ST0120	(2,061)	46,580
2021 STI Prevention	93.977	01810012ST0221	0	150,371
Total Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Prevention and Control Grants			<u>(2,061)</u>	<u>196,951</u>
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grants				
2020 Creating Healthy Communities	93.991	01810014CC1120	0	(180)
2021 Creating Healthy Communities	93.991	01810014CC1221	0	138,145
Total Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grants			<u>0</u>	<u>137,965</u>

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<i>Passed Through the State Department of Health</i>				
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant				
19/20 Maternal & Child Health Program	93.994	01810011MP0420	0	1,426
20/21 Maternal & Child Health Program	93.994	01810011MP0521	51,480	99,151
19/20 Ohio Equity Institute	93.994	01810011OE0220	49,066	84,393
20/21 Ohio Equity Institute	93.994	01810011OE0321	66,131	125,420
2020/2021 Cribs for Kids and Safe Sleep	93.994	01810011CK0321	0	46,537
2021 Dental Sealant	93.994	01810011DS0121	0	36,161
Total Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant			166,677	393,088
<i>Passed Through the Summit County Public Health</i>				
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant				
2020 Dental Sealant	93.994	07710011DS1320	0	41,457
Total Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant			0	41,457
<i>Passed Through the United Way of Greater Cleveland</i>				
Accountable Health Communities				
2018/2022 Accountable Health Communities	93.650	N/A	0	2,900
Total Accountable Health Communities			0	2,900
<i>Passed Through the State Department of Administrative Services</i>				
Personal Responsibility Education Program				
19/20 Personal Responsibility Education Program	93.092	CSP902718-7		4,143
20/21 Personal Responsibility Education Program	93.092	CSP904320	150,490	303,704
Total Personal Responsibility Education Program			150,490	307,847
<i>Passed Through the Cleveland Department of Public Health</i>				
Family Planning Services				
20/21 Reproductive Health and Wellness	93.217	N/A	0	132,718
21/22 Reproductive Health and Wellness	93.217	N/A	0	189,051
Total Family Planning Services			0	321,769
<i>Passed Through the National Network of Public Health Institutes</i>				
Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health				
Dept Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises				
2018/2019 ACE's	93.391	G1285	0	641
2020 ACE's	93.391	G1496	11,116	29,680
Total (STLT) Health Dept Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises			11,116	30,321
<b>Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</b>			<b>8,840,348</b>	<b>16,129,094</b>
<b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>				
<i>Direct</i>				
Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control in Privately-Owned Housing				
18/21 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control In Housing	14.900	OHLHB0633-17	137,203	968,727
20/23 Lead Hazard Reduction	14.900	OHLHD0410-19	0	1,517
Total Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control in Privately-Owned Housing			137,203	970,244
<b>Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>			<b>137,203</b>	<b>970,244</b>
<b>U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>				
<i>Direct</i>				
Farm to School				
19/21 Farm to School	10.575	CN-F2S-IMP-19-OH-2	0	21,588
Total Farm to School			0	21,588
<b>Total U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>21,588</b>
<b>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</b>				
<i>Direct</i>				
Surveys, Studies, Research, Investigations, Demonstrations, and Special Purpose Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act				
2018/2020 Asthma Trigger Assessment	66.034	00E02396	0	33,196
Total Surveys, Studies, Research, Investigations, Demonstrations, and Special Purpose Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act			0	33,196

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<i>Passed Through the State Department of Health</i>				
Beach Monitoring and Notification Program Implementation				
19/22 Bathing Beaches Monitoring	66.472	CU00E52610-0	0	52,285
Total Beach Monitoring and Notification Program Implementation			0	52,285
<b>Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>85,481</b>
<b>U.S. Department of the Treasury</b>				
<i>Passed through the County of Cuyahoga</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund				
COVID-19 2020 COVID-19 Response Testing	21.019	N/A	195,000	2,816,898
			195,000	2,816,898
<i>Passed Through the State Department of Health</i>				
COVID-19 20/21 COVID-19 Contract Tracing	21.019	01810012CT0120	0	2,273,946
COVID-19 20/21 COVID-19 Care Resource Coordination Support	21.019	01810011RC0121	94,879	119,308
COVID-19 20/21 Coronavirus Response Supplemental	21.019	01810012CO0121	0	428,206
Total COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund			94,879	2,821,460
<b>Total U.S. Department of the Treasury</b>			<b>289,879</b>	<b>5,638,358</b>
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURE</b>			<b>\$9,267,430</b>	<b>\$22,844,765</b>

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.*

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*Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards*  
*2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)*  
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**Note 1 – Basis of Presentation**

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

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

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

**Note 3 – Indirect Cost Rate**

The Board has elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**Note 4 – Subrecipients**

The Board passes certain federal awards received from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the State Department of Health, the State Department of Administrative Services, the National Network of Public Health Institutes, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and U.S. Department of Treasury to other governments or not-for-profits agencies (subrecipients). As Note 2 describes, the Board reports expenditures of Federal awards to subrecipients when paid in cash.

As a pass-through entity, the Board has certain compliance responsibilities, such as monitoring its subrecipients to help assure they use these subawards as authorized by laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and that subrecipients achieve the award's performance goals.

**Note 5 – Matching Requirements**

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



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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**

Cuyahoga County Board of Health  
Cuyahoga County  
5550 Venture Drive  
Parma, Ohio 44130

To the Board Members:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Cuyahoga County, (the Board) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2024, wherein we noted the Board uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles.

***Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

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

***Report on Compliance and Other Matters***

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



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March 27, 2024



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

Cuyahoga County Board of Health  
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To the Board Members:

### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

#### ***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

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

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

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

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

We are required to be independent of the Board and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Board's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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### ***Responsibilities of Management for Compliance***

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

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

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

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Board's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the Board's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

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

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

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

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

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



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

March 27, 2024

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

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

<i>(d)(1)(i)</i>	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
<i>(d)(1)(ii)</i>	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
<i>(d)(1)(ii)</i>	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
<i>(d)(1)(iii)</i>	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
<i>(d)(1)(iv)</i>	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
<i>(d)(1)(iv)</i>	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
<i>(d)(1)(v)</i>	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
<i>(d)(1)(vi)</i>	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
<i>(d)(1)(vii)</i>	Major Programs (list):	Public Health Emergency Preparedness, AL #93.069 COVID-19 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases, AL #93.323 COVID-19 Public Health Crisis Response, AL #93.354 HIV Prevention, AL #93.940 COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund, CFDA #21.019
<i>(d)(1)(viii)</i>	Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
<i>(d)(1)(ix)</i>	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR §200.520?	No

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

None.

**3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

None.

# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



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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 4/9/2024**

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