Bradley County, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2022



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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Financial and Compliance Report

Bradley County, Arkansas Officials and Quorum Court Members Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

A priority of Arkansas Legislative Audit is to assist county government officials by promoting sound financial management and accountability of government resources. The Legislative Auditor reports on the fiscal affairs of county governments, as well as compliance with relevant state laws and observance of good business practices to provide accountability for tax dollars expended to support government operations.

We have performed certain limited procedures with respect to regulatory basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for Bradley County, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated February 12, 2024. Management of the County is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

The commentary contained in this section relates to the following officials who held office during 2022:

County Judge: Klay McKinney Treasurer: Diane Wesson Sheriff and Tax Collector: Herschel Tillman County Clerk: Karen Belin Circuit Clerk: Cindy Wagnon Assessor: Krystle Hays District Court Clerk: Patty Harrod

We evaluated the County's compliance with certain state laws concerning general accounting, budgeting, purchasing, and investing and depositing of public funds.

During our evaluation, nothing came to our attention that would warrant disclosure in this report.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, local County government, state executive and oversight management, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

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Little Rock, Arkansas February 12, 2024 LOCO00622

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General	Road	-	ther Funds in the Aggregate
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,546,836	\$ 969,753	\$	7,291,652
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 114,201	\$ 40,730	\$	104,185
Settlements pending	41,151			178,970
Total Liabilities	 155,352	 40,730		283,155
Fund Balances:				
Restricted	1,314	929,023		6,961,451
Assigned	528,273			47,046
Unassigned	861,897			
Total Fund Balances	 1,391,484	 929,023		7,008,497
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,546,836	\$ 969,753	\$	7,291,652

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General	Road	Other Funds in the Aggregate
REVENUES State sid	\$ 988,075	¢ 4 500 754	¢ 00.505
State aid Federal aid		\$ 1,532,751	\$ 80,525 1 240 211
	75,479	6,147 254,361	1,349,211 156,098
Property taxes	612,102	,	,
Sales taxes	142.000	305,072	1,741,223
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	142,960	4 540	47,078
Interest Official form	1,921	1,513	9,824
Officers' fees	30,790		47,443
Sanitation fees	119,571		374,004
Jail fees	105,136		000 750
911 fees			220,753
Lawsuit settlement			157,302
Treasurer's commission	80,101		14,786
Collector's commission	143,234		26,909
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	186,955		
Other	136,717	126,336	99,122
TOTAL REVENUES	2,623,041	2,226,180	4,324,278
Less: Treasurer's commission	22,281	43,735	48,711
NET REVENUES	2,600,760	2,182,445	4,275,567
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	1,603,427		413,127
Law enforcement	919,622		74,329
Highways and streets		1,931,209	
Public safety	47,457		123,565
Sanitation	68,530		702,576
Health	19,057		1,511,909
Recreation and culture	86,838		105,000
Social services	58,202		
Total Current	2,803,133	1,931,209	2,930,506
Debt Service:			
Financed purchases principal		179,426	105,403
Financed purchases interest		9,292	5,013
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,803,133	2,119,927	3,040,922
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)			
EXPENDITURES	(202,373)	62,518	1,234,645
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	1,593,857	866,505	5,773,852
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,391,484	\$ 929,023	\$ 7,008,497

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BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

		General					Road					
	Budg	et	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)		Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)				
REVENUES						0						
State aid			\$ 988,075	\$ (24,433)	\$	1,447,022	\$ 1,532,75	1 \$ 85,729				
Federal aid		75,395	75,479	84		6,099	6,14	7 48				
Property taxes	57	75,150	612,102	36,952		249,273	254,36	1 5,088				
Sales taxes						298,970	305,07	2 6,102				
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	13	37,530	142,960	5,430		1,234		(1,234)				
Interest		784	1,921	1,137		223	1,51	3 1,290				
Officers' fees	3	33,137	30,790	(2,347)								
Sanitation fees	12	28,378	119,571	(8,807)								
Jail fees	1(08,496	105,136	(3,360)								
Treasurer's commission	13	33,070	80,101	(52,969)								
Collector's commission	16	65,080	143,234	(21,846)								
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	18	33,216	186,955	3,739								
Other	19	90,404	136,717	(53,687)		161,624	126,33	6 (35,288)				
TOTAL REVENUES	2,74	13,148	2,623,041	(120,107)		2,164,445	2,226,18	0 61,735				
Less: Treasurer's commission			22,281	(22,281)			43,73	5 (43,735)				
NET REVENUES	2,74	13,148	2,600,760	(142,388)		2,164,445	2,182,44	5 18,000				
EXPENDITURES												
Current:												
General government	1,60)3,564	1,603,427	137								
Law enforcement	98	31,634	919,622	62,012								
Highways and streets						2,087,700	1,931,20	9 156,491				
Public safety	2	17,559	47,457	102								
Sanitation			68,530	(68,530)								
Health		9,057	19,057	0								
Recreation and culture	8	86,838	86,838	0								
Social services	Ę	58,202	58,202	0								
Total Current		96,854	2,803,133	(6,279)		2,087,700	1,931,20	9 156,491				
Debt Service:												
Financed purchase principal							179,42	6 (179,426)				
Financed purchase interest							9,29					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,79	96,854	2,803,133	(6,279)		2,087,700	2,119,92	7 (32,227)				

Exhibit C

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

		General		Road							
	 Budget	 Actual	Variance Favorable Infavorable)	E	Budget		Actual	Fa	ariance ivorable avorable)		
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (53,706)	\$ (202,373)	\$ (148,667)	\$	76,745	\$	62,518	\$	(14,227)		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out	 122,412 (145,000)		 (122,412) 145,000		6,750				(6,750)		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 (22,588)		 22,588		6,750				(6,750)		
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(76,294)	(202,373)	(126,079)		83,495		62,518		(20,977)		
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	 1,165,849	1,593,857	 428,008		863,511		866,505		2,994		
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,089,555	\$ 1,391,484	\$ 301,929	\$	947,006	\$	929,023	\$	(17,983)		

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Exhibit C

						SPE	CIAL RE	EVENUE FL	JNDS						
	Treasurer's Collector's Circuit Cou Automation Automation Automatio			sessor's ndment no. 79		ity Clerk's Cost		County rder's Cost	Cou	nty Library		id Waste nagement	Support ost		
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	24,591	\$ 50,587	\$	4,315	\$ 10,031	\$	9,196	\$	17,505	\$	97,206	\$	77,436	\$ 252
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES															
Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$	33							\$	6,346			\$	23,778	
Settlements pending	φ	33							φ	0,340			φ	23,110	
Total Liabilities		33								6,346				23,778	
Fund Balances:															
Restricted Assigned		24,558	\$ 50,587	\$	4,315	\$ 10,031	\$	9,196		11,159	\$	97,206		6,659 46,999	\$ 252
Total Fund Balances		24,558	 50,587		4,315	 10,031		9,196		11,159		97,206		53,658	 252
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	24,591	\$ 50,587	\$	4,315	\$ 10,031	\$	9,196	\$	17,505	\$	97,206	\$	77,436	\$ 252

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS															
		Operation and intenance		ing Safety and prcement				nergency /ehicle	Publ	ic Safety	J	cuit Court uvenile Division	Comm	uit Clerk lissioner's Fee		rican Rescue Plan Act
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	175,464	\$	2,210	\$	322,051	\$	11,525	\$	8,510	\$	15,050	\$	843	\$	1,829,535
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES																
Liabilities:					\$	2,049										
Accounts payable Settlements pending					Φ	2,049										
Total Liabilities					_	2,049										
Fund Balances:																
Restricted Assigned	\$	175,464	\$	2,210		320,002	\$	11,478 47	\$	8,510	\$	15,050	\$	843	\$	1,829,535
Total Fund Balances	_	175,464		2,210		320,002		11,525		8,510		15,050		843		1,829,535
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	175,464	\$	2,210	\$	322,051	\$	11,525	\$	8,510	\$	15,050	\$	843	\$	1,829,535

						Ş	SPECIAL RE	VENUE I	FUNDS				
	spital Sales Id Use Tax	Ass	Assessor's Late Assessment Fee		trict Court Cost	R	tomated ecords eem Grant	Fac	munication cility and uipment	0th Circuit urt Excess Funds	irtroom Grant	Pre	listoric servation Grant
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,140,706	\$	2,242	\$	46,369	\$	66,000	\$	3,524	\$ 157,074	\$ 460	\$	40,000
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:													
Accounts payable Settlements pending	\$ 71,979												
Total Liabilities	 71,979												
Fund Balances:													
Restricted Assigned	4,068,727	\$	2,242	\$	46,369	\$	66,000	\$	3,524	\$ 157,074	\$ 460	\$	40,000
Total Fund Balances	 4,068,727		2,242		46,369		66,000		3,524	 157,074	 460		40,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 4,140,706	\$	2,242	\$	46,369	\$	66,000	\$	3,524	\$ 157,074	\$ 460	\$	40,000

	 CUSTODIAL FUNDS													
	easurer's .ccounts		Collector's Accounts		Sheriff's ccounts		nty Clerk's		cuit Clerk's		rict Court ccounts		nty Judge's ccounts	 Totals
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,018	\$	1,206	\$	27,176	\$	6,272	\$	45,192	\$	57,231	\$	20,875	\$ 7,291,652
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Settlements pending Total Liabilities	\$ 21,018 21,018	\$	1,206 1,206	\$	27,176 27,176	\$	6,272 6,272	\$	45,192 45,192	\$	57,231 57,231	\$	20,875 20,875	\$ 104,185 178,970 283,155
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Total Fund Balances														 6,961,451 47,046 7,008,497
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 21,018	\$	1,206	\$	27,176	\$	6,272	\$	45,192	\$	57,231	\$	20,875	\$ 7,291,652

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS														
	Treasurer's Automation		Collector's Automation			uit Court		sessor's Idment no. 79		ty Clerk's Cost		ounty der's Cost	Coun	ty Library	id Waste nagement
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees Sanitation fees 911 fees	\$	39	\$	8 69	\$	480 10	\$	3,461 21	\$	16 2,930	\$	66 42,283	\$	16,705 845 111,165 189	\$ 305,071 188 374,004
Lawsuit settlement Treasurer's commission Collector's commission Other	1	4,786		26,909		5		30		27		2,391		1,075	 33,762
TOTAL REVENUES	1	4,825		26,986		495		3,512		2,973		44,740		129,979	713,025
Less: Treasurer's commission						10		69		58		979		2,574	 14,507
NET REVENUES	1	4,825		26,986		485		3,443		2,915		43,761		127,405	 698,518
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety	1.	2,157		17,010		1,073		159				81,151			
Sanitation Health Recreation and culture														105,000	 702,576
Total Current	1	2,157		17,010		1,073		159				81,151		105,000	702,576
Debt Service: Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest															 63,616 5,013
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1	2,157		17,010		1,073		159				81,151		105,000	 771,205
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	:	2,668		9,976		(588)		3,284		2,915		(37,390)		22,405	(72,687)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	2	1,890		40,611		4,903		6,747		6,281		48,549		74,801	 126,345
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 2	4,558	\$	50,587	\$	4,315	\$	10,031	\$	9,196	\$	11,159	\$	97,206	\$ 53,658

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS													
		Support cost	Jail Operation and Maintenance	Safe	bating ety and rcement	Emergency 911		ergency ehicle	Publ	ic Safety	J	cuit Court uvenile Division	Comm	uit Clerk issioner's Fee
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees	\$	1 36	\$ 34,704 382	\$	1,085	\$ 607	\$	3,270 15	\$	620 17	\$	30 1,125		
Sanitation fees 911 fees Lawsuit settlement Treasurer's commission						214,184		6,569						
Collector's commission Other					11	10,595						8	\$	1
TOTAL REVENUES		37	35,086		1,099	225,386		9,854		637		1,163		1
Less: Treasurer's commission		1			22	573		131				23		
NET REVENUES		36	35,086		1,077	224,813		9,723		637		1,140		1
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety Sanitation Health Recreation and culture			50,183			123,565								
Total Current			50,183			123,565								
Debt Service: Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest						41,787								
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			50,183			165,352								
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		36	(15,097)		1,077	59,461		9,723		637		1,140		1
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1		216	190,561		1,133	260,541		1,802		7,873		13,910		842
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	252	\$ 175,464	\$	2,210	\$ 320,002	\$	11,525	\$	8,510	\$	15,050	\$	843

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS										
	American Rescue Plan Act	Hospital Sales and Use Tax	Assessor's Late Assessment Fee	District Court Cost	Hospital Maintenance	Automated Records System Grant	Communication Facility and Equipment	10th Circuit Court Excess Funds			
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees	\$ 1,045,294 2,068	\$ 1,436,152 5,996	\$	\$ 8,004 88	\$ 6,682 422 44,487		\$ 15 1,069				
Sanitation fees 911 fees Lawsuit settlement Treasurer's commission Collector's commission Other		46,474	4		431		4,308	\$ 157,302			
TOTAL REVENUES	1,047,362	1,488,622	446	8,092	52,022		5,392	157,302			
Less: Treasurer's commission		28,723	9		1,032						
NET REVENUES	1,047,362	1,459,899	437	8,092	50,990		5,392	157,302			
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety Sanitation Health Recreation and culture Total Current		1,460,919			50,990		10,713	228			
Debt Service: Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest											
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,460,919			50,990		10,713	228			
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,047,362	(1,020)	437	8,092			(5,321)	157,074			
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	782,173	4,069,747	1,805	38,277		\$ 66,000	8,845				
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,829,535	\$ 4,068,727	\$ 2,242	\$ 46,369	\$ 0	\$ 66,000	\$ 3,524	\$ 157,074			

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS						
		urtroom Grant	Pre	Historic servation Grant		Beginnings nunity Block Grant	 Totals
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees Sanitation fees 911 fees Lawsuit settlement Treasurer's commission Collector's commission Other	\$	12,592	\$	40,000	\$	302,650	\$ 80,525 1,349,211 156,098 1,741,223 47,078 9,824 47,443 374,004 220,753 157,302 14,786 26,909 99,122
TOTAL REVENUES		12,592		40,000		302,650	4,324,278
Less: Treasurer's commission							 48,711
NET REVENUES		12,592		40,000		302,650	 4,275,567
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety Sanitation Health Recreation and culture		12,132				302,650	413,127 74,329 123,565 702,576 1,511,909 105,000
Total Current		12,132				302,650	2,930,506
Debt Service: Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest							 105,403 5,013
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		12,132				302,650	 3,040,922
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		460		40,000			1,234,645
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1							 5,773,852
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	460	\$	40,000	\$	0	\$ 7,008,497

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 31, 2022

The following funds and descriptions represent all funds reported as other funds in the aggregate.

Fund Name	Fund Description
Treasurer's Automation	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-302 established fund to receive up to 10% of treasurer's gross commissions to operate the treasurer's office and to purchase, maintain, and operate an automated accounting and record keeping system.
Collector's Automation	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-305 established fund to receive up to 10% of collector's gross commission to operate the collector's office and to purchase, maintain, and operate an automated record keeping system.
Circuit Court Automation	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-13-704 established fund to receive circuit court installment fees to be used for circuit court-related technology and to defray the cost of fine collection.
Assessor's Amendment no. 79	Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-310 provides that 1% of the county's share of surplus funds from the Property Tax Relief Trust Fund be allocated to county assessors for the purpose of administering Ark. Const. amend. 79.
County Clerk's Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-413 established fund to receive fees collected by county clerks to be used for automated record systems and any legitimate county purpose.
County Recorder's Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-306 established fund to receive fees collected by circuit clerks to be used for automated record systems and any legitimate county purpose.
County Library	Ark. Code Ann. § 13-2-404 established fund to account for library property tax millage levied by the quorum court for the support, operation, and maintenance of the public library.
Solid Waste Management	Ark. Code Ann. § 8-6-212 authorizes counties to fund a solid waste management system for the county by assessing fees, charges, and licenses. Each fee, charge, and license shall be based on fee schedule contained in an ordinance. Bradley County Ordinance no. 293 (October 10, 1995) authorized solid waste management fees.
Child Support Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 9-10-109 established fund to receive fees to offset administrative costs in the clerk's office.
Jail Operation and Maintenance	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-129 allows a county to levy an additional fine, not to exceed \$20. Funds shall be used exclusively to defray the cost of incarcerating county prisoners, including construction and maintenance of the county jail.
Boating Safety and Enforcement	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-101-111 established fund to receive fees to be used for operating a patrol on the waterways within the county or for emergency rescue services if the county has not established a patrol.
Emergency 911	Ark. Code Ann. § 12-10-318 established fund to receive fees collected by telephone providers for 911 emergency services.

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 31, 2022

The following funds and descriptions represent all funds reported as other funds in the aggregate.

Fund Name	Fund Description
Emergency Vehicle	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-22-103 established fund to account for the fine for failure to insure motor vehicles to be used for the purchase and maintenance of rescue, emergency medical, and law enforcement vehicles, communications equipment, animals owned or used by law enforcement agencies, life-saving medical apparatus, and law enforcement apparatus to be used for those purposes.
Public Safety	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-34-108 established fund to receive 25% of the district court fines levied for violations of the Child Passenger Protection Code to be used for promotion of public safety.
Circuit Court Juvenile Division	Ark. Code Ann. §§ 16-13-326, 9-27-367 established fund to receive juvenile fees, court costs, and fines to provide services and supplies to juveniles at the discretion of the juvenile division of circuit court.
Circuit Clerk Commissioner's Fee	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-412 established fund to receive fee awarded, when appointed as commissioner, for a sale of real or personal property under judicial decree. The funds are to be used to offset administrative costs associated with the performance of the commissioner's duties and for general operations expense of the office of circuit clerk.
American Rescue Plan Act	Established to receive and disburse Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLRF), a part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, to support response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency.
Hospital Sales and Use Tax	Bradley County Ordinance no. 611 (September 21, 2009) established fund to receive a county-wide 1% sales and use tax for the hospital and related health care facilities as approved by voters at a special election on March 10, 2009.
Assessor's Late Assessment Fee	Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-201 established fund to receive \$.50 fee on delinquent persons which shall be used by the county assessor to help pay for the expense of assessing property.
District Court Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-126 authorizes district court filing fees for writs of garnishment and executions to be appropriated for any permissible use in the administration of the district court.
Hospital Maintenance	Ark. Const. amend. 32 established fund to collect and disburse property tax to be used for maintenance, operation, and support of public hospital.
Automated Records System Grant	Established to account for grant funds received for automation of County records.

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 31, 2022

The following funds and descriptions represent all funds reported as other funds in the aggregate.

Fund Name	Fund Description
Communication Facility and Equipment	Ark. Code Ann. §§ 21-6-307, 12-41-105 established fund to receive 25% of sheriff's fees collected, phone commission funds, and profits earned from prisoner commissary services to be used to train operations staff; operate, equip, repair, or replace existing communication equipment; purchase additional communications equipment; otherwise improve a communications facility or system for the sheriff's department; or purchase vehicles, weapons, or other equipment for the sheriff's department.
10th Circuit Court Excess Funds	Established to account for lawsuit settlement funds received from a trust
Courtroom Grant	Established to account for grant funds received for courtroom security.
Historic Preservation Grant	Established to account for grant funds received for courthouse renovations.
New Beginnings Community Block Grant	Established to account for Community Development Block Grant funds received for economic development within the county.

Treasurer's accounts consist primarily of property taxes and funds held in the County Law Library not distributed to the appropriate agencies.

Collector's accounts consist primarily of property taxes not yet distributed to the various taxing units.

Sheriff's accounts consist primarily of fines and fees not yet adjudicated and/or distributed to the County.

County Clerk's accounts consist primarily of trust money awaiting disposition by the applicable court.

Circuit Clerk's accounts consist of fee and trust money and settlements due to the treasurer and awaiting disposition by the applicable court.

District Court accounts consist primarily of fines and costs not yet distributed to the county and/or state.

County Judge's accounts consist of solid waste collections not yet remitted to the Treasurer.

1. A. Basis of Presentation - Regulatory

The financial statements are presented in accordance with the regulatory basis of presentation as prescribed or permitted by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-412. The law requires that the financial statements be presented on a fund basis with, as a minimum, the general fund and road fund presented separately with all other funds included in the financial statements presented in the aggregate. This law also stipulates that the financial statements consist of a balance sheet; a statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances; a comparison of the final adopted budget to actual expenditures for the general and road funds; notes to financial statements; and a supplemental schedule of capital assets.

The regulatory basis of presentation is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP require that basic financial statements present government-wide and fund financial statements. Additionally, GAAP require the following major concepts: Management's Discussion and Analysis, separate financial statements for fiduciary fund types and other requirements for fiduciary fund types, specific procedures for the identification of major governmental funds, and applicable note disclosures. The regulatory basis of presentation does not require government-wide financial statements or the previously identified concepts.

A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with related liabilities and residual balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for purposes of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations.

The following types of funds are recognized in the accompanying regulatory basis financial statements.

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Road Fund - The Road Fund (Special Revenue Fund) is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Road Fund accounts for and reports proceeds of state highway turnback, property taxes, sales taxes and federal aid that are restricted for maintaining and constructing roads.

Other Funds in the Aggregate - Other Funds in the Aggregate consist of all funds included in the financial statements except for the General and Road Funds. The following types of funds are included in this column as follows:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Special Revenue Funds presented on Schedules 1 and 2 are reported with other funds in the aggregate.

<u>Custodial Funds</u> - Custodial Funds are used to report resources held by the reporting government in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities). The Custodial Funds presented on Schedule 1 are reported with other funds in the aggregate.

B. Basis of Accounting - Regulatory

The financial statements are prepared on the regulatory basis of accounting as prescribed or permitted by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-412. This regulatory basis differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Revenues generally are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available except for Treasurer's and Collector's commission and Taxes apportioned – Assessor's salary and expense which are recognized when earned. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current period. However, most state aid received from the State Treasury, as well as county sales taxes, is by state law revenue of the year in which it was received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred. Liabilities incurred by the government on or before the end of the current period. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. As a result of the use of this regulatory basis of accounting, capital assets and long-term debt are not recorded in these financial statements. Pension trust funds are reported in a separate column as a part of supplementary information in order to provide users of the financial statements a better understanding of the entity as a whole.

1. (Continued)

B. Basis of Accounting – Regulatory (Continued)

The regulatory basis of accounting is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP require the following major concepts: Accrual basis of accounting for government-wide financial statements, including depreciation expense, modified accrual basis of accounting for fund financial statements, separate identification of special and extraordinary items, inclusion of capital assets and debt in the financial statements, inclusion of the net pension liability in the financial statements, and applicable note disclosures. The regulatory basis of accounting does not require the previously identified concepts.

In 2022, the County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 87, Leases. The significant/material effect on the Regulatory Basis of Accounting in the current period is that certain items included in debt service in the previous period are included in the expenditure/function code of the applicable opinion unit.

C. Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balances

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of financial reporting, "cash and cash equivalents" includes all demand accounts.

Settlements Pending

Settlements pending are considered fines, forfeitures, costs, fees, property taxes, solid waste collections, excess treasurer's commission, and trust funds that have not been transferred to the appropriate entities.

Fund Balance Classifications

- 1. Restricted fund balance amounts that are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 2. Assigned fund balance amounts that are constrained by the Quorum Court's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.
- 3. Unassigned fund balance amounts that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. This classification may also include negative amounts in other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

D. Property Taxes

A lien attaches to the real property in January and on personal property in June of each year. Property taxes are collectible beginning the first business day of March of the subsequent year, but are not considered delinquent until after October 15.

E. Budget Law

1. Legal Requirements

State law requires that the Quorum Court, before the end of each fiscal year, make appropriations, by ordinance, for the expenditures of County government for the following year. The Quorum Court may make appropriation amendments at any time during the current fiscal year. Appropriations lapse at the end of each year. Under certain conditions, the budget may be amended subsequent to the year-end.

2. Accounting

The County prepared an annual budget on the regulatory basis for the General Fund, Road Fund, and the other operating funds.

1. (Continued)

F. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures

The County's highest level of decision-making authority is its Quorum Court. The establishment of amounts classified as committed fund balances and any subsequent modifications to such balances are the result of formal action taken by the Quorum Court through passage of an ordinance. The Quorum Court is authorized to assign amounts to a specific purpose, although a formal policy has not been established.

For classification of fund balance amounts, restricted resources are considered spent before unrestricted. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

There were no committed fund balances at year-end.

2. Details of Fund Balance Classifications

Fund balance classifications at December 31, 2022, are composed of the following:

	General	Road	Other Funds in		
Description	Fund	Fund	the Aggregate		
Fund Balances					
Restricted for:					
General government			\$ 2,044,403		
Law enforcement	\$ 1,314		413,734		
Highw ays and streets		\$ 929,023			
Public safety			330,722		
Sanitation			6,659		
Health			4,068,727		
Recreation and culture			97,206		
Total Restricted	1,314	929,023	6,961,451		
Assigned to:					
General government	545				
Law enforcement	98		47		
Public safety	3,467				
Sanitation	524,163		46,999		
Total Assigned	528,273		47,046		
Unassigned	861,897				
Totals	\$ 1,391,484	\$ 929,023	\$ 7,008,497		

3. Commitments

Total commitments consist of the following at December 31, 2022:

	December 31, 2022				
Long-term liabilities	\$	1,380,132			
Reappraisal contract		280,512			
Construction contract		65,319			
Total Commitments	\$	1,725,963			

3. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term Liabilities

Long-term liabilities at December 31, 2022, are comprised of the following:

	December 31, 2022
<u>Direct Borrow ings</u> Financed purchase dated November 2, 2020, with First State Bank in the amount of \$132,101, for the purchase of a 2020 Rapid Rail Sideloader, 60 monthly payments of \$2,213 at 1.95% interest. Payments are to be made from the Solid Waste Management Fund.	\$ 78,616
Financed purchase dated December 7, 2020, with First State Bank in the amount of \$101,152, for the purchase of a 2020 Caterpillar Excavator, 60 monthly payments of \$1,726, at 0.94% interest. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.	61,260
Financed purchase dated December 7, 2020, with First State Bank in the amount of \$227,001, for the purchase of a 2020 Caterpillar Grader, 59 payments of \$2,300 with a balloon payment of \$98,986 on December 1, 2025, with an interest rate of 0.94%. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.	175,607
Financed purchase dated December 7, 2020, with First State Bank in the amount of \$545,501, for the purchase of (3) 2020 Caterpillar Graders, 59 payments of \$8,150 with a balloon payment of \$79,422 on December 1, 2025, with an interest rate of 0.94%. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.	358,476
Financed purchase dated July 20, 2021, with First State Bank in the amount of \$318,637, for the purchase of (2) 2022 Mack Dump Trucks, 35 payments of \$3,550 with a balloon payment of \$202,612 on July 20, 2024, with an interest rate of 1.05%. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.	262,644
Financed purchase payable dated November 22, 2021, with AT&T Capital Services, Inc. in the amount of \$208,932, for the purchase of Vesta 911 equipment; 5 annual payments of \$41,786 at zero percent interest. Payments are to be made from the Emergency 911 Fund.	125,359
Financed purchase dated March 31, 2022, with First State Bank in the amount of \$260,760, for the purchase of a 2022 Freightliner with liberty auto side loader, 60 payments of \$4,542 at 1.75% interest. Payments are to be made from the Solid Waste Management Fund. Total Direct Borrow ings	223,086 1,285,048
Compensated absences consisting of accrued vacation adjusted to current salary cost	44,000
Landfill closure and postclosure care costs	51,084
Total Long-term liabilities	\$ 1,380,132

Due to the County's regulatory basis of accounting, these liabilities are not recorded in the financial statements.

3. Commitments (Continued)

The County's outstanding direct borrowings of \$1,285,048 contain a provision that in an event of default, outstanding amounts, at the Lender's sole option, may be declared immediately due and payable, and the Lender may exercise any rights and remedies, including the right to immediate possession of the collateral, available to it under applicable law.

Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

Bradley County is the owner of permit no. 0307-S4 to operate a Class IV solid waste landfill. State and federal regulators require a final cover to be placed on the landfill site when the County stops accepting waste and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for two years after closure. Although closure and post closure care cost will be paid only near or after the date the landfill stops accepting waste, a portion of these closure and post closure care cost are being recognized as a commitment each year based on landfill capacity used as of the balance sheet date. The estimated commitment for the landfill closure and post closure care cost has a balance of \$51,084 as of December 31, 2022, and represents the cumulative amount reported to date based on 36% usage of the landfill. The County will recognize the remaining estimated cost of closure and post closure care of \$90,500 as the remaining capacity is filled. At the present utilization rate, the landfill site is estimated to exhaust in 21 years from the balance sheet date.

Estimated costs are based on the amount that would be paid if all equipment, facilities, and services required to close, monitor and maintain the landfill were acquired as of December 31, 2022. However, the actual cost of closure and post closure care may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations.

The County is required by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 8-6-1602 – 1603 to establish financial assurance for the cost of closure and postclosure care in compliance with state regulations and the solid waste permit. The County is in compliance with these requirements.

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	А	Amount uthorized nd Issued	Debt utstanding mber 31, 2022	 faturities to nber 31, 2022
Direct Borrov	<u>v ings</u>					
11/2/20	11/2/25	1.95%	\$	132,101	\$ 78,616	\$ 53,485
12/7/20	12/7/25	0.94%		101,152	61,260	39,892
12/7/20	12/7/25	0.94%		227,001	175,607	51,394
12/7/20	12/7/25	0.94%		545,501	358,476	187,025
7/20/21	7/20/24	1.05%		318,637	262,644	55,993
3/31/22	3/30/27	1.75%		260,760	223,086	37,674
11/22/21	11/22/25	0.00%		208,932	 125,359	83,573
Total Lon	g-Term Debt		\$	1,794,084	\$ 1,285,048	\$ 509,036

Long-Term Debt Issued and Outstanding

Changes in Long-Term Debt

		Balance					Balance
	January 01, 2022 Issued F		Retired	December 31,			
Direct Borrow ings							
Financed purchases	\$	1,309,117	\$ 260,760	\$	284,829	\$	1,285,048

3. Commitments (Continued)

Debt Service Requirements to Maturity

The County is obligated for the following amounts at December 31, 2022:

Years Ending	Direct Borrow ings					
December 31,		Principal	h	nterest		Total
2023	\$	300,414	\$	12,346	\$	312,760
2024		485,720		8,352		494,072
2025		431,568		4,237		435,805
2026		53,759		748		54,507
2027		13,587		39		13,626
Totals	\$	1,285,048	\$	25,722	\$	1,310,770

County-Wide Reappraisal Contract

The County entered into a contract with Total Assessment Solutions Corporation on January 1, 2021, for a county-wide reappraisal. The County is obligated for 60 monthly payments of \$7,792 for a total of \$467,520 beginning January 15, 2021. Contract expense for 2022, was \$93,504.

The County is obligated for the following amounts at December 31, 2022:

Year	Decen	nber 31, 2022
2023	\$	93,504
2024	Ŷ	93,504
2025		93,504
Total	\$	280,512

Construction Contract

The County was contractually obligated for the following construction contract at December 31, 2022:

Project Name	Completed Date	 Contract Balance December 31, 2022			
Clock Tow er and Cupola Repairs	January 31, 2023	\$ 65,319			

4. Joint Venture: Regional Library

Bradley, Chicot, Desha, Drew, and Lincoln Counties entered into an agreement in March 1994 in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 13-2-401 to establish the Southeast Arkansas Regional Library. The agreement states that the Regional Library Board shall employee a regional director to serve for such time and on such terms as the board may prescribe, and to be paid from the Regional budget. County and branch employees are to be paid from Regional funds. The parties agreed that the Regional budget shall pay utility and janitorial costs. Each county library shall contribute their respective mill tax funds for the operation of the Southeast Arkansas Regional Library System. The County Library paid \$105,000 for regional library expenditures in 2022. Contact the Regional Library in Monticello to obtain financial statements.

5. Jointly Governed Organizations

Tenth Judicial District Drug Task Force

The Sheriffs' Departments of Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Desha, and Drew Counties entered into an agreement to establish the Tenth Judicial District Drug Task Force. Funding was provided through a Drug Law Enforcement Program grant applied for by the Prosecuting Attorney of the Tenth Judicial District. No contributions or payments for expenditures were made to the Tenth Judicial Drug Task Force by the County. The 2022 financial statements of the Tenth Judicial District Drug Task Force have not been audited.

Southeast Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District

Arkansas, Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Cleveland, Desha, Grant, Jefferson, and Lincoln Counties entered into an agreement in 1991 to form the Southeast Regional Solid Waste Management District in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 8-6-703. The County did not provide any funding for the Southeast Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District. Separate financial statements may be obtained at P. O. Box 6806, Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71611.

Southeast Arkansas Regional Intermodal Facilities Authority

Drew and Bradley Counties and the Cities of Monticello and Warren entered into an agreement on May 14, 1988, to establish the Southeast Arkansas Regional Intermodal Facilities Authority pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-143-101 – 14-143-129. The Authority shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of 12 members appointed by the participant's Mayors and County Judges. Each participating City and County will appoint three board members. No contributions or payments for expenditures were made to the Southeast Arkansas Regional Intermodal Facilities Authority. Separate financial statements may be obtained at 101 Myrtle, Warren, Arkansas 71671.

6. Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description

The County contributes to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. APERS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for APERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, 124 W. Capitol, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, by calling 1-800-682-7377, or on their website www.apers.org.

Funding Policy

APERS has contributory and non-contributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 5% of their salary. Beginning July 1, 2022, the contribution rates shall be increased in increments of .25% per fiscal year, not to exceed 7%. The contributory rate was increased to 5.25% as of July 1, 2022. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate established by the Board of Trustees of the system based on the annual actuarial valuation. The County's contributions to the plan for the year ended June 30, 2022, were \$254,425.

Net Pension Liability

The requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 68, under the regulatory basis of accounting, are limited to disclosure of the County's share of the collective net pension liability. The County's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability at June 30, 2022, was \$2,142,282.

7. Capital Assets

The County's capital assets records are summarized below

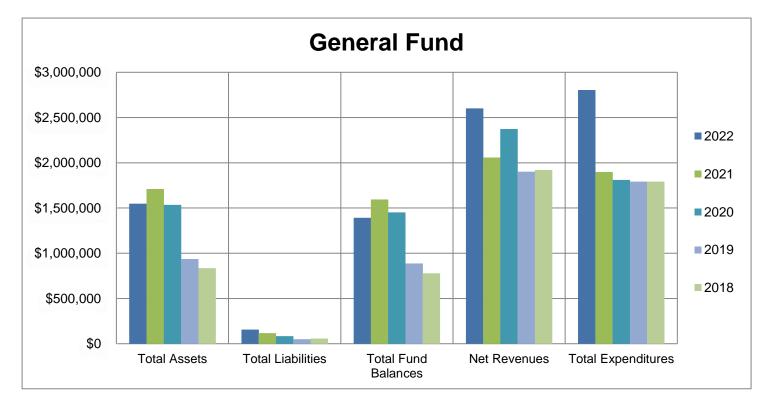
	December 31, 2022				
Land Buildings Equipment	\$	668,966 4,124,297 5,122,572			
Total	\$	9,915,835			
<u>Hospital</u> Land and buildings Equipment	\$	14,662,024 13,753,903			
Total	\$	28,415,927			

8. Corona Virus (COVID-19)

On March 11, 2020, the Governor of Arkansas issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring an emergency and ordered Arkansas Department of Health to take action to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). In 2021, the County was awarded \$2,090,587 in federal aid from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and as of the report date, \$2,090,587 of this amount has been received. In 2022, the County was awarded \$142,510 in federal aid from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund, which was a part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. In 2022 and 2023, the County received funds in the amount of \$71,255 and \$71,255, respectively. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on financial statements for future reporting periods remains uncertain.

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - GENERAL FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

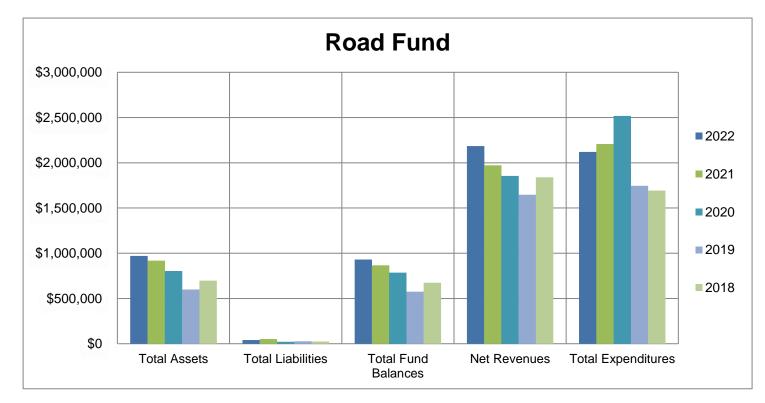
General	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Total Assets	\$ 1,546,836	\$ 1,709,075	\$ 1,533,507	\$ 936,769	\$ 833,657
Total Liabilities	155,352	115,218	81,759	49,600	55,561
Total Fund Balances	1,391,484	1,593,857	1,451,748	887,169	778,096
Net Revenues	2,600,760	2,058,547	2,372,827	1,899,879	1,920,103
Total Expenditures	2,803,133	1,896,438	1,809,313	1,790,806	1,790,869
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses		(20,000)			



Schedule 3-1

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - ROAD FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

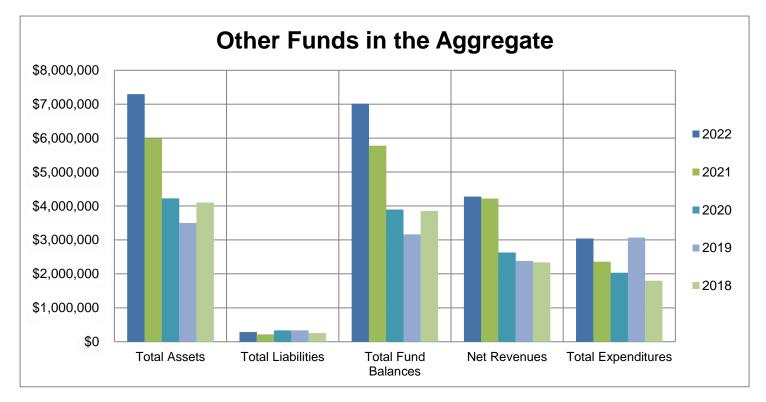
Road	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Total Assets	\$ 969,753	\$ 916,876	\$ 803,894	\$ 599,312	\$ 695,617
Total Liabilities	40,730	50,371	20,088	26,033	23,330
Total Fund Balances	929,023	866,505	783,806	573,279	672,287
Net Revenues	2,182,445	1,970,844	1,854,036	1,645,486	1,837,581
Total Expenditures	2,119,927	2,206,695	2,516,860	1,744,494	1,691,044
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses		318,550	873,351		



Schedule 3-2

BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

Other Funds in the Aggregate	 2022 2021		2021	2020		2019		2018	
Total Assets	\$ 7,291,652	\$	5,989,288	\$	4,224,676	\$	3,494,918	\$	4,102,140
Total Liabilities	283,155		215,436		331,701		334,187		253,077
Total Fund Balances	7,008,497		5,773,852		3,892,975		3,160,731		3,849,063
Net Revenues	4,275,567		4,218,488		2,629,216		2,381,421		2,335,897
Total Expenditures	3,040,922		2,357,611		2,028,972		3,069,753		1,796,386
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses			20,000		132,000				



Schedule 3-3