

**Town of Friendship, Arkansas**

**Financial and Compliance Report**

**December 31, 2024**

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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## LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

### Financial and Compliance Report

Town of Friendship, Arkansas Officials and Council Members  
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

A priority of Arkansas Legislative Audit is to assist local government officials by promoting sound financial management and accountability of government resources. The Legislative Auditor reports on the fiscal affairs of local 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 cash basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the Town of Friendship, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated September 12, 2025. Management of the Town 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 2024:

Mayor: Stewart Norris  
Recorder/Treasurer: Malinda Clark

We evaluated the Town's compliance with certain state laws concerning general and district court 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 Town 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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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kevin White", written over a horizontal line.

Kevin William White, CPA, JD  
Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas  
September 12, 2025  
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TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP, ARKANSAS  
SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024  
(UNAUDITED)

Schedule 1

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Cash Balance, January 1, 2024	\$ 40,936	\$ 110,978
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Receipts:		
State aid	2,350	12,992
Property taxes	8,813	2,644
Franchise fees	5,974	
Sales taxes	22,804	
Other	3,172	
Transfers in		10
Total Receipts	<u>43,113</u>	<u>15,646</u>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Disbursements:		
General government	14,409	
Highways and streets		4,337
Public safety	1,358	
Sanitation	22,348	
Recreation and culture	1,308	
Transfers out	10	
Total Disbursements	<u>39,433</u>	<u>4,337</u>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Cash Balance, December 31, 2024	<u>\$ 44,616</u>	<u>\$ 122,287</u>

TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP, ARKANSAS  
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024  
 (UNAUDITED)

Schedule 2

	Street	American Rescue Plan Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2024	\$ 73,170	\$ 37,808	\$ 110,978
Receipts:			
State aid	12,992		12,992
Property taxes	2,644		2,644
Transfers in		10	10
Total Receipts	<u>15,636</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>15,646</u>
Disbursements:			
Highways and streets	<u>4,337</u>		<u>4,337</u>
Cash Balance, December 31, 2024	<u><u>\$ 84,469</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 37,818</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 122,287</u></u>

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OTHER INFORMATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024  
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Schedule 3

1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts.
2. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

	<u>December 31, 2024</u>
Land	\$ 4,933
Buildings	56,508
Equipment	<u>41,425</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 102,866</u></u>