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**Single Audit**

**For The Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**RFP #23-313**

MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
COUNTY OFFICIALS  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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OFFICE	NAME	TERM
<u>Elective</u>		
County Commission:	Tom Bloom	01-01-19 / 12-31-24
	Jeffery Arnett	01-01-21 / 12-31-26
	Sean Sikora	01-01-23 / 12-31-28
Clerk of the County Commission:	Carye Blaney	01-01-23 / 12-31-28
Clerk of the Circuit Court:	Donna Hidock	01-01-23 / 12-31-28
Sheriff:	Perry Palmer	01-01-21 / 12-31-24
Prosecuting Attorney:	Gabrielle Mucciola	01-27-23 / 12-31-24
Assessor:	Mark Musick	01-01-21 / 12-31-24

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Monongalia County Commission  
243 High Street, Room 123  
Morgantown, West Virginia 26505

To the Board of Commissioners:

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### *Opinions*

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Monongalia County, West Virginia (the County), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and reports of other auditors, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Monongalia County, West Virginia as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General and Coal Severance Tax Fund for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Monongalia County Health Department or Monongalia County Development Authority. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it related to the amounts included for the Monongalia County Health Department and Monongalia County Development Authority, is based solely on the report of other auditors.

#### *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 County, 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*

As discussed in Note III.H to the financial statements, during 2023, the County adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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 County'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 County'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 County's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the *management's discussion and analysis* and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

***Supplementary information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The budgetary comparison schedule for the Assessor's Valuation Fund, Schedule of State Grant Receipts and Expenditures, and 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 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic 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 in the audit of 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, these schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

***Other Information***

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual financial report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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 15, 2024, on our consideration of the County'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 County'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 County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



**Perry and Associates**  
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.  
*Marietta, Ohio*

March 15, 2024

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

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The discussion and analysis of Monongalia County's (the "County") financial performance provides an overall review of the County's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the County's financial performance as a whole; readers are encouraged to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the additional information contained in the financial statements and the notes thereof.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2023 are as follows:

The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Monongalia County were less than its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$136,969,484. Of this amount, \$24,519,453 is restricted in use.

Total assets and deferred outflows decreased by \$146,381, which represents a less than one percent decrease over 2022. The primary change that contributed to this increase was the decrease in net pension asset.

Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources increased by \$9,771,095, which represents an increase of 4 percent over 2022. The main factor contributing to this increase was the increase in net pension and OPEB liabilities reporting.

In total, net position decreased by \$9,917,476 during 2023. This represents an 8 percent decrease from 2022.

For 2023, the County's net pension asset decreased by \$5,984,520 and the net OPEB asset decreased by \$29,855, for a total decrease of \$6,014,375. The County reported a net pension asset and net OPEB liability for 2023.

**Using this Annual Financial Report**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Monongalia County's basic financial statements. Monongalia County's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements.

***Government-Wide Financial Statements – Reporting Monongalia County as a Whole***

*Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities*

The statement of net position presents information on all Monongalia County's assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the four reported as *net position*. Over time, increase or decrease in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Monongalia County is improving or deteriorating. However, in evaluating the overall position of the County, nonfinancial factors such as the County's tax base, change in property and municipal income tax laws, and the condition of the capital assets should also be considered.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned, but unused vacation leave).

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

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Both the statement of net position and the statement of activities use the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

In the statement of net position and the statement of activities, we report the County activities as follows:

Governmental activities: most of the County's basic services are reported here, including law enforcement for unincorporated areas of the County, health and social services, cultural and recreational programs, and other governmental services. Property and other taxes, state and county taxes, licenses, permits and charges for services finance most of these activities.

***Fund Financial Statements - Reporting Monongalia County's Most Significant Funds***

*Fund Financial Statements*

A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objects. Monongalia County, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of Monongalia County are reported as governmental funds.

Governmental Funds: Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on the balance of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all *other financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the County's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the government fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate a comparison between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental funds.

Information on the County's individual governmental funds is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, for the general fund, coal severance tax fund, and the university town center debt service fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. The remaining funds are combined and presented within the column titled other nonmajor governmental funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements: The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found after the basic financial statement of this report.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**Government-wide Financial Analysis - Monongalia County as a Whole**

**Table 1**  
**Net Position**

	Government Activities		Change
	2023	2022	
<b>Assets</b>			
Current and Other Assets	\$ 33,343,504	\$ 27,843,501	\$ 5,500,003
Capital Assets, Net	35,999,282	35,755,473	243,809
Right-of-Use Assets, Net	497,296	283,648	213,648
Subscription Assets, Net	56,885	-	56,885
Restricted Assets	24,519,453	25,102,019	(582,566)
Net Pension Asset	-	5,984,520	(5,984,520)
Net OPEB Asset	-	29,855	(29,855)
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>94,416,420</u>	<u>94,999,016</u>	<u>(582,596)</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Pension	3,996,076	3,999,012	(2,936)
OPEB	639,791	200,640	439,151
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<u>4,635,867</u>	<u>4,199,652</u>	<u>436,215</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Current and Other Liabilities	1,827,079	1,589,108	237,971
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	13,010,778	7,567,569	5,443,209
Other Amounts Due in More than One Year	217,840,502	206,816,387	11,024,115
Net Pension Liability	2,359,515	-	2,359,515
Net OPEB Liability	161,214	-	161,214
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>235,199,088</u>	<u>215,973,064</u>	<u>19,226,024</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Pension	193,195	9,163,979	(8,970,784)
OPEB	629,488	1,113,633	(484,145)
<b>Total Deferred Inflows</b>	<u>822,683</u>	<u>10,277,612</u>	<u>(9,454,929)</u>
<b>Net Position</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	35,999,282	35,755,473	243,809
Restricted	24,519,453	25,102,019	(582,566)
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(197,488,219)	(187,909,500)	(9,578,719)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$ (136,969,484)</u>	<u>\$ (127,052,008)</u>	<u>\$ (9,917,476)</u>

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

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Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Prior accounting for pensions (GASB 27) and postemployment benefits (GASB 45) focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension and OPEB costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability* or *net OPEB liability*. GASB 68 and GASB 75 take an earnings approach to pension and OPEB accounting; however, the nature of West Virginia's statewide pension/OPEB plans and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

GASB 68 and GASB 75 require the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability to equal the County's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

1. Present value of estimated future pension benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service
2. Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits

GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the "employment exchange" – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and other postemployment benefits. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee, and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the County is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of these liabilities. In West Virginia, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute.

The employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the retirement system. In West Virginia, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension/OPEB plan *as against the public employer*. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The retirement system is responsible for the administration of the pension and OPEB plans.

Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability or the net OPEB liability. As explained above, changes in benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of these liabilities, but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

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In accordance with GASB 68 and GASB 75, the County's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense and an annual OPEB expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in net pension liability and net OPEB liability, respectively, not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows. As a result, the County is reporting a net OPEB liability and deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to OPEB on the accrual basis of accounting.

A portion of the County's net position reflects its net investment in capital assets. Capital assets include construction in progress, land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, vehicles and infrastructure. The County uses those capital assets to provide services to its citizens; consequently, they are not available for future spending. Net investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2023, was \$35,999,282. Although the County's investment is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources since capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the County's net position represents resources that have been restricted on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position of a negative \$197,488,219 may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Total net position of the County decreased \$9,980,636. The following factors were primarily responsible for this decrease:

- An increase in current and other assets of \$5,500,003.
- An increase in capital assets, net of \$243,809.
- A decrease in restricted assets of \$582,566.
- An increase in deferred outflows of resources – pension and OPEB of \$436,215.
- An increase in net pension liability of \$2,359,515
- An increase in net OPEB liability of \$161,214
- A decrease in deferred inflows of resources – pension and OPEB of \$9,454,929
- An increase in other long-term liabilities of \$16,467,324

In order to further understand what makes up the changes in net position for the current year, the following table gives readers further detail regarding the results of activities for the current year in comparison to 2022.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**Table 2**  
**Change in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	Change
<b>Program Revenues:</b>			
Charges for Services	\$ 5,235,683	\$ 5,054,512	\$ 181,171
Operating Grants and Contributions	10,769,581	10,895,672	(126,091)
Capital Grants and Contributions	1,368,257	9,496,375	(8,128,118)
<b>Total Program Revenues</b>	<u>17,373,521</u>	<u>25,446,559</u>	<u>(8,073,038)</u>
<b>General Revenues:</b>			
Property Taxes	28,324,324	28,243,254	81,070
Coal Severance & Other Taxes	6,818,138	5,906,034	912,104
Licenses and Permits	20,004	18,628	1,376
Fines and Forfeits	245,435	272,951	(27,516)
Investment Income	2,589,620	124,161	2,465,459
Refunds and Reimbursements	3,602,660	3,574,207	28,453
Sale of Assets	-	(49,854)	49,854
State OPEB Special Funding Revenue	(102,260)	75,690	(177,950)
Miscellaneous	1,028,659	1,926,666	(898,007)
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<u>42,526,580</u>	<u>40,091,737</u>	<u>2,434,843</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>59,900,101</u>	<u>65,538,296</u>	<u>(5,638,195)</u>
<b>Program Expenses</b>			
General Government	15,887,160	16,366,854	(479,694)
Public Safety	20,872,128	14,696,231	6,175,897
Health and Sanitation	855,867	4,429,488	(3,573,621)
Administrative and General	89,730	205,144	(115,414)
Culture and Recreation	3,254,907	2,841,631	413,276
Social Services	2,949,675	2,866,001	83,674
Capital Projects	13,689,938	14,271,488	(581,550)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	12,269,253	11,733,735	535,518
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<u>69,868,658</u>	<u>67,410,572</u>	<u>2,458,086</u>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	(9,968,557)	(1,872,276)	(8,096,281)
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>(127,052,008)</u>	<u>(125,179,732)</u>	<u>(1,872,276)</u>
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ (137,020,565)</u>	<u>\$ (127,052,008)</u>	<u>\$ (9,968,557)</u>

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

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*Governmental Activities*

Several revenue sources fund our governmental activities with the property tax being the largest contributor. During 2023, the revenues generated from property tax collections amounted to \$28,324,324, which represents 67 percent of all County general revenues.

General government and public safety are the major activities of the County generating 53 percent of the governmental expenses. Public safety includes the cost of providing police and dispatch services for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services. Techniques such as defensive and emergency vehicle operations training, technical skills evaluation, practical drills, and on-line education help keep the men and women updated to perform their jobs most efficiently.

General government expense accounted for \$15,887,160, or 23 percent, of the governmental expenses. Expenses for this program decreased \$479,694 compared to 2022. The increase in expense is due to a decrease in pension expense related to the net pension liability and OPEB expense related to the net OPEB liability

Capital projects expense accounted for \$13,689,938, or 20 percent, of the governmental expenses. Expenses for this program decreased \$581,550 compared to 2022 due to a decrease in expenditures related to the University Town Center project and related TIF and excise tax bond activity.

**The County's Funds**

*Governmental Funds*

Information about the County's major funds starts on the balance sheet. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues of \$59,552,911, other financing sources of \$37,948,227, expenditures of \$86,436,836 and other financing uses of \$6,833,736. Overall fund balance increased \$4,230,566, or 8.7 percent during the year.

The net change in fund balance for the general fund was a decrease in fund balance of \$3,580,350 in 2023 which decreases its fund balance to \$8,699,709.

The net change in fund balance in the university town center debt service fund was a decrease of \$747,827 in 2023 which decreases its fund balance to \$21,745,775. Restricted cash decreased to \$22,513,958 as TIF and excise tax bond proceeds from prior periods were spent in excess of the additional proceeds received. The coal severance tax fund reflected an increase of \$290,336, or 130 percent. The ARPA fund reflected an increase of \$7,053,736 or 109%. Net change in fund balance for all other non-major funds was an increase of \$1,214,671, or 17 percent.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

*General Fund Budgeting Highlights*

The County's budget is prepared according to West Virginia law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund. An annual appropriation budget is legally required to be prepared for all funds of the County other than agency funds. County Commissioners are provided with a detailed line item budget for all departments and after a discussion at a regularly held meeting, which is open to the public; the budget is adopted by the Commissioners. The Commissioners must approve any revisions in the budget that alter totals or the total appropriations for any department or fund. The finance department watches all the departmental budgets closely to monitor compliance with allocated budgets and provides monthly reports to the County Commissioners depicting monthly and year-to-date activity.

For the general fund, final budget basis revenue, excluding other financing sources was \$30,470,612, more than the original budget estimates of \$28,293,161. The County continues the conservative practice of estimating low in the tax, intergovernmental revenue and interest revenue areas. The final appropriations of \$40,407,487, excluding other financing uses, was sufficient to meet the expenditures for the year, which ended up at \$32,945,972. The final budget of expenditures, excluding other financing uses, decreased \$430,700 from the original budget.

The County's ending unobligated budgetary fund balance was \$7,378,731 higher than the final budgeted amount.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

*Capital Assets*

At the end of fiscal 2023, Monongalia County had \$35,806,554, invested in land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, structures and improvements and machinery and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation.

Table 3 shows fiscal 2023 balances of capital assets as compared to the 2022 balances:

**Table 3**  
**Capital Assets at June 30**  
**(Net of Accumulated Depreciation)**

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022 - Restated	Change
Construction in Progress	\$ 7,204,639	\$ 5,944,642	\$ 1,259,997
Land	1,545,021	1,545,021	-
Building and Improvements	35,897,196	35,854,328	42,868
Structures and Improvements	6,460,716	6,426,616	34,100
Machinery and Equipment	7,183,461	6,774,167	409,294
Less: Total Accumulated Depreciation	(22,291,751)	(20,738,220)	(1,553,531)
 Total Capital Assets	 \$ 35,999,282	 \$ 35,806,554	 \$ 192,728

The County has an aggressive stance on maintaining its assets, including infrastructure, in excellent condition. Vehicles such as trucks and plows are planned for well in advance by the respective department heads and a scheduled maintenance and replacement timetable is followed to provide peak performance for the maximum time frame. Vehicles no longer in service are either traded in or sold at an auction or online.

Additional information concerning the County's capital assets can be found in the Note III. C to the financial statements.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**Debt**

At June 30, 2023, Monongalia County had \$233,372,009 in outstanding debt, net pension liability, net OPEB liability and compensated absences payable, of which \$229,350,858 was in bonds payable. Table 4 summarizes the outstanding obligations of the County.

**Table 4  
Outstanding Long-Term Obligations at Year End**

	Governmental Activities		Change
	2023	2022	
Lease Revenue Bonds, Net of Premium and Discount	\$ 11,470,326	\$ 12,392,630	\$ (922,304)
TIF Bonds	60,839,025	50,341,904	10,497,121
Excise Tax Bonds, Net of Discount	157,041,507	150,812,439	6,229,068
Leases Payable	504,188	285,804	218,384
Subscriptions Payable	57,708	-	57,708
Net Pension Liability	2,359,515	-	2,359,515
Net OPEB Liability	161,214	-	161,214
Compensated Absences	938,526	551,179	387,347
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 233,372,009</b>	<b>\$ 214,383,956</b>	<b>\$ 18,988,053</b>

Lease revenue bonds were issued for the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of a Monongalia County Justice Center. The TIF bonds consist of projects related to the Morgantown Industrial Park, the Monongalia General Hospital, the Star City project, the Harmony Grove project, and the University Town Center project.

Other obligations include notes payable, the net pension liability, the net OPEB liability and accrued compensated absences. Additional information concerning the County's debt can be found in Note III. F to the financial statements.

***Current Related Financial Activities***

The fund balance in the General Fund decreased in 2023 as a result of the property and other taxes revenue decreases. Due to the stagnation in the national economy and increases in federal and state funding cutbacks in recent years, the Commissioners and the department heads have worked diligently in reducing expenses. The Commissioners are reviewing all "non-statutorily" mandated expenditure functions to determine what can be further reduced and/or eliminated, and they are stringently monitoring all expenses and are curtailing travel and equipment purchases unless absolutely needed.

The County's portion of federal and state-based revenue has also been affected by the economic conditions. The State of West Virginia has experienced revenue losses and, as a result, has instituted cutbacks to state agencies and in their allocations to county and other local governments. These reduced federal and state funding/reimbursements for various programs have, in some cases, resulted in additional pressure on the General Fund balance. However, additional funds were received from the American Recovery Plan Act during 2023 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Inflationary trends for the County improved in 2023. Monongalia County's economy has been resilient in contrast to other counties in the State of West Virginia who are facing significant financial hardships and budget reductions. The key factor is the County's diversified commercial and industrial economic base. The County is fortunate to have a fairly large amount of undeveloped land in the portions of the County which can hopefully house future new development once the economy improves.

**Contacting Monongalia County's Finance Department**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizen's, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to show the County's accountability for all money it receives, spends, or invests. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact County Administrator, Renetta McClure, Monongalia County, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505, telephone (304) 291-7293.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2023**

	Primary Government	Component Units	
	Governmental Activities	Monongalia County Health Department	Monongalia County Development Authority
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 29,695,604	\$ 3,389,582	\$ 69,061
Restricted cash - capital projects	-	-	801,929
Receivables:			
Accounts	-	72,435	19,212
Taxes	3,556,387	-	-
Grants	91,513	1,032,838	-
Notes, current	-	-	7,466
Prepaid expenses	-	15,089	4,318
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>33,343,504</b>	<b>4,509,944</b>	<b>901,986</b>
Noncurrent assets:			
Restricted Assets:			
Restricted Cash	24,519,453	-	-
Capital Assets:			
Nondepreciable:			
Land	1,545,021	-	4,738,475
Constuction in progress	7,204,639	-	-
Depreciable:			
Buildings	35,897,196	-	26,284,647
Structures and improvements	6,460,716	-	-
Vehicles	-	533,646	-
Leasehold improvements	-	150,215	467,147
Machinery and equipment	7,183,461	494,967	2,129,599
Less: accumulated depreciation	(22,291,751)	(675,737)	(2,025,055)
Right of Use Assets	776,803	-	-
Less: accumulated amortization	(279,507)	-	-
Subscription Assets	113,769	-	-
Less: accumulated amortization	(56,884)	-	-
Notes Receivable, noncurrent	-	-	125,812
<b>Total noncurrent assets</b>	<b>61,072,916</b>	<b>503,091</b>	<b>31,720,625</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>94,416,420</b>	<b>5,013,035</b>	<b>32,622,611</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Pension	3,996,076	785,466	-
OPEB	639,791	202,015	-
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>4,635,867</b>	<b>987,481</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>			
Current liabilities payable			
from current assets:			
Accounts payable	780,212	100,616	160,310
Due to other governments	-	-	700,000
Accrued salaries and employee benefits	-	165,919	-
Unearned fees and permits	-	350,162	-
Interest payable	1,046,867	-	-
Notes payable, due within one year	-	-	13,620,840
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,827,079</b>	<b>616,697</b>	<b>14,481,150</b>
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Notes payable, due in more than one year	-	-	18,867,375
Bonds payable - due within one year	12,790,997	-	-
Bonds payable - due in more than one year	216,559,861	-	-
Leases payable - due within one year	162,073	-	-
Leases payable - due in more than one year	342,115	-	-
Subscription liability - due within one year	57,708	-	-
Compensated absences payable	938,526	224,381	-
Net pension liability	2,359,515	274,002	-
Net OPEB liability	161,214	68,082	-
<b>Total noncurrent liabilities</b>	<b>233,372,009</b>	<b>566,465</b>	<b>18,867,375</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>235,199,088</b>	<b>1,183,162</b>	<b>33,348,525</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Pension	193,195	828	-
OPEB	629,488	260,177	-
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>822,683</b>	<b>261,005</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	35,999,282	503,091	(893,402)
Restricted for:			
Capital Projects	-	-	801,929
Debt Service	24,519,453	-	-
Unrestricted	(197,488,219)	4,053,258	(634,441)
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ (136,969,484)</b>	<b>\$ 4,556,349</b>	<b>\$ (725,914)</b>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

Functions/Programs	Program Services				Net (Expense) Revenues and Changes in Net Position		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Capital Grants & Contributions	Primary Government	Component Units	
					Governmental Activities	Monongalia County Health Department	Monongalia County Development Authority
<b>Primary Government:</b>							
Governmental activities:							
General government	\$ 15,887,160	\$ 5,235,683	\$ 10,769,581	\$ -	\$ 118,104	\$ -	\$ -
Public safety	20,872,128	-	-	-	(20,872,128)	-	-
Health and sanitation	855,867	-	-	-	(855,867)	-	-
Administration and general	89,730	-	-	-	(89,730)	-	-
Culture and recreation	3,254,907	-	-	-	(3,254,907)	-	-
Social services	2,949,675	-	-	-	(2,949,675)	-	-
Capital outlay	13,689,938	-	-	1,368,257	(12,321,681)	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	12,269,253	-	-	-	(12,269,253)	-	-
<b>Total primary government</b>	<b>\$ 69,868,658</b>	<b>\$ 5,235,683</b>	<b>\$ 10,769,581</b>	<b>\$ 1,368,257</b>	<b>(52,495,137)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Component units:</b>							
Monongalia County Health Department	6,438,787	2,649,423	3,095,629	-	-	(693,735)	-
Monongalia County Development Authority	2,629,586	985,690	300,000	-	-	-	(1,343,896)
<b>Total component units</b>	<b>\$ 9,068,373</b>	<b>\$ 3,635,113</b>	<b>\$ 3,395,629</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(693,735)</b>	<b>(1,343,896)</b>
<b>General revenues:</b>							
Ad valorem property taxes					28,324,324	-	-
Alcoholic beverages tax					312,086	-	-
Hotel occupancy tax					1,115,111	-	-
Gas and oil severance tax					1,785,994	-	-
Other taxes					3,239,653	-	-
Coal severance tax					365,294	-	-
Licenses and permits					20,004	-	-
Fines and Forfeitures					245,435	-	-
Unrestricted investment earnings					2,589,620	94,465	29,284
Refunds					3,150,537	-	-
Reimbursement					452,123	-	-
State special funding revenue					(102,260)	-	-
Intergovernmental:							
State					-	757,738	-
County					-	500,000	-
Miscellaneous					1,028,659	36,047	8,198
<b>Total general revenues</b>					<b>42,526,580</b>	<b>1,388,250</b>	<b>37,482</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>					<b>(9,968,557)</b>	<b>694,515</b>	<b>(1,306,414)</b>
<b>Net position - beginning, restated</b>					<b>(127,000,927)</b>	<b>3,861,834</b>	<b>580,500.00</b>
<b>Net position - ending</b>					<b>\$ (136,969,484)</b>	<b>\$ 4,556,349</b>	<b>\$ (725,914)</b>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
June 30, 2023

	<u>General</u>	<u>Coal Severance Tax</u>	<u>University Town Center Debt Service</u>	<u>American Rescue Plan Act</u>	<u>Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>						
<b>Assets:</b>						
<b>Current:</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,120,050	\$ 514,369	\$ -	\$ 13,542,687	\$ 6,518,498	\$ 29,695,604
Receivables:						
Taxes	2,087,750	-	-	-	638,385	2,726,135
Grants	91,513	-	-	-	-	91,513
Restricted cash	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,513,958</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,005,495</u>	<u>24,519,453</u>
 Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	 <u>\$ 11,299,313</u>	 <u>\$ 514,369</u>	 <u>\$ 22,513,958</u>	 <u>\$ 13,542,687</u>	 <u>\$ 9,162,378</u>	 <u>\$ 57,032,705</u>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Accounts payable	\$ 726,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,302	\$ 52,110	\$ 780,212
Other accrued expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>768,183</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>277,630</u>	<u>1,045,813</u>
 Total liabilities	 <u>726,800</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>768,183</u>	 <u>1,302</u>	 <u>329,740</u>	 <u>1,826,025</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows:</b>						
Unavailable revenue - taxes	<u>1,872,804</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>505,896</u>	<u>2,378,700</u>
 Total deferred inflows of resources	 <u>1,872,804</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>505,896</u>	 <u>2,378,700</u>
 Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	 <u>2,599,604</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>768,183</u>	 <u>1,302</u>	 <u>835,636</u>	 <u>4,204,725</u>
<b>Fund balances:</b>						
Restricted	-	-	21,745,775	13,541,385	8,338,080	43,625,240
Assigned	12,025,723	514,369	-	-	-	12,540,092
Unassigned	<u>(3,326,014)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(11,338)</u>	<u>(3,337,352)</u>
 Total fund balances	 <u>8,699,709</u>	 <u>514,369</u>	 <u>21,745,775</u>	 <u>13,541,385</u>	 <u>8,326,742</u>	 <u>52,827,980</u>
 Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances	 <u>\$ 11,299,313</u>	 <u>\$ 514,369</u>	 <u>\$ 22,513,958</u>	 <u>\$ 13,542,687</u>	 <u>\$ 9,162,378</u>	 <u>\$ 57,032,705</u>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2023

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Total fund balances on the governmental fund's balance sheet	\$ 52,827,980
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the funds. (Note III.C.)	35,999,282
Other long-term assets that are not available to pay for current-year expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. (Note III G.)	1,384,433
Certain revenues are not available to fund current year expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. (Note III.B.)	2,378,700
Deferred inflows and outflows related to pension activity are not required to be reported in the funds but are required to be reported at the government-wide level (Note V):	
Deferred outflow - Pension	3,996,076
Deferred outflow - OPEB	639,791
Deferred inflow - Pension	(193,195)
Deferred inflow - OPEB	(629,488)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. (Note III.F.)	<u>(233,373,063)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u><u>\$ (136,969,484)</u></u>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	<u>General</u>	<u>Coal Severance Tax</u>	<u>University Town Center Debt Service</u>	<u>American Rescue Plan Act</u>	<u>Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Taxes:						
Ad valorem property taxes	\$ 19,034,599	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,840,275	\$ 27,874,874
Alcoholic beverages tax	312,086	-	-	-	-	312,086
Hotel occupancy tax	1,115,111	-	-	-	-	1,115,111
Gas and oil severance tax	1,785,994	-	-	-	-	1,785,994
Other taxes	1,950,528	-	-	-	1,289,125	3,239,653
Coal severance tax	-	351,662	-	-	13,632	365,294
Licenses and permits	899	-	-	-	19,105	20,004
Intergovernmental:						
Federal	151,299	-	-	10,306,947	-	10,458,246
State	311,335	-	1,368,257	-	-	1,679,592
Charges for services	1,617,304	-	-	-	3,618,379	5,235,683
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	245,435	245,435
Interest and investment earnings	430,951	14,210	1,023,039	526,937	594,483	2,589,620
Refunds	2,910,641	-	-	-	239,896	3,150,537
Reimbursements	-	-	-	-	452,123	452,123
Payments in lieu of taxes	618,660	-	-	-	131,525	750,185
Contributions and donations	10,931	-	-	-	-	10,931
Miscellaneous	220,274	-	-	-	47,269	267,543
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>30,470,612</b>	<b>365,872</b>	<b>2,391,296</b>	<b>10,833,884</b>	<b>15,491,247</b>	<b>59,552,911</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Current:						
General government	14,760,335	46,784	-	-	2,347,174	17,154,293
Public safety	13,332,095	-	-	3,780,148	3,298,405	20,410,648
Health and sanitation	845,612	-	-	-	-	845,612
Administrative and general	-	-	64,589	-	25,141	89,730
Culture and recreation	1,571,368	28,752	-	-	1,550,693	3,150,813
Social services	647,982	-	-	-	2,301,693	2,949,675
Capital outlay	2,219,280	-	4,489,637	-	7,823,934	14,532,851
Debt service:						
Principal	268,376	-	13,950,651	-	915,487	15,134,514
Interest	17,538	-	10,551,590	-	1,599,572	12,168,700
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>33,662,586</b>	<b>75,536</b>	<b>29,056,467</b>	<b>3,780,148</b>	<b>19,862,099</b>	<b>86,436,836</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(3,191,974)	290,336	(26,665,171)	7,053,736	(4,370,852)	(26,883,925)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>						
Transfers in	680,191	-	2,947,740	-	3,205,805	6,833,736
Transfers (out)	(1,613,038)	-	-	-	(5,220,698)	(6,833,736)
Bonds Issued	-	-	22,969,604	-	7,600,416	30,570,020
Proceeds from Lease Financing	544,471	-	-	-	-	544,471
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(388,376)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,917,344</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,585,523</b>	<b>31,114,491</b>
Net change in fund balances	(3,580,350)	290,336	(747,827)	7,053,736	1,214,671	4,230,566
Fund balances - beginning (See note III.E.)	12,280,059	224,033	22,493,602	6,487,649	7,112,071	48,597,414
<b>Fund balances - ending</b>	<b>\$ 8,699,709</b>	<b>\$ 514,369</b>	<b>\$ 21,745,775</b>	<b>\$ 13,541,385</b>	<b>\$ 8,326,742</b>	<b>\$ 52,827,980</b>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO  
THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	4,230,566
<p>Capital outlays are reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds but are considered an asset at the government-wide level. This is the amount of capital assets that were purchased during the fiscal year. (Note III.C.)</p>		
Asset purchases during the fiscal year:	\$1,819,604	
Depreciation expense:	(\$1,626,876)	192,728
<p>Right-of-use lease payments are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. In the statement of activities, the cost of those assets and liabilities are allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as amortization of assets and reductions of liabilities. (Note III G.)</p>		
		(5,285)
<p>Right-of-use subscription payments are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. In the statement of activities, the cost of those assets and liabilities are allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as amortization of assets and reductions of liabilities. (Note III H)</p>		
		(823)
<p>Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. This is the difference between prior and current year unavailable/unearned revenues.</p>		
Prior year unavailable/unearned revenues:	\$1,929,250	
Current year unavailable/unearned revenues:	\$2,378,700	449,450
<p>The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items. (Note III.F.)</p>		
		(15,803,886)
<p>Certain pension &amp; OPEB expenses and revenues in the statement of activities are recognized on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GASB 68 and 75. (Note V)</p>		
Amount of pension expenses recognized at government-wide level		623,813
Amount of OPEB expenses recognized at government-wide level		834,487
Amount of OPEB state special funding revenue recognized at government-wide level		(102,260)
<p>Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. (Note III.F.)</p>		
		<u>(387,347)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u><u>(9,968,557)</u></u>

MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Modified Accrual Basis	Adjustments Budget Basis	Actual Amounts Budget Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final				
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Taxes:						
Ad valorem property taxes	20,422,192	\$ 20,422,192	\$ 19,034,599	\$ -	\$ 19,034,599	\$ (1,387,593)
Alcoholic beverages tax	300,000	300,000	312,086	-	312,086	12,086
Hotel occupancy tax	1,000,000	1,080,000	1,115,111	-	1,115,111	35,111
Gas and oil severance tax	600,000	600,000	1,785,994	-	1,785,994	1,185,994
Other taxes	1,650,000	1,658,198	1,950,528	-	1,950,528	292,330
Licenses and permits	5,200	5,200	899	-	899	(4,301)
Intergovernmental:						
Federal	404,961	404,961	151,299	-	151,299	(253,662)
State	200,008	331,645	311,335	-	311,335	(20,310)
Local	13,000	13,000	-	-	-	(13,000)
Charges for services	1,237,300	1,255,058	1,617,304	-	1,617,304	362,246
Interest and investment earnings	30,000	30,000	430,951	-	430,951	400,951
Refunds	1,505,000	1,946,510	2,910,641	-	2,910,641	964,131
Payments in lieu of taxes	625,500	625,500	618,660	-	618,660	(6,840)
Contributions and donations	-	-	10,931	-	10,931	10,931
Miscellaneous	300,000	327,000	220,274	-	220,274	(106,726)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>28,293,161</b>	<b>28,999,264</b>	<b>30,470,612</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,470,612</b>	<b>1,471,348</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Current:						
General government	22,091,364	19,935,764	14,760,335	186,676	14,947,011	4,988,753
Public safety	13,817,085	14,587,970	13,332,095	-	13,332,095	1,255,875
Health and sanitation	1,037,887	1,137,887	845,612	-	845,612	292,275
Culture and recreation	1,295,025	2,121,025	1,571,368	-	1,571,368	549,657
Social services	498,800	691,841	647,982	-	647,982	43,859
Capital outlay	2,555,500	1,933,000	2,219,280	(445,233)	1,774,047	158,953
Debt service:						
Principal	-	-	268,376	(268,376)	-	-
Interest	-	-	17,538	(17,538)	-	-
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>41,295,661</b>	<b>40,407,487</b>	<b>33,662,586</b>	<b>(544,471)</b>	<b>33,118,115</b>	<b>7,289,372</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(13,002,500)</u>	<u>(11,408,223)</u>	<u>(3,191,974)</u>	<u>544,471</u>	<u>(2,647,503)</u>	<u>8,760,720</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>						
Transfers in	2,500	2,500	680,191	-	680,191	677,691
Transfers (out)	(500,000)	(620,000)	(1,613,038)	-	(1,613,038)	(993,038)
Proceeds from lease financing	-	-	544,471	(544,471)	-	-
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<u>(497,500)</u>	<u>(617,500)</u>	<u>(388,376)</u>	<u>(544,471)</u>	<u>(932,847)</u>	<u>(315,347)</u>
Net change in fund balance	(13,500,000)	(12,025,723)	(3,580,350)	-	(3,580,350)	8,445,373
Fund balance - beginning	13,500,000	12,025,723	10,786,938	-	10,786,938	(1,238,785)
Fund balance - ending	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,206,588</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,206,588</u>	<u>\$ 7,206,588</u>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		Actual	Adjustments	Actual Amounts	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Modified Accrual Basis</u>	<u>Budget Basis</u>	<u>Budget Basis</u>	Final Budget  <u>Positive (Negative)</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Taxes:						
Coal severance tax	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 351,662	\$ -	\$ 351,662	\$ 301,662
Interest and investment earnings	-	-	14,210	-	14,210	14,210
Total revenues	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>365,872</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>365,872</u>	<u>315,872</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Current:						
General government	120,000	244,033	46,784	-	46,784	197,249
Culture and recreation	<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>28,752</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,752</u>	<u>1,248</u>
Total expenditures	<u>150,000</u>	<u>274,033</u>	<u>75,536</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,536</u>	<u>198,497</u>
Net change in fund balance	(100,000)	(224,033)	290,336	-	290,336	514,369
Fund balance - beginning	<u>100,000</u>	<u>224,033</u>	<u>224,033</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>224,033</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance - ending	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 514,369</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 514,369</u>	<u>\$ 514,369</u>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
June 30, 2023

	Custodial <u>Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Non-pooled cash	\$ <u>796,390</u>
Receivables:	
Other	<u>8,127,657</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ <u><u>8,924,047</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Due to: other governments	<u>8,924,047</u>
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	\$ <u><u>8,924,047</u></u>

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MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Custodial <u>Funds</u>
<b>ADDITIONS:</b>	
Amounts Received as fiscal agent	\$ 5,943,697
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Total additions	5,943,697
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<b>DEDUCTIONS:</b>	
Distributions as fiscal agent	5,943,697
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Total deductions	5,943,697
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Change in net position	-
<b>NET POSITION:</b>	
Net position - beginning	-
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Net position - ending	\$ -
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounting policies of Monongalia County, West Virginia (the government), conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies:

**A. Reporting Entity**

Monongalia County is one of fifty-five counties established under the Constitution and the Laws of the State of West Virginia. There are six offices elected county-wide, which are: County Commission, County Clerk, Circuit Clerk, Assessor, Sheriff, and Prosecuting Attorney.

The County Commission is the legislative body for the government, and as such budgets and provides all the funding used by the separate Constitutional Offices except for the offices of the Assessor and the Sheriff, which also have additional revenue sources. The County Clerk's office maintains the accounting system for the County's operations. The operations of the County as a whole, however, including all the Constitutional offices have been combined in these financial statements.

The services provided by the government and accounted for within these financial statements include law enforcement for unincorporated areas of the County, health and social services, cultural and recreational programs, and other governmental services.

The accompanying financial statements present the primary government's component units as required by generally accepted accounting principles. In determining whether to include a governmental department, agency, commission or organization as a component unit, the government must evaluate each entity as to whether they are legally separate and financially accountable based on the criteria set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Legal separateness is evaluated on the basis of: (1) its corporate name, (2) the right to sue and be sued, and (3) the right to buy, sell or lease and mortgage property. Financial accountability is based on: (1) the appointment of the governing authority and (2) the ability to impose will or (3) the providing of specific financial benefit or imposition of specific financial burden. Another factor to consider in this evaluation is whether an entity is fiscally dependent on the County.

*Discretely Presented Components Units*

Discretely presented component units are entities which are legally separate from the County, but are financially accountable to the County, or whose relationship with the County is such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Because of the nature of services they provide and the County's ability to impose its will on them or a financial benefit/burden relationship exists, the following component units are discretely presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14 (as amended by GASB Statement 39 and GASB Statement 61). The discretely presented component units are presented on the government-wide statements.

The Monongalia County Board of Health (doing business as Monongalia County Health Department) is a unit of government that has the primary mission of promoting and protecting the public's health in Monongalia County, West Virginia, by identifying and monitoring public health needs and promoting collaboration with the State of West Virginia and other health care providers to assure those needs are met through education, prevention, regulation and treatment. While its primary service area is Monongalia County, it also provides health related services to several surrounding counties.

The Monongalia County Development Authority was created on March 31, 1975 by the Monongalia County Commission pursuant to Chapter 7, Article 12 of the West Virginia State Code. The Authority was organized primarily to promote and assist in promoting the business prosperity and development of Monongalia County. Management and control of the Authority is vested in a board consisting of no less than 12 or greater than 21 members. One member must be a Monongalia County Commissioner, and five other members must represent the five municipalities of Monongalia County. The remaining members are appointed by the Monongalia County Commission.

Complete financial statements for each of the individual component units can be obtained at the entity's administrative offices.

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*Blended Component Unit*

The entity below is legally separate from the County and meets GASB criteria for component units. This entity is blended with the primary government because it provides services entirely or almost entirely to the County.

The Monongalia County Building Commission serves Monongalia County, West Virginia, and is governed by a board comprised of five members appointed by the County Commission for a term of six years each. The Building Commission acquires property and debt on behalf of the County.

Complete financial statements for each of the individual component units can be obtained at the entity's administrative offices.

*Jointly Governed Organizations*

The County, in conjunction with the City of Morgantown, has created the Monongalia County Urban Mass Transit Authority. The authority is composed of seven members with three members appointed by the Monongalia County Commission, three members appointed by the City of Morgantown, and a seventh being an agreed upon appointee who is a representative of West Virginia University.

**B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function, and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. Interest on general long-term debt liabilities is considered an indirect expense and is reported in the Statement of Activities as a separate line.

Separate fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

**C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied and collectible. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

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Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered 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 collectible within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, franchise taxes, interest and special assessments are susceptible to accrual. Other receipts and taxes become measurable and available when cash is received by the government and are recognized as revenue at that time.

Entitlements and shared revenues are recorded at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial sources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The *Coal Severance Tax fund*, a special revenue fund, accounts for revenues and expenditures from a severance tax placed on coal that is distributed to West Virginia counties. The State Auditor's Office requires an annual budget be submitted for approval for this fund.

The *University Town Center Debt Service fund*, a debt service fund, accounts for the activity in the trustee bank accounts associated with bonds issued by the Monongalia County Commission for the University Series bonds.

The *American Rescue Plan Act fund*, a special revenue fund, accounts for a federal grant received in accordance with federal law that was enacted to support local governments during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Additionally, the government reports the following fund types:

The custodial funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. Custodial funds are accounted for using the full accrual basis of accounting. These funds are used to account for assets that Monongalia County, West Virginia holds for others in an custodial capacity.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

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Use of Estimates – The financial statements and related disclosures are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Management is required to make estimates and assumptions that may affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and revenue and expenditures during the period reported. These estimates may include the collectability or taxes receivable and the useful lives of impairment of both tangible and intangible assets. Any estimates or assumptions are periodically reviewed and any revisions are reflected in the financial statements in the period determined to be necessary. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

**D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position**

**1. Deposits and Investments**

Monongalia County, West Virginia's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of less than three months from the date of acquisition.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*, the County reports its investments at fair value, except for non-participating investment contracts (certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements) which are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. All investment income, including changes in fair value of investments, are recognized as revenue in the operating statement. Fair value is determined by quoted market prices.

State statutes authorize the government to enter into agreements with the State Treasurer for the investment of monies. Authority is provided for investment in the Investment Management Board, the West Virginia Board of Treasury or the Municipal Bond Commission, or to invest such funds in the following classes of securities: Any investment company or investment trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, 15 U.S.C. §80a, the portfolio of which is limited: (i) To obligations issued by or guaranteed as to the payment of both principal and interest by the United States of America or its agencies or instrumentalities; and (ii) to repurchase agreements fully collateralized by obligations of the United States government or its agencies or instrumentalities: Provided, That the investment company or investment trust takes delivery of the collateral either directly or through an authorized custodian: Provided, however, That the investment company or investment trust is rated within one of the top two rating categories of any nationally recognized rating service such as Moody's or Standard & Poor's.

**2. Receivables and Payables**

*Property Tax Receivable*

The property tax receivable allowance is equal to 16 percent of the property taxes outstanding at June 30, 2023.

All current taxes assessed on real and personal property may be paid in two installments; the first installment is payable on September first of the year for which the assessment is made, and becomes delinquent on October first; the second installment is payable on the first day the following March and becomes delinquent on April first. Taxes paid on or before the date when they are payable, including both first and second installments, are subject to a discount of two and one-half percent. If the taxes are not paid on or before the date in which they become delinquent, including both first and second installments, interest at the rate of nine percent per annum is added from the date they become delinquent until the date they are paid. Taxes paid on or before the due date are allowed a two and one half percent discount. A tax lien is issued for all unpaid real estate taxes as of the date of the sheriff's sale and these liens are sold between October 14th and November 23rd of each year. Sixty days of estimated property tax collections are recorded in revenues at the end of each fiscal year.

All counties within the state are authorized to levy taxes not in excess of the following maximum levies per \$100 of assessed valuation: On Class I property, fourteen and three-tenths cents (14.30 cents); On Class II property, twenty-eight and six-tenths cents (28.60 cents); On Class III property, fifty-seven and two-tenths cents (57.20 cents); On Class IV property, fifty-seven and two-tenths cents (57.20 cents). In addition, counties may provide for an election to lay an excess levy; the rates not to exceed statutory limitations, provided at least sixty percent of the voters cast ballots in favor of the excess levy.

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The rates levied by the County per \$100 of assessed valuation for each class of property for the fiscal year ended June 30 were as follows:

Class of Property	Assessed Valuation For Tax Purposes	Current Expense	Mass Transit Excess Levy	Parks and Recreation Excess Levy	Fire Protection Excess Levy	Public Libraries Excess Levy
Class I	-	11.00 cents	1.10 cents	0.58 cents	0.40 cents	0.27 cents
Class II	2,893,261,946	22.00 cents	2.20 cents	1.16 cents	0.80 cents	0.54 cents
Class III	2,415,919,655	44.00 cents	4.40 cents	2.32 cents	1.60 cents	1.08 cents
Class IV	1,267,259,122	44.00 cents	4.40 cents	2.32 cents	1.60 cents	1.08 cents

Monongalia County, West Virginia held a special election on May 12, 2020. The County was authorized to lay an excess levy during the four fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2025, for the purpose of contributing funds from such levy to the Monongalia County Urban Mass Transportation Authority (Mountain Line) for the acquisition of equipment and other capital improvements, and payment of a portion of its general operating, maintenance and other expenses.

Monongalia County, West Virginia held a special election on May 12, 2020. The County was authorized to lay an excess levy during the four fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2025, for the purpose of providing funding and maintenance of the Parks, Trails, and Recreation programs. Those funding items include: Operation, Expenses, and other Capital Improvements for Camp Muffly Park, Chestnut Ridge Park, Mason-Dixon Historical Park, Mon River and Deckers Creek Rail-Trails, Westover Park Baseball Facilities, Cheat Lake and Laurel Point soccer fields, and the Morgantown Ice Arena.

Monongalia County, West Virginia held a special election on May 12, 2020. The County was authorized to lay an excess levy during the four fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2025, for the Monongalia County Volunteer Fire Departments, the Monongalia Hazardous Incident Response Team, the Monongalia County Brush Fire Team, and the Monongalia County Volunteer Fire Companies Association Inc.

Monongalia County, West Virginia held a special election on May 12, 2020. The County was authorized to lay an excess levy during the four fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2025, for the Morgantown Public Library System.

### 3. Restricted Assets

Certain assets of the University Town Center Project Debt Service fund, the Star City Project Debt Service fund, the Morgantown Industrial Project Debt Service fund, the Mon General Project Debt Service fund, and the Justice Center Project Debt Service fund are classified as restricted assets because their use is restricted by bond agreements.

The "regular" account is used to segregate resources accumulated for debt service payments over the next twelve months.

The "reserve" account is used to report resources set aside to make up potential future deficiencies in the regular account.

The "reserve for construction account" is used to report those proceeds of revenue bonds that are restricted for use in construction.

### 4. Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more and estimated to have a useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

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The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

The government depreciates the capital assets using the straight-line method. Capital assets depreciation and capitalization policies are defined by the government as follows:

Assets	Straight-line Years	Inventory Purposes	Capitalize/ Depreciate
Land	not applicable	\$ 1	Capitalize Only
Land improvement	20 to 30 years	1	5,000
Building	40 years	1	5,000
Building improvements	20 to 25 years	1	5,000
Construction in progress	not applicable	1	Capitalize Only
Equipment	5 to 10 years	1,000	5,000
Vehicles	5 to 10 years	1,000	5,500
Infrastructure	40 to 50 years	50,000	100,000

**5. Right-of-Use Assets**

The County has recorded right-of-use lease assets as a result of implementing GASB 87. The right-of-use assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made prior to the lease term, less lease incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease into service. The right-of-use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

**6. Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs)**

The County has recorded SBITA lease assets as a result of implementing GASB 94. The SBITA assets and are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related SBITA liability plus any SBITA payments made prior to the SBITA term, less incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the SBITA into service. The SBITA assets are amortized on a straight- line basis over the life of the related SBITA.

**7. Compensated Absences**

It is the government's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences* .

**8. Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as expenditures.

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**9. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

**10. Fund Balances**

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is reported in five classifications.

Nonspendable	Inventories and prepaid amounts represent fund balance amounts that are not in spendable form.
Restricted	The restricted category is the portion of fund balance that is externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations. It also is imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
Committed	The committed category is the portion of fund balance whose use is constrained by limitations have been approved by an order (the highest level of formal action) of the County Commission, and that remain binding unless removed in the same manner. The approval does not automatically lapse at the end of the fiscal year. The government does not have any committed fund balance this fiscal year.
Assigned	The assigned category is the portion of fund balance that has been approved by formal action of the County Commission for any amounts that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.
Unassigned	The unassigned category is the portion of fund balance that has not been reported in any other classification. Only the general fund can report a positive amount of unassigned fund balance. However, any governmental fund in a deficit position could report a negative amount of unassigned fund balance.

The County Commission is the government's highest level of decision-making authority. The Commission would take formal action to establish, and modify or rescind, a fund balance commitment or to assign fund balance amounts to a specific purpose. The government has adopted a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and lastly unassigned fund balance. The government has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the County.

The County has not adopted a minimum fund balance policy that requires management to maintain a total spendable general fund balance.

**11. Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability and deferred outflows/inflows of the resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of Monongalia County's Public Employee Retirement System (PERS) and Deputy Sheriffs' Retirement System (DSRS) and additions to/deductions from the Plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the PERS and DSRS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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**12. Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)**

It is the Commission’s policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused sick pay benefits. Sick benefits can be accumulated for unlimited days and carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year. When separated from employment, employees’ sick leave benefits are considered ended and no reimbursement is provided. However, upon retirement, an employee’s accumulated annual sick leave may be converted to a greater retirement benefit or payment of the retired employee’s health insurance premiums. The cost of the increased retirement option is the liability of the West Virginia Consolidated Public Retirement Board. For employees hired full-time prior to July 1, 1998, the payment of health insurance premiums must be absorbed by the last agency employing the retiree and is included as part of the OPEB liability.

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the State OPEB Plan and additions to/deductions from the OPEB Plan’s fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund (RHBT). For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value, except for certain pooled investments, money market investments and participating interest-earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at amortized cost. See Note VI for further discussion.

**II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**Budgetary Information**

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund and the Coal Severance Tax Special Revenue Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

Monongalia County, West Virginia prepares its budget on the cash less accounts payable basis of accounting. Therefore, a reconciliation has been performed on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual for both the General and Coal Severance Tax Funds.

Prior to March 2nd of each year, the various elected officials submit to the County Commission proposed requests for their respective offices for the fiscal year commencing July 1. Upon review and approval of these requests, the County Commission prepares proposed budgets on forms prescribed by the State Auditor and submits them to the State Auditor by March 28 for approval. The County Commission then reconvenes on the third Tuesday in April to hear objections from the public and to formally lay the levy.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function and department. Transfers of appropriations between departments and revenue related revisions to the budget require approval from the governing council and then submission to the State Auditor for approval. Revisions become effective when approved by the State Auditor and budgeted amounts in the financial statements reflect only such approved amounts. The governing body made the following material supplementary budgetary appropriations throughout the year.

Description	General Fund Amount	Coal Severance Amount
General government expenditure increase/(decrease)	\$ (2,155,600)	\$ 124,033
Public safety expenditure increase	770,885	
Health and sanitation expenditure increase	100,000	
Culture and recreation expenditure increase	826,000	
Social services expenditure increase	193,041	
Capital projects expenditure increase	(622,500)	

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**III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

**A. Deposits and Investments**

At year-end, the government had no investments.

*Custodial Credit Risk*

For deposits, the government could be exposed to risk in the event of a bank failure where the government's deposits may not be returned. The government's policy for custodial credit risk is to comply with statutory provisions for depository bond coverage, which provides that no public money should be deposited until the banking institution designated executes a bond with good and sufficient sureties which may not be less than the maximum sum that is deposited in the depository at any one time.

At year end, the government's bank balances were lower than book balances. The bank balance was collateralized by federal depository insurance or with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the government's name.

A reconciliation of cash and investments as shown on the Statement of Net Position of the primary government and Statement of Net Position of the Fiduciary Funds is as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	29,695,604
Cash and cash equivalents-restricted		24,519,453
Cash and cash equivalents-restricted (fiduciary)		796,390
Total	\$	<u>55,011,447</u>

**B. Receivables**

Receivables at year end for the government's individual major and aggregate nonmajor funds, and aggregate fiduciary funds, including applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	General	Other Nonmajor Governmental	Total	Fiduciary
Receivables:				
Taxes	\$ 2,485,417	\$ 544,282	\$ 3,029,699	\$ 8,127,657
Grants	91,513	-	91,513	-
Gross Receivables	<u>2,576,930</u>	<u>544,282</u>	<u>3,121,212</u>	<u>8,127,657</u>
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible	<u>(397,667)</u>	<u>(87,086)</u>	<u>(484,753)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Total Receivables	\$ 2,179,263	\$ 457,196	\$ 2,636,459	\$ 8,127,657

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Governmental funds report unavailable/unearned revenue in connection with receivables for revenue that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of unavailable revenue and unearned revenue reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

	Deferred Inflows - Unavailable
Delinquent property taxes receivable (General Fund)	\$ 1,872,804
Delinquent property taxes receivable (Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds)	505,896
Total unavailable/unearned revenue for governmental funds	\$ 2,378,700

**C. Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Primary Government			Ending Balance
	Beginning Balance (Restated)	Increases	Decreases	
<b>Governmental activities:</b>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 1,545,021			\$ 1,545,021
Construction in progress	5,944,642	1,259,997	-	7,204,639
Total capital assets not being depreciated	7,489,663	1,259,997	-	8,749,660
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	35,854,328	42,868	-	35,897,196
Structures and improvements	6,426,616	34,100	-	6,460,716
Machinery and equipment	6,774,167	482,639	(73,345)	7,183,461
Less: Total accumulated depreciation	(20,738,220)	(1,626,876)	73,345	(22,291,751)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	28,316,891	(1,067,269)	-	27,249,622
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 35,806,554	\$ 192,728	\$ -	\$ 35,999,282

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 1,448,292
Public safety	67,083
Health and sanitation	11,709
Culture and recreation	99,792
Total depreciation expense-governmental activities	\$ 1,626,876

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**D. Interfund Receivables, Payables, and Transfers**

The composition of interfund transfers as of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, is as follows:

***Interfund Transfers:***

Transferred from:	Transferred to:	Purpose	Amount
General County	Mason/Dixon Park	Contribution	\$ 100,000
General County	Camp Muffly	Contribution	100,000
General County	Mon Co Center	Contribution	270,000
Dog Tax	General County	Reimbursement	54,423
General School	General County	Care for prisoners	220,267
Day Report Center	General County	Reimbursement	316,086
Home Confinement	General County	Regional jail bills	89,415
Mon Co Center	Camp Muffly	Contribution	-
Recreation Levy	Chestnut Ridge Park	Contribution	286,425
Recreation Levy	Camp Muffly	Contribution	295,501
Recreation Levy	Mason/Dixon Park	Contribution	85,093
Mon General TIF	Mon General Project DS	payments toward bonds	567,450
Morgantown Industrial TIF	Morgantown Industrial DS	payments toward bonds	358,298
Justice Center TIF	Justice Center DS	payments toward bonds	1,143,038
University Town Center TIF	University Town Center Project DS	payments toward bonds	2,947,740
Total			<u>\$ 6,833,736</u>

**E. Fund Balance Detail**

At year-end, the detail of the government's fund balances is as follows:

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund	University Town Center Debt Service	ARPA Fund	Non-major Funds	Total
Restricted:						
General government	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 586,069	\$ 586,069
Public safety	-	-	-	13,541,385	3,560,135	17,101,520
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	1,519,034	1,519,034
Social services	-	-	-	-	49,517	49,517
Debt service	-	-	21,745,775	-	2,623,325	24,369,100
Committed:						
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned:						
Budget carryover	12,025,723	514,369	-	-	-	12,540,092
Unassigned	(3,326,014)	-	-	-	(11,338)	(3,337,352)
Total fund balances	<u>\$ 8,699,709</u>	<u>\$ 514,369</u>	<u>\$ 21,745,775</u>	<u>\$ 13,541,385</u>	<u>\$ 8,326,742</u>	<u>\$ 52,827,980</u>

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**F. Long-term Debt**

*Revenue Bonds*

The county issues bonds where the government pledges income derived either from acquired or constructed assets to pay debt service. Revenue bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

<b>Governmental Activities</b>					Balance
Purpose	Maturity Date	Interest Rates	Issued	Retired	June 30, 2023
Building Commission Series 2021	2/1/2034	3.00%	\$ 12,650,000	\$ 1,370,000	\$ 11,280,000
Total			\$ 30,720,000	\$ 19,440,000	\$ 11,280,000

*Monongalia County Building Commission Taxable Lease Revenue bonds, Series 2021 (Monongalia County Justice Center)*

In 2021, the Monongalia County Building Commission, a blended component unit of Monongalia County, West Virginia, issued \$12,650,000 of Monongalia County Building Commission Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Monongalia County Justice Center) bearing interest at 3% to refund the previously issued Series 2014 A Bonds. The Series 2021 Bonds contain a bond premium of \$345,107 and a bond discount of \$120,175. The proceeds of these bonds are being used to finance the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of a Monongalia County Justice Center. The bonds are secured by the Justice Center and an irrevocable pledge of lease payments, which are required to be in sufficient amount to pay principal and interest on the bonds when due. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$13,725,650. Lease revenue bond debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Governmental Activities	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 935,000	\$ 213,735
2025	960,000	185,685
2026	985,000	156,885
2027	995,000	149,005
2028	1,005,000	139,005
2029-2033	5,280,000	433,000
2034-2036	1,120,000	22,400
Total	\$ 11,280,000	\$ 1,299,715

*Pledged Revenues - Lease Revenue Bonds*

The Monongalia County Building Commission, a blended component unit of Monongalia County, West Virginia, has pledged future lease rentals to be paid by the Monongalia County Commission to repay \$12,650,000 in lease revenue bonds issued in 2014. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the Commission. The bonds are payable solely from lease revenues paid by the County Commission through 2036. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require 100 percent of net revenues.

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*Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds*

The county issues bonds where the government pledges income derived from tax increment financing revenue to pay debt service. Tax increment financing (TIF) revenue bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Governmental Activities					
Purpose	Maturity Dates	Interest Rates	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2023
TIF Morgantown Industrial Park	6/1/2033	6.90%	\$ 9,256,624		\$ 9,256,624
TIF Monongalia General Hospital	6/1/2038	5.00%	5,153,000	2,516,396	2,636,604
TIF University Town Centre	6/1/2042	4.75%	41,333,192	2,495,000	38,838,192
TIF Harmony Grove	5/1/2044	5.15%	21,500,000	11,392,395	10,107,605
Total TIF revenue bonds			\$ 77,242,816	\$ 16,403,791	\$ 60,839,025

*Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds (Harmony Grove Phase I Infrastructure Project) Series 2021B*

In 2021, the Monongalia County Commission issued Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the cost for the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia, consisting generally of all or some of the following: utility expansion in the park and reimbursement to the state of West Virginia for a new Interstate 79 interchange. The Series 2021 Bonds in December 2021 in the aggregate principal amount of \$21,500,000 of which \$8,829,050 is the amount outstanding. The bonds do not constitute a general obligation, or pledge of the full faith and credit of the County of Monongalia. The principal and interest on the tax increment revenue bonds are to be paid solely by the property taxes generated in association with the increased assessed values of property within the TIF district area. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the tax increment financing bonds that are not available as the project is not complete and the loan is still being drawn down.

*Pledged Revenues - Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds*

The County has pledged future tax increment revenue to repay \$21,500,000 in tax increment financing revenue bonds issued in 2021 of which \$8,829,050 has been advanced, \$0 has been repaid and \$8,829,050 is outstanding. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the design, acquisition and construction of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia. The bonds are payable solely from the tax increment property taxes assessed and are collected in the district area and are payable through 2033. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 100 percent of net revenues. The total estimated principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds are not yet available as the loan is still being drawn down. No principal and interest payments were made in the year ended June 30, 2023.

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*Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue & Refunding Bonds (Morgantown Industrial Park Phase III) Series 2021A*

In 2009, the Monongalia County Commission issued Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the cost for the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia, consisting generally of all or some of the following: acquisition and construction of certain infrastructure improvements in the Development District, which improvements include upgrade of roads, sanitary sewer and water lines, including the installation of a required surge tank to handle the gray water and sanitary discharge anticipated with business expansion, installation of necessary storm water management systems to accommodate the additional runoff from the expanded road system and provide for the necessary expansion of natural gas and electric lines to facilitate future business expansion and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements and all necessary appurtenances. The Series 2009 Bonds were currently refunded and re-issued in November of 2017. The Series 2017 bonds were currently refunded and reissued in August 2021 in the aggregate principal amount of \$9,560,508 of which \$9,256,624 is the amount outstanding. The bonds do not constitute a general obligation, or pledge of the full faith and credit of the County of Monongalia. The principal and interest on the tax increment revenue bonds are to be paid solely by the property taxes generated in association with the increased assessed values of property within the TIF district area. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the tax increment financing bonds that are not available as the project is not complete and the loan is still being drawn down.

*Pledged Revenues - Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds*

The County has pledged future tax increment revenue to repay \$9,560,508 in tax increment financing revenue bonds issued in 2021 of which \$9,504,624 has been advanced, \$239,000 has been repaid and \$9,256,624 is outstanding. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the design, acquisition and construction of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia, consisting generally of all or some of the following: acquisition and construction of certain infrastructure improvements in the Development District, which improvements include upgrade of roads, sanitary sewer and water lines, including the installation of a required surge tank to handle the gray water and sanitary discharge anticipated with business expansion, installation of necessary storm water management systems to accommodate the additional runoff from the expanded road system and provide for the necessary expansion of natural gas and electric lines to facilitate future business expansion and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements and all necessary appurtenances. The bonds are payable solely from the tax increment property taxes assessed and are collected in the district area and are payable through 2033. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 100 percent of net revenues. The total estimated principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds are not yet available as the loan is still being drawn down. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total customer net revenues were \$0 (principal) and \$321,957 (interest) and \$362,996, respectively.

*Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue & Refunding Bonds (Monongalia General Hospital Maple Drive Improvement Project) Series 2016 C*

In 2011, the Monongalia County Commission issued Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the cost for the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia, consisting generally of all or some of the following: acquisition and construction of a new access road to Monongalia General Hospital and Mon Emergency Services from WV Route 705, with appropriate intersection improvements, curbing, grading, drainage, signage and all necessary appurtenances. The Series 2011 A Bonds were issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$3,015,000 and were refunded in October of 2016. The series 2016 C bonds were issued in the amount of \$5,153,000 of which \$4,378,604 was advanced, \$1,742,000 was repaid and \$2,636,604 remains outstanding. The bonds do not constitute a general obligation, or pledge of the full faith and credit of the County of Monongalia. The principal and interest on the tax increment revenue bonds are to be paid solely by the property taxes generated in association with the increased assessed values of property within the TIF district area. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the tax increment financing bonds that are not available as the loan is still being drawn down.

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*Pledged Revenues - Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds*

The County has pledged future tax increment revenue to repay \$5,153,000 in tax increment financing revenue bonds issued in 2016 of which \$4,378,604 has been advanced, \$1,731,513 has been repaid and \$2,647,091 is outstanding. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia, consisting generally of all or some of the following: acquisition and construction of a new access road to Monongalia General Hospital and Mon Emergency Medical Services from WV Route 705, with appropriate intersection improvements, curbing, grading, drainage, signage and all necessary appurtenances. The bonds are payable solely from the tax increment property taxes assessed and are collected in the district area and are payable through 2031. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 100 percent of net revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds advanced and outstanding is not available as the loan is still being drawn down. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total customer net revenues were \$559,830 and \$631,691, respectively.

*Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds (University Town Centre) Series 2020 A and B Taxable*

The Monongalia County Commission issued Taxable Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue bonds in 2020 to provide funds to finance the costs of the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of the TIF Project and paying costs of issuance of the bonds. Of the aggregate principal amount issued in the Series 2020 A and B Bonds, \$38,838,192 was advanced and outstanding. The bonds do not constitute a general obligation, or pledge of the full faith and credit of the County of Monongalia. The principal and interest on the tax increment revenue bonds are to be paid solely by the property taxes generated in association with the increased assessed values of property within the TIF district area. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the tax increment financing bonds that are outstanding are as follows:

Fiscal Year End	Governmental	
	Activities	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 1,097,000	\$ 1,683,875
2025	1,149,000	1,631,768
2026	1,468,000	2,064,690
2027	2,229,000	1,987,673
2028	2,363,000	1,855,148
2029-2033	8,715,192	7,035,396
2034-2038	9,590,000	4,312,764
2039-2042	12,227,000	1,676,087
Total	\$ 38,838,192	\$ 22,247,401

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*Pledged Revenues - Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue Bonds*

The County has pledged future tax increment revenue to repay \$38,838,192 in tax increment financing revenue bonds issued in 2020 of which \$41,333,192 has been advanced, \$2,495,000 has been repaid and \$38,838,192 is outstanding. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for the design, acquisition, construction, and equipping of certain infrastructure improvements in Monongalia County, West Virginia, consisting generally of all or some of the following: acquisition and construction of public improvements in the TIF District: road and intersection improvements (including utility relocation, pedestrian ways, lighting, land and right of way acquisition, and related infrastructure), water lines, storm water culverts and facilities, sewer line, demolition and site preparation necessary for and incidental to the construction and installation of public infrastructure improvements, and other related public infrastructure. The bonds are payable solely from the tax increment property taxes assessed and are collected in the district area and are payable through 2042. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 100 percent of net revenues. The total estimated principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$61,085,593. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total customer net revenues were \$1,109,000 (principal) \$3,167,548 (interest) and \$3,094,409, respectively.

*Special District Excise Tax Revenue Bonds*

The county issues bonds where the government pledges income derived from special district excise tax revenue to pay debt service. Excise Tax revenue bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Governmental Activities					
Purpose	Maturity Dates	Interest Rates	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2023
University Series 2017 A Taxable	6/1/2043	variable	\$ 76,360,000	\$ 4,545,000	\$ 71,815,000
University Series 2020 A Taxable	6/1/2037	7.50%	27,265,000	-	27,265,000
University Series 2020 B Taxable	6/1/2032	9.75%	25,466,497	25,466,497	-
University Series 2021 A Tax-Exempt	8/14/2036	4.13%	32,750,000	1,710,000	31,040,000
University Series 2021 B Tax-Exempt	9/25/2033	4.88%	16,445,000	-	16,445,000
University Series 2021 C Taxable	6/1/2032	6.35%	47,180,000	42,702,610	4,477,390
University Series 2022 A Tax-Exempt	6/1/2024	6.25%	8,490,000	-	8,490,000
Total Excise Tax revenue bonds			\$ 233,956,497	\$ 74,424,107	\$ 159,532,390

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*Special District Excise Tax Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds (University Town Centre Economic Opportunity Development District) Series 2017 A*

In 2017, the Monongalia County Commission issued special district excise tax revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the development and financing of certain public infrastructure improvements within the excise tax district including, but not limited to, the following: water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm water drainage, new road construction, and road improvements, including without limitation a new interstate highway interchange and related improvements, intersection improvements, curbing, traffic control, lighting and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements, and the costs of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain intercollegiate and other athletic facilities, including without limitation, a baseball park and other facilities, fields, parks and/or stadiums, and appurtenances and amenities relating thereto, all within or benefitting the Excise Tax District. The Series 2017 A Bonds were issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$76,360,000 with a bond discount of \$1,362,790. The aggregate principal amount was fully advanced, \$4,545,000 is refunded, and \$71,815,000 is outstanding. According to the Bond Indenture the 2017 Excise Tax Bonds shall evidence indebtedness only to the extent that such principal has been advanced and is outstanding as reflected on such Record of Advances. The principal and interest on the Series 2017 A Bonds are to be paid from and secured by a pledge of 50% of the net excise tax revenues generated in the Excise Tax District with additional rent to be payable from time to time by West Virginia University pursuant to the lease purchase agreement. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the bonds that are outstanding are as follows:

Year Ended	Special District Excise 2017 A	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 1,485,000	\$ 3,965,188
2025	1,660,000	3,898,363
2026	1,845,000	3,823,663
2027	2,040,000	3,740,638
2028	2,245,000	3,648,838
2029 - 2033	14,010,000	16,171,513
2034 - 2038	18,335,000	11,865,288
2039 - 2043	30,195,000	6,058,777
Totals	\$ 71,815,000	\$ 53,172,266

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*Special District Excise Tax Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds (University Town Centre Economic Opportunity Development District) Series 2020 A and 2020 B*

In 2020, the Monongalia County Commission issued special district excise tax revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the development and financing of certain public infrastructure improvements within the excise tax district including, but not limited to, the following: water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm water drainage, new road construction, and road improvements, including without limitation a new interstate highway interchange and related improvements, intersection improvements, curbing, traffic control, lighting and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements, and the costs of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain intercollegiate and other athletic facilities, including without limitation, a baseball park and other facilities, fields, parks and/or stadiums, and appurtenances and amenities relating thereto, all within or benefitting the Excise Tax District. The Series 2020 A Bond was issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$27,265,000 with a bond discount of \$1,427,595. The aggregate principal amount has been fully drawn and is outstanding. The aggregate amount issued in the Series 2020 B Bond was \$80,000,000, of which \$26,032,078 has been drawn and refunded in June 2023. According to the Bond Indenture the 2020 Excise Tax Bonds shall evidence indebtedness only to the extent that such principal has been advanced and is outstanding as reflected on such Record of Advances. The principal and interest on the Series 2020 A Bond is to be paid from and secured by a pledge of 50% of the net excise tax revenues generated in the Excise Tax District with additional rent to be payable from time to time by West Virginia University pursuant to the lease purchase agreement. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the bond that is outstanding are as follows.

Year Ended	Special District Excise 2020 A	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 215,000	\$ 2,044,875
2025	275,000	2,028,750
2026	345,000	2,008,125
2027	420,000	1,982,250
2028	500,000	1,950,750
2029 - 2033	4,970,000	8,971,125
2034 - 2038	8,435,000	6,528,000
2039 - 2043	12,105,000	2,854,125
Totals	\$ 27,265,000	\$ 28,368,000

*Tax-Exempt Senior Lien Special District Excise Tax Revenue Bonds (University Town Centre Economic Opportunity Development District) Series 2021 A*

In 2021, the Monongalia County Commission issued a special district excise tax revenue bond to provide funds to finance the development and financing of certain public infrastructure improvements within the excise tax district including, but not limited to, the following: water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm water drainage, new road construction, and road improvements, including without limitation a new interstate highway interchange and related improvements, intersection improvements, curbing, traffic control, lighting and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements, and the costs of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain intercollegiate and other athletic facilities, including without limitation, a baseball park and other facilities, fields, parks and/or stadiums, and appurtenances and amenities relating thereto, all within or benefitting the Excise Tax District. The Series 2021 A Bond was issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$32,750,000, of which \$1,710,000 has been repaid and \$31,040,000 is outstanding. According to the Bond Indenture the 2021 Excise Tax Bond shall evidence indebtedness only to the extent that such principal has been advanced and is outstanding as reflected on such Record of Advances. The principal and interest on the Series 2021 A Bond is to be paid from and secured by a pledge of 50% of the net excise tax revenues generated in the Excise Tax District with additional rent to be payable from time to time by West Virginia University pursuant to the lease purchase agreement. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the bond that is outstanding are as follows:

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Year Ended	Special District Excise 2021 A	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 375,000	\$ 1,280,400
2025	460,000	1,264,931
2026	510,000	1,245,956
2027	565,000	1,224,919
2028	630,000	1,201,613
2029 - 2033	4,350,000	5,564,420
2034 - 2038	10,055,000	4,264,839
2039 - 2043	14,095,000	1,791,694
Totals	<u>\$ 31,040,000</u>	<u>\$ 17,838,772</u>

*Tax-Exempt Subordinate Lien Special District Excise Tax Revenue Bonds (University Town Centre Economic Opportunity Development District) Series 2021 B*

In 2021, the Monongalia County Commission issued a special district excise tax revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the development and financing of certain public infrastructure improvements within the excise tax district including, but not limited to, the following: water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm water drainage, new road construction, and road improvements, including without limitation a new interstate highway interchange and related improvements, intersection improvements, curbing, traffic control, lighting and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements, and the costs of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain intercollegiate and other athletic facilities, including without limitation, a baseball park and other facilities, fields, parks and/or stadiums, and appurtenances and amenities relating thereto, all within or benefitting the Excise Tax District. The Series 2021 A Bonds were issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$16,445,000, all of which was advanced and is outstanding. According to the Bond Indenture the 2021 Excise Tax Bonds shall evidence indebtedness only to the extent that such principal has been advanced and is outstanding as reflected on such Record of Advances. The principal and interest on the Series 2021 B Bonds are to be paid from and secured by a pledge of 50% of the net excise tax revenues generated in the Excise Tax District with additional rent to be payable from time to time by West Virginia University pursuant to the lease purchase agreement. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the bonds that is outstanding are as follows:

Year Ended	Special District Excise 2021 B	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 440,000	\$ 801,694
2025	660,000	780,244
2026	720,000	748,069
2027	785,000	712,969
2028	855,000	674,700
2029 - 2033	5,425,000	2,676,375
2034 - 2038	4,145,000	1,363,538
2039 - 2043	3,415,000	515,288
Totals	<u>\$ 16,445,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,272,877</u>

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*Taxable Junior Subordinate Lien Special District Excise Tax Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds (University Town Centre Economic Opportunity Development District) Series 2021 C*

In 2021, the Monongalia County Commission issued a special district excise tax revenue bond to provide funds to finance the development and financing of certain public infrastructure improvements within the excise tax district including, but not limited to, the following: water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm water drainage, new road construction, and road improvements, including without limitation a new interstate highway interchange and related improvements, intersection improvements, curbing, traffic control, lighting and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements, and the costs of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain intercollegiate and other athletic facilities, including without limitation, a baseball park and other facilities, fields, parks and/or stadiums, and appurtenances and amenities relating thereto, all within or benefitting the Excise Tax District. The aggregate amount issued in the Series 2021 C Bond was \$47,180,000, of which \$16,052,041 has been drawn and \$4,477,390 is outstanding. According to the Bond Indenture the 2021 Excise Tax Bond shall evidence indebtedness only to the extent that such principal has been advanced and is outstanding as reflected on such Record of Advances. The principal and interest on the Series 2021 C Bond is to be paid from and secured by a pledge of 50% of the net excise tax revenues generated in the Excise Tax District with additional rent to be payable from time to time by West Virginia University pursuant to the lease purchase agreement. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the bond is not yet available because the bond has not been fully drawn.

*Tax-Exempt Subordinate Lien Special District Excise Tax Revenue Bonds (University Town Centre Economic Opportunity Development District) Series 2022 A*

In 2022, the Monongalia County Commission issued a special district excise tax revenue bonds to provide funds to finance the development and financing of certain public infrastructure improvements within the excise tax district including, but not limited to, the following: water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm water drainage, new road construction, and road improvements, including without limitation a new interstate highway interchange and related improvements, intersection improvements, curbing, traffic control, lighting and other related infrastructure and utilities improvements, and the costs of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain intercollegiate and other athletic facilities, including without limitation, a baseball park and other facilities, fields, parks and/or stadiums, and appurtenances and amenities relating thereto, all within or benefitting the Excise Tax District. The Series 2021 A Bonds were issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$16,445,000, all of which was advanced and is outstanding. According to the Bond Indenture the 2021 Excise Tax Bonds shall evidence indebtedness only to the extent that such principal has been advanced and is outstanding as reflected on such Record of Advances. The principal and interest on the Series 2021 B Bonds are to be paid from and secured by a pledge of 50% of the net excise tax revenues generated in the Excise Tax District with additional rent to be payable from time to time by West Virginia University pursuant to the lease purchase agreement. Estimated annual debt service requirements to maturity for the bonds that is outstanding are as follows:

Year Ended	Special District Excise 2022 A	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 8,490,000	\$ 530,625
Totals	\$ 8,490,000	\$ 530,625

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	<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Lease revenue					
bonds payable	\$ 12,185,000	\$ -	\$ (905,000)	\$ 11,280,000	\$ 935,000
Plus: unamortized					
bond premium	318,560	-	(26,547)	292,013	26,547
Less: unamortized					
bond discount	(110,931)	-	9,244	(101,687)	(9,244)
Net lease revenue bonds payable	12,392,629	-	(922,303)	11,470,326	952,303
TIF bonds payable	50,341,904	11,616,608	(1,119,487)	60,839,025	951,000
Excise tax bonds payable	153,420,629	18,953,412	(12,841,651)	159,532,390	11,005,000
Less: Discount on Bond Issuance	(2,608,189)	-	117,306	(2,490,883)	(117,306)
Total bonds payable	213,546,973	30,570,020	(14,766,135)	229,350,858	12,790,997
Lease obligation	285,804	218,384	-	504,188	162,073
SBITA obligation	-	113,769	(56,061)	57,708	57,708
Net pension obligation	-	2,359,515	-	2,359,515	-
Net OPEB obligation	-	161,214	-	161,214	-
Compensated absences	551,179	387,347	-	938,526	-
Governmental activities					
Long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 227,836,949</u>	<u>\$ 33,810,249</u>	<u>\$ (14,822,196)</u>	<u>\$ 233,372,009</u>	<u>\$ 13,010,778</u>

*Conduit Debt Obligations*

The Monongalia County Building Commission has issued Series 2008A Variable Rate Hospital Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds to provide financial assistance to Monongalia General Hospital for projects deemed to be in the public interest. The notes are secured by Monongalia General Hospital and are payable solely from charges for services. Neither the Building Commission, the County, the State, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for repayment of the notes. Accordingly, the notes are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

The Monongalia County Building Commission has issued Series 2015 Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds to provide financial assistance to Monongalia Health Obligated Group for projects deemed to be in the public interest. The notes are secured by Monongalia Health Obligated Group and are payable solely from charges for services. Neither the Building Commission, the County, the State, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for repayment of the notes. Accordingly, the notes are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

In 2021, the Monongalia County Building Commission issued a Tax-Exempt Variable Rate Hospital Refunding Revenue Bond to provide funds to finance the current refunding and redemption of the outstanding Series 2011 Bonds on behalf of the Monongalia Health System Obligated Group ("the Obligated Group"), comprised of Monongalia County General Hospital, Mon Elder Services, Inc., and Monongalia Health System, Inc., for the purpose of paying project costs, and pay costs of issuance and related costs. The bonds do not constitute a general obligation, or pledge the full faith and credit of the County of Monongalia. The principal and interest on the refunding revenue bonds are to be paid by revenues and a mortgage pledge from the Obligated Group. Neither the Building Commission, the County, the State, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for repayment of the notes. Accordingly, the notes are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

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**G. Right-of-Use Lease Assets and Liabilities**

The County continued to apply GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, for the year ended June 30, 2023. The following chart displays the expenses incurred related to the recording of right-of-use lease assets and liabilities:

<b>Lease expense</b>	<b>Year Ending June 30, 2023</b>
Amortization expense by class of underlying asset	
Equipment	\$ 34,384
Building	120,335
Copy Machine	64,790
Computer	12,076
Total amortization expense	<u>231,585</u>
Interest on lease liabilities	<u>14,745</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 246,330</u></b>

The following chart displays the current year right-of-use asset and lease liability activity:

<b>Lease Assets</b>	<b>Beginning of Year</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Modifications &amp; Remeasurements</b>	<b>Subtractions</b>	<b>End of Year</b>	<b>Amounts Due Within One Year</b>
Equipment	\$ 143,266	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 143,266	
Building	-	423,989	-	(44,421)	379,568	
Copy Machine	198,598	21,244	-	(11,209)	208,633	
Computer	45,336	-	-		45,336	
	<u>387,200</u>	<u>445,233</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,630)</u>	<u>776,803</u>	
<b>Less: Accumulated Amortization</b>						
Equipment	(34,384)	(34,384)	-		(68,768)	
Building	-	(120,335)	-	(44,421)	(75,914)	
Copy Machine	(58,464)	(64,790)	-	(11,209)	(112,045)	
Computer	(10,704)	(12,076)	-		(22,780)	
	<u>(103,552)</u>	<u>(231,585)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,630)</u>	<u>(279,507)</u>	
<b>Total Lease Assets, net</b>	<u>283,648</u>	<u>213,648</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>497,296</u>	
<b>Lease Liabilities</b>	<u>\$ 285,804</u>	<u>\$ 430,699</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (212,314)</u>	<u>\$ 504,189</u>	<u>\$ 162,074</u>

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Amortization of the above liabilities, including principal and interest, is as follows:

Maturity Analysis	Principal	Interest	Total Payments
2024	\$ 162,074	\$ 11,006	\$ 173,080
2025	147,102	7,048	154,150
2026	106,678	3,678	110,356
2027	88,335	1,236	89,571
Total Future Payments	<u>\$ 504,189</u>	<u>\$ 22,968</u>	<u>\$ 527,157</u>

**H. Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs) Assets and Liabilities**

The County implemented GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*, for the year ended June 30, 2023. The following chart displays the expenses incurred related to the recording of right-of-use lease assets and liabilities:

<u>Lease expense</u>	Year Ending Jun 30, 2023
Amortization expense by class of underlying asset	
SBITA - GASB 96	\$ 56,884
Total amortization expense	56,884
Interest on lease liabilities	<u>3,344</u>
Total	<u>\$ 60,228</u>

The following chart displays the current year right-of-use asset and lease liability activity:

	Beginning of Year	Additions	Modifications & Remeasurements	Subtractions	End of Year	Amounts Due Within One Year
<b>Lease Assets</b>						
SBITA GASB 96	\$ 113,769	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 113,769	
	113,769	-	-		113,739	
<b>Less: Accumulated Amortization</b>						
SBITA GASB 96	-	(56,884)	-	-	(56,884)	
	-	(56,884)	-	-	(56,884)	
<b>Total Lease Assets, net</b>	<u>113,769</u>	<u>(56,884)</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>56,885</u>	
<b>Lease Liabilities</b>	<u>\$ 113,769</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 56,061</u>	<u>\$ 57,708</u>	<u>\$ 57,708</u>

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Amortization of the above liabilities, including principal and interest, is as follows:

Maturity Analysis	Principal	Interest	Total Payments
2024	\$ 57,708	\$ 1,696	\$ 59,404
Total Future Payments	\$ 57,708	\$ 1,696	\$ 59,404

**IV. OTHER INFORMATION**

**A. Risk Management**

The government is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the government carries insurance for these various risks.

Workers' Compensation Fund (WCF): Private insurance companies could begin to offer workers compensation coverage to government employers beginning July 1, 2010. Workers compensation coverage is provided for this entity by West Virginia Communities Risk Pool.

Liabilities are reported when it is probable a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

**B. Contingent Liabilities**

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds.

The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The government is a defendant in various lawsuits. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, it is the opinion of the government's counsel that resolution of these matters will not have a material effect on the financial condition of the government.

**C. Deferred Compensation Plan**

The government offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all full-time government employees at their option, permits participants to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to participants until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

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**D. COVID-19**

Management is currently evaluating the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the industry and has concluded that while it is reasonably possible that the virus could have a negative effect on the County's financial position and/or the results of its operations, the specific impact is not readily determinable as of the date of these financial statements. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

**E. Subsequent Events**

The Commission evaluated subsequent events and transactions that occurred after the date of the statement of net position up to the date that the financial statements were issued. No events have occurred subsequent to the date of the financial statements through the report date that would require adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.

**V. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS AND PLANS**

*General Information about the Pension Plans*

Monongalia County, West Virginia participates in state-wide, cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plans on behalf of county employees. The system is administered by agencies of the State of West Virginia and funded by contributions from participants, employers, and state appropriations, as necessary.

All of the County's cost-sharing multiple-employer plans are administered by the Consolidated Public Retirement Board (CPRB), which acts as a common investment and administrative agent for all of the participating employers. CPRB issues publicly available reports that include a full description of the pension plans regarding benefit provisions, assumptions and membership information that can be found on the CPRB website at [www.wvretirement.com](http://www.wvretirement.com). The following is a summary of eligibility factors, contribution methods, and benefit provisions:

**Public Employees Retirement System**

Eligibility to participate	All county full-time employees, except those covered by other pension plans
Authority establishing contribution obligations and benefit provisions	West Virginia State Code §5-10d discusses the Consolidated Public Retirement Board, which administers all public retirement plans in the state of West Virginia.

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Tier 1 Plan member's contribution rate hired before 7/1/2015	4.50%
County's contribution rate hired before 7/1/2015	9.00%
Tier 2 Plan member's contribution rate hired after 7/1/2015	6.00%
County's contribution rate hired after 7/1/2015	9.00%
Period required to vest	Tier 1: 5 Years Tier 2: 10 Years

Benefits and eligibility for distribution

Tier 1

A member who has attained age 60 and has earned 5 years or more of contributing service or age 55 if the sum of his/her age plus years of credited service is equal to or greater than 80. The final average salary (three highest consecutive years in the last 15) times the years of service times 2% equals the annual retirement benefit.

Tier 2

Qualification for normal retirement is age 62 with 10 years of services or at least age 55 with and service equal to 80 or greater. The average salary is the average of the five consecutive highest annual earnings out of the last fifteen years of earnings) times the years of service times 2% equals the retirement benefit.

Deferred retirement portion

No

Provisions for:

Cost of living

No

Death benefits

Yes

**West Virginia Deputy Sheriff Retirement System (WVDSRS)**

Eligibility to participate

West Virginia deputy sheriffs first employed after the effective date and any deputy sheriffs hired prior to the effective date who elect to become members.

Authority establishing contribution obligations and benefit provisions

West Virginia State Code §5-10d discusses the Consolidated Public Retirement Board, which administers all public retirement plans in the state of West Virginia. The WVDSRS is also discussed in West Virginia State Code §7-14d.

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Funding policy and contributions

Certain fees for reports generated by sheriff's offices are paid to this plan in accordance with West Virginia State Code. WVDSRS members are required to contribute 8.5% of their annual covered salary and the county is required to contribute 13.0%. The contribution requirements of WVDSRS members are established and may be amended only by the State of West Virginia Legislature.

Period required to vest

Five years

Benefits and eligibility for distribution

A member who has attained age 60 and has earned 5 or more years of contributing service or age 50 and if the sum of his/her age plus years of credited service is equal to or greater than 70. The final average salary (three highest consecutive years in the last ten years) times the years of service times 2.25% equals the annual retirement benefit.

Deferred retirement option

No deferred retirement option is available.

Provisions for cost of living adjustments or death benefits

This plan has no provisions for cost of living adjustments. There are provisions for death benefits.

*Trend Information*

Fiscal Year	Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)		West Virginia Deputy Sheriff Retirement System (WVDSRS)	
	Annual Pension Cost	Percentage Contributed	Annual Pension Cost	Percentage Contributed
	2023	\$ 1,061,863	100%	\$ 292,489
2022	\$ 1,144,236	100%	\$ 272,025	100%
2021	\$ 1,044,904	100%	\$ 269,927	100%

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PERS and WVDSRS issue a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That information may be obtained by writing to the Public Employees' Retirement System, 4101 MacCorkle Avenue, SE, Charleston, WV 25304.

***Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions***

At fiscal year-end, the government reported the following (assets)/liabilities for its proportionate share of the net pension (assets)/liabilities. The net pension (assets)/liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension (asset)/liability used to calculate the net pension (asset)/liabilities was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The government's proportion of the net pension (assets)/liabilities was based on a projection of the government's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating governments, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the government's reported the following proportions and increase/decreases from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022:

	PERS	WVDSRS
Amount for proportionate share of net pension (asset)/liability	\$ 1,052,609	\$ 1,306,906
Percentage for proportionate share of net pension (asset)/liability	0.706833%	3.290628%
Increase/(decrease) % from prior proportion measured	0.050676%	-0.424626%

For this fiscal year, the government recognized the following pension expenses.

	PERS	WVDSRS
Pension expense/(Offset)	\$ 554,663	\$ 175,505

The government reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

**Public Employees Retirement System**

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in proportion and differences between government contributions and proportionate share of contributions	\$ 8,404	\$ (5,412)
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	634,715	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	403,814	-
Deferred difference in assumptions	692,802	-
Government contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,061,863	-
	\$ 2,801,598	\$ (5,412)

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The amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from government contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension (asset)/liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30</u>	
2024	\$ 689,997
2025	51,417
2026	(668,563)
2027	1,661,472
Total	<u>\$ 1,734,323</u>

**West Virginia Deputy Sheriff Retirement System**

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Changes in proportion and differences between government contributions and proportionate share of contributions	\$ 26,024	\$ (113,252)
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	132,546	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	384,642	(59,922)
Deferred difference in assumptions	358,777	(14,610)
Government contributions subsequent to the measurement date	292,489	-
	<u>\$ 1,194,478</u>	<u>\$ (187,784)</u>

The amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from government contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30</u>	
2024	\$ 78,445
2025	115,430
2026	50,402
2027	409,261
2028	53,834
Thereafter	6,833
Total	<u>\$ 714,205</u>

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*Summary of Deferred Outflow/Inflow Balances*

	<u>Total</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>DSRS</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 728,534	\$ 403,814	\$ 324,720
Changes of assumptions	1,036,969	692,802	344,167
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	767,261	634,715	132,546
Changes in proportion and differences between government contributions and proportionate share of contributions	(84,236)	2,992	(87,228)
Government contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 1,354,352	\$ 1,061,863	\$ 292,489

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 20210 and rolled forward to June 30, 2022 for all plans, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

**Public Employees Retirement System**

Actuarial assumptions

Inflation rate	2.75%
Salary increases	2.75% - 6.75%
Investment Rate of Return	7.25%

Mortality Rates

Active-100% of Pub-2010 General Employees table, below-median, headcount weighted, projected with scale MP- 2018; Healthy Male Retirees-108% of Pub-2010 General Retiree Male table, below-median, headcount weighted, projected with scale MP-2018; Healthy Female Retirees-122% of Pub-2010 Annuitant, Scale AA fully generational General Retiree Female table, below-median, headcount weighted, projected with scale MP-2018; Disabled males- 118% of Pub-2010 General/Teachers Disabled Male table, below-median headcount weighted, projected with scale MP-2018; Disabled females-117% of Pub-2010 General/Teachers Disabled Female table, below-median, headcount weighted projected with scale MP-2018

The actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020 for economic assumptions and July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018 all other assumptions.

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**West Virginia Deputy Sheriff Retirement System**

Actuarial assumptions

Inflation rate	2.75%
Salary increases	3.75% - 5.25%
Investment Rate of Return	7.25%

Mortality Rates

Actives - 100% of Pub-2010 Safety Employee Table, Amount weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2020 Healthy Male Retirees - 98% of Pub-2010 Safety Retiree Male Table, Amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2020 Healthy Female Retirees - 99% of Pub-2010 Safety Retiree Female Table, Amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2020 Disabled Males - 124% of Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Male Table, Amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2020 Disabled Females - 100% of Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Female Table, Amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2020

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2016 DSRS valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments were determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate rates of expected future real rates of returns (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included are summarized in the following chart:

	Long-term Expected	PERS	DSRS	(PERS) Weighted Average
<u>Investment</u>	<u>Real Rate</u>	<u>Target Asset</u>	<u>Target Asset</u>	<u>Expected Real</u>
	<u>of Return</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Rate of Return</u>
US Equity	5.3%	27.50%	27.50%	1.46%
International Equity	6.1%	27.50%	27.50%	1.68%
Core Fixed Income	2.2%	15.00%	15.00%	0.33%
Real Estate	6.5%	10.00%	10.00%	0.65%
Private Equity	9.5%	10.00%	10.00%	0.95%
Hedge Funds	3.8%	10.00%	10.00%	0.38%
Total		100.00%	100.00%	5.45%
Inflation (CPI)				1.80%
				7.25%

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The following chart presents the sensitivity of the net pension (asset)/liability to changes in the discount rate, calculated using the discount rates as used in the actuarial evaluation, and what the net pension (asset)/liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease 6.25%	Current Discount Rate 7.25%	1% Increase 8.25%
Government's proportionate share of PERS's net pension (asset)/liability	\$ 7,448,055	\$ 1,052,609	\$ (4,420,972)
Government's proportionate share of WVDSRS's net pension (asset)/liability	\$ 2,841,721	\$ 1,306,906	\$ 43,074

**VI. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN**

**West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund (RHBT)**

Plan description:

The Commission participates in the West Virginia Other Postemployment Benefit Plan (the Plan) a cost-sharing, multiple employer, defined benefit other post-employment benefit plan and covers the retirees of State agencies, colleges and universities, county boards of education, and other government entities as set forth in the West Virginia Code Section 5-16D-2 (the Code). The Plan is administered by a combination of the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA) and the RHBT staff. Plan benefits are established and revised by PEIA and the RHBT management with approval of the Finance Board. The Finance Board is comprised of nine members. Finance Board members are appointed by the Governor, serve a term of four years and are eligible for reappointment. The State Department of Administration cabinet secretary serves as the Chairman of the Board. Four members represent labor, education, public employees and public retirees. Four remaining members represent the public-at-large.

RHBT issues publicly available reports that include a full description of the other post-employment benefit plan regarding benefit provisions, assumptions and membership information that can be obtained by contacting Public Employees Insurance Agency, 601 57th Street SE, Suite 2, Charleston, West Virginia 25304-2345, by calling (888) 680-7342 or can be found on the PEIA website at [www.peia.wv.gov](http://www.peia.wv.gov).

Benefits Provided:

The Commission's employees who retire are eligible for PEIA health and life benefits, provided they meet the minimum eligibility requirements of the PERS or meet certain other eligibility

The RHBT Medicare-eligible retired employees and their Medicare-eligible dependents receive medical and drug coverage from a Medicare Advantage Plan. Under this arrangement, the vendor Eligible participants hired after June 30, 2010, will be required to fully fund premium contributions upon retirement. The Plan is a closed plan to new entrants.

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Contribution Requirements:

Employer contributions consist of pay as you go premiums, commonly referred to as paygo, and retiree leave conversion billings. Employees are not required to contribute to the OPEB plan.

Paygo premiums are established by the Finance Board annually. All participating employers are required by statute to contribute to the RHBT this premium at the established rate for every active policyholder per month. The paygo rates for fiscal year 2023 was \$114.

The Commission's contributions to the West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$170,455. No amount was payable at year-end.

The State of West Virginia (the State) is a nonemployer contributing entity that provides funding through Senate Bill 419, effective July 1, 2012 and amended by West Virginia Code §11-21-96. For fiscal years beginning on and after July 1, 2016, this Senate Bill and corresponding State Code section requires that an annual amount of \$30 million from the State shall be dedicated for payment of the unfunded liability of the RHBT fund. The \$30 million annual contribution is to continue through July 1, 2037, or until the unfunded liability has been eliminated, whichever comes first.

The State is a nonemployer contributing entity that provides funding through West Virginia State Code §11B-2-32. The Financial Stability Fund is a plan to transfer an annual amount of \$5 Million to the RHBT from special revenue funds to be used to lower retiree premiums, to help reduce benefit cuts, to help reduce premium increases or any combination thereof. The \$5 million transferred pursuant to this Code shall be transferred annually into the RHBT through June 30, 2023.

The State is a nonemployer contributing entity that provides funding through Senate Bill 469 which was passed February 10, 2012, granting OPEB liability relief to the 55 County Boards of Education effective July 1, 2012. This special funding under the school aid formula subsidizes employer contributions of the county boards of education and contributes to the overall unfunded OPEB liability.

***OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB***

At fiscal year-end, the Commission reported the following liability for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/(asset). The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 for the Commission's fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, using the actuarial assumptions and methods described in the appropriate section of this note. The government's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the government's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating governments, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the Commission reported the following proportions and increase/decreases from its proportion as of June 30, 2023:

	2023
Amount of proportionate share of net OPEB liability/(asset)	\$ 161,214
Percentage of proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/(asset)	0.144848119%
Increase/(decrease) in % from prior proportion measured	0.044443570%
	2023
Commission's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability/(asset)	\$ 161,214
State's proportional share of the net OPEB liability/(asset) associated with the Commission	31,772
Total portion of the net OPEB liability/(asset) associated with the Commission	\$ (35,349)

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For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Commission recognized the following OPEB expense and support provided by the State:

	2023
OPEB expense Commission	\$ (562,111)
OPEB expense State support	(102,260)
Total OPEB expense	(664,371)
State support revenue	\$ (102,260)

The Commission reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources for the year ended June 30, 2023:

2023	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	\$ 25,024	\$ -
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(205,661)
Changes in assumptions	103,387	(409,617)
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	340,927	(14,210)
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	170,455	
Total	\$ 639,793	\$ (629,488)

The amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability on June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year	
Ending June 30:	Amount
2024	\$ (368,778)
2025	92,265
2026	53,710
2027	62,653
Total	\$ (160,150)

***Actuarial Assumptions***

The total OPEB liability/(asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021 and rolled forward to June 30, 2022 for all plans, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

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OPEB	June 30, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry age normal cost method
Asset Valuation Method	Fair Value
Amortization Method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Amortization Period	20 years closed as of June 30, 2017
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	6.65%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation
Projected Salary Increases	Dependent upon pension system. Ranging from 2.75% to 5.18% including inflation
Inflation Rate	2.25%
Discount Rate	6.65%
Healthcare Cost Trends	Trend rate for pre-Medicare per capita costs of 7.0% for plan year end 2023, decreasing by 0.50% for two years then by 0.25% each year thereafter, until ultimate trend rate of 4.25% is reached in plan year end 2032. Trend rate for Medicare per capita costs of 8.83% for plan year end 2023, decreasing ratably each year thereafter, until ultimate trend rate of 4.25% is reached in plan year end 2032.
Mortality Rates	Postretirement: Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Mortality Tables (100% males, 108% females) projected with MP-2021 for TRS. Pub-2010 General Below Median Healthy Retiree Tables (106% males, 113% females) projected with MP-2021 for PERS. Pub-2010 Public Safety Healthy Retiree Mortality Tables (100% males, 100% females) projected with Scale MP-2021 for Troopers A and B. Pre-Retirement: Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality Tables (100% males, 100% females) projected with Scale MP-2021 for TRS. Pub-2010 Below-Median Income General Employee Mortality Tables projected with Scale MP-2021 for PERS. Pub-2010 Public Safety Employee Mortality Tables projected with Scale MP-2021 for Troopers A & B.
Date Range in Most Recent Experience Study	July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020

The long term expected rate of return of 6.65% on the OPEB plan investments was determined by a combination of an expected long-term rate of return of 7.00% for long-term assets invested with the WV Investment Management Board and an expected short-term rate of return of 2.50% for assets invested with the West Virginia Board of Treasury Investments.

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Long-term pre-funding assets are invested the WVIMB. The strategic asset allocation consists of 55% equity, 15% fixed income, 10% private equity, 10% hedge fund and 10% real estate invested. Short-term assets used to pay current year benefits and expenses are invested with the WVBTI.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments were determined using a building-block method in which estimates of expected future real rates of returns (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The best estimates of geometric rates of return for each asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-term Expected Rate of Return	Target Asset Allocation
Global Equity	4.8%	55.0%
Core Plus Fixed Income	2.1%	15.0%
Core Real Estate	4.1%	10.0%
Hedge Fund	2.4%	10.0%
Private Equity	6.8%	10.0%
		<u>100.00%</u>

***Discount Rate***

A single discount rate of 6.65% was used to measure the total OPEB liability. This single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments of 6.65%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made in accordance with the prefunding and investment policies. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The following chart presents the sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate, calculated using the discount rates as used in the actuarial evaluation, and what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

	1% decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
	-5.65%	-6.65%	-7.65%
Proportionate share of net OPEB liability	\$ 414,382	\$ 161,214	\$ (55,975)

***Healthcare Cost Trend Rate***

The following table presents the Commission's proportionate share of its net OPEB liability/(asset) calculated using the healthcare cost trend rate of percent and the impact of using a discount rate that is 1% higher or lower than the current rate.

	1% decrease	Trend Rates	1% Increase
Proportionate share of net OPEB liability	\$ (91,654)	\$ 161,214	\$ 460,423

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**VI. RESTATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

During the year ended June 30, 2023, management identified construction-in-progress assets from the previous year that were allocated to buildings, structures and improvements, and machinery and equipment. These additions were then depreciated for the applicable period during the year ended June 30, 2022. Beginning net position has been restated, as follows, to adjust these additions to construction-in-progress and remove the effect of depreciation from net position:

	As of June 30, <u>2022</u>	<u>Restatement</u>	Restated as of <u>June 30, 2022</u>
Construction-in-progress	\$ -	\$ 5,944,642	\$ 5,944,642
Buildings and improvements	40,936,035	(5,081,707)	35,854,328
Structures and improvements	7,289,551	(862,935)	6,426,616
Machinery and equipment	6,774,167	-	6,774,167
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(20,789,301)</u>	<u>51,081</u>	<u>(20,738,220)</u>
Effect on net position	34,210,452	51,081	34,261,533
 Net position	 <u>\$ (127,052,008)</u>	 <u>\$ 51,081</u>	 <u>\$ (127,000,927)</u>

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
SCHEDULES OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

**Public Employees Retirement System  
Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.706833	0.656157	0.657499	0.637932	0.637672	0.615423	0.602609	0.580496	0.560897	0.518484
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 1,052,609	\$ (5,760,639)	\$ 3,476,007	\$ 1,371,637	\$ 1,646,799	\$ 2,656,443	\$ 5,538,692	\$ 3,241,513	\$ 2,070,075	\$ 4,726,656
County's covered payroll	\$ 11,442,360	\$ 10,449,036	\$ 10,217,147	\$ 9,365,641	\$ 8,812,858	\$ 8,463,408	\$ 8,282,748	\$ 10,379,714	\$ 9,841,538	\$ 9,174,064
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	9.20%	55.13%	34.02%	14.65%	18.69%	31.39%	66.87%	31.23%	21.03%	51.52%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	98.24%	111.07%	92.89%	96.99%	96.33%	93.67%	86.11%	91.29%	93.98%	84.58%

\* - Applicable information was available for seven years for this schedule.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**SCHEDULES OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

**West Virginia Deputy Sheriff Retirement System**  
 Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (percentage)	3.290628	3.715254	3.943768	3.804321	3.937168	3.913477	3.798734	3.477091	3.628928	4.040833
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 1,306,906	\$ (223,881)	\$ 1,413,959	764,516	\$ (211,347)	\$ 146,638	\$ 1,209,365	\$ 713,221	\$ 618,768	\$ 1,353,841
County's covered payroll	\$ 2,080,403	\$ 2,249,391	\$ 2,261,630	2,126,671	\$ 2,045,630	\$ 1,958,258	\$ 1,827,317	\$ 2,676,800	\$ 2,780,215	\$ 2,780,215
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	62.82%	9.95%	62.52%	35.95%	-10.33%	7.49%	66.18%	26.64%	22.26%	48.70%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	88.11%	101.95%	87.01%	92.08%	102.50%	98.17%	84.48%	89.31%	90.52%	80.20%

\* - Applicable information was available for seven years for this schedule.

See notes to the required supplementary information

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**SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**Public Employees Retirement System**  
 Last 10 Fiscal Years

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,061,863	\$ 1,144,236	\$ 1,044,904	\$ 1,021,716	\$ 936,564	\$ 969,414	\$ 1,015,609	\$ 1,118,171	\$ 1,453,160	\$ 1,427,023
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(1,061,863)</u>	<u>(1,144,236)</u>	<u>(1,044,904)</u>	<u>(1,021,716)</u>	<u>(936,564)</u>	<u>(969,414)</u>	<u>(1,015,609)</u>	<u>(1,118,171)</u>	<u>(1,453,160)</u>	<u>(1,427,023)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>	\$ <u>    --</u>
County's covered payroll	\$ 11,798,428	\$ 11,442,360	\$ 10,449,036	\$ 10,217,147	\$ 9,365,641	\$ 8,812,858	\$ 8,463,408	\$ 8,282,748	\$ 10,379,714	\$ 9,841,538
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	9.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	11.00%	12.00%	13.50%	14.00%	14.50%

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**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**West Virginia Deputy Sheriff Retirement System**  
 Last 10 Fiscal Years

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 292,489	\$ 270,574	\$ 269,927	\$ 271,396	\$ 255,200	\$ 245,476	\$ 234,991	\$ 219,278	\$ 347,984	\$ 361,428
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(292,489)</u>	<u>(270,574)</u>	<u>(269,927)</u>	<u>(271,396)</u>	<u>(255,200)</u>	<u>(245,476)</u>	<u>(234,991)</u>	<u>(219,278)</u>	<u>(347,984)</u>	<u>(361,428)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u>    --</u>									
County's covered payroll	\$ 2,249,915	\$ 2,080,403	\$ 2,249,391	\$ 2,261,630	\$ 2,126,671	\$ 2,045,630	\$ 1,958,258	\$ 1,827,317	\$ 2,676,800	\$ 2,780,215
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	13.00%	13.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	12.00%	13.00%	13.00%

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**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022**

**Retiree Health Benefit Trust**  
Last 7 Fiscal Years\*

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
County's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset)	0.144848119	0.100404549	0.100839587	0.09771866	0.10379722	0.10836747	0.14364055
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ 161,214	\$ (29,855)	\$ 445,400	\$ 1,621,282	\$ 2,226,903	\$ 2,664,744	\$ 3,567,062
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the County	<u>31,772</u>	<u>(5,494)</u>	<u>92,515</u>	<u>321,211</u>	<u>460,241</u>	<u>806,845</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u><u>192,986</u></u>	<u><u>(35,349)</u></u>	<u><u>537,915</u></u>	<u><u>1,942,493</u></u>	<u><u>2,687,144</u></u>	<u><u>3,471,589</u></u>	<u><u>3,567,062</u></u>
County's covered payroll	\$ 13,522,763	\$ 12,698,427	\$ 12,478,777	\$ 11,492,312	\$ 10,858,488	\$ 10,421,666	\$ 10,110,065
County's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	1.19%	0.24%	3.57%	14.11%	20.51%	25.57%	35.28%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	93.59%	101.81%	73.49%	39.69%	30.98%	25.10%	21.64%

\* - Applicable information was available for four years for this schedule.

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**SCHEDULE OF COUNTY OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

**Retiree Health Benefit Trust**  
 Last 8 Fiscal Years

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 170,455	\$ 171,119	\$ 183,096	\$ 194,911	\$ 201,328	\$ 212,109	\$ 222,585	\$ 245,721
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(170,455)</u>	<u>(171,119)</u>	<u>(183,096)</u>	<u>(194,911)</u>	<u>(201,328)</u>	<u>(212,109)</u>	<u>(222,585)</u>	<u>(245,721)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ --</u>							
County's covered payroll	\$ 14,048,345	\$ 13,522,763	\$ 12,698,427	\$ 12,478,777	\$ 11,492,312	\$ 10,858,488	\$ 10,421,666	\$ 10,110,065
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	1.21%	1.27%	1.44%	1.56%	1.75%	1.95%	2.14%	2.43%

See notes to the required supplementary information

**MONONGALIA COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**JUNE 30, 2023**

**Note 1 - Changes in Assumptions PERS**

There were no changes in the assumptions between the 2021 and 2022 valuations. These assumptions will remain in effect for valuation purposes until the Board adopts revised assumptions.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2021 and 2020 valuations:

Projected salary increases went from 3.1-5.3% (state) and 3.35-6.5% (nonstate) in 2020 to 2.75-5.55% (state) and 3.60-6.75% (nonstate) in 2021; the inflation rate dropped from 3% in 2020 to 2.75% in 2021. These changes in assumptions lead to deferred outflows of \$236,067,000 in 2021.

There were no changes in the assumptions between the 2020 and 2019 valuations. These assumptions will remain in effect for valuation purposes until the Board adopts revised assumptions.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2019 and 2018 valuations:

Projected salary increases went from 3-6% in 2018 to 3.1-6.5% in 2019; the inflation rate remained at 3% in 2019 from 2018; mortality rates changed due to changing from the RP-2000 model to the Pub-2010 model; withdrawal rates went from 1.75-35.88% in 2018 to 2.28-35.88% in 2019; disability rates went from 0-.675% in 2018 to 0-.54% in 2019. The range of the experience study was 2004-2009 in 2018 and 2013-2018 in 2019. These changes in assumptions lead to deferred inflows of \$55,650,000 in 2019.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2015 and 2014 valuations:

Projected salary increases went from 4.25-6% in 2014 to 3-6% in 2015; the inflation rate went from 2.2% in 2015 to 1.9% in 2015; mortality rates changed due to from the Gam model to RP-2000 model; withdrawal rates went from 1-31.2% in 2014 to 1.75-35.8% in 2015; disability rates went from 0-.8% in 2014 to 0-.675% in 2015; The range of the experience study was 2004-2009 in 2014 and 2009-2014 in 2015. These changes in assumptions lead to deferred inflows of \$89,556,000 in 2015.

**Note 2 - Changes in Assumptions DSRS**

There were no changes in the assumptions between the 2021 and 2022 valuations. These assumptions will remain in effect for valuation purposes until the Board adopts revised assumptions.

The investment rate of return decreased from 7.50% to 7.25%, projected salary increases changed from a range of 3.50%- 7.50% to a range of 3.75%-7.25%, the inflation rate decreased from 3.0% to 2.75%, the discount rate decreased from 7.50% to 7.25%, the mortality rates changed from the RP-2014 model to the Pub-2010 model, the withdrawal rates changed from a range of 4.0%-12.0% to a range of 4.93%-12.32%, disability rates changed from a range of 0.04%-0.60% to a range of 0.03%-0.40% in 2021.

There were no changes in the assumptions between the 2020 and 2019 valuations. These assumptions will remain in effect for valuation purposes until the Board adopts revised assumptions.

There were no changes in the assumptions between the 2019 and 2018 valuations. These assumptions will remain in effect for valuation purposes until the Board adopts revised assumptions.

There were no changes in the assumptions between the 2018 and 2017 valuations. These assumptions will remain in effect for valuation purposes until the Board adopts revised assumptions.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**JUNE 30, 2023**

**Note 3 – Changes in Assumptions OPEB**

Changes in the assumptions between the 2021 and 2022 valuations:

The revisions encompass key assumptions: projected capped subsidies, per capita claim costs, healthcare trend rates, coverage and continuance, percentage eligible for tobacco-free premium discounts, and retired employee assistance program participation.

There were no assumption changes from the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020, measured at June 30, 2020 to a roll-forward measurement date of June 30, 2021.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2020 and 2019 valuations:

Certain assumptions have been changed since the prior actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018 and a measurement date of June 30, 2020. The net effect of the assumption changes was approximately \$1,147 million. Certain other assumption changes were noted but did not materially impact the Net OPEB Liability.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2019 and 2018 valuations:

Certain assumptions have been changed since the prior measurement date. The assumption changes that most significantly impacted the Net OPEB Liability are as follows: the per capita claims costs for Pre-Medicare and Medicare decreased the liability by approximately \$12 million and a capped subsidy costs implemented in December 2019 decreased the liability by approximately \$224 million. Certain other assumption changes were noted but did not materially impact the Net OPEB Liability.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2018 and 2017 valuations:

Certain assumptions have been changed since the prior measurement date. The assumption changes that most significantly impacted the Net OPEB Liability are as follows: the inclusion of waived annuitants increased the liability by approximately \$17 million; a 15% reduction in the retirement rate assumption decreased the liability by approximately \$68 million; a change in certain healthcare-related assumptions decreased the liability by approximately \$232 million; and an update to the mortality tables increased the liability by approximately \$25 million. Certain other assumption changes were noted but did not materially impact the Net OPEB Liability.

Changes in the assumptions between the 2016 and 2015 valuations:

Certain economic and behavioral assumptions are unique to healthcare benefits. These assumptions include the healthcare trend, per capita claims costs, the likelihood that a member selects healthcare coverage and the likelihood that a retiree selects one-person, two person or family coverage. These assumptions were updated based on a recent experience study performed by the RHBT actuaries using five-year experience data through June 30, 2015. The updated per capita claims costs were also based on recent claims, enrollment and premium information as of the valuation date.

For the June 30, 2016 valuation, the retiree healthcare participation assumption for each retirement plan is slightly higher than the previous assumption used in the June 30, 2015 OPEB valuation. More members who were covered as actives will be assumed to participate as retirees.

The 2016 and 2015 valuations include consideration of the \$30 million annual appropriations under Senate Bill 419, through July 1, 2037, or if earlier, the year the benefit obligation is fully funded. Additionally, the presentation of covered payroll was changed for the June 30, 2015, actuarial valuation. Participating employees hired before July 1, 2010, pay retiree premiums that are subsidized based on years of service at retirement. Participating employees hired on or after July 1, 2010, are required to fully fund premium contributions upon retirement. Consequently, beginning June 30, 2015, actuarial valuation covered payroll represents only the payroll for those OPEB eligible participating employees that were hired before July 1, 2010, allowing a better representation of the UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll, whereas, for the prior years, covered payroll is in total for all participating employees.

MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE -  
 ASSESSOR'S VALUATION FUND  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Adjustments	Actual Amounts	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	Modified <u>Accrual Basis</u>	Budget <u>Basis</u>	Budget <u>Basis</u>	Final Budget <u>Positive (Negative)</u>
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
Other taxes	\$ 1,189,582	\$ 1,189,582	\$ 1,260,561	\$ -	\$ 1,260,561	\$ 70,979
Charges for services	40,100	41,600	30,660	-	30,660	(10,940)
Interest	4,500	4,500	15,288	-	15,288	10,788
Total revenues	<u>1,234,182</u>	<u>1,235,682</u>	<u>1,306,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,306,509</u>	<u>70,827</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
Current:						
General government	1,537,036	1,508,536	1,276,460	-	1,276,460	232,076
Capital outlay	47,146	34,828	5,974	-	5,974	28,854
Total expenditures	<u>1,584,182</u>	<u>1,543,364</u>	<u>1,282,434</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,282,434</u>	<u>260,930</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>(350,000)</u>	<u>(307,682)</u>	<u>24,075</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,075</u>	<u>331,757</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600,227</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600,227</u>	<u>600,227</u>
Fund balance at end of year	\$ <u><u>(350,000)</u></u>	\$ <u><u>(307,682)</u></u>	\$ <u><u>624,302</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>624,302</u></u>	\$ <u><u>931,984</u></u>

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**SCHEDULE OF STATE GRANT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Name of State Grant	Grant Identification	Period of Award	Award Amount	Beginning Balance 7/1/22	Current Year Revenues	Current Year Expenditures	Ending Balance 6/30/23
Community Corrections	23-CC-16	7/1/22-6/30/23	\$ 190,000	\$ -	\$ 190,000	\$ 190,000	\$ -
Records Management & Preservation Grant	RMPB2321	7/1/22-6/30/23	30,541	-	10,000	10,000	-
VOCA Supplemental	23-SVA-52	7/1/22-6/30/23	72,541	-	26,207	26,207	-
LEDA Grant - Clay-Battelle FFA Alumni	N/A	7/1/22-6/30/23	25,000	-	25,000	25,000	-
LEDA Grant - Clay-Battelle FFA Alumni	N/A	7/1/21-6/30/22	54,000	54,000	-	54,000	-
LEDA Grant - Clay-Battelle FFA Alumni	N/A	7/1/22-6/30/23	12,000	-	12,000	12,000	-
LEDA Grant - Peer Bereavement Sessions	N/A	7/1/22-6/30/23	5,544	-	5,544		5,544
LEDA Grant - Walking and Fit Trail	N/A	7/1/22-6/30/23	6,520		6,520		6,520
		Total	\$ 396,146	\$ 54,000	\$ 275,271	\$ 317,207	\$ 12,064

MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

FEDERAL GRANTOR <i>Pass Through Grantor</i> Program / Cluster Title	Federal AL Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through To Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY</b>				
<i>Direct Award</i>				
COVID-19 - State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	21.027	2022	\$ 2,028,200	\$ 3,780,148
<b>Total U.S. Department of Treasury</b>			<b>2,028,200</b>	<b>3,780,148</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT</b>				
<i>Passed through West Virginia Department of Human Resources</i>				
Community Development Block Grants	14.218	N/A	-	16,544
<b>Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>			-	<b>16,544</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE</b>				
<i>Passed Through West Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services</i>				
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	N/A	-	32,530
Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program	16.838	N/A	-	59,220
<b>Total U.S. Department of Justice</b>			-	<b>91,750</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</b>				
<i>Passed Through West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles</i>				
State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	2022	-	17,522
National Priority Safety Program	20.616	2022	-	48,598
<b>Total U.S. Department of Transportation</b>			-	<b>66,120</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS</b>			<b>\$ 2,028,200</b>	<b>\$ 3,954,562</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**  
**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

**NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Monongalia County, West Virginia (the County) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. 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 County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the County. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Guidance Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements.

**NOTE B – 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 C – INDIRECT COST RATE**

The County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**NOTE D - SUBRECIPIENTS**

The County passes certain federal awards received from the United States Department of Treasury to other governments or not-for-profit agencies (subrecipients). As Note B describes the County reports expenditures of Federal awards to subrecipients when paid in cash.

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

Monongalia County Commission  
243 High Street, Room 123  
Morgantown, West Virginia 26505

To the Board of Commissioners:

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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Monongalia County, West Virginia, (the County) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 15, 2024, wherein we noted the County adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*.

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

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County'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 County'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 County'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***

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the County's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



**Perry and Associates**  
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.  
*Marietta, Ohio*

March 15, 2024

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

Monongalia County Commission  
243 High Street, Room 123  
Morgantown, West Virginia 26505

To the Board of Commissioners:

**Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program**

***Opinion on the Major Federal Program***

We have audited Monongalia County, West Virginia (the County) 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 the Monongalia County's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023. Monongalia County's major federal program is identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Monongalia County complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023.

***Basis for Opinion on the 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 County 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 the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

***Responsibilities of Management for Compliance***

The County'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 County'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 the 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 County'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 County'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 County'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.

**Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (Continued)**

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.



**Perry and Associates**  
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.  
Marietta, Ohio

March 15, 2024

**MONONGALIA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA  
SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS  
2 CFR § 200.515  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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

<i>(d)(1)(i)</i>	<b>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<i>(d)(1)(ii)</i>	<b>Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<i>(d)(1)(ii)</i>	<b>Were there any other significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<i>(d)(1)(iii)</i>	<b>Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<i>(d)(1)(iv)</i>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<i>(d)(1)(iv)</i>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<i>(d)(1)(v)</i>	<b>Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<i>(d)(1)(vi)</i>	<b>Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?</b>	No
<i>(d)(1)(vii)</i>	<b>Major Programs (list):</b>	AL# 21.027 Covid-19 – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund
<i>(d)(1)(viii)</i>	<b>Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs</b>	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
<i>(d)(1)(ix)</i>	<b>Low Risk Auditee?</b>	Yes

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

None

**3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

None