

SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA

Financial Report

For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023



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Clerk of the Circuit Court
Finance Department

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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The Honorable County Commissioners
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Sumter County, Florida (the "County") as of and for the year ended September 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, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County, as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit 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. 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 a Matter

Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 18 to the financial statements, in the current year the County adopted new accounting guidance, GASB 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 these 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 listed in the table of contents as "required supplementary information" 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 accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*, 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, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 28, 2024, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on 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.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida

March 28, 2024

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

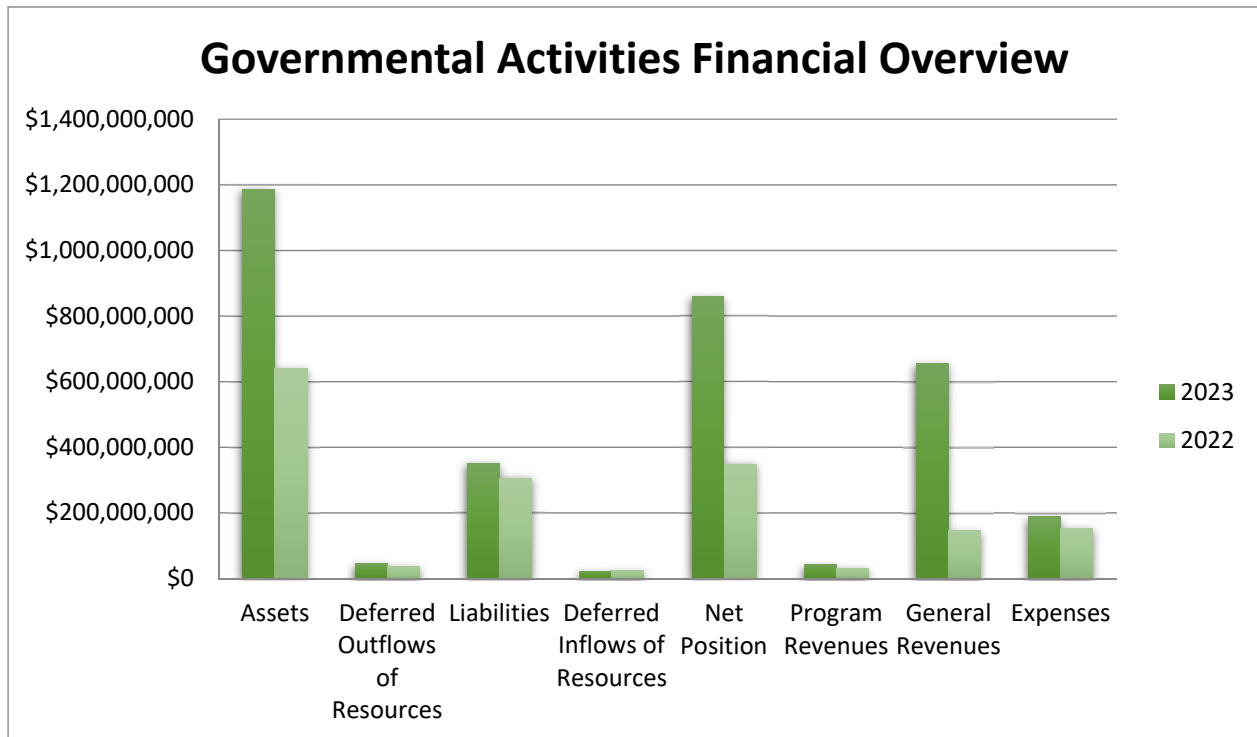
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Management's Discussion and Analysis
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This Management's Discussion and Analysis report provides the reader with a narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. The analysis provides summary financial information for the County and should be read in conjunction with the County's financial statements. The financial reporting model and the financial statements associated with it are described in the following narrative as well as the Notes to Financial Statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for the 2023 fiscal year is as follows:

- Sumter County's assets and deferred outflows exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at September 30, 2023 by \$858,466,363 (*net position*). Of this amount, \$824,953,599 is invested in capital assets and \$52,525,801 is restricted by law, grant agreements, debt covenants, contributors, or enabling legislation. The County's unrestricted net position is a deficit of \$19,013,037.
- The County's total net position increased by \$509,754,212 over the prior year. This was due primarily to a one time donation of approximately \$498 million of land and infrastructure to the County.
- The County's long-term liabilities increased from \$265,439,529 to \$309,236,673. This increase is primarily due to an increase to net pension liability from the Florida Retirement system and increase of the County's significant road agreement liability.
- The General Fund reported a total fund balance at September 30, 2023 of \$55,767,868 or 36% of expenditures and transfers out.



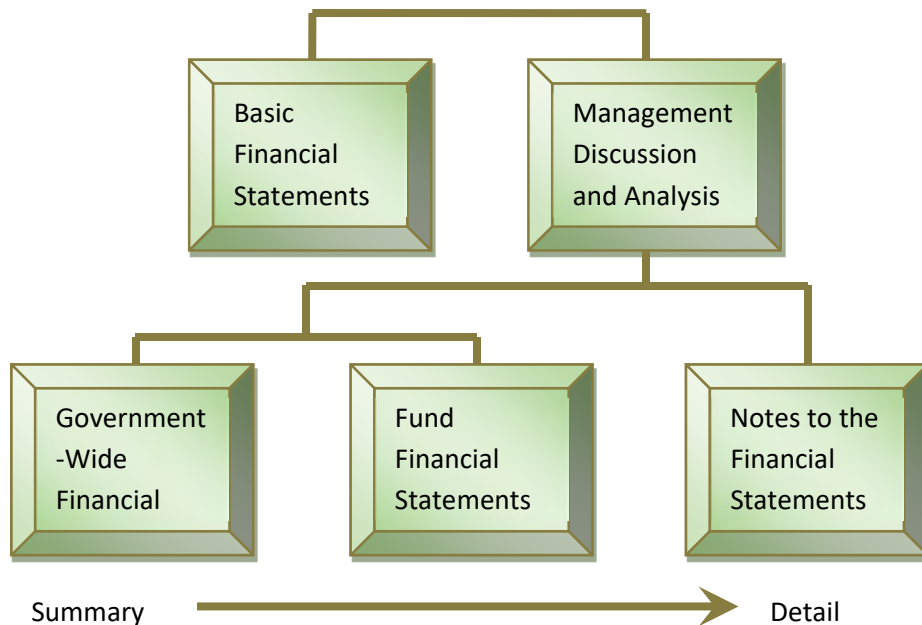
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OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The discussion and analysis are intended to serve as introduction to the County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements are comprised of three components:

- 1) Government-wide financial statements
- 2) Fund financial statements
- 3) Notes to the financial statements

The illustration below shows how the various parts of the financial section are arranged and relate to one another.



Government-wide Financial Statements

The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Sumter County's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of Sumter County's assets, deferred outflows liabilities and deferred inflows with assets plus deferred outflows minus liabilities and deferred inflows reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Sumter County is improving or deteriorating.

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

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Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the County that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*). The governmental activities of the County include general government, public safety, transportation, human services, culture and recreation, physical environment, economic environment and court related.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that are segregated for specific activities or objectives. The 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 the County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary 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 balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be used in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Sumter County maintains 28 governmental funds for reporting purposes. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, County Transportation Trust Fund, the Secondary Trust Fund, and the Road Impact Fee Fund, which are all considered to be major funds. Data from the other 24 governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of the non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements starting on page 70. The County adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund and all but one (the Sheriff's Federal Forfeiture Fund) of its governmental funds.

Proprietary funds (Internal Service Funds and Enterprise Funds) - *Internal service funds* are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally for a government's various functions. The County uses an internal service fund to account for its self-insured health insurance activities and it is included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements because it benefits governmental functions. *Enterprise funds* are used to report business-type activities. The County has no enterprise funds.

Fiduciary funds – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided on the government-wide and fund financial statements. Notes are presented on pages 27 to 52 of this report.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information consisting of budget to actual comparisons for the general fund and major special revenue funds and information pertaining to the other postemployment benefit plan and the Florida Retirement

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System (FRS) (pages 53 to 62). Following the required supplementary information are combining balance sheet and combining schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances of the Board and Constitutional Officers general funds (pages 63 to 67), the combining balance sheets, and combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the non-major governmental funds (pages 68 to 80). The individual schedules of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balances budget and actual for the non-major governmental funds and major capital projects fund can be found on pages 81 to 103, the combining statement and statement of changes for fiduciary custodial funds are on page 105 to 108.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net Position

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of Sumter County, assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$858,466,363 at the close of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

Sumter County's Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2023	2022
Current and other assets	\$ 267,875,471	\$ 234,320,308
Capital assets	919,046,438	406,402,740
Total Assets	<u>1,186,921,909</u>	<u>640,723,048</u>
Deferred outflows	<u>44,638,776</u>	<u>37,836,977</u>
Current liabilities	41,548,519	40,693,092
Long-term liabilities	309,236,673	265,439,529
Total liabilities	<u>350,785,192</u>	<u>306,132,621</u>
Deferred inflows	<u>22,309,130</u>	<u>23,715,253</u>
Net position		
Net investment in capital assets	824,953,599	307,633,670
Restricted	52,525,801	33,015,000
Unrestricted	(19,013,037)	8,063,481
	<u>\$ 858,466,363</u>	<u>\$ 348,712,151</u>

The largest portion of the County's net position reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, parks, buildings, roads, and equipment) less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently these assets are not available for future spending. Although the County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the County's net position represents resources that are subject to restrictions imposed externally or enabling legislation. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position is a deficit of \$19,013,037. The primary driver of the reduction in unrestricted net position is the approximately \$21 million increase in the net pension liability required to be reported which is related to the County's participation in the Florida Retirement System for employee pension benefits. This liability changes based on overall statewide plan experience and investment results.

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Changes in Net Position

The change in net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The net position increased by \$509.8 million during fiscal year 2023.

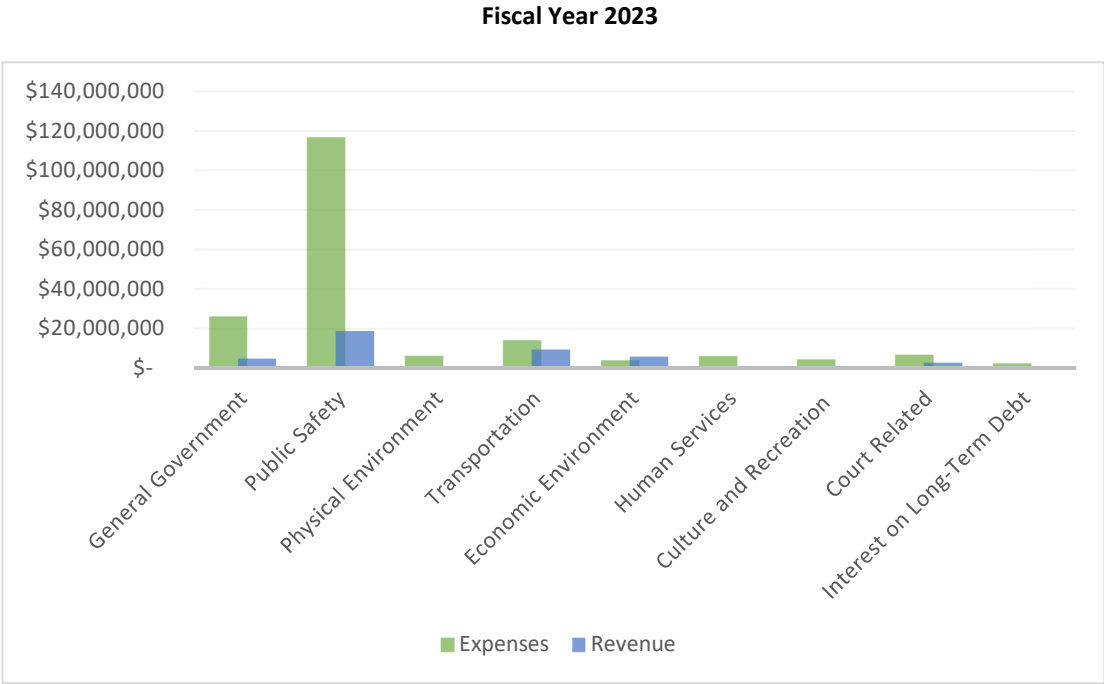
The following schedule provides a summary of the changes in net position.

Sumter County's Changes in Net Position

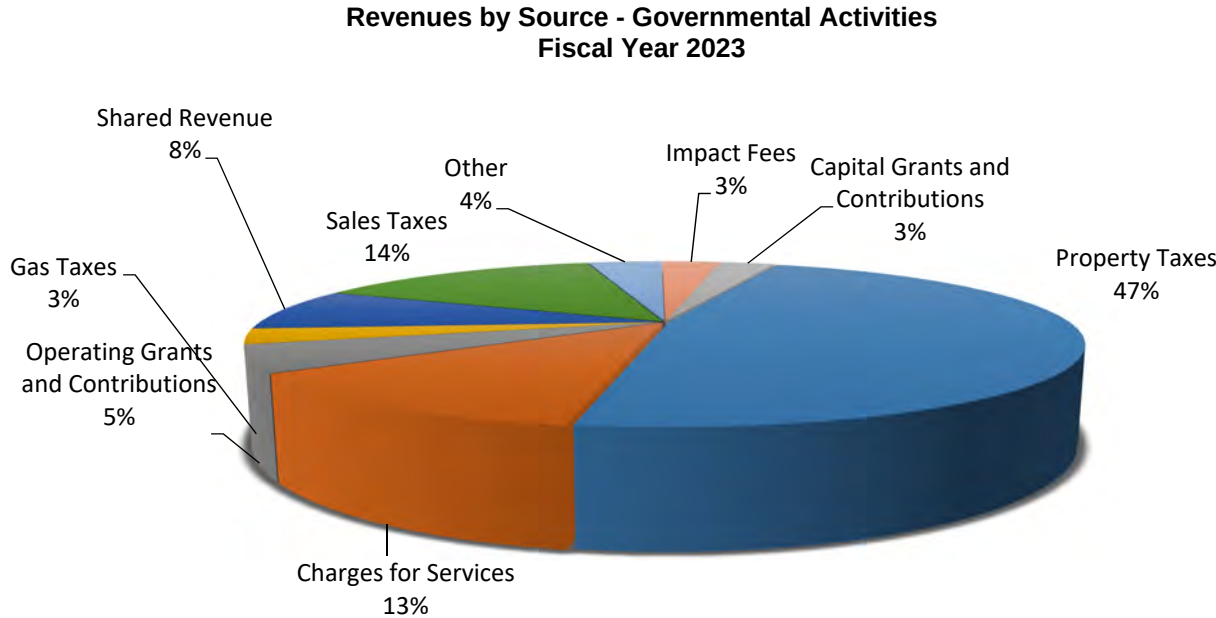
	Governmental Activities	
	2023	2022
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for service	\$ 25,713,657	\$ 25,324,106
Operating grants and contributions	10,668,714	6,638,536
Capital grants and contributions	5,661,799	20,015
General revenues:		
Property taxes	96,448,402	90,498,592
Other taxes	29,094,351	29,324,219
State shared revenues	16,641,392	15,695,766
Impact fees	5,969,049	6,998,376
Contributions of capital assets	497,716,690	-
Other	9,752,514	4,365,774
Total revenue	<u>697,666,568</u>	<u>178,865,384</u>
Expenses		
General government	26,432,705	20,676,039
Public safety	117,388,853	95,058,083
Physical environment	6,208,153	2,381,966
Transportation	14,116,902	13,093,668
Economic environment	3,925,967	3,710,964
Human services	6,092,135	5,566,452
Culture-recreation	4,442,061	4,797,916
Court related	6,911,784	6,139,131
Interest on long-term debt	2,393,796	2,579,249
Total expenses	<u>187,912,356</u>	<u>154,003,468</u>
Increase in Net Position	509,754,212	24,861,916
Net Position - beginning	<u>348,712,151</u>	<u>323,850,235</u>
Net Position - ending	<u><u>\$ 858,466,363</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 348,712,151</u></u>

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Expenses and Program Revenues – Governmental Activities



Expenses and revenues for governmental activities are shown graphically by function. The largest expenses relate to public safety followed by general government and then transportation. The chart below excludes one-time capital contributions.



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Revenues for governmental activities are shown graphically by source. The largest source of revenues for governmental activities was property taxes followed by charges for services. Total revenues, excluding capital contributions, increased 11.8% from the previous fiscal year, while expenses increased 22.0%. Property tax revenues received increased by 6.6%. This increase was due predominantly to the continuing development of the County.

After a temporary decrease in FY 2022, Capital Grants and Contributions increased back to \$5.6 million as transportation related grants expended fluctuate based on project timing.

Public Safety expenses increased approximately 23.5% from \$95.1 million to \$117.4 million. This was primarily because of an increase in pension expense.

Physical Environment expenses increased 160.6% from \$2.4 million to \$6.2 million. This change was primarily due to a variety of COVID-19 grant funded projects related to water and sewer in the current year.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

The County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the County's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of fiscal year 2023, the County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$122.1 million, a decrease of \$2.3 million. The unassigned fund balance of \$23.4 million in the General Fund is available for spending at the County's discretion. Assigned fund balances of \$49.6 million includes \$29.0 million in the General Fund as a resource in the subsequent year's budget. The remainder is earmarked for specific purposes such as capital projects and grants.

At the current time the County has four major governmental funds. They are the General Fund, the County Transportation Trust Fund, the Secondary Trust Fund, and the Road Impact Fee Fund.

General Fund: The general fund is a major fund and the chief operating fund of the County. At the end of fiscal year 2023, the unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$23.4 million, while the total fund balance was \$55.8 million. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare the unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures and transfers out. The unassigned fund balance represents 15.1% of total general fund expenditures and transfers out. The general fund is made up of the Board of County Commissioner's general fund and all of the Constitutional Officers general funds. The County has experienced continued growth in its tax base which is contributing to the positive fund balance.

County Transportation Trust Fund: This fund is a major fund and is used to account for revenues and expenditures associated with the maintenance of County roads and traffic signs and signals. In fiscal year 2023, the revenues reported in this fund were transferred to the Secondary Trust Fund for capital expenditures.

Secondary Trust Fund: This fund is a major fund and is used to account for the 80% portion constitutional gas tax revenue and expenditures restricted to the maintenance of county roads. This fund's operations are consistent with its budget and with prior year activity. Fund balance is accumulated for future road related projects.

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Road Impact Fee Fund: To accumulate resources from developers and citizens to fund the construction of roads and the acquisition of rights-of-way as designated in the County's Impact Fee Ordinance. Financing is provided by the levy and collection of impact fees. Similarly to the Building Services Fund, this fund collects revenues in advance of providing the enhanced services.

Proprietary Funds

The County maintains an internal service fund to account for its self-funded health insurance program. Statements for the fund can be found on pages 22-24. The County does not have any enterprise funds.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The general fund budget was amended during the year for changing estimates of both revenues and expenditures, primarily related to grants awarded during the fiscal year. The general fund budget was also amended to include \$9 million for an increase in tax revenues and investment earnings. Actual expenditures were \$24 million less than the final budget. The major reasons are grants awarded and budgeted but not expended during the year and a budgeted reserve for contingencies of \$30 million that remained unexpended in FY 2023.

The general fund's actual revenue was more than the final budgeted revenue by \$11.7 million. This is due to grant revenues received which were \$3.8 million more than the final budget and investment earnings exceeding the final budget.

2023 General Fund Budget Summary

	Original Budget	Amendments	Final Budget	Actual
Carried forward from 2022	51,564,144	(11,598,493)	39,965,651	53,302,926
Revenues and other sources	134,087,132	8,987,676	143,074,808	157,409,578
Expenditures and other uses	<u>(168,781,764)</u>	<u>(9,634,210)</u>	<u>(178,415,974)</u>	<u>(154,944,636)</u>
Carried forward to 2024	16,869,512		4,624,485	55,767,868

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CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

Sumter County's Capital Assets
Net of Depreciation and Amortization

	Governmental Activities	
	2023	2022
Land	\$ 393,398,320	\$ 37,688,585
Buildings	119,704,360	124,858,908
Improvements	725,758	811,574
Right to use leased assets	1,023,353	1,098,692
Subscription assets	1,126,349	1,223,401
Equipment	20,858,322	19,947,080
Infrastructure	363,767,594	191,699,574
Construction in progress	18,442,382	30,298,327
Total	<u>\$ 919,046,438</u>	<u>\$ 407,626,141</u>

The County's investment in capital assets, for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2023, amounts to \$919,046,438 (net of accumulated depreciation). The investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements other than buildings, equipment, construction in progress and infrastructure along with intangible capital assets for the right to use leased assets and subscription assets. The County received a one-time donation of land and infrastructure totaling \$497.7 million in the current year which represents the majority of the changes in capital assets.

Major construction projects during the fiscal year included the following:

- Road Construction CR-525E, four lane improvements
- Road Construction Buena Vista Blvd Ext S of SR 44
- New meeting building, fire facilities, and library facility
- Ambulance purchases

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in Note 8 on page 36.

Long-term Debt

On September 30, 2023, the County had total bonds and notes payable (including a financed purchase agreement) debt of \$87.6 million. The County has pledged specific revenue sources as a method of repayment. The County has insured ratings on its bonds of "AA" (stable outlook) and "A2" (stable outlook) from Standard and Poor's and Moody's respectively. Fitch Ratings have assigned ratings of "AA+" (stable outlook) to the 2015B Bonds without regard to the insurance policy.

In April 2013, the County entered into an agreement with Hancock Bank to refund the 2003 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds for a \$7.3 million refunding revenue note to reduce future cash flows. As of September 30, 2023, \$543,976 is outstanding.

In April 2015, the County entered into an agreement with TD Bank to refund the 2006 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds for a \$28.6 million refunding revenue bond to reduce future cash flows. As of September 30, 2023, \$22.4 million is outstanding.

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In June 2015, the County issued \$24.3 million in Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds to finance the planning, engineering, constructing, reconstructing and equipping of The Villages® Sumter County Public Safety Center and the Bushnell Sumter County Public Safety Center. As of September 30, 2023, \$16.8 million is outstanding.

In December 2019, the County entered into an agreement with SunTrust Bank to issue a Fuel Tax Revenue Note for \$22,571,900 to finance road construction in the County. As of September 30, 2023, \$17.9 million is outstanding.

In February 2020, the County entered into an agreement with TD Bank to refund the 2018 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond for \$28.2 million to reduce future cash flows. As of September 30, 2023, \$22.6 million is outstanding.

In October 2021, the County entered into an agreement with Motorola to finance the purchase of the equipment for an intergovernmental radio communications program with a term of five years. As of September 30, 2023, \$7.4 million is outstanding.

In addition to the long term debt above, in July 2018, the County entered into an agreement with The Villages® Companies whereby The Villages® Companies will construct regionally significant roads in Sumter County that are the County's responsibility to build. The County will reimburse The Villages® Companies within five years of being invoiced. As of September 30, 2023, \$93.3 million is outstanding.

Long term debt also includes liabilities for certain lease and subscription liabilities.

Additional information on the County's long-term debt can be found in Notes 9 and 10 beginning on page 37.

FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET AND SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Taxable property values used in preparing the 2024 budget have risen and new taxable properties were added that allow for the continued level of service.

The millage for fiscal year 2024 decreased for the second consecutive year in a row from 5.5900 to 5.1900 mills.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report was designed to provide a general overview of Sumter County's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Finance Director, Clerk of Circuit Court, P.O. Box 247, Bushnell, Florida 33513-0247.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2023

	Primary Government Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 13,275,474
Investments	138,987,920
Due from other governments	10,133,284
Receivables	864,605
The Villages Roads Receivable	93,265,512
Mortgages receivable	5,060,926
Prepays	6,287,750
Capital assets:	
Non-depreciable	411,840,702
Depreciable, net	507,205,736
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,186,921,909</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred loss on refunding	591,229
Deferred outflow - Pension FRS/HIS	27,732,278
Deferred outflow - OPEB	16,315,269
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>44,638,776</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	19,016,689
Accrued interest payable	707,432
Unearned revenue	21,824,398
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Due within one year	21,310,271
Due in more than one year	287,926,402
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>350,785,192</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflow - Pension FRS/HIS	4,991,566
Deferred inflow - OPEB	17,317,564
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>22,309,130</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	824,953,599
Restricted	52,525,801
Unrestricted	(19,013,037)
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 858,466,363</u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

					Net (Expense)/ Revenue and Changes in Net Position
					Primary Government
Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Governmental Activities
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:					
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:					
General government	\$ 26,432,705	\$ 4,311,000	\$ 502,801	\$ -	\$ (21,618,904)
Public safety	117,388,853	18,237,497	534,150	-	(98,617,206)
Physical environment	6,208,153	342,351	-	-	(5,865,802)
Transportation	14,116,902	15,257	3,674,145	5,661,799	(4,765,701)
Economic environment	3,925,967	-	5,824,556	-	1,898,589
Human services	6,092,135	3,620	54,665	-	(6,033,850)
Culture and recreation	4,442,061	66,301	78,397	-	(4,297,363)
Court related	6,911,784	2,737,631	-	-	(4,174,153)
Interest on long-term debt	2,393,796	-	-	-	(2,393,796)
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	<u>\$ 187,912,356</u>	<u>\$ 25,713,657</u>	<u>\$ 10,668,714</u>	<u>\$ 5,661,799</u>	<u>(145,868,186)</u>
GENERAL REVENUES:					
Property taxes					96,448,402
Discretionary sales taxes					21,545,273
Gas taxes					6,205,203
Communications service taxes					1,343,875
Impact fees					5,969,049
Unrestricted shared revenues					16,641,392
Investment earnings					8,778,907
Contributions of capital assets, not restricted					497,716,690
Miscellaneous					973,607
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES					<u>655,622,398</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION					509,754,212
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR					<u>348,712,151</u>
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR					<u>\$ 858,466,363</u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2023

(Continued)

	General Fund	County Transportation Trust Fund	Secondary Trust Fund
ASSETS			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 7,074,060	\$ 776,163	\$ 89,216
Investments	82,141,133	5,945,862	20,219,158
Due from other funds	82,653	-	7,290,590
Due from other governments	2,834,408	699,896	3,538,900
Receivables	189,026	-	-
Prepays	3,175,963	-	-
Mortgage receivables	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 95,497,243	\$ 7,421,921	\$ 31,137,864
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 10,903,704	\$ -	\$ 2,388,971
Due to other funds	7,041,922	7,290,590	-
Unearned revenue	21,776,062	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	39,721,688	7,290,590	2,388,971
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenue	7,687	-	3,397,359
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable:			
Nonspendable - prepaids	3,175,963	-	-
Restricted for:			
Teen court	12,734	-	-
Records modernization	-	-	-
Building Services	-	-	-
Public safety	7,443	-	-
Transportation	-	-	18,060,946
Library	115,551	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-
Boating improvements	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-
Assigned for:			
Subsequent year's budget	29,013,504	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-
Transportation	-	131,331	7,290,588
Physical environment	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-
Unassigned	23,442,673	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	55,767,868	131,331	25,351,534
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 95,497,243	\$ 7,421,921	\$ 31,137,864

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2023

(Concluded)

	Road Impact Fee Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 355,803	\$ 4,666,868	\$ 12,962,110
Investments	18,183,374	10,952,958	137,442,485
Due from other funds	-	5,905,841	13,279,084
Due from other governments	-	3,060,080	10,133,284
Receivables	2,666	189,519	381,211
Prepays	-	3,111,787	6,287,750
Mortgage receivables	-	5,060,926	5,060,926
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 18,541,843	\$ 32,947,979	\$ 185,546,850
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,754,988	\$ 1,689,257	\$ 16,736,920
Due to other funds	-	91,774	14,424,286
Unearned revenue	-	-	21,776,062
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,754,988	1,781,031	52,937,268
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenue	-	7,136,468	10,541,514
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable:			
Nonspendable - prepaids	-	3,111,787	6,287,750
Restricted for:			
Teen court	-	-	12,734
Records modernization	-	774,748	774,748
Building Services	-	535,654	535,654
Public safety	-	416,685	424,128
Transportation	15,153,566	2,089	33,216,601
Library	-	-	115,551
Economic environment	-	2,289,932	2,289,932
Boating improvements	-	94,268	94,268
Physical environment	-	101	101
Court related	-	2,857,710	2,857,710
Debt service	-	2,359,268	2,359,268
Capital projects	-	11,125	11,125
Assigned for:			
Subsequent year's budget	-	-	29,013,504
Public safety	-	1,198,117	1,198,117
Transportation	1,633,289	1,292,285	10,347,493
Physical environment	-	10,489	10,489
Court related	-	192,915	192,915
Capital projects	-	8,883,307	8,883,307
Unassigned	-	-	23,442,673
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	16,786,855	24,030,480	122,068,068
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 18,541,843	\$ 32,947,979	\$ 185,546,850

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
Governmental Funds
September 30, 2023

FUND BALANCES – TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	\$ 122,068,068
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported in the governmental funds.	
Capital assets, net	916,896,736
Right to use leased assets, net	1,023,353
Subscription assets, net	1,126,349
Long-term liabilities are not reported in the governmental funds.	
Bonds payable	(61,753,563)
Notes payable	(25,869,191)
Issuance premium	(574,256)
Tower space lease liability	(1,059,400)
Subscription liability	(1,131,839)
Agreement with The Villages® Companies	(93,265,512)
Net pension liability (FRS & HIS)	(92,020,592)
Total OPEB liability	(27,574,320)
Compensated absences	(5,988,000)
Deferred loss on refunding	591,229
Deferred outflow amount for pension - FRS and HIS	27,732,278
Deferred outflow amount for OPEB	16,315,269
Interest payable on long-term debt is not accrued in the governmental funds	(707,432)
Receivable for regionally significant roads agreement with The Villages® Companies	93,265,512
Deferred inflows for earned but unavailable revenue are reported in the governmental funds but not in the statement of net position	10,541,514
Deferred inflow amount for pension - FRS/HIS	(4,991,566)
Deferred inflow amount for OPEB	(17,317,564)
The assets and liabilities of internal service funds are reported with governmental activities	1,159,290
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 858,466,363

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

(Continued)

	General Fund	County Transportation Trust Fund	Secondary Trust Fund
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$ 119,337,550	\$ 6,205,203	\$ -
Permits, fees and special assessments	9,504,161	-	-
Intergovernmental	5,228,015	1,314,664	1,662,225
Charges for services	6,866,093	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	212,772	-	-
Miscellaneous	5,831,802	139,042	1,335,638
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>146,980,393</u>	<u>7,658,909</u>	<u>2,997,863</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	21,539,719	-	-
Public safety	89,309,147	-	-
Physical environment	6,129,584	-	-
Transportation	7,464,453	-	-
Economic environment	2,126,985	-	-
Human services	5,906,828	-	-
Culture and recreation	3,974,232	-	-
Court related	2,233,354	-	-
Capital outlay	7,015,138	-	10,073,252
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	236,605	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	13,514	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>145,949,559</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,073,252</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>1,030,834</u>	<u>7,658,909</u>	<u>(7,075,389)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	10,429,185	-	7,290,590
Transfers out	(8,995,077)	(7,639,925)	(1,397,339)
Proceeds from debt issuance	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>1,434,108</u>	<u>(7,639,925)</u>	<u>5,893,251</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	2,464,942	18,984	(1,182,138)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>53,302,926</u>	<u>112,347</u>	<u>26,533,672</u>
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 55,767,868</u>	<u>\$ 131,331</u>	<u>\$ 25,351,534</u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

(Concluded)

	Road Impact Fee Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 125,542,753
Permits, fees and special assessments	5,969,049	4,201,638	19,674,848
Intergovernmental	-	19,649,511	27,854,415
Charges for services	-	2,379,445	9,245,538
Fines and forfeitures	-	911,850	1,124,622
Miscellaneous	763,495	1,534,375	9,604,352
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>6,732,544</u>	<u>28,676,819</u>	<u>193,046,528</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	-	2,110,296	23,650,015
Public safety	-	6,754,476	96,063,623
Physical environment	-	-	6,129,584
Transportation	-	1,412,200	8,876,653
Economic environment	-	819,468	2,946,453
Human services	-	56,885	5,963,713
Culture and recreation	-	3,550	3,977,782
Court related	-	3,213,474	5,446,828
Capital outlay	9,088,932	5,447,270	31,624,592
Debt service:			
Principal retirement - debt	-	8,160,172	8,396,777
Interest and fiscal charges	-	2,397,655	2,411,169
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>9,088,932</u>	<u>30,375,446</u>	<u>195,487,189</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(2,356,388)</u>	<u>(1,698,627)</u>	<u>(2,440,661)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	-	10,741,751	28,461,526
Transfers out	-	(10,429,185)	(28,461,526)
Debt proceeds	-	113,304	113,304
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>-</u>	<u>425,870</u>	<u>113,304</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(2,356,388)	(1,272,757)	(2,327,357)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>19,143,243</u>	<u>25,303,237</u>	<u>124,395,425</u>
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 16,786,855</u>	<u>\$ 24,030,480</u>	<u>\$ 122,068,068</u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in
Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES – TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	\$	(2,327,357)
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Acquisitions of capital assets		31,363,893
Donations of land and infrastructure		497,716,690
Depreciation expense		(16,656,186)
Loss on capital asset disposals		(718,405)
Amortization of right to use leased assets		(75,339)
Amortization of subscription assets		(210,356)

The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of long-term debt consumes current financial resources, but neither transaction has any effect on net position.

Principal retirement - debt		8,396,777
Proceeds from issuance		(113,304)

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.

Net change in compensated absences		(1,218,000)
Accrued interest on long-term debt		49,676
Amortization of bond premiums		48,873
Amortization of deferred charge on refunding		(81,176)
Change in net pension liability (FRS / HIS)		(21,926,816)
Change in deferred outflows related to pensions		6,882,975
Change in deferred inflows related to pensions		1,406,123

The timing of revenue recognition sometimes differs between the governmental funds and governmental activities

6,156,854

Change in net position of the Internal Service Fund

1,059,290

CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 509,754,212

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds
September 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities
	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 313,364
Investments	1,545,435
Due from other funds	1,145,202
Receivables	483,394
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>3,487,395</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Claims payable	1,640,769
Liability for self-insured losses	639,000
Unearned revenue	48,336
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>2,328,105</u>
NET POSITION	
Unrestricted	<u>\$ 1,159,290</u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position
Proprietary Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities
	Internal Service Fund
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for insurance	\$ 13,049,990
Miscellaneous revenue	746,496
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>13,796,486</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Claims expense	10,433,086
Premiums for insurance/reinsurance	1,625,833
General and administrative	786,050
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>12,844,969</u>
OPERATING INCOME	951,517
NONOPERATING REVENUES/EXPENSES	
Investment earnings	<u>107,773</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	1,059,290
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>100,000</u>
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 1,159,290</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED BY) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash received for premiums	\$ 11,674,583
Cash received for miscellaneous revenue	746,496
Cash paid on insurance claims	(9,996,109)
Cash paid for insurance and reinsurance	(1,625,833)
Cash paid to other vendors	(786,050)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	13,087
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED BY) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Investment loss	107,773
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	120,860
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS -- BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,737,939
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS -- END OF YEAR	\$ 1,858,799
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
OPERATING INCOME	\$ 951,517
Changes in assets and liabilities	
Due from other funds	(981,320)
Receivables	(403,242)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	474,977
Due to other funds	-
Liability for self-insured losses	(38,000)
Advance collections	9,155
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 13,087

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
September 30, 2023

	Total Custodial Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 7,328,544
Receivables	<u>13,882</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>7,342,426</u></u>
LIABILITIES	
Due to other governments	<u>4,653,680</u>
FIDUCIARY NET POSITION	
Restricted for individuals	<u><u>\$ 2,688,746</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS	
Trust deposits	\$ 25,000
Inmate deposits	2,048,674
Unclaimed evidence deposits	23,519
Civil deposits	55,631
Doc and intangible taxes collected	29,954,615
Collections on behalf of other governments	3,438,898
Recording fees collected	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees collected	890,114
Tax deed and associated fees collected	586,161
Miscellaneous fees collected	103,723
Registry additions	2,812,360
Taxes collected for other governments	285,428,503
Fees collected for other agencies	108,805,350
TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>\$ 435,447,292</u>
DEDUCTIONS	
Trust deductions	\$ 8,278
Inmate deductions	2,043,684
Unclaimed evidence deductions	3,161
Civil deductions	55,631
Documentary and intangible taxes disbursed	29,954,615
Disbursements on behalf of other governments	3,438,898
Recording fees disbursed	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees disbursed	776,084
Tax deed and associated fees disbursed	315,347
Miscellaneous fees disbursed	110,280
Registry disbursed	3,181,205
Taxes distributed to other governments	285,428,503
Fees distributed to other agencies	108,805,350
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<u>\$ 435,395,780</u>
Net increase in fiduciary net position	51,512
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	<u>2,637,234</u>
Fiduciary net position, end of year	<u>\$ 2,688,746</u>

See accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Sumter County, Florida
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of Sumter County, Florida (the "County") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

➤ **Reporting Entity**

The County is a general purpose local government established under the legal authority of the Constitution of the State of Florida. It is composed of an elected Board of County Commissioners and elected constitutional officers – Clerk of the Circuit Court, Property Appraiser, Sheriff, Supervisor of Elections, and Tax Collector – that operate as separate county agencies.

The County uses the criteria established in GASB Statement NO.14, as amended, to define the reporting entity and identify component units. Component units are legally separate entities for which the County is considered to be financially accountable. In addition, component units can be other organizations which their relationship with the County would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading.

- **Blended Component Units** - Although legally separate entities, blended component units are in substance part of the primary government's operations and, accordingly, data from these units, if any, would be combined with the data of the primary government. The accompanying financial statements include one blended component unit, the Sumter County Industrial Development Authority (IDA), which is a dependent special district created by County Ordinance No. 79-1, on January 17, 1979 pursuant to the authority provided in Chapter 159, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of developing and promoting industrial growth in Sumter County. The board members of the IDA are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and can dissolve the IDA at will. Management of the County has operational responsibility for the IDA. Separately-issued financial statements of the IDA, which has a September 30 year end, are not available and the IDA held no assets, liabilities or equity and had no financial transactions during the fiscal year.
- **Discretely Presented Component Units** - Discretely presented component units, on the other hand, are reported in a separate column in the financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the primary government. The County does not report any discretely presented component units.

The County did not participate in any joint ventures during the 2023 fiscal year.

➤ **Basis of Presentation**

Government-Wide Financial Statements – The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County. 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 charged to external parties. The County has no business-type activities.

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: charges for services that are directly related to a given function and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or

Sumter County, Florida
Notes to Financial Statements
September 30, 2023

capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary 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, but all non-major governmental funds are aggregated and displayed in a single column. The governmental fund financial statements include reconciliations with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements of the governmental funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund – The General Fund is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
- County Transportation Trust Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with the maintenance of County roads and traffic signs and signals
- Secondary Trust Fund – To account for the 80% portion constructional gas tax revenue which is restricted by the State of Florida for expenditures related to the maintenance of county roads.
- Road Impact Fee Fund – To accumulate resources from developers and citizens to fund the construction of roads and the acquisition of rights-of-way as designated in the County's Impact Fee Ordinance. Financing is provided by the levy and collection of impact fees which are restricted to transportation uses.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

- Internal Service Fund – Accounts for the risk financing activities of the Board and the other County agencies on a cost reimbursement basis.
- Custodial Funds – Accounts in the custody of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Tax Collector and Sheriff for resources held in a purely custodial capacity.

➤ Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary 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. Fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental funds are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days of the end of the current fiscal year. Taxes and

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certain intergovernmental revenues (generally Federal and State grants and financial assistance) constitute the most significant sources of revenue considered susceptible to accrual. In governmental funds, expenditures are generally recognized when the related liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures and expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

➤ Proprietary Funds

Proprietary funds record both operating and non-operating revenues and expenses. The principal operating revenues are those that are obtained from the operations of the proprietary fund and include charges to other funds on a cost reimbursement basis. Non-operating revenues are not related to the operations of the proprietary fund and include interest earnings. Operating expenses represent the cost of operations. Non-operating expenses are not related to operations.

➤ Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, only highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

➤ Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and Health Insurance Subsidy Program and additions to/deductions from the plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plans. 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.

➤ Prepaid Items

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and governmental fund financial statements. Prepaid items are accounted for under the consumption method. An offsetting non-spendable fund balance is reported in the governmental fund financial statements to indicate that inventories and prepaid items do not represent spendable resources.

➤ Mortgages Receivable

Mortgages receivable are reported net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts of approximately \$400,000. Most of the balance is not expected to be repaid within the next fiscal year.

➤ Capital Assets

Capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value. The threshold for capitalizing property and equipment is generally \$10,000. The threshold for capitalizing infrastructure is \$50,000.

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Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	30 – 50 years
Improvements	10 – 50 years
Equipment	5 – 15 years
Infrastructure	25 – 85 years

➤ Right to Use Leased Assets

The County has recorded right to use lease assets as a result of implementing GASB 87 for leases. The right to 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 to use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

➤ Subscription Assets

The County has recorded subscription assets as a result of implementing GASB 96 for software based information technology agreements. The subscription assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related subscription liability. The subscription assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related subscription.

➤ Amortization

Bond premiums and deferred amounts on refunding are amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

➤ Unearned Revenue

If assets have been received by the County for services to be rendered in future periods, asset balances have been offset by an unearned revenue liability account.

➤ Compensated Absences

Personnel policies of the various county agencies allow a limited accumulation and vesting of unused employee paid time off. Some county agencies use paid time off while others use vacation and sick leave. A liability is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. However, a liability is reported in governmental funds only when payment is due. The General Fund has typically been used to liquidate the liability for compensated absences.

➤ Nature and Purpose of Fund Balance Classifications

The County follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, to classify fund balances for governmental funds into specifically defined classifications. The classifications comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent.

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The fund balance classifications specified in GASB Statement No. 54 are as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance – Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted Fund Balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – Committed fund balances are amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed by formal action of the County's highest level of decision-making authority, which is an ordinance of the County. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the County removes those constraints by taking the same type action.

Assigned Fund Balance – Assigned fund balances are amounts that are constrained by the County's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The County does not have a formal policy that addresses assigned fund balances; however, the intent is expressed by the Board of County Commissioners via the budget process or by the County Administrator.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund which is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount.

The County's practice is to expend resources in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

➤ **Restricted Net Position**

In the accompanying Statement of Net Position, restricted net position is subject to restrictions beyond the County's control. The restriction is either externally imposed (for instance, by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws/regulations of other governments) or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Approximately \$15.6 million of restricted net position is restricted by enabling legislation. It is the practice of the County to utilize restricted assets before unrestricted assets.

Details of net position for governmental activities at September 30, 2023 presented on the statement of net position are shown below:

Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	\$ 105,393
Debt Service	1,651,836
Economic Environment	7,350,858
Transportation	36,682,477
Court related	2,870,444
Public safety	2,438,840
Library	115,551
Building Services	535,654
Records Modernization	774,748
	<u><u>\$ 52,525,801</u></u>

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➤ Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense or expenditure) until that time.

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

➤ Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. CASH AND EQUIVALENTS

The financial institutions in which the various county agencies place their deposits are certified as “qualified public depositories”, as required under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Therefore, the deposits are entirely insured by Federal depository insurance and/or entirely collateralized pursuant to Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

3. INVESTMENTS

The County invests excess public funds pursuant to the guidelines established in Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, which authorizes investments in the following instruments: The Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund; Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating; savings accounts and certificates of deposit in qualified public depositories; and direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury. The County also has an investment policy that allows investments in repurchase agreements and obligations of United States government agencies and instrumentalities.

At year end, the County’s Investments consisted of:

	Fair Value	Maturities (in years)			Rating
		Less than One	One to Two	Greater than Two	
FLGIT-FL Trust Short-term Bond Fund	\$ 31,069,479	\$ 9,227,635	\$ 11,846,792	\$ 9,995,052	AAAf/S1
FL Fixed Income Trust - PDP	11,827,289	11,827,289	-	-	n/a
FL Safe Investment Pool - Stable NAV	12,061,870	12,061,870	-	-	AAAm
FL Safe Investment Pool - Variable NAV	16,389,000	5,188,757	2,989,354	8,210,889	AAAf/S1
State Investment Pool - Florida Prime	62,256,394	61,347,451	-	908,943	AAAm
Regions Wealth Platform - US Treasuries	5,383,888	5,383,888	-	-	n/a
	<u>\$ 138,987,920</u>	<u>\$ 105,036,890</u>	<u>\$ 14,836,146</u>	<u>\$ 19,114,884</u>	

The State Pool (Florida PRIME) is an external investment pool that meets all of the necessary criteria to elect to measure all of the investments in Florida PRIME at amortized cost. Therefore, the County’s investment in Florida PRIME is reported at amortized cost. The fair value of the position in the pool is equal to the value of the pool shares. As of September 30, 2023, there were no redemption fees or maximum transactions amounts, or any other requirements that serve to limit a participant’s daily access to 100 percent of their account value.

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The Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT) is an external investment pool that does not meet all of the necessary criteria to elect to measure all of the investments in FLGIT at amortized cost. Therefore, the County's investment in FLGIT is reported at the fair value of the County's share in the investments.

The Florida Surplus Asset Fund Trust (Florida SAFE) and the Florida Fixed Income Trust are both investment pools organized pursuant to Florida Statutes 163.01 and are reported at fair value.

These are considered external investment pools for reporting purposes. The County owns shares in one or more of the Pool's portfolios. The County's investments are the Pools' portfolios, not the individual securities held within each Pool's portfolio. The County owns a share of the portfolio and not the underlying securities.

The County's investments expose it to credit risk and interest rate risk.

Credit Risk – The risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The County's investment policy limits credit risk by restricting authorized investments to the following:

- The State Board of Administration's Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund (Florida PRIME), Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT) or any intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act as provided in Florida Statute 163.01.
- Securities and Exchange Commission registered fixed income funds with a credit quality rating equal to or greater than the credit rating of the United States Treasury Bill from a nationally recognized rating agency.
- Interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in Qualified Public Depositories as defined in Florida Statute 280.02(26) or interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or through a custodian agreement of FDIC Insured Institutions.
- Direct obligations of the United States Treasury.
- Obligations of federal agencies, government sponsored enterprises, and instrumentalities.
- Securities of, or other interest in, any open-end or closed-end management type investment company or investment trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, 15 United States Code ss. 80a-1 et seq., as amended from time to time, provided the investment objectives of said investment company or investment trust are similar to the investment objectives of this Policy.

Interest Rate Risk – The risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The County's investment policy limits interest rate risk by attempting to match investment maturities with known cash needs and anticipated cash flow requirements. In addition, the maximum stated investment maturity is ten (10) years.

A portfolio's WAL is the dollar weighted average length of time until securities held reach maturity. A portfolio's WAM is the dollar weighted average maturity

- The weighted average maturity (WAM) of Florida PRIME at September 30, 2023 was 35 days and the WAL was 75 days.
- The weighted average maturity (WAM) of Florida SAFE Stable NAV at September 30, 2023 was 44.71 days and the WAL was 66.59 days.
- The Florida SAFE Variable NAV at September 30, 2023 has a target of about one year average maturity with a duration of 0.9 years.
- The weighted average maturity for Florida Local Government Investment Trust at September 30, 2023 was 1.84 years and the effective duration was 1.46.
- The weighted average maturity (WAM) of the Florida Fixed Income Trust PDP at September 30, 2023 was 1 day and the WAL was 2 days.

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4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The County categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The County has the following recurring fair value measurements as of September 30, 2023:

- Investment pools organized pursuant to Florida Statutes 163.01 – Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund.

Investments in external pools, though measured at fair value, are not categorized within the fair value hierarchy.

5. PROPERTY TAXES

In governmental funds, property tax revenues are recognized when levied, to the extent that they result in current receivables. Details of the property tax calendar are presented below:

Lien Date	January 1
Levy Date	October 1
Discount Periods	November – February
No Discount Period	March
Delinquent Date	April 1

6. INTERFUND BALANCES AND TRANSFERS

At September 30, 2023, interfund balances consisted of:

Due from:	Due to:				Total
	General fund	Secondary trust fund	Non-major gov'tl funds	Internal services fund	
General fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,905,841	\$ 1,136,081	\$ 7,041,922
County transportation trust fund	-	7,290,590	-	-	7,290,590
Non-major gov'tl funds	82,653	-	-	9,121	91,774
Total	<u>\$ 82,653</u>	<u>\$ 7,290,590</u>	<u>\$ 5,905,841</u>	<u>\$ 1,145,202</u>	<u>\$ 14,424,286</u>

The outstanding balances between funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided before reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

All interfund balances are expected to be repaid in less than a year.

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Interfund transfers for the year ended September 30, 2023 are summarized below:

Transfers from:	Transfers to:			Total
	General fund	Secondary trust fund	Non-major gov'tl funds	
General fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,995,077	\$ 8,995,077
County transportation trust fund	-	7,290,590	349,335	7,639,925
Secondary trust fund	-	-	1,397,339	1,397,339
Non-major gov'tl funds	10,429,185	-	-	10,429,185
Total	<u>\$ 10,429,185</u>	<u>\$ 7,290,590</u>	<u>\$ 10,741,751</u>	<u>\$ 28,461,526</u>

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that Statutes or budget requires to collect them to the fund that Statutes or budget requires to expend them, (2) move excess amounts to be distributed to the General Fund after all debt service reserve amounts have been satisfied for the period and (3) use unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations, including debt service repayment from debt service funds.

The County elects to recognize certain restricted revenues in the County Transportation Trust Fund and in FY 2023 chose to transfer such revenues to the Secondary Trust Fund for allowable capital expenditures. This transfer is expected to be recurring in future years.

The County elects to recognize revenue in a debt service fund for certain state revenue sharing funds and pledged sales tax that are used in part for debt service. Each year, the County assesses the excess revenue beyond the amount required for debt service and transfers that excess to the General Fund. The annual recurring transfer from the non-major debt service fund to the General Fund is for that purpose.

7. DISAGGREGATED RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

➤ Governmental Funds

At September 30, 2023, receivables were not aggregated.

At September 30, 2023, General Fund payables consisted of 25% wages and benefits payable and 75% payable to vendors in the normal course of business. The payables of the non-major governmental funds consist primarily of amounts due for goods and services received in the normal course of business.

➤ Proprietary Funds

Internal Service Fund payables are composed of normal trade payables, primarily for health insurance claims.

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8. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	Balance September 30, 2022	Increases	Decreases	Balance September 30, 2023
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 37,688,585	\$ 355,970,434	\$ 260,699	\$ 393,398,320
Construction in progress	30,298,327	24,471,876	36,327,821	18,442,382
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>67,986,912</u>	<u>380,442,310</u>	<u>36,588,520</u>	<u>411,840,702</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings	169,416,866	845,557	1,654,634	168,607,789
Improvements	5,922,290	-	125,357	5,796,933
Right to use - leased assets	1,167,753	-	-	1,167,753
Right to use - subscription assets	1,223,401	113,304	-	1,336,705
Equipment	56,186,240	7,039,412	610,228	62,615,424
Infrastructure	249,940,261	177,228,520	-	427,168,781
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>483,856,811</u>	<u>185,226,793</u>	<u>2,390,219</u>	<u>666,693,385</u>
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization for:				
Buildings	44,557,958	5,281,700	936,229	48,903,429
Improvements	5,110,716	85,816	125,357	5,071,175
Right to use - leased assets	69,061	75,339	-	144,400
Right to use - subscription assets	-	210,356	-	210,356
Equipment	36,239,160	6,128,170	610,228	41,757,102
Infrastructure	58,240,687	5,160,500	-	63,401,187
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>144,217,582</u>	<u>16,941,881</u>	<u>1,671,814</u>	<u>159,487,649</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>339,639,229</u>	<u>168,284,912</u>	<u>718,405</u>	<u>507,205,736</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 407,626,141</u>	<u>\$ 548,727,222</u>	<u>\$ 37,306,925</u>	<u>\$ 919,046,438</u>

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

General government	\$ 1,001,825
Public safety	9,617,225
Physical environment	78,569
Transportation	4,831,117
Economic environment	410
Human services	128,422
Culture and recreation	327,901
Court related	956,412
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 16,941,881</u>

Right to use intangible assets related to certain leases and subscription based internet technology arrangements are included in the tables above. See Note 9 for discussion of these intangible assets and related long term liabilities.

In the current fiscal year, certain land and rights of way were donated to the County by The Villages® Companies which are considered a capital contribution totaling \$353.5 million for land and \$144.2 million for roads which are included in the additions to capital assets.

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9. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

At September 30, 2023, long-term liabilities consisted of:

Bonds payable	
Capital Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2020	\$ 22,592,911
Capital Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A	22,390,652
Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2015B	16,770,000
Total bonds payable	<u>61,753,563</u>
Notes payable	
Intergovernmental Radios, 2022	7,411,117
Fuel Tax Revenue Note, 2019	17,914,098
Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note, 2013	543,976
Total notes payable	<u>25,869,191</u>
Total bonds and notes payable	87,622,754
Bond premiums	574,256
Total bonds and notes payable; including premiums	<u>88,197,010</u>
Other long-term liabilities	
Tower space lease liability	1,059,400
Subscription liability	1,131,839
Agreement with The Villages® Companies	93,265,512
Net pension liability - FRS & HIS	92,020,592
Total Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability	27,574,320
Compensated absences	5,988,000
Total long term liabilities	<u>\$ 309,236,673</u>

Bond descriptions:

➤ Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2020

In 2020 the County issued \$28,191,395 Sumter County Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond, Series 2020 to current refund \$28,846,512 of the 2018 Series Capital Improvement Revenue Bond which was called on February 7, 2020.

Debt service is payable solely from proceeds of race track revenue distributed by the State from the Pari-mutual Tax Wagering Trust Fund, proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed by the State from the Local Government Half-Cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund, and the "Guaranteed Entitlement" and "Second Guaranteed Entitlement for Counties" distributed by the State from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and interest earned in the debt service fund. Interest is payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1 at 2.09% per annum and matures on December 1, 2034. This bond is on parity with the 2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note; the 2015A Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds and the 2015B Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds.

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➤ Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond, Series 2015A

In 2015 the County issued a bond for \$28,602,982 to advance refund \$27,475,000 of the 2006 Series Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, which were called on June 1, 2016.

Debt service is payable solely from proceeds of race track revenue distributed by the State from the Pari-mutual Tax Wagering Trust Fund, proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed by the State from the Local Government Half-Cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund, and the "Guaranteed Entitlement" and "Second Guaranteed Entitlement for Counties" distributed by the State from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and interest earned in the debt service fund. Interest and Principal is payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1 at 2.78% per annum and matures on June 1, 2034. This bond is on parity with the 2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note; the 2015B Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds and the 2020 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond.

➤ Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2015B

In 2015 the County issued \$24,330,000 Sumter County Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2015B to finance The Villages® Sumter County Public Safety Center, the Bushnell Sumter County Public Safety Center and paying the costs of issuance. The Bonds were issued with a \$977,458 net premium so total funds received was \$25,307,458.

Debt service is payable solely from proceeds of race track revenue distributed by the State from the Pari-mutual Tax Wagering Trust Fund, proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed by the State from the Local Government Half-Cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund, and the "Guaranteed Entitlement" and "Second Guaranteed Entitlement for Counties" distributed by the State Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and interest earned in the debt service fund. Interest is payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1 at rates ranging from 3% to 5%. Principal is payable on June 1. Principal and interest are due through June 1, 2035. These bonds are on parity with the 2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note; the 2015A Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond and the 2020 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond.

Bond aggregate maturities:

Year(s) ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 3,750,582	\$ 1,748,478	\$ 5,499,060
2025	4,855,590	1,635,420	6,491,010
2026	5,002,343	1,486,417	6,488,760
2027	5,132,806	1,356,704	6,489,510
2028	5,266,645	1,221,989	6,488,634
2029-2033	28,677,569	3,774,617	32,452,186
2034-2035	9,068,028	323,015	9,391,043
Total	<u>\$ 61,753,563</u>	<u>\$ 11,546,640</u>	<u>\$ 73,300,203</u>

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Note descriptions:

➤ Intergovernmental Radios, 2022

In 2022 the County entered into a financed purchase agreement with Motorola for \$12,194,705 to finance the acquisition of the equipment for an intergovernmental radio system. The agreement calls for monthly payments with an imputed interest rate of 1.3% for a term of five years, with final payment due October 1, 2026.

➤ Fuel Tax Revenue Note, 2019

In 2019 the County issued \$22,571,900 Sumter County Capital Fuel Tax Revenue Note, 2019 to finance the acquisition and construction to widen existing roads, acquisition of right-of-way and related costs of railroad crossing modification and improvements.

Debt service is payable solely from proceeds from the County's Fuel Tax Revenues to the extent legally available. Principal and interest is payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1 at 2.1% per annum and matures on December 1, 2034.

➤ Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note, 2013

In 2013 the County issued a promissory note for \$7,340,000 to current refund \$7,297,000 of the 2003 Series Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, which were called on June 1, 2013.

Debt service is payable solely from proceeds of race track revenue distributed by the State from the Pari-mutual Tax Wagering Trust Fund, proceeds of the local government half-cent sales tax distributed by the State from the Local Government Half-Cent Sales Tax Clearing Trust Fund, and the "Guaranteed Entitlement" and "Second Guaranteed Entitlement for Counties" distributed by the State from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and interest earned in the debt service fund. Interest and principal is payable monthly at 1.94% per annum and matures on June 1, 2024. This note is on parity with the 2015A Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond; the 2015B Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds and the 2020 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond.

Note aggregate maturities:

Year(s) ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 4,375,120	\$ 469,675	\$ 4,844,795
2025	3,892,244	404,169	4,296,413
2026	3,954,376	342,037	4,296,413
2027	1,482,681	278,853	1,761,534
2028	1,513,981	247,553	1,761,534
2029-2033	8,063,020	744,649	8,807,669
2034-2035	2,587,769	54,532	2,642,301
Total	<u>\$ 25,869,191</u>	<u>\$ 2,541,468</u>	<u>\$ 28,410,659</u>

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Lease liability description:

The County accounts for leases in accordance with GASBC Section L20, *Leases*. As of October 1, 2021 and for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, the County had one agreement that was determined to qualify as an other than short-term lease.

➤ **Tower Space Lease Liability**

The lease with ACT Tower Services was entered into April 1, 2012 and has a maximum noncancelable term including extension options ending March 31, 2037. The lease is to rent space on a tower for telecommunications purposes. There are no variable components of the lease. Payments are due monthly and range from \$5,500 to \$8,576 based on an annual set increase. The County's incremental borrowing rate of 1.30% was used for purposes of measuring the lease liability as of the implementation date of October 1, 2021. On that date, the lease liability was measured at \$1,167,753.

Tower space lease liability aggregate maturities:

Year(s) ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 57,700	\$ 13,433	\$ 71,133
2025	60,601	12,665	73,266
2026	63,604	11,860	75,464
2027	66,713	11,015	77,728
2028	69,932	10,128	80,060
2029-2033	401,997	35,806	437,803
2034-2037	338,853	8,084	346,937
Total	<u>\$ 1,059,400</u>	<u>\$ 102,991</u>	<u>\$ 1,162,391</u>

Subscription liability description:

In fiscal year 2023, the County implemented GASB 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs)*. As of October 1, 2022 and for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, the County had two software agreements that were determined to qualify as subscription liabilities and intangible right-to-use subscription assets. The agreements do not have a stated interest rate, so the County used a 1.3% discount rate based on their most recent borrowing rate.

➤ **Motorola Active Eye Subscription**

The County entered into an agreement for a subscription for Motorola Active Eye software in January 2022 which requires an annual payment of \$181,616 through October 2024, with an option to renew for an additional four years. There are no residual value guarantees in the agreement.

➤ **Corti Clear America Fire Subscription**

The County entered into an agreement for a subscription for Corti Clear software in June 2023 which requires an annual payment of \$23,250 through July 2027. There are no options to renew and no residual values in the agreement.

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Subscription liability aggregate maturities:

Year(s) ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 190,152	\$ 14,714	\$ 204,866
2025	192,624	12,242	204,866
2026	195,128	9,738	204,866
2027	197,665	7,201	204,866
2028	176,984	4,632	181,616
2029	179,286	2,330	181,616
Total	<u>\$ 1,131,839</u>	<u>\$ 50,857</u>	<u>\$ 1,182,696</u>

Agreement with The Villages® Companies description:

➤ Agreement with The Villages® Companies

In 2018 the County entered into an agreement with The Villages® Companies whereby The Villages® Companies will construct regionally significant roads in Sumter County that are the County's responsibility to build. The County will begin to reimburse The Villages® Companies between five and fifteen years of the original invoice.

At September 30, 2023, the total amount due to The Villages® Companies was \$65,504,239. The first payment is due in fiscal year 2024. The County will fund the payments from available Non-Ad Valorem Revenues generated from Transportation Impact Fees and its apportioned Gas/Fuel Taxes. There are no interest charges associated with this agreement.

Agreement with The Villages® Companies aggregate maturities:

Year(s) ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 9,836,717	\$ -	\$ 9,836,717
2025	28,997,596	-	28,997,596
2026	-	-	-
2027	8,550,513	-	8,550,513
2028	9,820,045	-	9,820,045
2029-2033	-	-	-
2034-2038	36,060,641	-	36,060,641
Total	<u>\$ 93,265,512</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 93,265,512</u>

➤ Bond Arbitrage

The Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 requires issuers of tax-exempt debt to make payments to the U.S. Treasury of investment income received at yields that exceed the issuer's tax-exempt borrowing rates or pay a calculated penalty. Rebates are paid to the Internal Revenue Service every fifth year after the year of issuance. Within the five-year period, any positive arbitrage (liability) can be offset by any negative arbitrage (non-liability). At September 30, 2023, the County has no arbitrage liability.

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10. CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities follows:

	September 30, 2022	Additions	Decreases	September 30, 2023	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable	\$ 65,406,409	\$ -	\$ 3,652,846	\$ 61,753,563	\$ 3,750,582
Bond premiums	623,129	-	48,873	574,256	-
Total bonds and bond premiums	66,029,538	-	3,701,719	62,327,819	3,750,582
Notes payable	30,353,358	-	4,484,167	25,869,191	4,375,120
Total bonds, premiums, and notes payable	96,382,896	-	8,185,886	88,197,010	8,125,702
Tower space lease liability	1,114,298	-	54,898	1,059,400	57,700
Subscription liability	1,223,401	113,304	204,866	1,131,839	190,152
Agreement with The Villages® Companies	65,504,239	27,761,273	-	93,265,512	9,836,717
Net pension liability (FRS & HIS)	70,093,776	21,926,816	-	92,020,592	-
Total OPEB liability	27,574,320	-	-	27,574,320	-
Compensated absences	4,770,000	5,453,000	4,235,000	5,988,000	3,100,000
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 266,662,930</u>	<u>\$ 55,254,393</u>	<u>\$ 12,680,650</u>	<u>\$ 309,236,673</u>	<u>\$ 21,310,271</u>

11. STATE OF FLORIDA PENSION PLANS

Defined Benefit Plans

The County participates in two defined benefit pension plans that are administered by the State of Florida, Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. The plans provide retirement, disability or death benefits to retirees or their designated beneficiaries. Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, establishes the authority for benefit provisions. Changes to the law can only occur through an act of the Florida Legislature. The State of Florida issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plans. That report is available from the Florida Department of Management Services' website (www.dms.myflorida.com).

The Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple- employer defined benefit pension plan with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) available for eligible employees. The FRS was established and is administered in accordance with Chapter 121, Florida Statutes. Retirees receive a lifetime pension benefit with joint and survivor payment options. FRS membership is compulsory for employees filling regularly established positions in a state agency, county agency, state university, state college, or district school board, unless restricted from FRS membership under Sections 121.053 or 121.122, Florida Statutes, or allowed to participate in a defined contribution plan in lieu of FRS membership. Participation by cities, municipalities, special districts, charter schools and metropolitan planning organizations is optional.

The Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under a state administered retirement system must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

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Benefits Provided

Benefits under the FRS Pension Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the five highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the eight highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on the retirement plan and/or class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned.

Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 per month and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes.

Contributions

The contribution requirements of plan members and the employer are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. Employees are required to contribute 3.00% of their salary to the FRS Pension Plan. The employer contribution rates as of September 30, 2023, were as follows:

	FRS	HIS
Regular class	11.91%	1.66%
Special risk class	31.01%	1.66%
County, city, special district elected officials	57.02%	1.66%
Senior management service class	32.86%	1.66%
DROP from FRS	19.47%	1.66%

The employer contributions for the year ended September 30, 2023, were \$9,210,891 to the FRS Pension Plan and \$821,682 to the HIS Program.

Pension Liabilities and Pension Expense

In its financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023, the County reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the FRS Pension Plan and its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the HIS Program. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2023. The County's proportions of the net pension liabilities were based on its share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined.

	FRS	HIS
Net pension liability	\$ 73,234,634	\$ 18,785,958
Proportion at:		
Current measurement date	0.1838%	0.1183%
Prior measurement date	0.1585%	0.1048%
Increase in proportionate share	0.0253%	0.0135%
Pension expense	\$ 16,191,515	\$ 7,478,775

The General Fund typically has been used in prior years to liquidate net pension liabilities.

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Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At September 30, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	FRS		HIS	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 6,876,100	\$ -	\$ 275,014	\$ 44,093
Changes of assumptions	4,774,041	-	493,877	1,627,867
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	3,058,477	-	9,701	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	7,664,855	3,085,183	1,949,975	234,423
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	3,407,167	-	223,071	-
Total	\$ 25,780,640	\$ 3,085,183	\$ 2,951,638	\$ 1,906,383

Deferred outflows of resources related to employer contributions paid subsequent to the measurement date and prior to the employer's fiscal year end will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the reporting period ending September 30, 2024.

Other pension-related amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<i>Year ending September 30,</i>	FRS	HIS
2024	\$ 2,833,735	\$ 242,194
2025	(104,565)	232,090
2026	13,116,254	145,422
2027	2,709,796	22,880
2028	733,070	119,736
Thereafter	-	59,862
Total	\$ 19,288,290	\$ 822,184

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for each of the defined benefit plans was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability for the FRS Pension Plan was determined by an actuarial valuation dated July 1, 2023. For the HIS Program, the total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation dated July 1, 2022. The individual entry age normal actuarial cost method was used for each plan, along with the following significant actuarial assumptions:

	FRS	HIS
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Payroll growth, including inflation	3.25%	3.25%
Investment rate of return	6.70%	N/A
Discount rate	6.70%	3.65%

Mortality assumptions for both plans were based on the PUB-2010 with Projection Scale MP-2018.

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For both plans, the actuarial assumptions were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018.

The following changes in key actuarial assumptions occurred in 2023:

HIS: The municipal bond index rate and the discount rate used to determine the total pension liability increased from 3.54% to 3.65%.

The long-term expected investment rate of return was not based on historical returns, but instead was based on a forward-looking capital market economic model. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions, and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption of 2.40%.

For the FRS Pension Plan, the table below summarizes the consulting actuary's assumptions based on the long-term target asset allocation.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Annual Arithmetic Return	Compound Annual (Geometric) Return
Cash	1.0%	2.9%	2.9%
Fixed income	19.8%	4.5%	4.4%
Global equity	54.0%	8.7%	7.1%
Real estate	10.3%	7.6%	6.6%
Private equity	11.1%	11.9%	8.8%
Strategic investments	3.8%	6.3%	6.1%
Total	100%		

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for the FRS Pension Plan was 6.70%. FRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Because the HIS Program is essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, a municipal bond rate of 3.65% was used to determine the total pension liability for the program. The Bond Buyer General Obligation Bond 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index was used as the applicable municipal bond index.

Sensitivity Analysis

The following tables demonstrate the sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The sensitivity analysis shows the impact to the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability if the discount rate was 1.00% higher or 1.00% lower than the current discount rate.

	FRS			HIS		
	1% Decrease (5.70%)	Current Discount Rate (6.70%)	1% Increase (7.70%)	1% Decrease (2.65%)	Current Discount Rate (3.65%)	1% Increase (4.65%)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 125,099,667	\$ 73,234,634	\$ 29,843,328	\$ 21,431,846	\$ 18,785,958	\$ 16,592,694

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Pension Plans' Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plans' fiduciary net position is available in the Plan's separately issued financial reports.

Defined Contribution Plan

Pursuant to Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, the Florida Legislature created the Florida Retirement Investment Plan ("FRS Investment Plan"), a defined contribution pension plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The FRS Investment Plan is an alternative available to members of the Florida Retirement System in lieu of the defined benefit plan. There is a uniform contribution rate covering both the defined benefit and defined contribution plans, depending on membership class. Required employer contributions made to the plan during the year ended September 30, 2023, totaled \$1,827,204.

12. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN (OPEB)

The County provides certain health care benefits for retired employees and their dependents. Substantially all of the County's employees may become eligible for those benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the County.

Plan Description

The plan is a single-employer defined benefit plan that is funded on a pay as you go basis. Any employee of Sumter County who participates in and satisfies the vesting, disability, early or normal retirement provisions of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) may be eligible for certain Other Postemployment Benefits. The postemployment benefits include access to purchase coverage for retirees and dependents in the medical/prescription, dental and life insurance plans sponsored by the County. Eligible retirees may choose among the same medical plan options available for active employees of the County. Dependents of retirees may be covered at the retirees' option in the same way as dependents of active employees. Prescription drug coverage is automatically extended to retirees and their dependents who continue coverage under any one of the medical plan options. Covered retirees and their dependents are subject to all the same medical and prescription benefits and rules for coverage as active employees. Retirees and their dependents who are Medicare eligible are required to enroll for Parts A and B under Medicare.

Retiring employees who have enrolled in the retiree health insurance plan will also participate in the County sponsored group life policy. The cost of insurance to the retiree is \$3.50 per month for a \$25,000 policy. The amount of benefit is reduced to \$12,500 when the retiree reaches age 80 and the premium is reduced to \$1.75 per month.

As of October 1, 2022, the latest actuarial valuation date, plan participation consisted of 669 active participants and 76 retired participants or beneficiaries receiving benefits. There are no inactive participants that are entitled to, but not yet receiving benefits.

A separate stand-alone financial statement is not prepared for the OPEB plan.

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Funding Policy

The contribution requirements of the plan members and the County are established and may be amended by the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners. A trust has not been established. Contributions are being made based on pay-as-you-go financing requirements. The General Fund has typically been used in prior years to liquidate the OPEB liability.

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

The County's total OPEB liability of \$27,574,320 reported for September 30, 2023 was measured as of September 30, 2022 for the September 30, 2023 reporting date and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2022.

At the measurement date of September 30, 2022, for reporting at September 30, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 9,145,109	\$ 581,464
Changes of assumptions	7,170,160	16,736,100
Total	\$ 16,315,269	\$ 17,317,564

OPEB-related amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<i>Year ending September 30,</i>	
2024	\$ 22,123
2025	22,123
2026	22,123
2027	22,123
2028	22,123
Thereafter	(1,112,910)
Total	\$ (1,002,295)

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

Calculations of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit cost between the employer and plan members to that point.

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarial determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

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The total OPEB liability in the October 1, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Salary increases - 3% annually
Discount rate – 3.90% (20 year municipal AA bond rate)
Pri-2012 Mortality Fully Generational projected using Projection Scale MP-2021
5% ultimate healthcare cost trend rate in year 2023 and later

An actuarial experience study has not yet been performed for the plan.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at prior measurement date	\$ 33,041,014
Changes:	
Service cost	2,592,663
Interest	530,282
Differences between expected and actual experience	7,665,614
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(15,692,193)
Employer contributions as benefit payments	(563,060)
Net changes	<u>(5,466,694)</u>
Balance at September 30, 2022 measurement date	<u>\$ 27,574,320</u>
For the September 30, 2023 reporting date	

These changes were reported during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022 as the County is transitioning to a measurement date one year prior to the reporting date.

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the County's total OPEB liability, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percent lower or 1 percent higher than the current discount rate:

	Decrease (2.90%)	Discount Rate (3.90%)	Increase (4.90%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 33,235,862	\$ 27,574,320	\$ 23,175,593

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate

The following presents the County's total OPEB liability, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1 percent lower or 1 percent higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	1% Decrease (4.00%)	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates (5.00%)	1% Increase (6.00%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 22,535,984	\$ 27,574,320	\$ 34,378,428

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13. RISK MANAGEMENT

Public Entity Risk Pool

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to general liability, auto liability, collision and worker's compensation. To manage these risks, the County joined the Florida Association of Counties Trust and Preferred Governmental Insurance Trust (the "Trusts"), public entity risk pools currently operating as common risk management and insurance programs for several members. Premiums paid to the Trusts are designed to fund the risks assumed by the Trusts and are based on certain actual exposures of each member.

The Sheriff participates in the Florida Sheriffs' self-insurance fund for risk related to professional police and automobile liability. The Sheriff had no settlements that exceeded coverage in the 2022 fiscal year.

Commercial Insurance

The County carries commercial insurance for certain risks associated with property, inland marine and crime. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Self-Insurance

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to employee health, dental and short-term disability claims for which it is self-insured. An excess coverage insurance policy covers individual claims in excess of \$150,000 with a self-funded liability of \$136,000 with an unlimited lifetime maximum. There is an aggregate maximum reimbursement per policy period of \$1,000,000. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage maximum in any of the past three fiscal years.

Liabilities are reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicated that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated, including an estimate for those incurred but not reported (IBNRs). This estimate is based on historical experience and current trends, and is reported at current dollar value. An Internal Service Fund (Group Insurance Fund) is used to account for the County's retained risk management activities. Changes in the Fund's claims liability were as follows:

	Beginning of Year			End of Year	
	Liability	Claims Incurred	Claims Paid	Liability	
9/30/2023	\$ 1,842,792	\$ 10,870,063	\$ 10,433,086	\$ 2,279,769	
9/30/2022	\$ 2,024,441	\$ 9,283,946	\$ 9,465,595	\$ 1,842,792	

14. CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATIONS

The Industrial Development Authority (IDA), a component unit of the County in the past, has issued bonds to provide financial assistance to private-sector entities for the acquisition and construction of facilities deemed to be in the public interest.

The bonds are secured by the property financed and are payable solely from payments received on the underlying mortgage loans. Upon repayment of the bonds, ownership of the acquired facilities transfers to the private-sector entity served by the bond issuance. The County is not obligated in any manner for repayments of the bonds. Accordingly, the bonds are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. Ten conduit debt issues were approved by the IDA which had original maturities between fiscal years 2024 and 2035. As of September 30, 2023, the aggregate principal amount outstanding is not reasonably determinable.

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15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The County is involved in lawsuits in the normal course of operations. It is the opinion of management and the County's attorneys that any unrecorded, uninsured claims resulting from such litigation would not be material in relation to the County's financial condition.

16. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, March 28, 2024 and determined that other than the item detailed below, there were no other events that occurred that required disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these consolidated financial statements.

On January 26, 2024, the County issued a \$40.1 million non-ad valorem revenue note payable, with a first maturity date in June 2024 and final maturity in June 2043, with proceeds intended for use in a series of major capital improvements.

17. RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2019, the GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The primary objectives of this statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This Statement achieves those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. The objectives of this Statement are to address financial reporting issues that result from the replacement of an Interbank Offered Rate (IBOR) by providing exceptions for certain hedging derivative instruments to the hedge accounting termination provisions when an IBOR is replaced as the reference rate of the hedging derivative instrument's variable payment and clarification of the hedge accounting termination provisions when a hedged item is amended to replace the reference rate; replacing LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate for the evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap with a Secured Overnight Financing Rate or the Effective Federal Funds Rate; and providing exceptions to the lease modifications guidance in Statement 87 for lease contracts that are amended solely to replace an IBOR used to determine variable payments. As of July 1, 2023, derivative instruments that hedge the interest rate risk of taxable debt and use an IBOR as a reference rate are no longer eligible for hedge accounting. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use

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subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Assets and liabilities resulting from SBITAs should be recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances that existed at the beginning of the fiscal year in which this Statement is implemented. Governments are permitted, but are not required, to include in the measurement of the subscription asset capitalizable outlays associated with the initial implementation stage and the operation and additional implementation stage incurred prior to the implementation of this Statement. Additional information about the changes to the financial statements related to the implementation of this Statement can be found in Notes 8 and 9.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements, Not Yet Effective

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued statements that will become effective in future years. These statements are as follows:

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting requirements for (a) accounting changes and (b) the correction of an error in previously issued financial statements (error correction). This Statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, and changes to or within the financial reporting entity and describes the transactions or other events that constitute those changes. This Statement prescribes the accounting and financial reporting for (1) each type of accounting change and (2) error corrections. This Statement requires that (a) changes in accounting principles and error corrections be reported retroactively by restating prior periods, (b) changes to or within the financial reporting entity be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period, and (c) changes in accounting estimates be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the current period. This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated. Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is affected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). The requirements of this Statement are effective for accounting changes and error corrections made in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

Sumter County is currently evaluating the effects that these statements will have on its subsequent financial statements.

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18. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

In fiscal year 2023, the County implemented GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. The County performed a comprehensive review of its subscription arrangements and similar contracts and applied the criteria within the guidance. As a result beginning net position was not affected.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
General Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
REVENUES				Positive
				(Negative)
Taxes	\$ 113,018,371	\$ 118,218,371	\$ 119,337,550	\$ 1,119,179
Permits, fees and special assessments	9,278,565	9,278,565	9,504,161	225,596
Intergovernmental	1,251,701	1,470,217	5,228,015	3,757,798
Charges for services	5,198,525	5,198,525	6,866,093	1,667,568
Fines and forfeitures	21,540	21,540	212,772	191,232
Miscellaneous	160,560	1,056,016	5,831,802	4,775,786
TOTAL REVENUES	128,929,262	135,243,234	146,980,393	11,737,159
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	25,795,149	27,138,031	21,539,719	5,598,312
Public safety	92,624,539	98,349,459	89,309,147	9,040,312
Physical environment	10,347,306	11,525,112	6,129,584	5,395,528
Transportation	8,664,266	8,628,075	7,464,453	1,163,622
Economic environment	3,781,429	2,816,660	2,126,985	689,675
Human services	7,433,800	7,327,717	5,906,828	1,420,889
Culture and recreation	4,099,479	4,110,790	3,974,232	136,558
Court related	2,417,412	2,488,599	2,233,354	255,245
Capital outlay	5,256,959	7,452,370	7,015,138	437,232
Debt service:				
Principal retirement - leases	236,605	236,605	236,605	-
Interest and fiscal charges	13,514	13,514	13,514	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	160,670,458	170,086,932	145,949,559	24,137,373
EXCESS OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(31,741,196)	(34,843,698)	1,030,834	35,874,532
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	5,157,870	7,831,574	10,429,185	2,597,611
Transfers out	(8,111,306)	(8,329,042)	(8,995,077)	(666,035)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(2,953,436)	(497,468)	1,434,108	1,931,576
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(34,694,632)	(35,341,166)	2,464,942	37,806,108
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	51,564,144	39,965,651	53,302,926	13,337,275
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 16,869,512	\$ 4,624,485	\$ 55,767,868	\$ 51,143,383

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
County Transportation Trust Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 6,713,863	\$ 6,713,863	\$ 6,205,203	\$ (508,660)
Intergovernmental	1,277,319	1,277,319	1,314,664	37,345
Miscellaneous	-	-	139,042	139,042
TOTAL REVENUES	7,991,182	7,991,182	7,658,909	(332,273)
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 -	 -	 -	 -
 EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 7,991,182	 7,991,182	 7,658,909	 (332,273)
 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	(7,991,182)	(8,103,979)	(7,639,925)	464,054
 NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	 -	 (112,797)	 18,984	 131,781
 FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	 -	 112,797	 112,347	 (450)
 FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	 \$ -	 \$ -	 \$ 131,331	 \$ 131,331

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Secondary Trust Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 4,911,452	\$ 5,042,517	\$ 1,662,225	\$ (3,380,292)
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,335,638	1,335,638
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>4,911,452</u>	<u>5,042,517</u>	<u>2,997,863</u>	<u>(2,044,654)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Transportation	25,075,045	23,536,313	-	23,536,313
Capital outlay	9,623,457	13,795,142	10,073,252	3,721,890
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>34,698,502</u>	<u>37,331,455</u>	<u>10,073,252</u>	<u>27,258,203</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(29,787,050)</u>	<u>(32,288,938)</u>	<u>(7,075,389)</u>	<u>25,213,549</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	7,521,439	7,634,237	7,290,590	(343,647)
Transfers out	(1,878,971)	(1,878,971)	(1,397,339)	481,632
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>5,642,468</u>	<u>5,755,266</u>	<u>5,893,251</u>	<u>137,985</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(24,144,582)	(26,533,672)	(1,182,138)	25,351,534
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>24,144,582</u>	<u>26,533,672</u>	<u>26,533,672</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 25,351,534</u>	<u>\$ 25,351,534</u>

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Road Impact Fee Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ 4,600,000	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 5,969,049	\$ 1,969,049
Miscellaneous	-	-	763,495	763,495
TOTAL REVENUES	4,600,000	4,000,000	6,732,544	2,732,544
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	4,502,310	9,430,232	9,088,932	341,300
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	97,690	(5,430,232)	(2,356,388)	3,073,844
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	5,430,232	19,143,243	13,713,011
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 97,690	\$ -	\$ 16,786,855	\$ 16,786,855

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - FRS and HIS
For the Years Ended September 30, 2015 through September 30, 2023

(continued)

Florida Retirement System (FRS)	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.1838%	0.1585%	0.1500%	0.1680%	0.1717%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 73,234,634	\$ 58,989,468	\$ 11,327,784	\$ 72,825,325	\$ 59,134,466
Employer's covered payroll ⁽²⁾	\$ 37,869,190	\$ 34,125,612	\$ 30,998,472	\$ 35,014,038	\$ 34,058,660
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	193.39%	172.86%	36.54%	207.99%	173.63%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	82.38%	82.89%	96.40%	78.85%	82.61%
Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS)	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.1183%	0.1048%	0.0990%	0.1004%	0.1018%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 18,785,958	\$ 11,104,308	\$ 12,146,676	\$ 12,261,036	\$ 11,388,114
Employer's covered payroll ⁽²⁾	\$ 37,869,190	\$ 34,125,612	\$ 30,998,472	\$ 35,014,038	\$ 34,058,660
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	49.61%	32.54%	39.18%	35.02%	33.44%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	4.12%	4.81%	3.56%	3.00%	2.63%

Notes to schedules:

⁽¹⁾ The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date, which was June 30th of each fiscal year.

⁽²⁾ Covered payroll shown includes the payroll for defined benefit plan actives and members in DROP.

⁽³⁾ GASB Statement No. 68 was implemented in 2015. Until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County is presenting information only for those years for which it is available.

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - FRS and HIS
For the Years Ended September 30, 2015 through September 30, 2023

	(concluded)			
<i>Florida Retirement System (FRS)</i>	2018	2017	2016	2015 ⁽³⁾
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.1684%	0.1601%	0.1543%	0.1368%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 50,709,815	\$ 47,355,349	\$ 38,955,000	\$ 17,666,438
Employer's covered payroll ⁽²⁾	\$ 33,035,088	\$ 30,323,520	\$ 27,322,825	\$ 28,234,687
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	153.50%	156.17%	142.57%	62.57%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	84.26%	83.89%	84.88%	92.00%
<i>Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS)</i>	2018	2017	2016	2015
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.1011%	0.0953%	0.0933%	0.0907%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 10,705,260	\$ 10,186,887	\$ 10,871,191	\$ 9,250,206
Employer's covered payroll ⁽²⁾	\$ 33,035,088	\$ 30,323,520	\$ 27,322,825	\$ 28,234,687
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	32.41%	33.59%	39.79%	32.76%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	2.15%	1.64%	0.97%	0.50%

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of County's Contributions - FRS and HIS
For the Years Ended September 30, 2015 through September 30, 2023

(continued)

<i>Florida Retirement System (FRS)</i>	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Contractually required contribution	\$ 9,210,891	\$ 7,093,583	\$ 5,029,214	\$ 5,582,789	\$ 4,742,551
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	9,210,891	7,093,583	5,029,214	5,582,789	4,742,551
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Employer's covered payroll ⁽¹⁾	\$ 38,081,519	\$ 35,908,530	\$ 31,989,206	\$ 34,955,224	\$ 34,621,940
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	24.19%	19.75%	15.72%	15.97%	13.70%

<i>Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS)</i>	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Contractually required contribution	\$ 821,682	\$ 654,071	\$ 587,210	\$ 578,670	\$ 574,724
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	821,682	654,071	587,210	578,670	574,724
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Employer's covered payroll ⁽¹⁾	\$ 38,081,519	\$ 35,908,530	\$ 31,989,206	\$ 34,955,224	\$ 34,621,940
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	2.16%	1.82%	1.84%	1.66%	1.66%

Notes to schedules:

⁽¹⁾ Covered payroll includes defined benefit actives and members in DROP.

⁽²⁾ GASB Statement No. 68 was implemented in 2015. Until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information for those years for which it is available will be presented.

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - FRS and HIS
For the Years Ended September 30, 2015 through September 30, 2023

	(concluded)			
<i>Florida Retirement System (FRS)</i>	2018	2017	2016	2015 ⁽²⁾
Contractually required contribution	\$ 4,132,593	\$ 4,167,695	\$ 4,079,811	\$ 3,440,834
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	4,132,593	4,167,695	4,079,811	3,440,834
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Employer's covered payroll ⁽¹⁾	\$ 32,858,562	\$ 31,267,720	\$ 27,072,582	\$ 28,691,349
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	12.58%	13.33%	15.07%	11.99%
<i>Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS)</i>	2018	2017	2016	2015 ⁽²⁾
Contractually required contribution	\$ 542,994	\$ 504,205	\$ 498,531	\$ 377,398
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	542,994	504,205	498,531	377,398
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Employer's covered payroll ⁽¹⁾	\$ 32,858,562	\$ 31,267,720	\$ 27,072,582	\$ 28,691,349
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.65%	1.61%	1.84%	1.32%

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
For the Years Ended September 30, 2018 through September 30, 2023

	(continued)		
Measurement Year	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2020
Changes in total OPEB liability:			
Service cost	\$ 2,592,663	\$ 2,636,461	\$ 1,276,374
Interest	530,282	513,089	635,725
Differences between expected and actual experience	7,665,614	(501)	1,794,617
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(15,692,193)	720,030	7,901,526
Benefit payments	(563,060)	(519,365)	(402,692)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(5,466,694)	3,349,714	11,205,550
Total OPEB liability, beginning of year	33,041,014	29,691,300	18,485,750
Total OPEB liability, end of year	\$ 27,574,320	\$ 33,041,014	\$ 29,691,300
 Covered-employee payroll	 \$ 38,081,519	 \$ 31,989,206	 \$ 34,955,224
 Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	 72.41%	 103.29%	 84.94%

Notes to Schedule:

For FY 2023, the County had no change in the total OPEB liability as it is transitioning to using a measurement date one year prior to the reporting date. This is a single year change.

The County implemented GASB 75 in fiscal year 2018. Until a full ten-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

The County is funding their OPEB liability on a pay-as-you-go method and there are no assets accumulated in a trust of any sort to pay the related benefits of the OPEB plan.

For September 30, 2022, the discount rate was changed from 1.50% to 3.90%.

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Changes in the County's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
For the Years Ended September 30, 2018 through September 30, 2023

	(concluded)	
	FY 2019	FY 2018
Changes in total OPEB liability:		
Service cost	\$ 1,343,663	\$ 1,448,124
Interest	587,350	532,061
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(878,251)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	-	(1,584,791)
Benefit payments	(347,879)	(337,148)
Net change in total OPEB liability	1,583,134	(820,005)
Total OPEB liability, beginning of year	16,902,616	17,722,621
Total OPEB liability, end of year	<u>\$ 18,485,750</u>	<u>\$ 16,902,616</u>
 Covered-employee payroll	 \$ 34,621,940	 \$ 32,858,562
 Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	 53.39%	 51.44%

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Description of General Fund by Category

The six categories shown below together represent the General Fund, the primary operating fund of the County.

General Fund – Board of County Commissioners – To account for revenues and expenditures of the Board of County Commissioners portion of the General Fund – which are activities that benefit all County residents. Countywide activities include Administration, Public Works, Planning, Fire Services, Community Services, and certain payments to Constitutional Officers.

General Fund - Sheriff – To account for revenues and expenditures necessary to carry out the duties and obligations of the Sheriff as specified in Section 30.15, Florida Statutes. The funds for the Sheriff's operation are received from the BOCC pursuant to Section 30.49, Florida Statutes.

General Fund – Clerk of Circuit Court – To account for revenues and expenditures of the Clerk of Circuit Court whose responsibilities include: County recorder for official records of Sumter County; accountant for the BOCC, custodian of all County funds, County auditor, and keeping BOCC records and meeting minutes as ex-officio Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners; as well as court-related activities that are not accounted for in the "Clerk of Circuit Court – Court Fund and Public Records Modernization Funds."

General Fund – Tax Collector – To account for revenues and expenditures of the Tax Collector pursuant to Section 197, Florida Statutes.

General Fund – Property Appraiser – To account for revenues and expenditures of the Property Appraiser in the performance of Constitutional responsibilities. The duties of the Property Appraiser are governed by the Florida Constitution s. 4, Art. VII, Florida Statutes, and the Rules and Regulations of the Florida Department of Revenue. These responsibilities include determining the taxable value of all real and tangible property within the County, maintaining associated financial and property records, and providing the Tax Collector with the certified value of real and tangible property and tax millage levied by the respective taxing authorities.

General Fund – Supervisor of Elections – To account for revenues and expenditures of the Supervisor of Elections in the performance of Constitutional responsibilities pursuant to Chapters 97 and 102, Florida Statutes. The funds for the Supervisor of Elections' operation are received from the BOCC pursuant to Section 129.202, Florida Statutes.

Sumter County, Florida
Combining Balance Sheet
Board and Officer General Funds
September 30, 2023

(Continued)

	BOCC General Sub-fund	Sheriff General Sub-fund	Clerk of Circuit Court General Sub-fund	Tax Collector General Sub-fund
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 3,380,261	\$ 2,711,775	\$ 356,305	\$ 241,908
Investments	82,141,133	-	-	-
Due from other funds	1,675,193	186,224	-	-
Due from other governments	2,524,200	37,685	2,603	-
Receivables	131,985	57,041	-	-
Prepays	3,172,904	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 93,025,676</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,992,725</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 358,908</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 241,908</u></u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 8,540,010	\$ 2,077,740	\$ 65,726	\$ 127,081
Due to other funds	6,954,226	907,542	280,448	114,827
Unearned revenue	21,776,062	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>37,270,298</u></u>	<u><u>2,985,282</u></u>	<u><u>346,174</u></u>	<u><u>241,908</u></u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS				
Unavailable revenue	<u><u>7,687</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	3,172,904	-	-	-
Restricted for:				
Teen Court	-	-	12,734	-
Library	115,551	-	-	-
Public Safety	-	7,443	-	-
Assigned for:				
Subsequent year's budget	29,013,504	-	-	-
Unassigned:				
General fund	<u><u>23,445,732</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u><u>55,747,691</u></u>	<u><u>7,443</u></u>	<u><u>12,734</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	<u><u>\$ 93,025,676</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,992,725</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 358,908</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 241,908</u></u>

Sumter County, Florida
Combining Balance Sheet
Board and Officer General Funds
September 30, 2023

(Concluded)

	Property Appraiser General Sub-fund	Supervisor of Elections General Sub-fund	Interfund Eliminations & Consolidations	Total General Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 150,518	\$ 233,293	\$ -	\$ 7,074,060
Investments	-	-	-	82,141,133
Due from other funds	-	-	(1,778,764)	82,653
Due from other governments	29	-	269,891	2,834,408
Receivables	-	-	-	189,026
Prepays	-	3,059	-	3,175,963
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 150,547</u>	<u>\$ 236,352</u>	<u>\$ (1,508,873)</u>	<u>\$ 95,497,243</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 57,909	\$ 35,238	\$ -	\$ 10,903,704
Due to other funds	92,638	201,114	(1,508,873)	7,041,922
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	21,776,062
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>150,547</u>	<u>236,352</u>	<u>(1,508,873)</u>	<u>39,721,688</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS				
Unavailable revenue	-	-	-	7,687
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	-	-	-	3,172,904
Restricted for:				
Teen Court	-	-	-	12,734
Library	-	-	-	115,551
Public Safety	-	-	-	7,443
Assigned for:				
Subsequent year's budget	-	-	-	29,013,504
Unassigned:				
General fund	-	-	-	23,445,732
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,767,868</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 150,547</u>	<u>\$ 236,352</u>	<u>\$ (1,508,873)</u>	<u>\$ 95,497,243</u>

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Board and Officer General Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

(Continued)

	BOCC General Sub-fund	Sheriff General Sub-fund	Clerk of Circuit Court General Sub-fund	Tax Collector General Sub-fund
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 119,337,550	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Permits, fees and special assessments	9,504,161	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	4,876,883	256,484	-	-
Charges for services	7,045,492	1,420	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	212,772	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	4,934,263	894,495	58	-
TOTAL REVENUES	145,911,121	1,152,399	58	-
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	12,354,186	-	1,860,768	2,818,802
Public safety	50,642,708	38,852,492	-	-
Physical environment	6,129,584	-	-	-
Transportation	7,464,453	-	-	-
Economic environment	2,126,985	-	-	-
Human services	5,906,828	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	3,974,232	-	-	-
Court related	713,005	1,501,235	19,114	-
Capital Outlay	3,532,319	3,482,819	-	-
Debt Service:				
Principal retirement	236,605	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	13,514	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	93,094,419	43,836,546	1,879,882	2,818,802
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	52,816,702	(42,684,147)	(1,879,824)	(2,818,802)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	11,688,498	43,488,712	2,170,683	2,933,629
Transfers out	(62,058,112)	(797,122)	(280,448)	(114,827)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(50,369,614)	42,691,590	1,890,235	2,818,802
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	2,447,088	7,443	10,411	-
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	53,300,603	-	2,323	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 55,747,691	\$ 7,443	\$ 12,734	\$ -

Sumter County, Florida
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Board and Officer General Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

(Concluded)

	Property Appraiser General Sub-fund	Supervisor of Elections General Sub-fund	Interfund Eliminations & Consolidations	Total General Fund
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 119,337,550
Permits, fees and special assessments	-	-	-	9,504,161
Intergovernmental	-	94,648	-	5,228,015
Charges for services	46,017	-	(226,836)	6,866,093
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	212,772
Miscellaneous	-	2,986	-	5,831,802
TOTAL REVENUES	46,017	97,634	(226,836)	146,980,393
EXPENDITURES				
General government	2,295,703	2,210,260	-	21,539,719
Public safety	-	-	(186,053)	89,309,147
Physical environment	-	-	-	6,129,584
Transportation	-	-	-	7,464,453
Economic environment	-	-	-	2,126,985
Human services	-	-	-	5,906,828
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	3,974,232
Court related	-	-	-	2,233,354
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	7,015,138
Debt Service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	-	236,605
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	13,514
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,295,703	2,210,260	(186,053)	145,949,559
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(2,249,686)	(2,112,626)	(40,783)	1,030,834
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	2,342,324	2,313,740	(54,508,401)	10,429,185
Transfers out	(92,638)	(201,114)	54,549,184	(8,995,077)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	2,249,686	2,112,626	40,783	1,434,108
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	-	-	2,464,942
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	-	-	53,302,926
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,767,868

Description of Non-major Governmental Funds

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed for specific purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Anti-Drug Abuse Fund – To account for programs to curb drug trafficking

911 Emergency Telephone System Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with the 911 emergency telephone system

SHIP Fund – This special revenue fund is used to account for revenues and expenditures associated with the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program. This fund receives financial assistance from the State of Florida which is restricted for use in housing assistance. The funds are advanced from the State annually with a purpose restriction and must be expended on allowable activities within three years.

County Transit Fund – To account for providing transportation services for County residents

Police Education Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with providing criminal justice education and training

Crime Prevention Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with crime prevention programs

Boating Improvement Fund – To account for boating registration fees that are used to enhance local recreational boating needs

Building Services Fund – To account for building permit revenues and expenditures related to related building permit issuance and inspections. This fund also holds escrow deposits for certain building permits.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with funding local drug and alcohol abuse treatment programs and education

Court Improvement Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with funding improvements to the County's court facilities

Court Local Requirements Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with court innovations, legal aid, law library and juvenile alternative programs

Court Technology Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with court related communications and facilities

Small Grants Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with various small grants

Sheriff's Inmate Welfare/Canteen Fund – To account for the Sheriff's canteen fund.

Sheriff's Federal Shared Fund – To account for federal shared funds. (Does not have a budget)

Sheriff's Victim's Advocacy Grant Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with the victim's advocacy grant

Clerk's Fine and Forfeiture Fund – To account for Clerk's court operating budget

Clerk's Records Modernization Fund – To account for funds used to modernize records

Clerk's Court Technology Fund – To account for Clerk's court related technology improvements

Debt Service Funds

Gas Tax Sinking Fund – To account for the principal and interest payments of the 2019 Fuel Tax Revenue Note primarily from fuel tax proceeds and earnings on temporary investments

Sinking Fund – To account for the principal and interest payments of the 2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue note, the 2015A Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue bond, the 2015B Capital Improvement Revenue bonds and the 2020 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue note primarily from half-cent sales tax proceeds and earnings on temporary investments

Intergovernmental Radio Communication Fund – To account for the principal and interest payments of the finance purchase agreement entered into with Motorola in 2022.

Capital Project Funds

Capital Outlay Fund – To account for revenues and expenditures associated with acquiring capital improvements

2019 Bond Construction Fund – This capital projects fund is used to account for the 2019 Bond proceeds which will be used to finance the planning, engineering, constructing, reconstructing and equipping of Jail Expansion and Renovation Project, the Courthouse Improvements Project, and SR 44 Fire Station and Industrial Park Entrance Project.

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	Special Revenue Funds			
	Anti- Drug Abuse Fund	911 Emergency Telephone System Fund	SHIP Fund	County Transit Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 1,905	\$ 97,861	\$ 233,652	\$ 232,550
Investments	376	187,794	2,154,090	15,272
Due from other funds	-	-	-	1,167,555
Due from other governments	-	57,740	-	60,830
Receivables	-	-	-	1,252
Prepays	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,281	\$ 343,395	\$ 7,448,668	\$ 1,477,459
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 48,780	\$ 97,715	\$ 124,536
Due to other funds	-	-	95	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	48,780	97,810	124,536
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue	-	-	5,060,926	60,830
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	-	-	-	-
Restricted for:				
Records modernization	-	-	-	-
Building Services	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	113,304	-	-
Transportation	2,089	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	2,289,932	-
Boating improvements	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
Assigned for:				
Public safety	-	181,311	-	-
Transportation	192	-	-	1,292,093
Physical environment	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	2,281	294,615	2,289,932	1,292,093
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 2,281	\$ 343,395	\$ 7,448,668	\$ 1,477,459

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	Special Revenue Funds				
	Police Education Fund	Crime Prevention Fund	Boating Improve- ment Fund	Building Services Fund	Alcohol and Drug Abuse Fund
ASSETS					
Cash and equivalents	\$ 10,213	\$ 97,298	\$ 45,025	\$ 165,150	\$ 40,074
Investments	34,341	109,727	57,801	1,616,939	91,522
Due from other funds	375	907	1,504	-	134
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-	-
Receivables	-	-	-	20,930	-
Prepays	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 44,929	\$ 207,932	\$ 104,330	\$ 1,803,019	\$ 131,730
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 938,351	\$ -
Due to other funds	-	-	-	9,121	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	947,472	-
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable revenue	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES					
Nonspendable:					
Prepays	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted for:					
Records modernization	-	-	-	-	-
Building Services	-	-	-	535,654	-
Public safety	33,166	188,126	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-	-
Boating improvements	-	-	94,268	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-	121,878
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned for:					
Public safety	11,763	19,806	-	319,893	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	10,062	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-	9,852
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	44,929	207,932	104,330	855,547	131,730
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 44,929	\$ 207,932	\$ 104,330	\$ 1,803,019	\$ 131,730

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	Special Revenue Funds			
	Court Improvement Fund	Court Local Requirements Fund	Court Technology Fund	Small Grants Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 35,991	\$ 114,972	\$ 89,134	\$ 486
Investments	1,120,555	114,530	2,399	187
Due from other funds	6,945	2,462	21,419	-
Due from other governments	-	-	-	180
Receivables	-	-	-	-
Prepays	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,163,491	\$ 231,964	\$ 112,952	\$ 853
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 24,312	\$ 11,815	\$ 26,880	\$ 325
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	24,312	11,815	26,880	325
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	-	-	-	-
Restricted for:				
Records modernization	-	-	-	-
Building Services	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-
Boating improvements	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	101
Court related	1,056,285	206,052	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
Assigned for:				
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	427
Court related	82,894	14,097	86,072	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,139,179	220,149	86,072	528
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,163,491	\$ 231,964	\$ 112,952	\$ 853

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	Special Revenue Funds			
	Sheriff's Inmate Welfare/ Canteen Fund	Sheriff's Federal Shared Fund	Sheriff's Victims Advocacy Grant Fund	Clerk's Fine and Forfeiture Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 622,393	\$ 34,308	\$ -	\$ 415,941
Investments	-	-	-	-
Due from other funds	8,680	47,781	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	23,301	44,707
Receivables	93,573	-	-	47,127
Prepays	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 724,646	\$ 82,089	\$ 23,301	\$ 507,775
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 302,293
Due to other funds	59,257	-	23,301	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	59,302	-	23,301	302,293
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	-	-	-	-
Restricted for:				
Records modernization	-	-	-	-
Building Services	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	82,089	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-
Boating improvements	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	205,482
Debt service	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
Assigned for:				
Public safety	665,344	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	665,344	82,089	-	205,482
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 724,646	\$ 82,089	\$ 23,301	\$ 507,775

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	Special Revenue Funds		Debt Service Funds	
	Clerk's Records Modernization Fund	Clerk's Court Technology Fund	Gas Tax Sinking Fund	Sinking Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 767,903	\$ 1,248,221	\$ 53,208	\$ 128,796
Investments	-	-	533,971	784,683
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	-	858,610
Receivables	6,845	19,792	-	-
Prepays	-	-	-	60,931
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 587,179	\$ 1,833,020
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-	-
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	-	-	-	60,931
Restricted for:				
Records modernization	774,748	-	-	-
Building Services	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-
Boating improvements	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	1,268,013	-	-
Debt service	-	-	587,179	1,772,089
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
Assigned for:				
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	774,748	1,268,013	587,179	1,833,020
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 587,179	\$ 1,833,020

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	Debt Service Funds	Capital Projects Funds		
	Intergovern- mental Radio Communication Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	2019 Bond Construction Fund	Total
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ -	\$ 229,240	\$ 2,547	\$ 4,666,868
Investments	-	4,120,193	8,578	10,952,958
Due from other funds	-	4,648,079	-	5,905,841
Due from other governments	-	2,014,712	-	3,060,080
Receivables	-	-	-	189,519
Prepays	-	3,050,856	-	3,111,787
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ -	\$ 14,063,080	\$ 11,125	\$ 32,947,979
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 114,205	\$ -	\$ 1,689,257
Due to other funds	-	-	-	91,774
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	114,205	-	1,781,031
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue	-	2,014,712	-	7,136,468
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable:				
Prepays	-	3,050,856	-	3,111,787
Restricted for:				
Records modernization	-	-	-	774,748
Building Services	-	-	-	535,654
Public safety	-	-	-	416,685
Transportation	-	-	-	2,089
Economic environment	-	-	-	2,289,932
Boating improvements	-	-	-	94,268
Physical environment	-	-	-	101
Court related	-	-	-	2,857,710
Debt service	-	-	-	2,359,268
Capital projects	-	-	11,125	11,125
Assigned for:				
Public safety	-	-	-	1,198,117
Transportation	-	-	-	1,292,285
Physical environment	-	-	-	10,489
Court related	-	-	-	192,915
Capital projects	-	8,883,307	-	8,883,307
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	-	11,934,163	11,125	24,030,480
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ 14,063,080	\$ 11,125	\$ 32,947,979

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	Special Revenue Funds				
	Police Education Fund	Crime Prevention Fund	Boating Improve- ment Fund	Building Services Fund	Alcohol and Drug Abuse Fund
REVENUES					
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,372	\$ 4,182,266	\$ -
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	16,775	-	-	-	6,380
Fines and forfeitures	-	46,743	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	4,565	7,560	3,816	104,612	5,269
TOTAL REVENUES	21,340	54,303	23,188	4,286,878	11,649
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	5,592,873	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-	-
Human services	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	-	5,592,873	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	21,340	54,303	23,188	(1,305,995)	11,649
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers in	-	-	-	3,281	-
Transfers out	(87,399)	-	-	-	-
Debt Proceeds	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(87,399)	-	-	3,281	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(66,059)	54,303	23,188	(1,302,714)	11,649
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	110,988	153,629	81,142	2,158,261	120,081
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 44,929	\$ 207,932	\$ 104,330	\$ 855,547	\$ 131,730

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	Special Revenue Funds			
	Court Improvement Fund	Court Local Requirements Fund	Court Technology Fund	Small Grants Fund
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	42,061
Charges for services	286,574	124,264	250,760	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	47,999	8,561	1,445	427
TOTAL REVENUES	334,573	132,825	252,205	42,488
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-
Human services	-	-	-	39,174
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	3,550
Court related	140,367	91,910	379,789	-
Capital outlay	123,538	-	57,810	-
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	263,905	91,910	437,599	42,724
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	70,668	40,915	(185,394)	(236)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	-	-	210,585	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-
Debt Proceeds	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	210,585	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	70,668	40,915	25,191	(236)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,068,511	179,234	60,881	764
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 1,139,179	\$ 220,149	\$ 86,072	\$ 528

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	Special Revenue Funds			
	Sheriff's Inmate Welfare/ Canteen Fund	Sheriff's Federal Shared Fund	Sheriff's Victims Advocacy Grant Fund	Clerk's Fine and Forfeiture Fund
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental	-	47,781	82,059	408,153
Charges for services	276,587	-	-	1,082,014
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	865,107
Miscellaneous	430,488	23	-	60
TOTAL REVENUES	707,075	47,804	82,059	2,355,334
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	-	-	-	-
Public safety	408,178	15	82,059	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-
Human services	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	-	-	2,417,063
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	408,178	15	82,059	2,417,063
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	298,897	47,789	-	(61,729)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	-	-	-	110,698
Transfers out	-	-	-	(3,000)
Debt Proceeds	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	-	107,698
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	298,897	47,789	-	45,969
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	366,447	34,300	-	159,513
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 665,344	\$ 82,089	\$ -	\$ 205,482

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	Special Revenue Funds		Debt Service Funds	
	Clerk's Records Modernization Fund	Clerk's Court Technology Fund	Gas Tax Sinking Fund	Sinking Fund
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	16,505,449
Charges for services	84,032	238,222	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	369	621	15,646	68,991
TOTAL REVENUES	84,401	238,843	15,646	16,574,440
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	25,253	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Economic environment	-	-	-	-
Human services	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-
Court related	-	184,345	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	1,363,820	4,365,953
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	398,499	1,871,517
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	25,253	184,345	1,762,319	6,237,470
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	59,148	54,498	(1,746,673)	10,336,970
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	-	-	1,746,674	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	(10,338,786)
Debt Proceeds	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	1,746,674	(10,338,786)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	59,148	54,498	1	(1,816)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	715,600	1,213,515	587,178	1,834,836
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 587,179	\$ 1,833,020

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	Debt Service Funds	Capital Projects Funds		
	Intergovern- mental Radio Communication Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	2019 Bond Construction Fund	Total
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,201,638
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	19,649,511
Charges for services	-	-	-	2,379,445
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	911,850
Miscellaneous	-	313,801	11,126	1,534,375
TOTAL REVENUES	-	313,801	11,126	28,676,819
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	-	2,085,043	-	2,110,296
Public safety	-	-	-	6,754,476
Transportation	-	-	-	1,412,200
Economic environment	-	-	-	819,468
Human services	-	17,711	-	56,885
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	3,550
Court related	-	-	-	3,213,474
Capital outlay	-	3,596,681	1,514,872	5,447,270
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	2,407,240	-	-	8,160,172
Interest and fiscal charges	127,639	-	-	2,397,655
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,534,879	5,699,435	1,514,872	30,375,446
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(2,534,879)	(5,385,634)	(1,503,746)	(1,698,627)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	2,534,879	4,648,079	-	10,741,751
Transfers out	-	-	-	(10,429,185)
Debt Proceeds	-	-	-	113,304
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	2,534,879	4,648,079	-	425,870
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(737,555)	(1,503,746)	(1,272,757)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	12,671,718	1,514,871	25,303,237
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 11,934,163	\$ 11,125	\$ 24,030,480

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Anti- Drug Abuse Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 94	\$ 94
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	-	-	94	94
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	-	(2,187)	-	2,187
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(2,187)	94	2,281
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	2,187	2,187	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,281</u>	<u>\$ 2,281</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
911 Emergency Telephone System Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 649,965	\$ 649,965	\$ 692,163	\$ 42,198
Miscellaneous	-	64,721	75,046	10,325
TOTAL REVENUES	649,965	714,686	767,209	52,523
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety	649,965	936,602	671,351	265,251
Capital outlay	-	41,065	154,369	(113,304)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	649,965	977,667	848,879	128,788
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(262,981)	31,634	294,615
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	262,981	262,981	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 294,615	\$ 294,615

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
SHIP Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 1,143,489	\$ 1,143,489	\$ -
Miscellaneous	34,250	207,866	423,786	215,920
TOTAL REVENUES	34,250	1,351,355	1,567,275	215,920
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Economic environment	532,527	2,893,480	819,468	2,074,012
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(498,277)	(1,542,125)	747,807	2,289,932
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	498,277	1,542,125	1,542,125	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,289,932	\$ 2,289,932

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
County Transit Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 622,000	\$ 622,000	\$ 728,356	\$ 106,356
Charges for services	4,800	4,800	13,837	9,037
Miscellaneous	23	23	10,070	10,047
TOTAL REVENUES	626,823	626,823	752,263	125,440
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Transportation	1,278,255	1,500,129	1,412,200	87,929
Capital outlay	27,295	27,295	-	27,295
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,305,550	1,527,424	1,412,200	115,224
EXCESS OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(678,727)	(900,601)	(659,937)	240,664
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	1,298,151	1,487,555	1,487,555	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	619,424	586,954	827,618	240,664
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	432,004	464,475	464,475	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 1,051,428	\$ 1,051,429	\$ 1,292,093	\$ 240,664

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Police Education Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 18,195	\$ 18,195	\$ 16,775	\$ (1,420)
Miscellaneous	-	-	4,565	4,565
TOTAL REVENUES	18,195	18,195	21,340	3,145
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 -	 -	 -	 -
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	18,195	18,195	21,340	3,145
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	(212,708)	(129,183)	(87,399)	41,784
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(194,513)	(110,988)	(66,059)	44,929
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	194,513	110,988	110,988	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 44,929	\$ 44,929

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Crime Prevention Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Fines and forfeitures	\$ 39,414	\$ 39,414	\$ 46,743	\$ 7,329
Miscellaneous	-	-	7,560	7,560
TOTAL REVENUES	39,414	39,414	54,303	14,889
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 -	 -	 -	 -
 EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 39,414	 39,414	 54,303	 14,889
 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	(172,918)	(193,043)	-	193,043
 NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	 (133,504)	 (153,629)	 54,303	 207,932
 FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	 133,504	 153,629	 153,629	 -
 FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	 \$ -	 \$ -	 \$ 207,932	 \$ 207,932

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Boating Improvement Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Amounts	
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ 21,086	\$ 21,086	\$ 19,372	\$ (1,714)
Miscellaneous	-	-	3,816	3,816
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>21,086</u>	<u>21,086</u>	<u>23,188</u>	<u>2,102</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Culture and recreation	40,086	42,228	-	42,228
Capital outlay	60,000	60,000	-	60,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>100,086</u>	<u>102,228</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>102,228</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(79,000)	(81,142)	23,188	104,330
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>79,000</u>	<u>81,142</u>	<u>81,142</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 104,330</u>	<u>\$ 104,330</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Building Services Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
REVENUES				
Permits, fees and special assessments	\$ 4,427,790	\$ 4,427,790	\$ 4,182,266	\$ (245,524)
Charges for services	22,000	22,000	-	(22,000)
Miscellaneous	800	800	104,612	103,812
TOTAL REVENUES	4,450,590	4,450,590	4,286,878	(163,712)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety	4,507,429	5,933,863	5,592,873	340,990
EXCESS OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(56,839)	(1,483,273)	(1,305,995)	177,278
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	1,000	1,000	3,281	2,281
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(55,839)	(1,482,273)	(1,302,714)	179,559
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,679,206	2,158,261	2,158,261	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 2,623,367	\$ 675,988	\$ 855,547	\$ 179,559

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Alcohol and Drug Abuse Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 6,380	\$ 2,380
Miscellaneous	-	-	5,269	5,269
TOTAL REVENUES	4,000	4,000	11,649	7,649
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Court related	122,289	124,081	-	124,081
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(118,289)	(120,081)	11,649	131,730
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	118,289	120,081	120,081	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131,730	\$ 131,730

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Court Improvement Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 280,000	\$ 280,000	\$ 286,574	\$ 6,574
Miscellaneous	-	-	47,999	47,999
TOTAL REVENUES	280,000	280,000	334,573	54,573
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Court related	241,946	241,946	140,367	101,579
Capital outlay	476,054	476,054	123,538	352,516
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	718,000	718,000	263,905	454,095
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(438,000)	(438,000)	70,668	508,668
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	438,000	1,068,511	1,068,511	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ 630,511	\$ 1,139,179	\$ 508,668

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Court Local Requirements Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 76,000	\$ 76,000	\$ 124,264	\$ 48,264
Miscellaneous	-	-	8,561	8,561
TOTAL REVENUES	76,000	76,000	132,825	56,825
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Court related	76,000	255,234	91,910	163,324
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(179,234)	40,915	220,149
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	179,234	179,234	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 220,149	\$ 220,149

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Court Technology Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 297,840	\$ 297,840	\$ 250,760	\$ (47,080)
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,445	1,445
TOTAL REVENUES	297,840	297,840	252,205	(45,635)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Court related	442,330	497,236	379,789	117,447
Capital outlay	66,095	72,070	57,810	14,260
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	508,425	569,306	437,599	131,707
EXCESS OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(210,585)	(271,466)	(185,394)	86,072
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	210,585	210,585	210,585	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(60,881)	25,191	86,072
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	60,881	60,881	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86,072	\$ 86,072

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Small Grants Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 36,276	\$ 36,992	\$ 42,061	\$ 5,069
Miscellaneous	-	-	427	427
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>36,276</u>	<u>36,992</u>	<u>42,488</u>	<u>5,496</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Human services	34,403	34,403	39,174	(4,771)
Culture and recreation	1,873	3,353	3,550	(197)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>36,276</u>	<u>37,756</u>	<u>42,724</u>	<u>(4,968)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(764)	(236)	528
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>-</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 528</u>	<u>\$ 528</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Sheriff's Inmate Welfare/ Canteen Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 276,587	\$ 51,587
Miscellaneous	348,000	348,000	430,488	82,488
TOTAL REVENUES	573,000	573,000	707,075	134,075
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety	573,000	573,000	408,178	164,822
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	-	298,897	298,897
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	-	366,447	366,447
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 665,344	\$ 665,344

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Sheriff's Victims Advocacy Grant Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 118,177	\$ 118,177	\$ 82,059	\$ (36,118)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety	118,177	118,177	82,059	36,118
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Clerk's Fine and Forfeiture Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 269,541	\$ 269,541	\$ 408,153	\$ 138,612
Charges for services	2,080,000	2,080,000	1,082,014	(997,986)
Fines and forfeitures	155,000	155,000	865,107	710,107
Miscellaneous	76	76	60	(16)
TOTAL REVENUES	2,504,617	2,504,617	2,355,334	(149,283)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Court related	2,615,315	2,615,315	2,417,063	198,252
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(110,698)	(110,698)	(61,729)	48,969
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	110,698	110,698	110,698	-
Transfers out	-	(3,000)	(3,000)	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	110,698	107,698	107,698	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(3,000)	45,969	48,969
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	3,000	159,513	156,513
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205,482	\$ 205,482

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Clerk's Records Modernization Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Amounts	
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 84,032	\$ (35,968)
Miscellaneous	350	350	369	19
TOTAL REVENUES	120,350	120,350	84,401	(35,949)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	290,000	290,000	25,253	264,747
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(169,650)	(169,650)	59,148	228,798
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	715,600	715,600	715,600	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 545,950</u>	<u>\$ 545,950</u>	<u>\$ 774,748</u>	<u>\$ 228,798</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Clerk's Court Technology Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 238,222	\$ (111,778)
Miscellaneous	700	700	621	(79)
TOTAL REVENUES	350,700	350,700	238,843	(111,857)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Court related	730,000	730,000	184,345	545,655
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(379,300)	(379,300)	54,498	433,798
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,213,515	1,213,515	1,213,515	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 834,215	\$ 834,215	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 433,798

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Gas Tax Sinking Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,646	\$ 15,646
EXPENDITURES				
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	1,363,821	1,363,820	1,363,820	-
Interest and fiscal charges	397,714	398,715	398,499	216
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,761,535	1,762,535	1,762,319	216
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(1,761,535)	(1,762,535)	(1,746,673)	15,862
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	2,348,714	2,349,714	1,746,674	(603,040)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	587,179	587,179	1	(587,178)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	-	587,178	587,178
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ 587,179	\$ 587,179	\$ 587,179	\$ -

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Sinking Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Amounts	
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ 13,226,578	\$ 15,726,577	\$ 16,505,449	\$ 778,872
Miscellaneous	-	-	68,991	68,991
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>13,226,578</u>	<u>15,726,577</u>	<u>16,574,440</u>	<u>847,863</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	4,365,953	4,365,953	4,365,953	-
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>1,869,733</u>	<u>1,871,733</u>	<u>1,871,517</u>	<u>216</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>6,235,686</u>	<u>6,237,686</u>	<u>6,237,470</u>	<u>216</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	6,990,892	9,488,891	10,336,970	848,079
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	<u>(5,157,872)</u>	<u>(7,655,871)</u>	<u>(10,338,786)</u>	<u>(2,682,915)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	1,833,020	1,833,020	(1,816)	(1,834,836)
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,834,836</u>	<u>1,834,836</u>
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 1,833,020</u>	<u>\$ 1,833,020</u>	<u>\$ 1,833,020</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes.
The fund is the legal level of control. Budgets are prepared and adopted on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Intergovernmental Radio Communication Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENDITURES				
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	2,534,879	2,407,240	2,407,240	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	127,639	127,639	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,534,879	2,534,879	2,534,879	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(2,534,879)	(2,534,879)	(2,534,879)	-
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	2,534,879	2,534,879	2,534,879	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
Capital Outlay Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 2,686,284	\$ -	\$ (2,686,284)
Miscellaneous	-	-	313,801	313,801
TOTAL REVENUES	-	2,686,284	313,801	(2,372,483)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	9,404,384	12,259,926	2,085,043	10,174,883
Human services	-	17,711	17,711	-
Capital outlay	3,700,000	7,064,689	3,596,681	3,468,008
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	13,104,384	19,342,326	5,699,435	13,642,891
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(13,104,384)	(16,656,042)	(5,385,634)	11,270,408
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	3,984,324	3,984,324	4,648,079	663,755
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(9,120,060)	(12,671,718)	(737,555)	11,934,163
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	9,120,060	12,671,718	12,671,718	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,934,163	\$ 11,934,163

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes.

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
2019 Bond Construction Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Permits, fees and special assessments	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 11,126	\$ 11,125
TOTAL REVENUES	-	1	11,126	11,125
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	1,514,872	1,514,872	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	-	(1,514,871)	(1,503,746)	11,125
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	1,514,871	1,514,871	-
FUND BALANCES – END OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,125	\$ 11,125

Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

The preparation, adoption, and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes.

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Description of Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary Funds

Sheriff – Trust Fund: To account for funds collected and held until ordered to release.

Sheriff – Inmate Fund: To accounts for funds collected and held on for inmates to use in the Canteen or to make phone calls.

Sheriff – Unclaimed Evidence Fund: To account for funds collected during arrests and held as evidence until released by a court order.

Sheriff – Civil Fund: To account for funds collected through fine and fees to be passed through to the County.

Clerk – Trust Fund: To account for funds collected related to taxes and fees to be passed through to other governments and other agencies.

Clerk – Court Registry Fund: To accounts for funds collected and held in relation to ongoing court cases. The funds are only able to be released through a court order.

Tax Collector – Trust Fund: To account for taxes and fees collected to be passed through to other governments and other agencies.

Sumter County, Florida
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Custodial Funds
September 30, 2023

	Sheriff - Trust Fund	Sheriff - Inmate Fund	Sheriff - Unclaimed Evidence Fund	Sheriff - Civil Fund
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Assets				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 17,329	\$ 44,169	\$ 262,095	\$ 1,075
Receivables	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,178</u>	<u>-</u>
Total assets	<u>17,329</u>	<u>44,169</u>	<u>275,273</u>	<u>1,075</u>
Liabilities				
Due to other governments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,075</u>
Fiduciary net position				
Restricted for individuals	<u>\$ 17,329</u>	<u>\$ 44,169</u>	<u>\$ 275,273</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Custodial Funds
September 30, 2023

	Clerk - Trust Fund	Clerk - Court Registry Fund	Tax Collector - Trust Fund	Total Custodial Funds
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Assets				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 2,697,275	\$ 559,973	\$ 3,746,628	\$ 7,328,544
Receivables	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>704</u>	<u>13,882</u>
Total assets	<u>2,697,275</u>	<u>559,973</u>	<u>3,747,332</u>	<u>7,342,426</u>
Liabilities				
Due to other governments	<u>905,273</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,747,332</u>	<u>4,653,680</u>
Fiduciary net position				
Restricted for individuals	<u>\$ 1,792,002</u>	<u>\$ 559,973</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,688,746</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
Custodial Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Sheriff - Trust Fund	Sheriff - Inmate Fund	Sheriff - Unclaimed Evidence Fund	Sheriff - Civil Fund
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Additions				
Trust deposits	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Inmate deposits	-	2,048,674	-	-
Unclaimed evidence deposits	-	-	23,519	-
Civil deposits	-	-	-	55,631
Doc and intangible taxes collected	-	-	-	-
Collections on behalf of other governments	-	-	-	-
Recording fees collected	-	-	-	-
Bonds and associated fees collected	-	-	-	-
Tax deed and associated fees collected	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous fees collected	-	-	-	-
Registry additions	-	-	-	-
Taxes collected for other governments	-	-	-	-
Fees collected for other agencies	-	-	-	-
Total additions	<u>25,000</u>	<u>2,048,674</u>	<u>23,519</u>	<u>55,631</u>
Deductions				
Trust deductions	8,278	-	-	-
Inmate deductions	-	2,043,684	-	-
Unclaimed evidence deductions	-	-	3,161	-
Civil deductions	-	-	-	55,631
Documentary and intangible taxes disbursed	-	-	-	-
Disbursements on behalf of other governments	-	-	-	-
Recording fees disbursed	-	-	-	-
Bonds and associated fees disbursed	-	-	-	-
Tax deed and associated fees disbursed	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous fees disbursed	-	-	-	-
Registry disbursed	-	-	-	-
Taxes distributed to other governments	-	-	-	-
Fees distributed to other agencies	-	-	-	-
Total deductions	<u>8,278</u>	<u>2,043,684</u>	<u>3,161</u>	<u>55,631</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in fiduciary net position	16,722	4,990	20,358	-
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	<u>607</u>	<u>39,179</u>	<u>254,915</u>	<u>-</u>
Fiduciary net position, end of year	<u>\$ 17,329</u>	<u>\$ 44,169</u>	<u>\$ 275,273</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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Sumter County, Florida
Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
Custodial Funds
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Clerk - Trust Fund	Clerk - Court Registry Fund	Tax Collector - Trust Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Additions				
Trust deposits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000
Inmate deposits	-	-	-	2,048,674
Unclaimed evidence deposits	-	-	-	23,519
Civil deposits	-	-	-	55,631
Doc and intangible taxes collected	29,954,615	-	-	29,954,615
Collections on behalf of other governments	3,438,898	-	-	3,438,898
Recording fees collected	1,274,744	-	-	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees collected	890,114	-	-	890,114
Tax deed and associated fees collected	586,161	-	-	586,161
Miscellaneous fees collected	103,723	-	-	103,723
Registry additions	-	2,812,360	-	2,812,360
Taxes collected for other governments	-	-	285,428,503	285,428,503
Fees collected for other agencies	-	-	108,805,350	108,805,350
Total additions	36,248,255	2,812,360	394,233,853	435,447,292
Deductions				
Trust deductions	-	-	-	8,278
Inmate deductions	-	-	-	2,043,684
Unclaimed evidence deductions	-	-	-	3,161
Civil deductions	-	-	-	55,631
Documentary and intangible taxes disbursed	29,954,615	-	-	29,954,615
Disbursements on behalf of other governments	3,438,898	-	-	3,438,898
Recording fees disbursed	1,274,744	-	-	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees disbursed	776,084	-	-	776,084
Tax deed and associated fees disbursed	315,347	-	-	315,347
Miscellaneous fees disbursed	110,280	-	-	110,280
Registry disbursed	-	3,181,205	-	3,181,205
Taxes distributed to other governments	-	-	285,428,503	285,428,503
Fees distributed to other agencies	-	-	108,805,350	108,805,350
Total deductions	35,869,968	3,181,205	394,233,853	435,395,780
Net increase/(decrease) in fiduciary net position	378,287	(368,845)	-	51,512
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	1,413,715	928,818	-	2,637,234
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 1,792,002	\$ 559,973	\$ -	\$ 2,688,746

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Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the year ended September 30, 2023

Federal Awards	Assistance Listing Number (ALN)	Contract/ Grant Number	Expenditures	Transfers to Sub- recipients
Department of Justice				
Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Assistance Program	16.015	2020-J1-BX-0022	\$ 37,685	\$ -
Passed Through the Florida Attorney General:				
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	VOCA-2022-765	82,059	-
State Criminal Alien Assistance Program	16.606	15PBJA-20-RR-00473-SCAA	11,613	-
State Criminal Alien Assistance Program	16.606	15PBJA-21-RR-05059-SCAA	<u>7,518</u>	-
Total State Criminal Alien Assistance Program			<u>19,131</u>	
Department of Transportation				
Passed Through Florida Department of Transportation:				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	G2F12	195,002	-
Formula Grants for Rural Areas (Section 5311)	20.509	G1082	57,815	-
COVID 19 - Formula Grants for Rural Areas (Section 5311)	20.509	G1F48	<u>176,237</u>	-
Total Formula Grants for Rural Areas (Section 5311)			<u>234,052</u>	
Department of the Treasury				
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	-	3,514,251	-
Passed Through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity:				
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	G0079	<u>3,397,359</u>	-
Total COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds			<u>6,911,610</u>	
U.S. Election Assistance Commission				
Passed Through Florida Department of State, Division of Elections:				
HAVA Election Security Grants	90.404	MOA#2022-001-SUM	94,648	-
Department of Health and Human Services				
Passed Through Florida Department of Revenue:				
Child Support Services	93.563	COC60	238,950	-
Department of Homeland Security				
Passed Through Department of Economic Opportunity:				
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially				
Declared Disasters)	97.036	Z2898	73,965	-
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially				
Declared Disasters)	97.036	Z3317	<u>166,681</u>	-
Total Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)			<u>240,646</u>	
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	G0299	10,241	-
Total expenditures of federal awards			\$ 8,064,024	\$ -

See accompanying notes to the Schedule.

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the year ended September 30, 2023

State Financial Assistance	State CSFA Number	Contract/ Grant Number	Expenditures	Transfers to Sub- recipients
Executive Office of the Governor				
Emergency Management Programs	31.063	A0302	\$ 87,136	\$ -
Florida Housing Finance Corporation				
State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP)	40.901	--	819,468	-
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services				
Mosquito Control	42.003	29489	38,893	-
Department of State, Secretary of State				
State Aid to Libraries	45.030	23-ST-78	46,435	-
Department of Transportation				
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) Trip and Equipment Grant Program	55.001	432027-1-84-01; G2K84	91,282	-
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) Trip and Equipment Grant Program	55.001	432027-1-84-01; G2A46	323,082	-
Total Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) Trip and Equipment Grant Program			414,364	
Department of Health				
EMS County Grant Awards	64.005	C1060	14,792	-
Department of Law Enforcement				
Drone Replacement Program	71.092	--	131,400	-
Department of Management Services				
Prepaid Next Generation 911 (NG911) State Grant Program	72.002	S22-23-01-51	2,014,712	-
Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles				
Florida Arts License Plate Project	76.041	-	3,225	-
Total expenditures of state financial assistance			\$ 3,570,425	\$ -

See accompanying notes to the Schedule.

Sumter County, Florida
Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the year ended September 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant and state award activity of the County under programs of the federal and state government. The information in this Schedule is presented 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) and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*. Because this schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 3 – INDIRECT COST RATE

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

NOTE 4 – LOAN OR LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAMS

The County does not participate in any loan or loan guarantee programs.

NOTE 5 – FEDERALLY FUNDED INSURANCE

The County does not receive any federally funded insurance.

NOTE 6 – NONCASH ASSISTANCE

The County did not receive any noncash assistance.

COMPLIANCE SECTION



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable County Commissioners
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Sumter County, Florida (the "County") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; 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); and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and State Project and Report on Internal Control over Compliance; Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs; and Independent Accountant's Reports on examinations conducted in accordance with AICPA *Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*. Disclosures in those reports and schedules, which are dated March 28, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1, Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations reported in the preceding financial audit report.

Financial Condition and Management

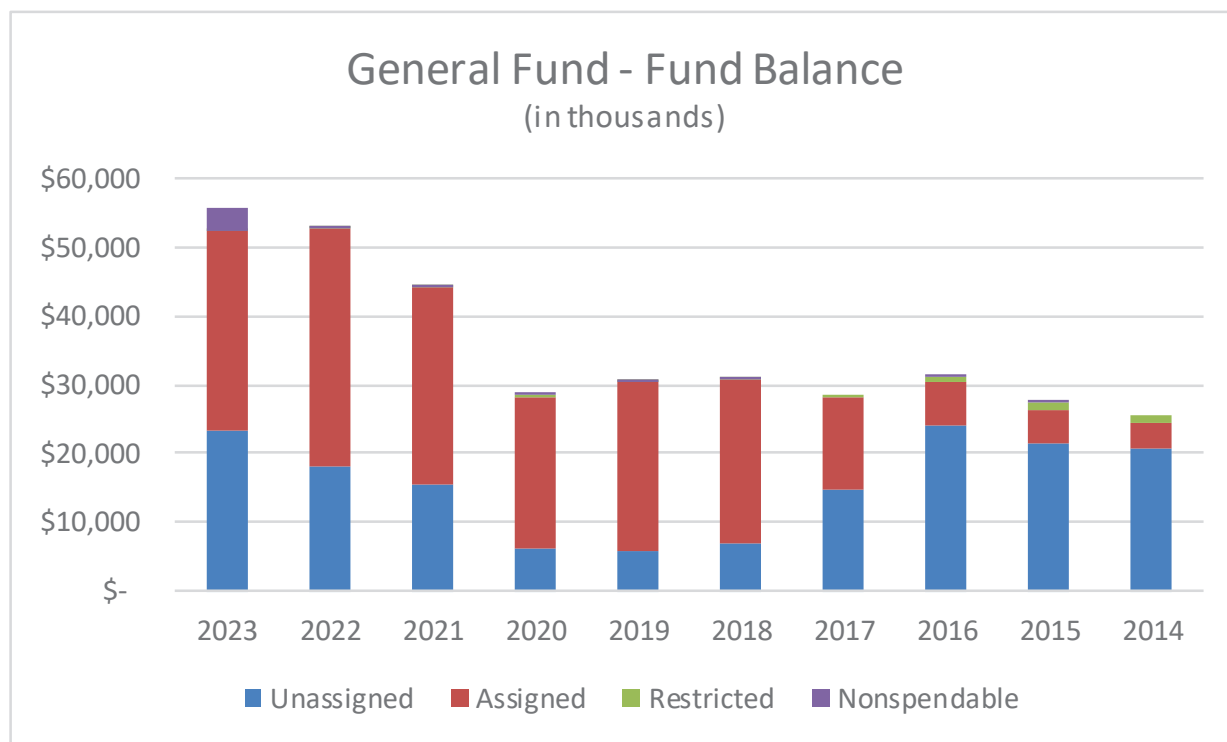
Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the County met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the County did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the County. It is management's responsibility to monitor the County's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and review of financial information provided by same.

The following information is presented, for the County's convenience, to summarize financial position trends for the General Fund.

General Fund - Fund Balance at September 30,				
(in thousands)				
	2023	2022	2021	
Nonspendable	\$ 3,176	\$ 552	\$ 76	
Restricted	135	106	118	
Assigned	29,014	34,695	28,600	
Unassigned	23,443	17,950	15,587	
Total	\$ 55,768	\$ 53,303	\$ 44,381	

Additionally, trend information relative to the General Fund is hereafter graphically displayed.



Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.c., Rules of the Auditor General, requires, if appropriate, that we communicate the failure of a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality, or special district, to provide the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality, or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we did not note any special district component units that failed to provide the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

As required by the Rules of the Auditor General, we performed separate audits of each of the County's constitutional officers. Those separately-issued reports should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the County and its management, and appropriate audit agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of the audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

The Honorable County Commissioners
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined Sumter County, Florida's (the "County") compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The County's management is responsible for the County's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether County complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the County complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the examination engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 365.172(10) AND 365.173(2)(d), FLORIDA STATUTES

The Honorable County Commissioners
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined Sumter County, Florida's (the County) compliance with the requirements of Section 365.172(10), Florida Statutes, *Authorized Expenditures of E911 Fee*, and Section 365.173(2)(d), Florida Statutes, *Distribution and Use of (E911) Funds*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The County's management is responsible for the County's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether County complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the County complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the examination engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable County Commissioners
Sumter County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Sumter County, Florida (the "County"), as of and for the year ended September 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 28, 2024.

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 the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 entity'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

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Rigggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida

March 28, 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND EACH MAJOR STATE PROJECT AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable County Commissioners
Sumter County, Florida

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Each Major State Project

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program and Each Major State Project

We have audited Sumter County, Florida’s (the "County") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and the requirements described in the State of Florida Department of Financial Services' *State Projects Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs and major state projects for the year ended September 30, 2023. The County's major federal programs and major state projects are identified in the summary of auditor’s results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs and each of its major state projects for the year ended September 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program and Each Major State Project

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; 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); and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*. 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 each major federal program and each major state project. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of County’s compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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, federal and state statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the County’s federal programs and state projects.

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 County'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 generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*, 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 County's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program and each major state project as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*, 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, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, 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 or state project 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 or state project 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 or state project that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in 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 that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, *Local Government Entity Audits*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the year ended September 30, 2023

SECTION I—SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS

Financial Statements:

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| 1. Type of auditor’s report issued | Unmodified |
| 2. Internal control over financial reporting: | |
| a. Material weaknesses identified? | None |
| b. Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? | None noted |
| c. Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted? | No |

Federal Awards:

- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---------|--------|---|--|
| 1. Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major program | Unmodified | | | | |
| 2. Internal control over major program: | | | | | |
| a. Material weaknesses identified? | None | | | | |
| b. Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? | None noted | | | | |
| 3. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2CFR section 200.516(a)? | No | | | | |
| 4. Identification of major program: | | | | | |
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Local Fiscal Recovery Funds | | | | |
| 5. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: | \$750,000 | | | | |
| 6. Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee under 2 CFR 200.520? | Yes | | | | |

State Awards:

- | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------|--------|--|--|
| 1. Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major projects | Unmodified | | | | |
| 2. Internal control over major projects: | | | | | |
| a. Material weaknesses identified? | None | | | | |
| b. Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? | None noted | | | | |
| 3. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Rule 10.554(1)(l)(4)? | No | | | | |
| 4. Identification of major projects: | | | | | |
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(NG911) State Grant Program | | | | |
| 5. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B projects: | \$750,000 | | | | |

Sumter County, Florida
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the year ended September 30, 2023

SECTION II—FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

There were no findings relative to the financial statements.

SECTION III—FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no findings relative to the federal programs.

SECTION IV—STATE PROJECTS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no findings relative to the state projects.

SECTION V- SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

There were no prior year findings reported.

Board of County Commissioners

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March 28, 2024

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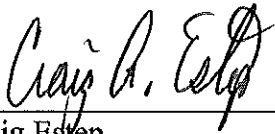
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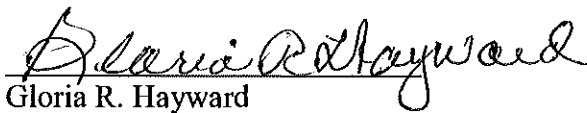
Sumter County acknowledges receipt of the audit report for Sumter County Board of County Commissioners for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.

There were no audit findings that require corrective action.

Very truly yours,



Craig Estep
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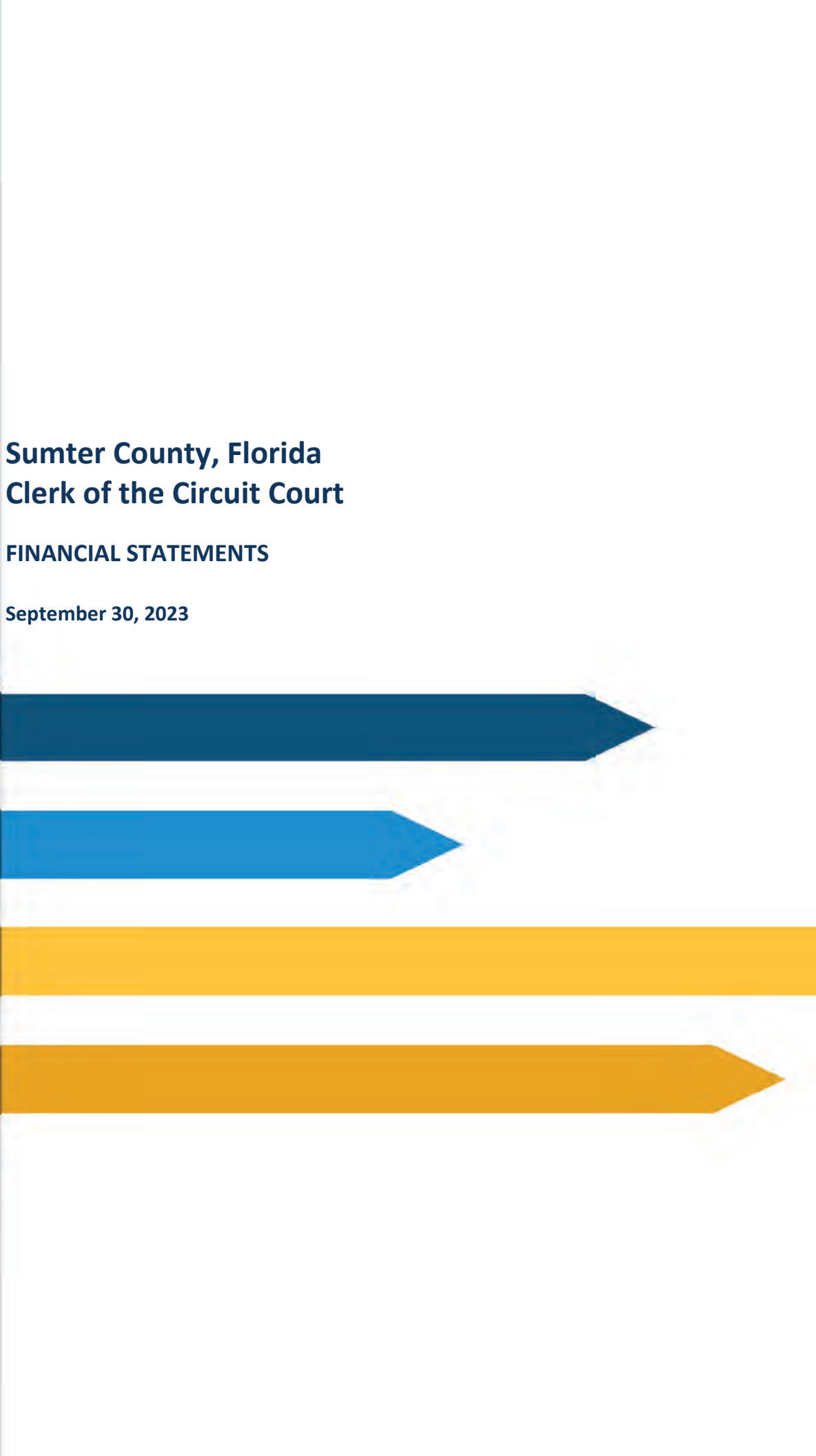
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**Sumter County, Florida
Clerk of the Circuit Court**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2023





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Gloria R. Hayward
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Office") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Office as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit 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. 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 Office and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe 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 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are 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 Office'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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Governmental Auditing Standards* and 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 Office'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 Office'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 budgetary comparison schedules, as listed in the table of contents, 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 Office's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining nonmajor fund financial statements 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, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 19, 2024 on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 Office'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 Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Carr, Riggis & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 19, 2024

Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund	Fine & Forfeiture Fund	Records Modern- ization Fund	Court Technology Fund	Total Govern- mental Funds
Assets					
Cash and equivalents	\$ 356,305	\$ 415,941	\$ 767,903	\$ 1,248,221	\$ 2,788,370
Due from other funds	-	47,127	6,845	19,792	73,764
Due from other governments	2,603	44,707	-	-	47,310
Total assets	\$ 358,908	\$ 507,775	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 2,909,444
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 65,726	\$ 108,762	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 174,488
Due to other county agencies	280,448	193,531	-	-	473,979
Total liabilities	346,174	302,293	-	-	648,467
Fund balances					
Restricted	12,734	205,482	774,748	1,268,013	2,260,977
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 358,908	\$ 507,775	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 2,909,444

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

Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances –
Governmental Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund	Fine & Forfeiture Fund	Records Modern- ization Fund	Court Technology Fund	Total Govern- mental Funds
Revenues					
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 408,153	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 408,153
Charges for services	-	1,578,849	84,032	238,222	1,901,103
Fines and forfeitures	-	865,107	-	-	865,107
Miscellaneous revenue	58	60	369	621	1,108
Total revenues	58	2,852,169	84,401	238,843	3,175,471
Expenditures					
Current					
General government	1,860,768	-	25,253	-	1,886,021
Court related	19,114	2,417,063	-	184,345	2,620,522
Total expenditures	1,879,882	2,417,063	25,253	184,345	4,506,543
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,879,824)	435,106	59,148	54,498	(1,331,072)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	2,170,683	110,698	-	-	2,281,381
Reversion to clerks of court operations corporation	-	(496,835)	-	-	(496,835)
Reversion to board of county commissioners	(280,448)	(3,000)	-	-	(283,448)
Net other financing sources (uses)	1,890,235	(389,137)	-	-	1,501,098
Net change in fund balances	10,411	45,969	59,148	54,498	170,026
Fund balances, beginning of year	2,323	159,513	715,600	1,213,515	2,090,951
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 12,734	\$ 205,482	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 2,260,977

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

Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	Total Custodial Funds
Assets	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 3,257,248
Liabilities	
Due to other funds	73,764
Due to other county agencies	68,558
Due to other governments	762,951
Total liabilities	905,273
 Fiduciary Net Position	
Restricted for individuals	\$ 2,351,975

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

Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Total Custodial Funds
Additions	
Documentary and intangible taxes collected	\$ 29,954,615
Collections on behalf of other governments	3,438,898
Recording fees collected	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees collected	890,114
Tax deed and associated fees collected	586,161
Miscellaneous fees collected	103,723
Registry additions	2,812,360
Total additions	39,060,615
Deductions	
Documentary and intangible taxes disbursed	29,954,615
Disbursements on behalf of other governments	3,438,898
Recording fees disbursed	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees disbursed	776,084
Tax deed and associated fees disbursed	315,347
Miscellaneous fees disbursed	110,280
Registry disbursed	3,181,205
Total deductions	39,051,173
Net increase in fiduciary net position	9,442
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	2,342,533
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 2,351,975

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

Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court

Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Office") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Sumter County, Florida (the "County"), which is the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

In evaluating the Clerk of the Circuit Court as a reporting entity, management has considered all potential component units in accordance with Section 2100: Defining the Financial Reporting Entity of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification.

Basis of Presentation

The Office's financial statements have been prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the "Rules"). These financial statements are the fund financial statements required by generally accepted accounting principles. However, these fund statements do not constitute a complete presentation because, in conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements, the government-wide financial statements, management's discussion and analysis, or the pension or the other post-employment benefit related required supplementary information. Also, certain notes to the financial statements may supplement rather than duplicate the notes included in the County's countywide financial statements. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position, where applicable, of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position, where applicable, for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The 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.

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current 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. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The custodial funds are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Clerk's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental and fiduciary – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. The Office has no nonmajor governmental funds. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or custodial capacity for others that cannot be used to support the government's own programs. Custodial funds are purely custodial and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

The Office reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – The General Fund is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Fine and Forfeiture Fund – This fund is used to account for appropriations from the State of Florida and court fees to fund court expenditures.

Records Modernization Fund – This fund is used to account for fees collected and associated expenditures related to equipment upgrades and modernization of all official records of the County.

Court Technology Fund – This fund is used to account for additional service charges and fines collected and associated expenditures used exclusively to fund the court-related technology needs and court-related program enhancements of the Office.

Additionally, the Office reports the following fund types:

The *custodial funds* account for monies held in the Clerk's trust fund and the registry account. The trust money is collected on behalf of other governments and certain types of collections within that fund, such as documentary and intangible taxes, are expected to be distributed to the other governments within a month of receipt while others, such as bonds and tax deeds may be held for longer periods. Money held in the registry account is held until a court order releases the funds to an individual. Neither fund contains amounts held in trust.

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements (continued)

During the course of operations, the Office has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds and advances to/from other funds.

Budgetary Information

Budgetary Basis of Accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund and special revenue funds. Officers are funded by the Board of County Commissioners as per the approved budget. The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The Office's governance may make transfers of appropriations within a fund. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level.

Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Remaining appropriations are reverted back to the Board of County Commissioners.

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand. All cash and cash equivalents are placed in a bank that qualifies as a public depository pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the Chief Financial Officer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer is required to ensure that all funds are entirely insured or collateralized throughout the fiscal year.

Receivables and Payables

Receivables are all due from other governments and do not contain an allowance for uncollectibles. Payables are composed of those occurring in the normal course of operations for vendor payments and accrued payroll along with the reversion amounts due to the County.

Interfund Activities and Transactions

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" within the fund financial statements.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Obligations

Because of the current financial resources measurement focus, the accompanying fund financial statements do not report capital assets or long-term obligations. Such amounts are instead reported in the government-wide financial statements of the County.

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance (continued)

Categories and Classification of Net Position and Fund Balance

Fund balance flow assumptions – Sometimes the Office will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied.

It is the Office's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

Fund balance policies – Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various classifications based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The Office itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The provisions of GASBC Section 1800, *Classification and Terminology*, specifies the following classifications:

Nonspendable fund balance – Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted fund balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Office's highest level of decision-making authority. The elected official is the highest level of decision-making authority for the Office that can, prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation remains in place until a similar action is taken to remove or revise the limitation.

Assigned fund balance – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Office for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The elected official may also assign fund balance, such as appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

Unassigned fund balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued and determined there were no events that occurred that required disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after that date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2019, the GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The primary objectives of this statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This Statement achieves those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. The objectives of this Statement are to address financial reporting issues that result from the replacement of an Interbank Offered Rate (IBOR) by providing exceptions for certain hedging derivative instruments to the hedge accounting termination provisions when an IBOR is replaced as the reference rate of the hedging derivative instrument's variable payment and clarification of the hedge accounting termination provisions when a hedged item is amended to replace the reference rate; replacing LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate for the evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap with a Secured Overnight Financing Rate or the Effective Federal Funds Rate; and providing exceptions to the lease modifications guidance in Statement 87 for lease contracts that are amended solely to replace an IBOR used to determine variable payments. As of July 1, 2023, derivative instruments that hedge the interest rate risk of taxable debt and use an IBOR as a reference rate are no longer eligible for hedge accounting. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Assets and liabilities resulting from SBITAs should be recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances that existed at the beginning of the fiscal year in which this Statement is implemented. Governments are permitted, but are not required, to include in the measurement of the subscription asset capitalizable outlays associated with the initial implementation stage and the operation and additional implementation stage incurred prior to the implementation of this Statement. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued statements that will become effective in future years. These statements are as follows:

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting requirements for (a) accounting changes and (b) the correction of an error in previously issued financial statements (error correction). This Statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, and changes to or within the financial reporting entity and describes the transactions or other events that constitute those changes. This Statement prescribes the accounting and financial reporting for (1) each type of accounting change and (2) error corrections. This Statement requires that (a) changes in accounting principles and error corrections be reported retroactively by restating prior periods, (b) changes to or within the financial reporting entity be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period, and (c) changes in accounting estimates be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the current period. This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated. Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is affected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

The Office is evaluating the requirements of the above statements and the impact on reporting.

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

Interfund Receivables and Payables

The following interfund balances at September 30, 2023, arose during the normal course of operations of the Office.

	Due From Other Funds	Due To Other Funds
Fine & forfeiture fund	\$ 47,127	\$ -
Records modernization fund	6,845	-
Court technology fund	19,792	-
Custodial funds - Trust fund	-	73,764
Total	\$ 73,764	\$ 73,764

All interfund balances are expected to be liquidated fully within the subsequent fiscal year.

Fund Balance Classifications

Details of restricted fund balance at September 30, 2023 are as follows:

	General Fund	Fine & Forfeiture Fund	Records Modern- ization Fund	Court Technology Fund	Total
Restricted for:					
Teen court	\$ 12,734	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,734
Court operations	-	205,482	-	-	205,482
Court technology	-	-	-	1,268,013	1,268,013
Records modernization	-	-	774,748	-	774,748
Total fund balances	\$ 12,734	\$ 205,482	\$ 774,748	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 2,260,977

NOTE 3: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Office is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

For health insurance, the Office participates in the risk management program established by the Board of County Commissioners to cover claims against the Board and Constitutional Officers. The risk management program is accounted for in the Board's financial statements as an Internal Service Fund, in accordance with requirements of GASB Statement 10. For risks of loss related to workers' compensation, general liability and errors or omissions, the Office participates with the Board of County Commissioners to purchase commercial insurance. For the past three years, there have been no insurance settlements in excess of insurance coverages.

Required Supplementary Information

Sumter County Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Miscellaneous revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58	\$ 58
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	2,141,157	2,141,157	1,860,768	280,389
Court related	38,222	38,222	19,114	19,108
Total expenditures	2,179,379	2,179,379	1,879,882	299,497
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(2,179,379)	(2,179,379)	(1,879,824)	299,555
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	2,179,379	2,179,379	2,170,683	(8,696)
Reversion to board of county commissioners	-	-	(280,448)	(280,448)
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,179,379	2,179,379	1,890,235	(289,144)
Net change in fund balances	-	-	10,411	10,411
Fund balances, beginning of year	-	-	2,323	2,323
Fund balances, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,734	\$ 12,734

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Sumter County Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Fine & Forfeiture Fund

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>				
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 269,541	\$ 269,541	\$ 408,153	\$ 138,612
Charges for services	2,080,000	2,080,000	1,578,849	(501,151)
Fines and forfeitures	155,000	155,000	865,107	710,107
Miscellaneous	76	76	60	(16)
Total revenues	2,504,617	2,504,617	2,852,169	347,552
Expenditures				
Current				
Court related	2,615,315	2,615,315	2,417,063	198,252
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(110,698)	(110,698)	435,106	545,804
Other financing sources				
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	110,698	110,698	110,698	-
Reversion to clerks of court operations corporation	-	-	(496,835)	(496,835)
Reversion to board of county commissioners	-	-	(3,000)	(3,000)
Total other financing sources	110,698	110,698	(389,137)	(499,835)
Net change in fund balances	-	-	45,969	45,969
Fund balances, beginning of year	-	-	159,513	159,513
Fund balances, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205,482	\$ 205,482

Notes to Schedule:

Pursuant to Section 28.36, Florida Statutes, the budget is subject to the General Appropriations Act of the Florida Legislature and is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. The State of Florida releases from this appropriation on a monthly basis. The fund is the legal level of control.

Sumter County Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Records Modernization Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 84,032	\$ (35,968)
Miscellaneous revenues	350	350	369	19
Total revenues	120,350	120,350	84,401	(35,949)
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	290,000	290,000	25,253	264,747
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(169,650)	(169,650)	59,148	228,798
Fund balances, beginning of year	715,600	715,600	715,600	-
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 545,950	\$ 545,950	\$ 774,748	\$ 228,798

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Sumter County Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Court Technology Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 238,222	\$ (111,778)
Miscellaneous revenues	700	700	621	(79)
Total revenues	350,700	350,700	238,843	(111,857)
Expenditures				
Current				
Court related	730,000	730,000	184,345	545,655
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(379,300)	(379,300)	54,498	433,798
Fund balances, beginning of year	1,213,515	1,213,515	1,213,515	-
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 834,215	\$ 834,215	\$ 1,268,013	\$ 433,798

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Supplementary Information

Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	Trust Fund	Court Registry Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Assets			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 2,697,275	\$ 559,973	\$ 3,257,248
Liabilities			
Due to other funds	73,764	-	73,764
Due to other county agencies	68,558	-	68,558
Due to other governments	762,951	-	762,951
Total liabilities	905,273	-	905,273
Fiduciary net position			
Restricted for individuals	\$ 1,792,002	\$ 559,973	\$ 2,351,975

Sumter County Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court
Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Trust Fund	Court Registry Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Additions			
Documentary and intangible taxes collected	\$ 29,954,615	\$ -	\$ 29,954,615
Collections on behalf of other governments	3,438,898	-	3,438,898
Recording fees collected	1,274,744	-	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees collected	890,114	-	890,114
Tax deed and associated fees collected	586,161	-	586,161
Miscellaneous fees collected	103,723	-	103,723
Registry additions	-	2,812,360	2,812,360
Total additions	36,248,255	2,812,360	39,060,615
Deductions			
Documentary and intangible taxes disbursed	29,954,615	-	29,954,615
Disbursements on behalf of other governments	3,438,898	-	3,438,898
Recording fees disbursed	1,274,744	-	1,274,744
Bonds and associated fees disbursed	776,084	-	776,084
Tax deed and associated fees disbursed	315,347	-	315,347
Miscellaneous fees disbursed	110,280	-	110,280
Registry disbursed	-	3,181,205	3,181,205
Total deductions	35,869,968	3,181,205	39,051,173
Net increase in fiduciary net position	378,287	(368,845)	9,442
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	1,413,715	928,818	2,342,533
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 1,792,002	\$ 559,973	\$ 2,351,975

Additional Elements Required by the Rules of the Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Gloria R. Hayward
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 19, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office'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 entity'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 Office's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

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March 19, 2024



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Gloria R. Hayward
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Sumter County, Florida, Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated March 19, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and Independent Accountant's Reports on examinations conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those report and schedules, which are dated March 19, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. If the audit findings in the preceding audit are uncorrected, we are required to identify those findings that were also included in the second preceding audit report. The Office has no uncorrected prior audit findings that are required to be identified.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of the audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

The Honorable Gloria R. Hayward
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined the office of the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court's (the "Office") compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The Office's management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Office complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 19, 2024



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 28.35 AND 28.36, FLORIDA STATUTES

The Honorable Gloria R. Hayward
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined the office of the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court's (the "Office") compliance with the requirements of Section 28.35, Florida Statutes, *Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation*, and Section 28.36, Florida Statutes, *Budget Procedure*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The Office's management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

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Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 19, 2024

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 61.181, FLORIDA STATUTES

The Honorable Gloria R. Hayward
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined the office of the Sumter County, Florida Clerk of the Circuit Court's (the "Office") compliance with the requirements of Section 61.181, Florida Statutes, *Depository for Alimony Transactions, Support, Maintenance, and Support Payments; Fees*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The Office's management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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In our opinion, the Office complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of Section 61.181, Florida Statutes, *Depository for Alimony Transactions, Support, Maintenance, and Support Payments; Fees*, for the year ended September 30, 2023

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
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March 19, 2024

Auditor General
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RE: Sumter County Clerk of Circuit Court Annual Audit Report for the fiscal year 22/23

Dear Auditor General:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the audit report by Carr, Riggs, & Ingram, LLC for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sumter County, Florida, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.

Another year with several financial changes on our courtside budget process. I am pleased that we have completed another year with no audit issues.

I appreciate all the time and effort that goes into the audit process and the feedback, which is very helpful during the year.

Respectfully yours,

GLORIA R. HAYWARD
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Sumter County, Florida





Sumter County, Florida Sheriff

Financial Statements

September 30, 2023





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable William O. Farmer, Jr.
Sheriff
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the office of the Sumter County, Florida, Sheriff (the "Office") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Office as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit 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. 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 Office, 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 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position, where applicable, of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position, where applicable, for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are 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 Office'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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 Office'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 Office'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 budgetary comparison schedules, as listed in the table of contents, 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 Office's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements 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, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 28, 2024 on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 Office'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 Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund	Inmate Welfare Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 2,711,775	\$ 622,393	\$ 34,308	\$ 3,368,476
Due from other county agencies	103,666	-	-	103,666
Due from other governments	37,685	-	23,301	60,986
Due from other funds	82,558	8,680	47,781	139,019
Accounts receivable	57,041	93,573	-	150,614
Total assets	\$ 2,992,725	\$ 724,646	\$ 105,390	\$ 3,822,761
Liabilities and fund balances				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,029,959	\$ 45	\$ -	\$ 2,030,004
Due to other funds	56,461	59,257	23,301	139,019
Due to other county agencies	898,862	-	-	898,862
Total liabilities	2,985,282	59,302	23,301	3,067,885
Fund balances				
Restricted for				
Federal shared funds	-	-	82,089	82,089
Donor specified purposes	7,443	-	-	7,443
Assigned for				
Benefit of inmates	-	665,344	-	665,344
Total fund balances	7,443	665,344	82,089	754,876
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 2,992,725	\$ 724,646	\$ 105,390	\$ 3,822,761

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

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Governmental Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund	Inmate Welfare Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 442,536	\$ -	\$ 129,840	\$ 572,376
Charges for services	1,420	276,587	-	278,007
Miscellaneous	894,495	430,488	23	1,325,006
Total revenues	1,338,451	707,075	129,863	2,175,389
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	42,335,311	408,178	82,074	42,825,563
Court costs	1,501,235	-	-	1,501,235
Total expenditures	43,836,546	408,178	82,074	44,326,798
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(42,498,095)	298,897	47,789	(42,151,409)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	43,302,660	-	-	43,302,660
Reversion to board of county commissioners	(797,122)	-	-	(797,122)
Net other financing sources (uses)	42,505,538	-	-	42,505,538
Net change in fund balances	7,443	298,897	47,789	354,129
Fund balances – beginning of year	-	366,447	34,300	400,747
Fund balances – end of year	\$ 7,443	\$ 665,344	\$ 82,089	\$ 754,876

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

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	Total Custodial Funds
Assets	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 324,668
Accounts receivable	13,178
Total assets	337,846
Liabilities	
Assets held for others	1,075
Fiduciary net position	
Restricted for individuals	\$ 336,771

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

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Total Custodial Funds
Additions	
Trust deposits	\$ 25,000
Inmate deposits	2,048,674
Unclaimed evidence deposits	23,519
Civil deposits	55,631
Total additions	2,152,824
Deductions	
Trust deductions	8,278
Inmate deductions	2,043,684
Unclaimed evidence deductions	3,161
Civil deductions	55,631
Total deductions	2,110,754
Net increase in fiduciary net position	42,070
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	294,701
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 336,771

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

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Sheriff (the "Office") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The Sheriff is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Sumter County, Florida (the "County") which is the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

In evaluating the Office as a reporting entity, management has considered all potential component units in accordance with Section 2100: Defining the Financial Reporting Entity of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification.

Basis of Presentation

The Office's financial statements have been prepared solely for the purpose of complying with Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the "Rules"). These financial statements are the fund statements required by generally accepted accounting principles. However, these fund statements do not constitute a complete presentation because, in conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements, the government-wide financial statements, management's discussion and analysis, or the pension or the other post-employment benefit related required supplementary information. Also, certain notes to the financial statements may supplement rather than duplicate the notes included in the County's countywide financial statements. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position, where applicable, of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position, where applicable, for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The 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 to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected 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. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources. The custodial funds are accounted for on the *accrual basis* of accounting.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Office's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental and fiduciary – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, and all remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or custodial capacity for others that cannot be used to support the government's own programs. Custodial funds are purely custodial and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

The Office reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – The General Fund is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Inmate Welfare Fund – The Inmate Welfare Fund is used to account for canteen and telephone commissions and their subsequent expenditure for the benefit of inmates.

The Office also reports the following non-major fund types:

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes other than capital projects.

The *custodial funds* account for monies held in the Sheriff's trust fund, inmate welfare fund, unclaimed evidence fund, and civil fund. The trust fund accounts for funds collected and held until ordered to release. The inmate welfare fund collects money for the inmates to use while incarcerated. Unclaimed evidence fund hold money seized as evidence during an arrest. The civil fund collects fees for services, which is then distributed to the appropriate agency. None of the funds are held in trust.

During the course of operations, the Office has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds and advances to/from other funds.

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgetary Information

Budgetary basis of accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on an annual basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund and special revenue funds, except for the Federal Shared fund which are appropriated on a project-length basis. Officers are funded by the Board of County Commissioners as per the approved budget. The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The Office's governance may make transfers of appropriations within a fund. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level.

Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal. Remaining unrestricted appropriations for the General Fund are reverted back to the Board of County Commissioners.

Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance or Fiduciary Net Position

Cash and Equivalents

The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand. All cash and equivalents are placed in a bank that qualifies as a public depository pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Every qualified public depository is required by law to deposit with the Chief Financial Officer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer is required to ensure that all funds are entirely insured or collateralized throughout the fiscal year.

Receivables and Payables

Accounts receivables are recorded at year end for commissions due on inmate purchases and for amounts due for extra duty details performed for outside parties. As all commissions and extra duty billings are considered collectible, no allowance is considered necessary.

Interfund Activities and Transactions

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" within the fund financial statements.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

Because of the current financial resources measurement focus, the accompanying fund financial statements do not report capital assets or long-term liabilities. Such amounts are instead reported in the government-wide financial statements of the County.

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balance or Fiduciary Net Position (Continued)

Categories and Classification of Fund Balance

Fund balance flow assumptions – Sometimes the Office will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Office's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

Fund balance policies – Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various classifications based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The Office itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The provisions of GASBC Section 1800, *Classification and Terminology*, specifies the following classifications:

Nonspendable fund balance – Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted fund balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Office's highest level of decision-making authority. The elected official is the highest level of decision-making authority for the Office that can, prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation remains in place until a similar action is taken to remove or revise the limitation.

Assigned fund balance – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Office for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The elected official may also assign fund balance, such as appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

Unassigned fund balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued and determined there were no events that occurred that required disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after that date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2019, the GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The primary objectives of this statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This Statement achieves

those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. The objectives of this Statement are to address financial reporting issues that result from the replacement of an Interbank Offered Rate (IBOR) by providing exceptions for certain hedging derivative instruments to the hedge accounting termination provisions when an IBOR is replaced as the reference rate of the hedging derivative instrument's variable payment and clarification of the hedge accounting termination provisions when a hedged item is amended to replace the reference rate; replacing LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate for the evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap with a Secured Overnight Financing Rate or the Effective Federal Funds Rate; and providing exceptions to the lease modifications guidance in Statement 87 for lease contracts that are amended solely to replace an IBOR used to determine variable payments. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended.

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Assets and liabilities resulting from SBITAs should be recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances that existed at the beginning of the fiscal year in which this Statement is implemented. Governments are permitted, but are not required, to include in the measurement of the subscription asset capitalizable outlays associated with the initial implementation stage and the operation and additional implementation stage incurred prior to the implementation of this Statement. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued statements that will become effective in future years. These statements are as follows:

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting requirements for (a) accounting changes and (b) the correction of an error in previously issued financial statements (error correction). This Statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, and changes to or within the financial reporting entity and describes the transactions or other events that constitute those changes. This Statement prescribes the accounting and financial reporting for (1) each type of accounting change and (2) error corrections. This Statement requires that (a) changes in accounting principles and error corrections be reported retroactively by restating prior periods, (b) changes to or within the financial reporting entity be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period, and (c) changes in accounting estimates be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the current period. This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated. Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is affected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

The Office is evaluating the requirements of the above statements and the impact on reporting

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

Interfund Receivables and Payables

The following interfund balances at September 30, 2023 arose during the normal course of operations of the Office. These funds are expected to be repaid within the next year.

	Due from other funds	Due to other funds
General fund	\$ 82,558	\$ 56,461
Federal shared fund	47,781	-
Inmate welfare fund	8,680	59,257
Victim's advocacy grant fund	-	23,301
Total	\$ 139,019	\$ 139,019

Fund Balance Classifications

Details of fund balance at September 30, 2023 are as follows:

	General Fund	Inmate Welfare Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total
Restricted for				
Federal shared funds	-	-	82,089	82,089
Donor specified purposes	7,443	-	-	7,443
Assigned for				
Benefit of inmates	-	665,344	-	665,344
Total fund balances	7,443	665,344	82,089	754,876

NOTE 3 – RISK MANAGEMENT

For health insurance, the Office participates in the risk management program established by the Board of County Commissioners to cover claims against the Board and Constitutional Officers. The risk management program is accounted for in the Board's financial statements as an Internal Service Fund, in accordance with requirements of GASB Statement 10.

The Office participates in the Florida Sheriffs' self-insurance fund for risks related to workers' compensation, general liability, professional police and automobile liability. There have been no settlements that exceeded coverage in the last three years.

Required Supplementary Information

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 87,399	\$ 468,727	\$ 442,536	\$ (26,191)
Charges for services	-	-	1,420	1,420
Miscellaneous	-	870,516	894,495	23,979
Total revenues	87,399	1,339,243	1,338,451	(792)
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	41,826,330	43,078,174	42,335,311	742,863
Court costs	1,575,524	1,575,524	1,501,235	74,289
Total expenditures	43,401,854	44,653,698	43,836,546	817,152
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(43,314,455)	(43,314,455)	(42,498,095)	816,360
Other financing sources (uses)				
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	43,314,455	43,314,455	43,302,660	(11,795)
Reversion to board of county commissioners	-	-	(797,122)	(797,122)
Net other financing sources (uses)	43,314,455	43,314,455	42,505,538	(808,917)
Net change in fund balances	-	-	7,443	7,443
Fund balances – beginning of year	-	-	-	-
Fund balances – end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,443	\$ 7,443

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Inmate Welfare Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 276,587	\$ 51,587
Miscellaneous	348,000	348,000	430,488	82,488
Total revenues	573,000	573,000	707,075	134,075
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	573,000	573,000	408,178	164,822
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	-	-	298,897	298,897
Fund balances – beginning of year	-	-	366,447	366,447
Fund balances – end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 665,344	\$ 665,344

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Supplementary Information

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	Federal Shared Fund	Victim's Advocacy Grant Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Assets			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 34,308	\$ -	\$ 34,308
Due from other governments	-	23,301	23,301
Due from other funds	47,781	-	47,781
Total assets	\$ 82,089	\$ 23,301	\$ 105,390
Liabilities and fund balances			
Liabilities			
Due to other funds	\$ -	\$ 23,301	\$ 23,301
Fund balances			
Restricted fund balances			
Federal shared funds	82,089	-	82,089
Total fund balances	82,089	-	82,089
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 82,089	\$ 23,301	\$ 105,390

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

	Federal Shared Fund	Victim's Advocacy Grant Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>			
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	\$ 47,781	\$ 82,059	\$ 129,840
Miscellaneous	23	-	23
Total revenues	47,804	82,059	129,863
Expenditures			
Current			
Public safety	15	82,059	82,074
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	47,789	-	47,789
Fund balances – beginning of year	34,300	-	34,300
Fund balances – end of year	\$ 82,089	\$ -	\$ 82,089

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	Trust Fund	Inmate Fund	Unclaimed Evidence Fund	Civil Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Assets					
Cash and equivalents	\$ 17,329	\$ 44,169	\$ 262,095	\$ 1,075	\$ 324,668
Accounts receivable	-	-	13,178	-	13,178
Total assets	17,329	44,169	275,273	1,075	337,846
Liabilities					
Due to other county agencies	-	-	-	1,075	1,075
Fiduciary net position					
Restricted for individuals	\$ 17,329	\$ 44,169	\$ 275,273	\$ -	\$ 336,771

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Trust Fund	Inmate Fund	Unclaimed Evidence Fund	Civil Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Additions					
Trust deposits	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000
Inmate deposits	-	2,048,674	-	-	2,048,674
Unclaimed evidence deposits	-	-	23,519	-	23,519
Civil deposits	-	-	-	55,631	55,631
Total additions	25,000	2,048,674	23,519	55,631	2,152,824
Deductions					
Trust deductions	8,278	-	-	-	8,278
Inmate deductions	-	2,043,684	-	-	2,043,684
Unclaimed evidence deductions	-	-	3,161	-	3,161
Civil deductions	-	-	-	55,631	55,631
Total deductions	8,278	2,043,684	3,161	55,631	2,110,754
Net increase in fiduciary net position	16,722	4,990	20,358	-	42,070
Fiduciary net position, beginning of year	607	39,179	254,915	-	294,701
Fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 17,329	\$ 44,169	\$ 275,273	\$ -	\$ 336,771

Additional Elements Required by the Rules of the Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable William O. Farmer, Jr.
Sheriff
Sumter County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Sheriff (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office'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 entity'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2023-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Office'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*.

Office's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Office's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings. The Office's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

Honorable William O. Farmer, Jr.
Sheriff
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Sumter County, Florida, Sheriff (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit 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; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated March 28, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. If the audit findings in the preceding audit are uncorrected, we are required to identify those findings that were also included in the second preceding audit report. Finding 2023-001 as detailed in the accompanying Schedule of Findings was also reported in both the preceding audit report and the second preceding audit report as shown in the table below.

Tabulation of Uncorrected Audit Findings		
Current Year Finding #	2021-22 FY Finding #	2020-21 FY Finding #
2023-001	2022-001	2021-002

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we recommend the Office (1) require receipt and/or logs for gas purchases be maintained by officers and regularly monitor any exceptions to policy, and (2) that all long outstanding checks be remitted to the state in a timely manner.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, the Sumter County, Florida Sheriff, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of the audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

To The Honorable William O. Farmer, Jr.
Sheriff
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined the office of the Sumter County, Florida Sheriff's (the "Office") compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The Office's management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the examination engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Office's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Office complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 28, 2024

Sumter County, Florida Sheriff
Schedule of Findings

2023-001 **Material Weakness in Service Organization Internal Control Monitoring**

(Reported in previous audit reports as item 2022-001 and 2021-002)

Criteria – The Office is responsible for maintaining effective internal controls over financial transactions and reporting.

Condition – The Office contracts with service organizations to provide commissary and telephone services to inmates. The Office does not monitor internal controls of the service organizations over revenue collection and remittance. A service contract was not available between the Office and the commissary provider.

Cause – The service organizations do not provide Service Organization Controls audit reports (SOC-1, Type 2) for the services they provide to the Office and the Office has not taken alternative steps to identify and monitor relevant controls.

Effect – Risk of misappropriation of assets or understatement of revenue earned related to inmate commissary and telephone services is elevated.

Recommendation – The Office should request an annual Service Organization Controls audit reports (SOC-1, Type 2) from each of the service organizations and should implement and monitor relevant user controls. If such a report is unavailable, the Office should take alternative steps to understand and monitor the controls at the service organizations and to identify, implement, and monitor the relevant user controls. CRI recommends establishing a written contract with the provider.



SUMTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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March 28, 2024

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Honorable Sherrill F. Norman:

The Sumter County Sheriff's Office has been presented with the audit report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. As a result of the audit findings, the Sheriff's Office has responded as follows:

2023-001 To the extent possible, the Finance Department is monitoring revenue from both service organizations. Additionally, the Sheriff's Office is continuing to request the organizations to provide a SOC-I Type II Report.

Cody Tuten,
Sumter County Sheriff, Finance Director

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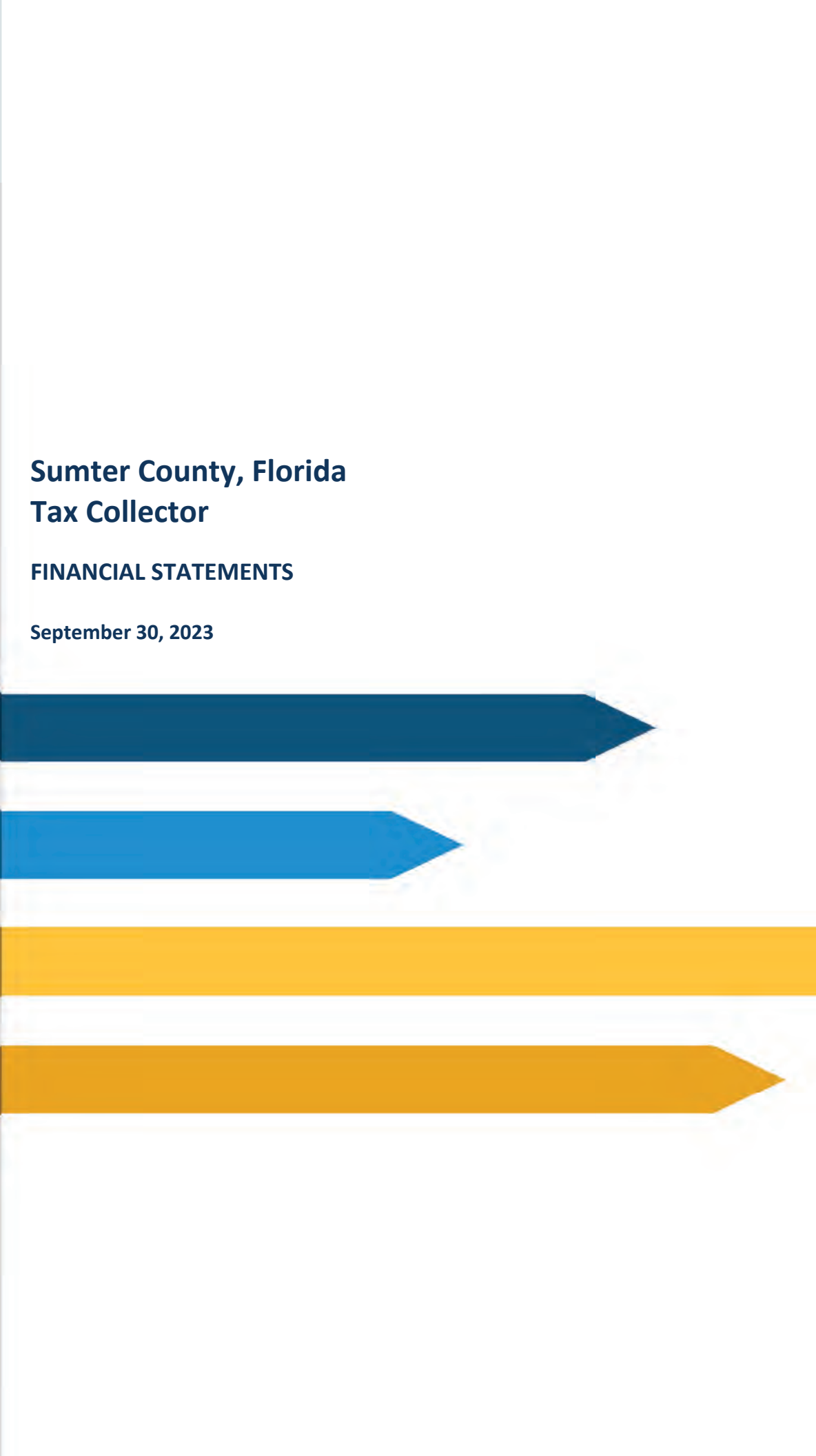
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**Sumter County, Florida
Tax Collector**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Randy Mask
Tax Collector
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector (the "Office") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Office as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in its financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit 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. 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 Office 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 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are 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 Office'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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 Office'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 Office'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 budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 14, 2024, on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 Office'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 Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 14, 2024

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund
Assets	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 241,908
Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 127,081
Due to other county agencies	114,827
Total liabilities	241,908
Fund balance	-
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 241,908

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

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
– Governmental Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund
Revenues	\$ -
Expenditures	
Current	
General government services	2,818,802
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,818,802)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	2,933,629
Reversion to board of county commissioners	(114,827)
Net other financing sources (uses)	2,818,802
Net change in fund balance	-
Fund balance - beginning of year	-
Fund balance - end of year	\$ -

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

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	Custodial Fund
Assets	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 3,746,628
Receivables	704
Total assets	3,747,332
Liabilities	
Due to other governments	3,645,948
Due to other county agencies	101,384
Total liabilities	3,747,332
Fiduciary net position	\$ -

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

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position – Fiduciary Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Custodial Fund
Additions	
Taxes collected for other governments	\$ 285,428,503
Fees collected for other agencies	108,805,350
Total additions	394,233,853
Deductions	
Taxes distributed to other governments	285,428,503
Fees distributed to other agencies	108,805,350
Total deductions	394,233,853
Net change in fiduciary net position	-
Fiduciary net position - beginning of year	-
Fiduciary net position - end of year	\$ -

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

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the office of the Sumter County, Florida, Tax Collector (the “Office”) conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The Tax Collector is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Sumter County, which is the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

In evaluating the Office as a reporting entity, management has considered all potential component units in accordance with Section 2100: Defining the Financial Reporting Entity of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification.

Basis of Presentation

The Office’s financial statements have been prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the “Rules”). These financial statements are the fund financial statements required by generally accepted accounting principles. However, these fund statements do not constitute a complete presentation because, in conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements, the government-wide financial statements, management’s discussion and analysis, or the pension or the other post-employment benefit related required supplementary information. Also, certain notes to the financial statements may supplement rather than duplicate the notes included in the County’s countywide financial statements. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position, where applicable, of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, only for that portion of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position, where applicable, for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The 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 to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected 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. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The custodial fund is reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Office's funds. Separate statements for each fund category—governmental and fiduciary—are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on the major governmental fund. Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a custodial capacity for others that cannot be used to support the government's own programs. Custodial funds are purely custodial and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Office does not report any nonmajor governmental funds.

The Office reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund – The General Fund is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

The Office also reports the following non-major fund type:

The *custodial fund* accounts for monies held for other governments for tax and special assessments and driver's license and vehicle registration fees. The trust money is collected on behalf of other governments and is expected to be distributed to the other governments within one month of receipt, and no collected funds are held in trust.

Budgetary Information

Budgetary Basis of Accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund. The Officer is funded by the Board of County Commissioners as per the approved budget. The appropriated budget is prepared by fund and account. The Office's governance may make transfers of appropriations within a fund. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level. Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Remaining appropriations are reverted back to Sumter County.

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance

Cash and Equivalents

All cash and equivalents are placed in a bank that qualifies as a public depository pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the Chief Financial Officer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer is required to ensure that all funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Obligations

Capital assets used by the Office are recorded and accounted for by the Sumter County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners and are not included in the Office's basic financial statements. Because of their *current financial resources measurement focus*, long-term obligations are not recognized as governmental fund type liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the County-wide financial statements.

Categories and Classification of Net Position and Fund Balance

Fund balance flow assumptions – Sometimes the Office will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied.

It is the Office's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

Fund balance policies – Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various classifications based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The Office itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The provisions of GASBC Section 1800, *Classification and Terminology*, specifies the following classifications:

Nonspendable fund balance – Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted fund balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance (continued)

Categories and Classification of Net Position and Fund Balance (continued)

Committed fund balance – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Office’s highest level of decision-making authority. The elected official is the highest level of decision-making authority for the Office that can, prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation remains in place until a similar action is taken to remove or revise the limitation.

Assigned fund balance – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Office for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The elected official may also assign fund balance, such as appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year’s appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

Unassigned fund balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued and determined there were no events that occurred that required disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after that date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2019, the GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The primary objectives of this statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This Statement achieves those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector

Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. The objectives of this Statement are to address financial reporting issues that result from the replacement of an Interbank Offered Rate (IBOR) by providing exceptions for certain hedging derivative instruments to the hedge accounting termination provisions when an IBOR is replaced as the reference rate of the hedging derivative instrument's variable payment and clarification of the hedge accounting termination provisions when a hedged item is amended to replace the reference rate; replacing LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate for the evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap with a Secured Overnight Financing Rate or the Effective Federal Funds Rate; and providing exceptions to the lease modifications guidance in Statement 87 for lease contracts that are amended solely to replace an IBOR used to determine variable payments. As of July 1, 2023, derivative instruments that hedge the interest rate risk of taxable debt and use an IBOR as a reference rate are no longer eligible for hedge accounting. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, *Leases*, as amended. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Assets and liabilities resulting from SBITAs should be recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances that existed at the beginning of the fiscal year in which this Statement is implemented. Governments are permitted, but are not required, to include in the measurement of the subscription asset capitalizable outlays associated with the initial implementation stage and the operation and additional implementation stage incurred prior to the implementation of this Statement. There were no significant impacts of implementing this Statement.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued statements that will become effective in future years. These statements are as follows:

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting requirements for (a) accounting changes and (b) the correction of an error in previously issued financial statements (error correction). This Statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, and changes to or within the financial reporting entity and describes the transactions or other events that constitute those changes. This Statement prescribes the accounting and financial reporting for (1) each type of accounting change and (2) error corrections. This Statement requires that (a) changes in accounting principles and error corrections be reported retroactively by restating prior periods, (b) changes to or within the financial reporting entity be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period, and (c) changes in accounting estimates be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recently Issued and Implemented Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

current period. This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated. Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is affected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

The Office is evaluating the requirements of the above statements and the impact on reporting.

NOTE 2 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Office is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For health insurance, the Office participates in the risk management program established by the Board of County Commissioners to cover claims against the Board and Constitutional Officers. The risk management program is accounted for in the Board's financial statements as an Internal Service Fund, in accordance with requirements of GASB Statement 10.

For risks of loss related to workers' compensation, general liability and errors or omissions, the Office participates with the Board of County Commissioners to purchase commercial insurance. For the past three years, there have been no insurance settlements in excess of insurance coverages.

Required Supplementary Information

Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>				
Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Expenditures				
Current				
General government services	2,933,629	2,933,629	2,818,802	114,827
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,933,629)	(2,933,629)	(2,818,802)	114,827
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Appropriation from board of county commissioners	2,933,629	2,933,629	2,933,629	-
Reversion to board of county commissioners	-	-	(114,827)	(114,827)
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,933,629	2,933,629	2,818,802	(114,827)
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - beginning of year	-	-	-	-
Fund balance - end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Additional Elements Required by the Rules of the Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Randy Mask
Tax Collector
Sumter County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office'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 entity'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 Office's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida

March 14, 2024



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Randy Mask
Tax Collector
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the office of the Sumter County, Florida, Tax Collector (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated March 14, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, require that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. If the audit findings in the preceding audit are uncorrected, we are required to identify those findings that were also included in the second preceding audit report. The Office has no such audit findings that are required to be identified pursuant to the Rules of the Auditor General.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contract or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, the Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of the audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters.

Carr, Rigg & Chiquan, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 14, 2024



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

The Honorable Randy Mask
Tax Collector
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined the office of the Sumter County, Florida Tax Collector's (the "Office") compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, during the year ended September 30, 2023. The Office's management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Office complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
March 14, 2024



RANDY MASK
Sumter County Tax Collector

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March 14, 2024

Honorable Sherrill F Norman
State of Florida Auditor General
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Dear Honorable Sherrill Norman,

I have been presented with the audit report for the Sumter County Tax Collector for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023. I am pleased to note that there were no adverse comments which require corrective action.

Thank you,

Randy Mask
Sumter County Tax Collector

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Sumter County, Florida Property Appraiser

Audit Report

September 30, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Joey Hooten
Property Appraiser
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the major fund of the Sumter County, Florida Property Appraiser (the "Office") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund of the Office as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit 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. 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 Office 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 opinion.

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 Office'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 opinion. 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 Office'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 Office'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.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of the major fund, and only for that portion of the major fund of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles

generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 21, 2024, on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 Office'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 Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
February 21, 2024

Sumter County Property Appraiser Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund
Assets	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 150,518
Due from other governments	29
Total assets	\$ 150,547
Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 56,024
Due to other county agencies	94,523
Total liabilities	150,547
Fund balance	-
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 150,547

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

Sumter County Property Appraiser
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance –
Governmental Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund
Revenue	
Charges for services	\$ 46,017
Expenditures	
Current	
General government services	2,295,703
Deficiency of revenues under expenditures	(2,249,686)
Other financing sources (uses)	
Appropriation from Board of County Commissioners	2,342,324
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	(92,638)
Net other financing sources (uses)	2,249,686
Net change in fund balance	-
Fund balance, beginning of year	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -

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

Sumter County Property Appraiser Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the office of the Sumter County, Florida, Property Appraiser (the “Office”) conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The Property Appraiser is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law.

The Office is an integral part of Sumter County, Florida, (the “County”) which is the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

Basis of Presentation

The Office’s financial statements have been prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the “Rules”). These financial statements are the fund financial statements required by generally accepted accounting principles. However, these fund statements do not constitute a complete presentation because, in conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements, the government-wide financial statements, management’s discussion and analysis, or the pension or the other post-employment benefit related required supplementary information. Also, certain notes to the financial statements may supplement rather than duplicate the notes included in the County’s countywide financial statements. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position, where applicable, of the major fund, only for that portion of the major fund of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position, where applicable, for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The 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 to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current 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. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Sumter County Property Appraiser Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Office's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Accounts are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The focus of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column. All nonmajor funds would be aggregated and displayed in a single column, however the Office has no non-major funds.

The Office reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund – The General Fund is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Budgetary Information

Budgetary basis of accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund. Officers are funded by the Board of County Commissioners as per the approved budget.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The Office's governance may make transfers of appropriations within a department. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level.

Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Remaining appropriations are reverted back to the Board of County Commissioners.

Cash

All cash is placed in a bank that qualifies as a public depository pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the Chief Financial Officer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer is required to ensure that all funds are entirely insured or collateralized throughout the fiscal year.

Sumter County Property Appraiser Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Capital Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

Capital assets used by the Office are recorded and accounted for by the Sumter County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

Fund Balance

The Office follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions to classify fund balances for governmental funds into specifically defined classifications. The classifications comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the Office is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent.

The fund balance classifications specified in GASB Statement No. 54 are as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance – Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted Fund Balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – Committed fund balances are amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed by formal action of the Office's highest level of decision-making authority, which is a policy of the Office. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Office removes those constraints by taking the same type of action.

Assigned Fund Balance – Assigned fund balances are amounts that are constrained by the Office's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by (a) the constitutional officer or (b) a body or official to which the constitutional officer has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

The Office's policy is to expend resources in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Sumter County Property Appraiser Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 – RISK MANAGEMENT

For health insurance, the Office participates in the risk management program established by the Sumter County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) to cover claims against the Board and Constitutional Officers. The risk management program is accounted for in the Board’s financial statements as an Internal Service Fund, in accordance with requirements of GASB Statement 10.

For risks of loss related to workers’ compensation, general liability and errors or omissions, the Office participates with the Board to purchase commercial insurance. For the past three years, there have been no insurance settlements in excess of insurance coverages.

Required Supplementary Information

Sumter County Property Appraiser
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual – General Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 46,017	\$ 46,017
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government services	2,375,911	2,389,995	2,295,703	94,292
Deficiency of revenues under expenditures	(2,375,911)	(2,389,995)	(2,249,686)	140,309
Other financing sources (uses)				
Appropriation from Board of County Commissioners	2,375,911	2,389,995	2,342,324	(47,671)
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	-	-	(92,638)	(92,638)
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,375,911	2,389,995	2,249,686	(140,309)
Net change in fund balances	-	-	-	-
Fund balances, beginning of year	-	-	-	-
Fund balances, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Additional Elements Required by the Rules of the Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Joey Hooten
Property Appraiser
Sumter County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the major fund of the office of the Sumter County, Florida, Property Appraiser (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Rigg & Ingman, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
February 21, 2024

MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Joey Hooten
Property Appraiser
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Sumter County, Florida, Property Appraiser, (the "Office"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2024.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated February 21, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. The Office had no such audit findings reported in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Sumter County, Florida Property Appraiser, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of the audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
February 21, 2024



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

To The Honorable Joey Hooten
Property Appraiser
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Property Appraiser (the "Office") for the year ended September 30, 2023. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements referenced above, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Office's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Office complied with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2023, in all material respects.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
February 21, 2024

JOEY HOOTEN



SUMTER COUNTY
PROPERTY APPRAISER

February 21, 2024

Ms. Sherrill F. Norman, CPA
Auditor General
State of Florida
111 West Madison Street
Claude Pepper Building, Suite G74
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1450

Dear Ms. Norman:

I have been presented with the audit report for the Sumter County Property Appraiser's Office for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023. I am pleased to note there are no audit findings that require corrective action, again this year.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Joey Hooten
Sumter County Property Appraiser
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Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections

Audit Report

September 30, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable William Keen
Supervisor of Elections
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the major fund of the Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections (the "Office") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund of the Office as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit 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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Office 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 opinion.

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 Office'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.

Auditors' 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 auditors' report that includes our opinion. 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 Office'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 Office'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.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of the major fund, and only for that portion of the major fund of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 4, 2024, on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 Office'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 Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
January 4, 2024

Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds

<i>September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund
Assets	
Cash	\$ 233,293
Prepaid Expenses	3,059
Total Assets	\$ 236,352
 Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 4,269
Accrued payroll liabilities	30,969
Due to other county agencies	201,114
Total liabilities	236,352
 Fund balance	 -
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 236,352

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

Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance –
Governmental Funds

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	General Fund
Revenues	
Intergovernmental	\$ 94,648
Miscellaneous	2,986
Total revenues	97,634
Expenditures	
Current	
General government services	2,210,260
Deficiency of revenues under expenditures	(2,112,626)
Other financing sources (uses)	
Appropriation from Board of County Commissioners	2,313,740
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	(201,114)
Net other financing sources (uses)	2,112,626
Net change in fund balance	-
Fund balance, beginning of year	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -

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

Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections

Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections (the “Office”) conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The Supervisor of Elections is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law.

The Office is an integral part of Sumter County, Florida (“the County”) which is the primary government for financial reporting purposes.

Basis of Presentation

The Office’s financial statements have been prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the “Rules”). These financial statements are the fund financial statements required by generally accepted accounting principles. However, these fund statements do not constitute a complete presentation because, in conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements, the government-wide financial statements, management’s discussion and analysis, or the pension or the other post-employment benefit related required supplementary information. Also, certain notes to the financial statements may supplement rather than duplicate the notes included in the County’s countywide financial statements. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position, where applicable, of the major fund, only for that portion of the major fund of Sumter County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Sumter County, Florida, as of September 30, 2023, and the changes in financial position, where applicable, for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

All 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 to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current 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. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisition under long term leases are reported as other financing sources.

Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections

Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fund Financial Statements

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The Office reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund - the General Fund is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Budgetary Information

Budgetary basis of accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund. Officers are funded by the Board of County Commissioners as per the approved budget. The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The Office's governance may make transfers of appropriations within a department. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the function level.

Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Remaining appropriations are reverted back to the Board of County Commissioners

Cash

All cash is placed in banks that qualify as public depositories pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Every qualified public depository is required by this law to deposit with the Chief Financial Officer eligible collateral equal to, or in excess of, an amount to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer is required to ensure that all funds are entirely insured or collateralized throughout the fiscal year.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

Capital assets used by the Office are recorded by and accounted for by Sumter County, Florida (the "County").

Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

Fund Balance

The Office follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, to classify fund balances for governmental funds into specifically defined classifications. The classifications comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the Office is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent.

The fund balance classifications specified in GASB Statement No. 54 are as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance – Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted Fund Balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – Committed fund balances are amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed by formal action of the Office's highest level of decision-making authority, which is a policy of the Office. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Office removes those constraints by taking the same type of action.

Assigned Fund Balance – Assigned fund balances are amounts that are constrained by the Office's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by (a) the constitutional officer or (b) a body or official to which the constitutional officer has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

The Office's policy is to expend resources in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 2 – RISK MANAGEMENT

For health insurance the Office participates in the risk management program established by the Sumter County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) to cover claims against the Board and Constitutional Officers. The risk management program is accounted for in the Board’s financial statements as an Internal Service Fund, in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement 10.

For risks of loss related to worker’s compensation, general liability and errors or omissions, the Office participates with the Board to purchase commercial insurance. For the past three years, there have been no insurance settlements in excess of insurance coverages.

NOTE 3 – CONTINGENCIES

The Office is involved in claims in the normal course of operations. It is the opinion of management that any uninsured claims would not be material in relation to the Office’s financial condition.

Required Supplementary Information

Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual – General Fund

<i>For the year ended September 30, 2023</i>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 94,648	\$ 94,648
Charges for services	-	-	2,986	2,986
Total revenue	-	-	97,634	97,634
Expenditures				
Current				
General government services	2,313,740	2,313,740	2,210,260	103,480
Deficiency of revenues under expenditures	(2,313,740)	(2,313,740)	(2,112,626)	201,114
Other Financing Source (uses)				
Appropriation from Board of County Commissioners	2,313,740	2,313,740	2,313,740	-
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	-	-	(201,114)	(201,114)
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,313,740	2,313,740	2,112,626	(201,114)
Net change in fund balances	-	-	-	-
Fund balances, beginning of year	-	-	-	-
Fund balances, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Notes to Schedule:

The budget is prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles. Its preparation, adoption, and amendment is governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control.

Additional Elements Required by the Rules of the Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable William Keen
Supervisor of Elections
Sumter County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the major fund of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 4, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Office'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 statement. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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January 4, 2024



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable William Keen
Supervisor of Elections
Sumter County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections (the "Office"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated January 4, 2024.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and Independent Accountants' Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated January 4, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1.; Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. The Office had no such audit findings reported in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2.; Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3.; Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of the audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters.

Carr, Rigg & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
January 4, 2024



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

To the Honorable William Keen
Supervisor of Elections
Sumter County, Florida

We have examined compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, of the office of the Sumter County, Florida Supervisor of Elections (the "Office") for the year ended September 30, 2023. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements referenced above, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Office complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Office's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Office complied with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2023, in all material respects.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the State of Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida
January 4, 2024

William "Bill" Keen, Supervisor of Elections
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January 4, 2024

The Honorable Sherrill F. Norman
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Dear Honorable Sherrill Norman,

I have been presented with the audit report for the Supervisor of Elections' office for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023. I am pleased to note that there were no adverse findings which require corrective action.

Thank you,

William "Bill" Keen
Sumter County Supervisor of Elections