# ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023



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> Megan Lambright County Auditor

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# **INTRODUCTORY SECTION**

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September 27, 2024

The Honorable Board of District Judges, The Anderson County Commissioners Court and Citizens of Anderson County

In compliance with *Texas Local Government Code*, §114.025, the financial statements of Anderson County, Texas (the "County") are presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to the requirement, we hereby submit the annual financial report of the County for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

This report consists of management's representations concerning the finances of the County. Therefore, management of the County assumes the responsibility for accuracy, completeness, fairness, and reliability of the financial data presented in this report, including all disclosures. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the County has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the government's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the County's financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Because the cost of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, the County's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable rather than absolute assurance that the financial statements will be free of material misstatement. Responsibility for internal controls is shared by the Commissioners Court, which is the governing body of the County, the County Auditor, who is appointed by the District Judges, and the County Treasurer. We believe that the County's internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions. We assert that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this financial report is complete and reliable in all material respects.

The County's basic financial statements have been audited by Pattillo, Brown and Hill, LLP. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the County for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The independent auditors concluded based upon the audit that there was a reasonable basis for rendering an unmodified opinion that the County's financial statements are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. The independent auditors' report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report.

Generally accepted accounting principles require a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). The introductory section includes this transmittal letter, the county's organizational chart and a list of officials. This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The County's MD&A can be found in the financial section following the report of the independent auditors. The financial section of this report also includes government-wide financial statements, fund

financial statements, notes to the financial statements, required supplementary information and the combining fund financial statements in addition to the report of the independent auditors.

#### **PROFILE OF ANDERSON COUNTY**

Anderson County is located in East Texas between the Trinity and the Neches rivers. Palestine, the county's largest town and its county seat, is 108 miles southeast of Dallas and 153 miles north of Houston. U.S. Highways 287, 79, and 84 provide the major transportation routes through the county. The County is the 52nd largest of the 254 counties in Texas; with a 2020 census population of 57,922. Significant cities in the County include Palestine, the county seat, Elkhart, and Frankston. The County falls between the 5th Texas congressional district and the 3rd Texas senatorial district. The county consists of 1,077 square miles with a 2000 population density of 53.8 residents per square mile.

The County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. The Commissioners Court, which is composed of four Commissioners and the County Judge, is the general governing body of the County in accordance with Article 5 Paragraph 18 of the Texas Constitution. Commissioners serve four-year staggered terms; two members are elected every two years. The County Judge is elected at large to serve a four-year term.

The Commissioners Court sets the tax rate, establishes policies for County operations, approves contracts for the County and develops and adopts the County budget within the resources as estimated by the County Judge as assisted by the County Auditor. The Commissioners Court is also responsible for developing policies and orders, approving financial commitments, and appointing various department heads. The management and leadership provided by members of the Commissioners Court and the elected and appointed officials of other key County offices is crucial to the success of the County in financial management and growth.

The County Auditor has responsibilities for prescribing the systems and procedures for handling the finances of the County and "examining, auditing and approving" all disbursements from County funds prior to their submission to the Commissioners Court for approval.

The County provides many services not ordinarily provided by any other entity of government and provides additional services in cooperation with other local government units. The County provides the following services as authorized by the statutes of the State of Texas: general government (e.g., tax collection), judicial (e.g., courts, juries, district attorney, etc.), public safety (e.g., sheriff, jail, etc.), roads and highways and health and welfare (e.g., assistance to indigents).

The annual budget serves as the foundation for the County's planning and control. Budget hearings are posted annually in July, August, and September, with the final budget approved by the Commissioners Court following the hearings. The final budget includes contingency and emergency reserve line items. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Most appropriated budgets are prepared by fund, function, department, and category. Capital expenditures are approved on a line-item basis. Budget to actual comparisons are provided in this report for each individual governmental fund for which an appropriate annual budget has been adopted.

#### FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCIAL CONDITION

An understanding of the financial condition of the County is enhanced when it is considered from the broader perspective of the specific environment within which the County operates.

**Local Economy** - The County maintains a relatively stable local economy. The County has a somewhat limited tax base and economic employment base with the top ten taxpayers in the County accounting for approximately 16% of the County's tax base.

Primary employers in the County include the Texas Department of Corrections facility (2195 employees), Wal-Mart Stores Inc. distributing center (1560), Sanderson Farms (1095) and Palestine Regional Medical Center (500). For December 2023, the County's unemployment rate of 3.0% was lower than the state's rate of 3.9% and below the national average of 3.7%.

The County's tax base increased in 2023 due to an increase in real property and in mineral valuations. The Commissioners Court is continuing to take a conservative approach to the allocation of resources in order to ensure that the County is prepared for economic fluctuations.

**Relevant Financial Policies** - The County adopts a one-year budget as part of its financial planning process. The budgets along with the financial policies of the County serve as the basis for the overall fiscal management of the county's resources. The budget implements strategies, both financial and operational, identified through the strategic and long-range planning process to meet existing challenges and to effectively plan for future needs. Goals and objectives are incorporated into policy statements which are continually reevaluated to provide the necessary structure for achieving these goals.

Long-term Financial Planning – Long-term financial planning goals include the following:

- Operate the County government in the most fiscally responsible manner possible.
- Control expenditures by implementing cost savings measures at any opportunity.
- Promote a favorable environment for retaining and expanding existing businesses while attracting a wide variety of new businesses to provide economic growth and development which will provide sufficient resources to fund County operations while mitigating the overall tax burden on County taxpayers.
- Implement technological solutions to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of operations, reporting and delivering services to citizens.

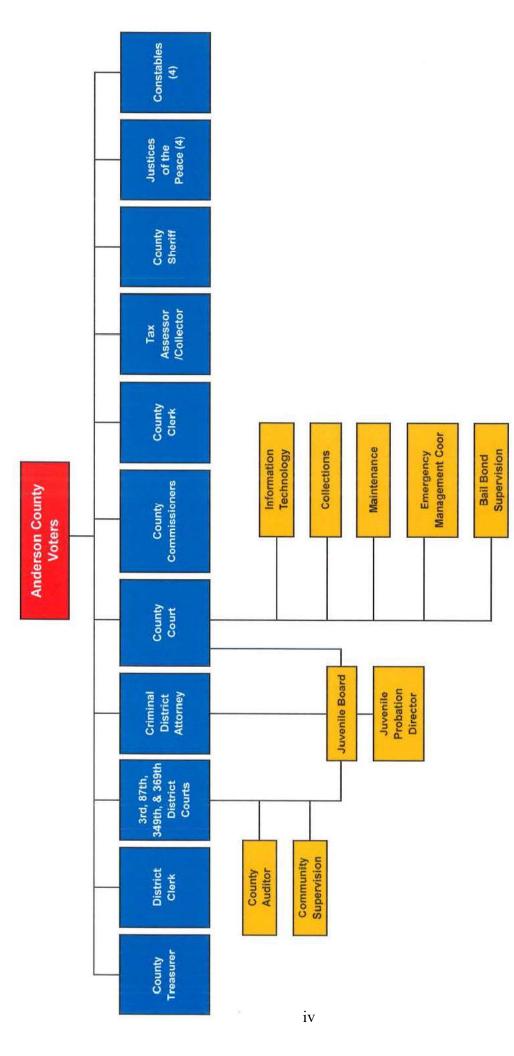
The successful completion of this report could not have been achieved without the dedicated efforts of the staff of the County Auditor's Office and the professional services provided by our independent auditors, Pattillo, Brown and Hill, LLP. I wish to express my gratitude to the District Judges, the Commissioners Court, and the other County officials and departments for their support in planning and conducting the financial affairs of the County in a responsible and progressive manner.

Respectfully submitted,

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Megan Lambright Anderson County Auditor

# ANDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS ORGANIZATIONAL CHART FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023



# **ANDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS**

# **Commissioners Court**

Carey G. McKinney Greg Chapin Rashad Q. Mims, I Kenneth Dickson Joey Hill

## Judicial

Judge, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Court Mark Calhoon Judge, 87<sup>th</sup> District Court Amy Thomas Ward Judge, 349<sup>th</sup> District Court Pam Foster Fletcher Judge, 369<sup>th</sup> District Court C. Michael Davis

## Law Enforcement

W.R. Flores Allyson Mitchell Emily Lane\*

# **Financial Administration**

Megan Lambright\* Tara Holliday Margie Grissom

# **Recording Officials**

Teresa Coker Mark Staples

County Judge Commissioner, Precinct 1 Commissioner, Precinct 2 Commissioner, Precinct 3 Commissioner, Precinct 4

County Sheriff Criminal District Attorney Chief Juvenile Probation Director

**County Auditor** County Treasurer County Tax Assessor/Collector

District Clerk County Clerk

\*Denotes appointed officials. All others listed are elected.



#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Honorable County Judge and County Commissioners Anderson County, Texas

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

#### Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Anderson County, Texas (County), as of and for the year ended December 31, 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 accompanying financial statements 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 December 31, 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 (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Emphasis of Matter - Change of Accounting Principle

As described in the notes to the financial statements, in fiscal year 2023 the County adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based IT Arrangements*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.



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

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant
  accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial
  statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, and pension and OPEB 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.

#### 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 combining 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 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 September 27, 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.

Pattillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P.

Waco, Texas September 27, 2024

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Anderson County (the "County"), we offer readers of the County's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the County for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the County's financial statements.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The net position of the County at the close of the most recent fiscal year was \$32,704,335. Of this amount, \$6,419,051 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The County's total net position increased by \$3,763,891 from operations.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$24,878,922, an increase of \$769,806 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$9,108,357 or 37% of total General Fund expenditures.

# **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

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

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Country's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources with the net difference reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the 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 giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the County that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of the County include general government, judicial, public safety, social services, and roads and bridges.

**Fund financial statements.** A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All the funds of the County can be divided into three categories: governmental, proprietary, 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 useful 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 County's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The County maintains 49 individual governmental funds. 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, the Capital Projects Fund, and the American Rescue Plan Act Fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

Anderson County utilizes and maintains budgetary control over its operating funds. Budgetary controls are used to ensure compliance with legal provisions required under state statute governing the annual appropriated budget. Budgets for governmental funds are established in accordance with state law and are adopted at the department and account line-item levels for all funds. Appropriations for Capital Projects Funds are approved on an annual basis. The Required Supplementary Information contains a budget comparison for the General Fund. The comparison schedule is used to demonstrate compliance with the budget both as originally adopted and as finally amended.

**Proprietary Funds.** The County maintains one type of proprietary fund. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County's various functions. The County uses its Internal Service Fund to account for its health insurance. This internal service function has been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

*Fiduciary Funds.* Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the County. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the 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 in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

*Other information.* In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents the required supplementary information concerning the County's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension and OPEB benefits to its employees. Additionally, a budgetary comparison schedule for the General Fund has been provided to demonstrate compliance with the budget. Required supplementary information can be found immediately following the notes to the financial statements.

This report also contains other supplementary information in the form of combining fund statements that further support the information in the financial statements. The combining fund statements are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

# **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the County, net position was \$32,704,335 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The County's investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding, is 63% of net position. 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.

	Governmental Activities		
	2023	2022	
Current and other assets	\$ 52,864,932	\$ 57,247,518	
Capital assets	41,655,109	41,569,739	
Total assets	94,520,041	98,817,257	
Deferred outflows of resources	2,923,262	1,904,783	
Long-term liabilities	41,757,083	43,978,640	
Other liabilities	2,503,314	1,419,155	
Total liabilities	44,260,397	45,397,795	
Deferred inflows of resources	20,478,571	26,383,801	
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	20,438,486	18,580,406	
Restricted	5,846,798	5,871,273	
Unrestricted	6,419,051	4,488,765	
Total net position	\$ 32,704,335	\$ 28,940,444	

#### Anderson County's Net Position

An additional portion of the County's net position, \$5,846,798 (18%), represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of *unrestricted net position*, \$6,419,051 (20%), may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the County is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net position.

#### **Governmental Activities** 2023 2022 Revenues Program revenues: Charges for services \$ 3,433,922 \$ 3,424,827 Operating grants and contributions 5,576,458 3,075,805 Capital grants and contributions 166,477 69,322 General revenues: Property taxes 19,653,442 18,465,495 Sales taxes 4,021,174 4,528,268 Other taxes 55,868 56,068 Hotel occupancy 226,111 204.329 Investment earnings 934,162 262,058 17,319 Gain on sale of capital assets 690,889 Miscellaneous 195,632 160,866 Total revenues 34,954,135 30,264,357 Expenses General government 6,411,401 6,295,908 Judicial 3,780,192 3,435,797 Public safety 10,464,418 9,514,320 Social services 836,224 783,851 Roads and bridges 7,479,020 6,490,819 Interest on long-term debt 2,218,989 863,245 31,190,244 27,383,940 Total expenses **CHANGE IN NET POSITION** 3,763,891 2,880,417 **NET POSITION, BEGINNING** 28,940,444 26,060,027 **NET POSITION, ENDING** 32,704,335 28,940,444 \$ \$

#### Anderson County's Changes in Net Position

**Statement of Activities.** The net position of Anderson County increased from governmental operations by \$3,763,891 in 2023.

Total revenues from all governmental activities for Anderson County were \$34,836,905 in 2023 compared to \$30,264,357 in 2022, for an increase of \$4,572,548. The primary components of the revenue changes are as follows:

- Property tax revenue, accounting for 56% of total revenues, increased by \$1,187,947 in 2023. Although the property tax rate decreased in 2023, the County relied on the increase in property values and the addition of new property within the County to fund the 2023 budget while lowering the burden placed on the taxpayers.
- Sales, other, and hotel occupancy taxes accounted for 13% of total revenues. This was a decrease in 2023 of \$485,512.
- Operating and capital grants and contributions accounted for 17% of total revenues, with an increase of \$2,597,808 from 2022 to 2023. Much of the increase is due to the increase in revenues related to funding through the American Rescue Plan Act Fund.
- Charges for services accounted for 9% of total revenues, which was an increase of \$9,095 from 2022 to 2023.
- The remaining 5% of revenue in 2023 was provided by interest income, gain on sale of capital assets, and miscellaneous sources for a total of \$1,820,683. In 2022, this same group of revenues comprised 2% of revenues for a total of \$440,243. The substantial increase was a greater amount of funds held in investment type accounts, the increase in market rates throughout the fiscal year and the gain on sale of capital assets.

Expenses for the year totaled \$31,190,244 in 2023 compared to \$27,383,940 in 2022. This represents a 12% or \$3,663,705 increase in 2023 compared to 2022.

- General government activities accounted for 21% of expenses in 2023, increasing by \$115,493 in 2023 compared to 2022. A portion of the increase is due to the fact that all employees received a cost-of-living adjustment for the 2023 fiscal year. This also increased the benefits and taxes related to the salary adjustment.
- Judicial activities accounted for 12% of expenses in 2023, increasing by \$344,395 in 2023 compared to 2022. The increase in this function can be related to the effect the Coronavirus restrictions place on the Court system that affected judicial activity in 2020 and 2021.
- Public safety activities accounted for 34% of expenses in 2023 increasing by \$950,098 in 2023 compared to 2022. A large portion of the increase is due to increased costs of services contracted within the county jail.
- Social services activities accounted for 3% of expenses in 2023 increasing by \$52,373 in 2023 compared to 2022.
- Road and bridge activities accounted for 24% of expenses in 2023 increasing by \$988,201 in 2023 compared to 2022. The increase is due to increased activity and increased costs of repairing and maintaining roads and bridges.

• Interest on long-term debt activities accounted for 6% in 2023 increasing by \$1,355,744 in 2023 compared to 2022. The difference between years is related to the changes from year-to-year in the debt service schedules.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, 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. The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the County. At the end of the current fiscal year, the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$9,108,357. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both assigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 37% of total General Fund expenditures.

The fund balance of the County's General Fund increased by \$305,345 during the current fiscal year. Property tax collections increased by \$654,343 and sales tax collections decreased by \$507,094. Expenditures for the General Fund for 2023 increased by \$3,486,901 from the prior year.

The Capital Projects Fund accounted for 16% of the total governmental fund assets. At the end of the current fiscal year, the Capital Projects Fund had an ending fund balance of \$8,562,202. Which was a decrease of \$11,629.

The American Rescue Plan Act Fund accounted for 10% of the total governmental fund assets. Expenditures increased by \$2,080,597 compared to the prior year,

## **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The following are significant variations between the final budget and actual amounts in the General Fund:

- Actual revenues were higher than budgeted by \$1,573,193; primarily due to property, sales taxes and investment earnings revenue being more than expected.
- Actual expenditures were lower than budgeted by \$781,620; primarily due to budgetary controls and adherence to adopted budgets across all departments.

# CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

**Capital assets.** The County's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2023, amounted to \$41,655,109 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, infrastructure, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, right-to-use – equipment, and subscription-based IT arrangements.

# Anderson County's Capital Assets (net of depreciation)

	Governmental Activities						
	2023		2023			2022	
Land	\$	2,066,629	-	\$	2,059,004		
Construction in progress		1,711,415			441,840		
Buildings and improvements		19,192,769			14,335,019		
Roads and bridges		13,829,643			20,191,461		
Machinery and equipment		4,174,123			4,343,644		
Right-to-use - equipment		558,463			198,771		
Subscription-based IT arrangements		122,067	_		160,660		
			_				
Total	\$	41,655,109		\$	41,730,399		

Major additions to the County's capital assets during 2023 include \$1,412,382 of road and bridge additions, \$1,541,865 of new equipment and machinery, and \$133,477 of buildings and improvements.

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in Note 2 to the financial statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, the County has a total bonded debt of \$24,10,000.

# Anderson County's Outstanding Debt General Obligation Bonds

	 Governmental Activities			
	 2023		2022	
Bonds	\$ 18,215,000	\$	19,285,000	
Total	\$ 18,215,000	\$	19,285,000	

#### **Certificates of Obligation Bonds**

	 Governmental Activities			
	 2023		2022	
Bonds	\$ 5,885,000	\$	5,885,000	
Total	\$ 5,885,000	\$	5,885,000	

State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt a governmental activity may issue to 5% of its total assessed valuation. The current debt limitation for the County is \$233,634,490, which is significantly in excess of the County's outstanding general obligation debt.

Additional information on the County's long-term debt can be found in Note 2 to the financial statements.

# **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

A listing of conditions and decisions that may impact the future financial condition of the County follows:

- The County adopted a decreased combined tax rate of 0.4828930 in 2024. Although the tax rate decreased by 9.5647 cents, the property values have increased, and new property was added. This will raise a comparable amount of current property tax collections in 2024 compared to 2023.
- The County expects the cost of medical services provided to the jail and cost of indigent defense to continue to increase in the coming years. In addition, we have continued to see the effects of inflation on all aspects of County operations.

# **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the County's finances for all those with interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the County Auditor's Office, 703 N. Mallard Suite 110, Palestine, TX 75801.

# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### ANDERSON COUNTY

#### Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2023

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash and investments	\$ 36,685,605
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectible):	
Accounts	990,573
Property taxes	13,867,997
Other taxes	855,144
Due from other governments	139,105
Due from other entities	48,277
Prepaid expenses	278,231
Capital assets	120,778,416
Accumulated depreciation	(79,123,307)
Total assets	94,520,041
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	2,697,288
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	225,974
Total deferred outflows of resources	2,923,262
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	857,125
Accrued liabilities	268,466
Due to other governments	72,398
Due to other entities	25,749
Other payables	17,076
Interest payable	1,262,500
Unearned revenue	4,877,361
Noncurrent liabilities:	1,077,501
Due within one year	1,909,567
Due in more than one year	34,970,155
Total liabilities	44,260,397
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Property taxes levied for future periods	12,967,051
Advance property tax collections	6,954,883
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	556,637
Total deferred inflows of resources	20,478,571
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	20,438,486
Restricted for:	20,438,480
General government	827,169
Judicial operations	407,417
Public safety operations	1,270,786
Social services operations	206,024
Roads and bridges	73,683
Debt service	73,083 3,061,719
Unrestricted	6,419,051
Total net position	\$ 32,704,335

#### ANDERSON COUNTY

#### Statement of Activities

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

					Pr	ogram Revenues		Reve	let (Expense) nue and Changes Net Position
Functions/Programs		Expenses		Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions	 Capital Grants and Contributions	G	overnmental Activities
Governmental activities:									
General government	\$	6,411,401	\$	904,130	\$	122,178	\$ -	\$	(5,385,093)
Judicial		3,780,192		1,029,625		384,207	-		(2,366,360)
Public safety		10,464,418		511,612		4,927,564	-		(5,025,242)
Social Services		836,224		37,972		95,085	-		(703,167)
Roads and bridges		7,479,020		950,583		47,424	166,477		(6,314,536)
Interest on long-term debt		2,218,989					 		(2,218,989)
Total governmental activities	\$	31,190,244	\$	3,433,922	\$	5,576,458	\$ 166,477	\$	(22,013,387)
	Genera	al revenues:							
	Taxe	s:							
		roperty							19,653,442
		ales							4,021,174
	C	Other							55,868
	Н	lotel occupancy							226,111
	Unre	stricted investmen	t earning	js					934,162
	Gain	on sale of capital	assets						690,889
	Misc	ellaneous							195,632
		Total general rev	enues/						25,777,278
		Change in ne	t positio	n					3,763,891
	Net po	sition, beginning							28,940,444
	Net po	sition, ending						\$	32,704,335

#### Balance Sheet

#### Governmental Funds

#### December 31, 2023

		General		Capital Projects		American Rescue Plan Act Fund	Go	Other	G	Total overnmental Funds
Assets:										
Cash and Investments	\$	17,381,417	\$	8,572,493	\$	5,140,630	\$	5,501,859	\$	36,596,399
Receivables (net of allowances for estimated uncollectible):	φ	17,501,417	Φ	0,572,475	Φ	5,140,050	ψ	5,501,057	Ψ	50,590,599
Accounts		990,573		_		_		_		990,573
Property Taxes		12,231,734		2,333				1,633,930		13,867,997
Other Taxes		855,144		2,335				1,055,750		855,144
Prepaid Assets		278,231		-		-		-		278,231
Due from Other Governments				-		-		139,105		139,105
Due from Other Funds		122,292		-		-				122,292
Due from Other Entities		28,812		-		-		19,465		48,277
Total Assets	\$	31,888,203	\$	8,574,826	\$	5,140,630	\$	7,294,359	\$	52,898,018
Liabilities:										
Accounts Payable	\$	463,449	\$	10,291	\$	314,925	\$	68,460	\$	857,125
Accrued Liabilities		255,193		-		1,280		11,993		268,466
Due to Other Governments		72,398		-		-		-		72,398
Due to Other Funds		-		-		-		122,292		122,292
Due to Other Entities		25,749		-		-		-		25,749
Other Payables		17,076		-		-		-		17,076
Unearned Revenue		-		-		4,824,425		52,936		4,877,361
Total Liabilities		833,865		10,291		5,140,630		255,681		6,240,467
Deferred Inflows of Resources:										6 <b></b>
Advanced property tax collections		6,162,516		-		-		792,367		6,954,883
Unavailable Revenue - property taxes		12,202,393		2,333		-		1,628,447		13,833,173
Unavailable Revenue - court fines & fees Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		990,573 19,355,482		2,333		-		- 2,420,814		<u>990,573</u> 21,778,629
				)				, ,,,,		,,.
Fund Balances: Nonspendable										
Prepaid Items		278,231		-		-		-		278,231
Restricted for:										
General Government		-		-		-		827,169		827,169
Judicial operations		-		-		-		407,417		407,417
Public Safety operations		-		-		-		1,270,786		1,270,786
Social Services operations		-		-		-		206,024		206,024
Roads & Bridges		-		-		-		73,683		73,683
Debt Service		-		-		-		1,841,462		1,841,462
Capital acquisition and construction		-		8,562,202		-		-		8,562,202
Assigned for:										, ,
Subsequent year's budget deficit		2,312,268		-		-		-		2,312,268
Unassigned		9,108,357		-		-		(8,677)		9,099,680
Total Fund Balances		11,698,856		8,562,202		-		4,617,864		24,878,922
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of										
Resources, and Fund Balance	\$	31,888,203	\$	8,574,826	\$	5,140,630	\$	7,294,359	\$	52,898,018

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of the Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position

#### December 31, 2023

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:			
Total fund balances - governmental funds:		\$	24,878,922
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and,		Ψ	<b>_</b> 1,070,72 <b>_</b>
therefore, are not reported in the funds.			
Governmental capital assets	120,778,416		
Less: accumulated depreciation	(79,123,307)		
	(7),125,507)		41,655,109
An Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of health			41,055,107
insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service			
Fund are included in the governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.			
I und are included in the governmental activities in the statement of Net 1 ostiton.			89,206
Some of the Country's revenue will be collected offer year and but are not			89,200
Some of the County's revenue will be collected after year-end, but are not			
available soon enough to pay current year's expenditures and therefore are not			
reported in the governmental funds.	0.(( 100		
Property taxes	866,122		
Court fines	990,573		1.0.0.0
			1,856,695
Certain long-term assets and liabilities reported in governmental activities do not require			
current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental			
funds balance sheet. A summary of these items are as follows:			
Long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	(24,100,000)		
Premium on bond	(2,138,550)		
Financing arrangements	(591,488)		
Leases	(593,422)		
Subscriptions	(108,056)		
Net OPEB obligation	(4,230,797)		
Net pension liability	(4,635,843)		
Compensated absences	(481,566)		
			(36,879,722)
Certain deferred inflows and deferred outflows of resources are only reported in			
the government-wide financial statements:			
Deferred outflows of resources:			
Related to pensions	2,697,288		
Related to OPEB	225,974		
Deferred inflows of resources:	- )		
Related to OPEB	(556,637)		
	(000,000)		2,366,625
Interest payable used in County's governmental activities are not payable from			2,200,020
current resources and therefore are not reported in governmental funds.			(1,262,500)
canon resources and incretore are not reported in governmentar rands.			(1,202,500)
Net position of governmental activities		\$	32,704,335
The position of governmental activities		Ψ	52,101,555

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Governmental Funds

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	General	Capital Projects	American Rescue Plan Act Fund	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Taxes					
Property	\$ 16,282,640	\$ -	\$-	\$ 3,269,353	\$ 19,551,993
Sales	4,021,174	-	-	-	4,021,174
Mixed Beverage	55,868	-	-	-	55,868
Hotel Occupancy	-	-	-	226,111	226,111
Intergovernmental	454,969	-	4,158,214	1,118,913	5,732,096
Fees of Office	2,666,963	-	-	151,668	2,818,631
Fines and Forfeitures	242,656	-	-	301,620	544,276
Investment Earnings	769,776	151,054	-	12,990	933,820
Miscellaneous	152,220	-	-	43,412	195,632
Total Revenues	24,646,266	151,054	4,158,214	5,124,067	34,079,601
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General Government	6,281,741	-	-	134,954	6,416,695
Judicial	3,449,045	-	-	323,005	3,772,050
Public Safety	7,668,757	-	1,463,319	888,468	10,020,544
Social Services	820,556	-	-	10,280	830,836
Roads & Bridges	4,493,576	-	-	929,957	5,423,533
Debt Service:					
Principal	845,327	-	1,193,282	1,172,209	3,210,818
Interest and other charges	60,624	-	2,844	1,049,821	1,113,289
Capital Outlay	1,256,736	162,683	1,498,769	237,519	3,155,707
Total Expenditures	24,876,362	162,683	4,158,214	4,746,213	33,943,472
Excess (Deficiency) of					
Revenue over Expenditures	(230,096)	(11,629)	) -	377,854	136,129
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Sale of capital assets	499,040	-	-	-	499,040
SBITA Issuance	-	-	-	76,152	76,152
Insurance recoveries	58,485	_	-		58,485
Transfers In	188,196	_	_	210,280	398,476
Transfers Out	(210,280)	_	_	(188,196)	(398,476)
		-	-		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	535,441	-	-	98,236	633,677
Net Change in Fund Balance	305,345	(11,629	) -	476,090	769,806
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	11,393,511	8,573,831	-	4,141,774	24,109,116
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 11,698,856	\$ 8,562,202	\$-	\$ 4,617,864	\$ 24,878,922

#### Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds:	\$	769,806
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report outlays for capital assets as expenditures because such outlays use current financial resources. In contrast, the Statement of Activities reports only a portion of outlay as expense. The outlay is allocated over the assets' estimated		
useful lives as depreciation expense for the period.		
Expenditures for capital assets	4,455,858	
Less: current year depreciation	(4,722,997)	
	(4,722,997)	(267,139)
Governmental funds report the entire net sales price (proceeds) from sale of an asset as revenue because it provides current financial resources. In contrast, the Statement of		(207,137)
Activities reports only the gain on the sale of the assets. Thus, the change in net position		
differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the asset sold.		191,849
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. Grants		
Property taxes	101,449	
Court fines	23,369	
	23,309	124,818
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., certificates of obligation, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while repayment of the principal of long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.		
Repayment of long-term liabilities	2,728,298	
Amortization of:	_,,,	
Deferred loss on bond refunding	(52,697)	
Premium on bond issuance	154,884	
-	,	2,830,485
Some expenses reported in the governmental activities statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		
Compensated absences	(71,886)	
OPEB obligation	26,036	
Net pension liability	944,598	
Net OPEB liability	16,501	
······································	- •,• • -	915,249
Accrual interest expense reported in the statement of activities does not require the use of current		) -
financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		(801,519)
		( ) )
Internal Service Funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activities,		
such as health insurance, to individual funds. The net revenue (expense ) of certain		
Internal Service Funds is reported with governmental activities.		342
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	3,763,891

#### Statement of Net Position

## Proprietary Fund

## December 31, 2023

	Governmental Activities - Self-Insurance
Assets	¢ 00.007
Cash and Investments Total Assets	<u>\$ 89,206</u> 89,206
Liabilities Total Liabilities	
Net Position	
Unrestricted	89,206
Total Net Position	\$ 89,206

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Proprietary Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Governmental Activities - Self-Insurance	
Operating Revenues		
Total Operating Revenues	\$	-
Operating Expenses		
Total Operating Expenses		-
Operating Income		-
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Interest		342
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		342
Change in Net Position		342
Total Net Position, Beginning		88,864
Total Net Position, Ending	\$	89,206

#### Statement of Cash Flows

## Proprietary Funds

## For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Governmen Activities Self-Insura	
Cash Flows From Investing Activities Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	\$	342
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		342
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning		88,864
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Ending	\$	89,206
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income	\$	-
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	-

#### Statement of Fiduciary Net Position

#### Fiduciary Funds

#### December 31, 2023

	Investment Frust Funds	0	Custodial Funds	
Assets				
Cash and investments	\$ 3,373,899	\$	336,876	
Total assets	\$ 3,373,899	\$	336,876	
Liabilities				
Due to other entities	\$ -	\$	214,196	
Total liabilities	 -		214,196	
Net Position				
Restricted for:				
Individuals, organizations and other governments	3,373,899		122,743	
Unrestricted	 -		(63)	
Total net position	\$ 3,373,899	\$	122,680	

#### Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

#### Fiduciary Funds

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Investment Trust Funds		Custodial Funds	
Increases:				
Contributions from judgements	\$	1,041,932	\$	39
Taxes collected on behalf of taxing entities		-		140,344,593
Bonds received		-		43,422
Clerk fees		-		1,749,052
Deposits held		-		525,225
Interest income		-		5,929
Total Increases		1,041,932		142,668,260
Decreases:				
Bonds refunded	\$	-	\$	44,418
Taxes disbursed to taxing entities		-		92,086,885
Collections distributed		-		50,329,880
Deposits returned		-		211,895
Miscellaneous		-		5,711
Disbursements to beneficiaries		385,259		-
Total Decreases		385,259		142,678,789
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position		656,673		(10,529)
Net position - beginning		2,717,226		133,209
Net position - ending	\$	3,373,899	\$	122,680

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# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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# ANDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### December 31, 2023

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting policies of the County reflected in the accompanying financial statements conform to the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to state and local governments. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for local governments are those promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards. The most significant accounting and reporting policies of the County are described in the following notes to the financial statements.

#### A. <u>Reporting Entity</u>

Anderson County, Texas was created in 1846 with Palestine as the County seat. The County is governed by an elected Commissioners Court consisting of four precinct commissioners and the County Judge. The County provides the following services as authorized by the statutes of the State of Texas: general government (e.g., tax collection), judicial (e.g., courts, juries, district attorney, etc.), public safety (e.g., sheriff, jail, etc.), roads and bridges and social services (e.g., assistance to indigents).

A financial reporting entity consists of the primary government and its component units. Component units are legally separate organization for which the elected officials of the County are financially accountable, or the relationship to the County is such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are in substance, part of the County's operations and so data from these units are combined with data of the County. Each discretely presented component unit on the other hand, is reported in a separate column under component unit on the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that is legally separate from the primary government.

The County had no component units during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

#### B. Government-wide and Fund 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 primary government. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are the elimination of interfund services provided and used that would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported from the various functions concerned. *Governmental activities* are supported by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenue. *Direct expenses* are those that

are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, the proprietary fund, 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. Nonmajor funds include Special Revenue and Debt Service Funds. The combined amounts of these funds are reflected in a single column in the fund Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances. Detailed statements for nonmajor funds are presented within the combining fund statements.

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

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be *available* when it is collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenue to be available if 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 judgements, are recorded only when payment is due.

Taxes, grants, fines, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The <u>General Fund</u> is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The <u>Capital Projects Fund</u> is used to account for the resources used for the construction and acquisition of capital facilities by the County.

The <u>American Rescue Plan Act Fund</u> was established to account for funding awarded to assist in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

The *Special Revenue Funds* are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

The <u>Debt Service Fund</u> accounts for the resources accumulated and payment made for principal and interest on general long-term debt associated with the acquisition and/or construction of facilities and equipment for the County.

The *Internal Service Fund*, commonly known as the Self-Insurance Fund, is used to account for insurance coverage and administrative services provided to other departments or agencies of the County. This fund is funded by quasi-exempt transfers from other funds and charges to employees for extended benefits at their option.

The *Investment Trust Funds* are used to report fiduciary activities from individual investment accounts that are held in a trust.

The <u>Custodial Funds</u> are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, or private-purpose trust funds.

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

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County's Internal Service Fund are charges to participants for services. Operating expenses for the Internal Service Fund include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenue and expenses not meeting the definition are reported as nonoperating revenue and expenses.

## D. <u>Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund</u> <u>Balance</u>

#### **Cash Investments**

The County's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State statutes authorize the County to invest in bank certificates of deposits, obligations of the United States or its agencies, obligations of the State of Texas, obligations of other political subdivisions having at least an "A" credit rating, commercial paper, repurchase agreements and local government investment pools.

Investments for the County are reported at fair value, except for the position in investment pools. The County's investment in these pools are reported at the net asset value per share (which approximates fair value) even though they are calculated using the amortization cost method.

Time deposits of all funds are stated at cost, which approximates fair value.

All investment income is recognized as revenue in the appropriate fund's statement of activity and/or statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, proprietary fund types consider all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

#### **Receivables and Payables**

Activities between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from" other funds. Interfund activity reflected in "due to" or "due from" other funds are eliminated in the government-wide statements.

The Anderson County Tax Assessor/Collector collects property taxes for the County. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied on October 1 and are due and payable on or before January 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. Property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible amounts.

Accounts receivable from other governments include amounts due from grantor agencies for approved grants specific programs and reimbursements for services performed by the County. Program grants are recorded as receivables and revenues at the time all eligibility requirements established by the provider have been met.

Reimbursements for services performed are recorded as receivables and revenues when they are earned. Included are fines and costs assessed by court action and billable services for certain contracts. Revenues received in advance of the costs being incurred are recorded as unearned revenue in the fund statements. Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles.

#### **Prepaid Items**

Payments made to vendors for items or services for a future period beyond December 31, are recorded as prepaid items. The County uses the consumption method to account for prepaid items. This means that expenditures are recognized proportionately over the periods that services are provided. The fund balances in the affected funds have been classified as nonspendable for amounts equal to the prepayments since these amounts are not available for appropriation.

#### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, infrastructure (e.g., roads, bridges, and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. The County defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than

\$2,500 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition cost, which is the price to acquire an asset with equivalent service potential at the acquisition date.

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

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant, and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings	20-50
Improvements	5-50
Equipment	5-20
Infrastructure (roads and bridges)	20-50
Right-to use - equipment	Agreement Term
Subscription-based IT arrangements	Agreement Term

#### Leases

The County is a lessee for a noncancellable lease of equipment. The County recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the government-wide financial statements.

At the commencement of a lease, the County initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgements related to leases include how the County determines (1) the discount rate it used to discount the expected lease payments to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease payments.

- The County uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the County generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.
- The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that the County is reasonably certain to exercise.

The County monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

## Subscription-Based Technology Arrangements

The County is a lessee for subscription-based IT arrangements (SBITAs). The County recognizes liability and an intangible right-to-use asset in the government-wide financial statements.

At the commencement of a SBITA, the County initially measures the liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the agreement term. Subsequentially, the liability is reduced by the principal portion of payments made. The asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the liability, adjusted for payments made at or before the commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgements related to SBITAs include how the County determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected payments to present value, (2) agreement term, and (3) agreed upon payments.

- The County uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the County generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.
- The agreement term includes the noncancellable period of the SBITA.
- The agreed upon payments included in the measurement of the liability are composed of both fixed and variable payments. The variable payments are based on estimated future increases which may be due to inflation, software activity, or number of users.

The County monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its SBITA and will remeasure the asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the liability.

SBITA assets are reported with other capital assets and SBITA liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

#### Long-term Obligations

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

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

#### Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expenses, information about the Fiduciary Net Position of the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) and additions to/deductions from TCDRS's Fiduciary Net Position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TCDRS. For this purpose, plan contributions are legally due. Benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### **Compensated Absences**

County employees earn vacation in varying amounts and earn sick leave at the rate of one day per month. Employees earn vacation based on the following table:

Years of Employment	Vacation Days
1-2 years	80 hours per year
3-9 years	96 hours per year
10-19 years	120 hours per year
20+ years	160 hours per year

Vacation leave may not be accrued in excess of the maximum amount of 200 hours. Also, in accordance with the Fair Labor Standards Act as it applies to local governments, non-exempt County employees are granted compensatory time for hours worked beyond their regular working hours. Vacation and compensatory time is paid upon termination of employment. Accrued sick time is not paid out per the policy of the Commissioners Court.

The County has recognized a liability for accumulated vacation leave where the employees' rights to receive benefits are attributable to services already rendered, and it is probable that the County will compensate the employees through either paid time off or cash payments at termination.

All vacation pay and compensatory time is accrued when incurred in the governmentwide financial statements. A liability for these payments is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

#### **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The County has the following items that qualify reporting in this category:

- Deferred losses on debt refunding's in the government-wide Statement of Net *Position* – A deferred loss on a bond refunding result when the reacquisition price of the refunded debt exceeds the carrying value. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.
- *Difference in expected and actual pension and OPEB experience* This difference is deferred and recognized over the estimated average lives of all members determined as of the measurement date.
- Changes of economic and demographic actuarial assumptions or of other inputs included in determining the pension and OPEB liabilities These effects on the total pension and OPEB liabilities are deferred and amortized over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with benefits through the pension and OPEB plans (active employees and inactive employees).
- *Pension contributions after the measurement date* These contributions are deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and, therefore, will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has the following items that qualify for reporting in this category:

- Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, unavailable revenue is reported in the governmental funds balance sheet as a deferred inflow of resources.
- Property taxes collected before the period for which they were levied.

In addition, the County has deferred inflows of resources which are required to be reported on the Statements of Net Position under the full accrual basis of accounting. Deferred inflows of resources reported in the Statements of Net Position are as follows:

• *Difference in projected and actual earnings on pension assets* – This difference is deferred and amortized over a closed five-year period.

#### Fund Balance Classification

The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- Nonspendable: This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Nonspendable items are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.
- Restricted: This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed: This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by ordinance of the Commissioners Court, the County's highest level of decision-making authority. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Commissioners Court removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.
- Assigned: This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the County's intent to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent is determined by the Commissioners Court or the County Auditor.
- Unassigned: This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting assigned fund balance amounts.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the County considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the County considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds.

The County will strive to maintain a minimum unassigned fund balance in its General Fund ranging from 18 to 25% of the subsequent year's budgeted expenditures and outgoing transfers. This minimum fund balance is to protect against cash flow shortfalls related to timing of projected revenue receipts.

If it is determined that the County is below this minimum established fund balance level, the governing body will be informed of this condition and take necessary budgetary steps to bring the fund balance into compliance with this policy through budgetary actions.

## **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislations adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

## **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent liabilities at the date of financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual amounts could differ from those estimated.

## **Deficit Fund Equity**

As of December 31, 2023, the Law Enforcement Grant Fund and Community Development Grant Fund, had a negative fund balance of \$7,807 and \$870 respectively. The fund deficit is a result of revenues falling short of levels expected when the budget was approved. The year-end deficit will be rectified by providing supplemental funding from the General Fund of the County.

## **Change in Accounting Principle**

GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements, was adopted effective January 1, 2023. The statement addresses accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs). Statement No. 96 establishes standards for recognizing and measuring assets, liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and revenues and expenses related to SBITAs in the basic financial statements, in addition to requiring more extensive note disclosures. The adoption of this standard did not result in a restatement of beginning fund balance or net position, but assets and liabilities were recognized, and more extensive note disclosures were required.

## 2. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

#### **Cash and Investments**

As of December 31, 2023, the County had the following investment:

Investment Type	Net Asset Value		Weighted Average Maturity (Days)
TexPool	\$	14,190,901	37

The Public Funds Investment Act (Government Code Chapter 2256) contains specific provisions in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate policies. Among other things, it requires the County to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return, (6) maximum allowable stated maturity of portfolio investments, (7) maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio, (8) investment staff quality and capabilities, and (9) bid solicitation preferences for certificates of deposit. Statutes authorize the County to invest in (1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, certain U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas; (2) certificates of deposit; (3) certain municipal securities; (4) money market savings accounts; (5) repurchase agreements; (6) bankers acceptances; (7) mutual funds; (8) investment pools; (9) guaranteed investment contracts; and (10) common trust funds. The Act also requires the County to have independent auditors perform tests procedures related to investment practices as provided by the Act. The County is in substantial compliance with the requirements of the Act and with local policies.

*Custodial Credit Risk.* In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. As of December 31, 2023, the carrying value of the County's deposit balance was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution or by FDIC insurance.

*Credit Risk.* It is the County's policy to limit its investments to investment types with an investment quality rating not less than A or its equivalent by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. TexPool was rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's Investors Service.

#### **Property Taxes and Other Receivables**

Property is appraised and a lien on such property becomes enforceable as of January 1, subject to certain procedures for rendition, appraisal, appraisal review and judicial review. Property taxes are levied by October 1 of the year in which assessed, or as soon thereafter as practicable. Taxes are due and payable, without penalty and interest, from October 1 of the year in which levied on or before January 31 of the following year. Taxes become delinquent February 1 of each year and are subject to simple interest and penalties.

The County's taxes on real property represent a lien against such property until paid. The County may foreclose on real property upon which it has a lien for unpaid taxes. The exception is homestead property belonging to persons 65 years of age or older who file for deferral or abatement. Delinquent taxes on property not otherwise collected are generally paid when there is a sale or transfer of the title of the property.

Property taxes are collected for the General, Capital Projects, Debt Service, and Farm to Market and Lateral Road funds. This distribution is based on the tax rate established for each fund by order of the Commissioners Court for the tax year for which collections are made.

Receivables as of year-end for the County's individual major funds and nonmajor funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<u> </u>	General	capital rojects	Go	Other vernmental Funds	 Total
Receivables:						
Property taxes	\$	12,875,510	\$ 2,456	\$	1,719,926	\$ 14,597,892
Other taxes		855,144	-		-	855,144
Court fines and fees		6,603,819	 		-	 6,603,819
Gross Receivables		20,334,473	2,456		1,719,926	22,056,855
Less: Allowance for						
uncollectible		(6,257,022)	(123)		(85,996)	 (6,343,141)
Net total receivables	\$	14,077,451	\$ 2,333	\$	1,633,930	\$ 15,713,714

## **Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2023, was as follows:

#### **Primary Government**

v	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	
Governmental activities:					
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 2,059,004	\$ 7,625	\$ -	\$ 2,066,629	
Construction in progress	441,840	1,269,575	-	1,711,415	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	2,500,844	1,277,200		3,778,044	
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Roads and bridges	71,393,387	1,412,382	-	72,805,769	
Buildings and improvements	26,286,291	133,477	(20,260)	26,399,508	
Machinery and equipment	15,970,293	1,541,865	(650,357)	16,861,801	
Right-to-use - equipment	681,700	14,782	-	696,482	
Subscription-based IT arrangements	160,660	76,152	-	236,812	
Total capital assets being depreciated	114,492,331	3,178,658	(670,617)	117,000,372	
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Road and bridges	51,201,926	2,411,074	-	53,613,000	
Buildings and improvements	11,951,272	638,853	(20,260)	12,569,865	
Machinery and equipment	11,626,649	1,558,325	(497,296)	12,687,678	
Right-to-use - equipment	482,929	-	(344,910)	138,019	
Subscription-based IT arrangements	-	114,745	-	114,745	
Total accumulated depreciation	75,262,776	4,722,997	(862,466)	79,123,307	
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	39,229,555	(1,544,339)	191,849	37,877,065	
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 41,730,399	\$ (267,139)	\$ 191,849	\$ 41,655,109	

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

Governmental activities:	
General Government	\$ 909,955
Judicial	8,142
Public safety	443,874
Social services	5,388
Roads and bridges	3,355,638
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 4,722,997

#### **Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers**

The composition of interfund balances as of December 31, 2023, was as follows:

#### **Due to/from Other Funds:**

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	
General	Nonmajor Governmental	122,292
Total due to/from other funds		\$ 122,292

All balances of due to/due from resulted from short-term loans that are to be reimbursed within the next year.

## **Interfund Transfers:**

		Transfe				
			Other			
	Ger	General Fund Governmental				Total
Transfers in:						
General Fund	\$	-	\$	210,280	\$	210,280
Other Governmental		188,196				188,196
Total Transfers	\$	188,196	\$	210,280	\$	398,476

During the year, transfers were used to move General Fund resources to provide annual subsidies to Grant Funds, Juvenile Probation Fund, and Security Service Fee Fund.

## Long-term Debt

#### **General Obligation Bonds**

The County issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities or equipment.

In February 2017, the County issued \$6,450,000 of unlimited tax road bonds with an interest rate of 4%. These bonds were issued for the construction, maintenance, and operation of roads and turnpikes and professional services. Principal payments begin February 15, 2024, and are payable in annual installments of \$350,000 to \$590,000 through February 15, 2037.

In June 2018, the County issued \$6,635,000 of unlimited tax road bonds with an interest rate of 4%. These bonds were also issued for the construction, maintenance, and operation of roads and turnpikes and professional services. Principal payments begin February 15, 2024, and are payable in annual installments of \$330,000 to \$575,000 through February 15, 2038.

In June 2020, the County issued \$5,130,000 of unlimited tax road bonds with an interest rate of 4%. These bonds were also issued for the construction, maintenance, and operation of roads and turnpikes and professional services. Principal payments begin February 15, 2024, and are payable in annual installments of \$215,000 to \$410,000 through February 15, 2040.

In October 2021, the County issued \$5,885,000 of certificates of obligation with an interest rate of 3%. The certificates of obligation were issued for the renovation and improvement of the Civic Center. Principal payments begin February 15, 2024, and are payable in annual installments of \$235,000 to \$400,000 through February 15, 2042.

General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the County.

	Interest Rates	Amount
\$6,450,000 Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2017	4%	6,450,000
\$6,635,000 Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2018	4%	6,635,000
\$5,130,000 Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2020	4%	5,130,000
\$5,885,000 Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021	3%	5,885,000

#### **Financing Arrangements**

The County's direct borrowings (financing arrangements) related to governmental activities are secured with equipment as collateral. In 2023, the County borrowed \$500,000 with the interest rate of 5.925% for the purpose of purchasing Road and Bridge equipment.

#### **Leases Payable**

For the year ended 12/31/2023, the financial statements include the adoption of GASB Statement No. 87, Leases. The primary objective of this statement is to enhance the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. This statement establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. For additional information, refer to the disclosures below.

As of 12/31/2023, Anderson County had 7 active leases. The leases have payments that range from \$4,983 to \$22,062 with an interest rate of 3.00%. The total combined value of the lease liability and short-term lease liability is \$593,421 and \$58,879 respectively.

#### **Subscriptions Payable**

For the year ended 12/31/2023, the financial statements include the adoption of GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements. The primary objective of this statement is to enhance the relevance and consistency of information about governments' subscription activities. This statement establishes a single model for subscription accounting based on the principle that subscriptions are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this statement, an organization is required to recognize subscription liability and an intangible right-to-use subscription asset.

As of 12/31/2023, Anderson County had 5 active subscriptions. The subscriptions have payments that range from \$5,288 to \$49,705 and interest rates range from 2.363% to 2.894%. The total combined value of the subscription liability and short-term subscription liability is \$108,056 and \$65,421 respectively.

#### Lines of Credit

The County does not have any unused lines of credit.

## **Annual Debt Service Requirements**

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for **General Obligation Bonds** are as follows:

Year Ending	Governmental Activities				
December 31,	Principal	Interest			
2024	\$ 895,000	\$ 710,700			
2025	935,000	674,100			
2026	970,000	636,000			
2027	1,005,000	596,500			
2028	1,045,000	555,500			
2029-2033	5,940,000	2,097,200			
2034-2038	6,625,000	796,300			
2039-2040	800,000	32,400			
Total	\$ 18,215,000	\$ 6,098,700			

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for **Certificates of Obligation Bonds** are as follows:

Year Ending	Governmental Activities				
December 31,		Principal		Interest	
2024	<i>•</i>		<b>•</b>		
2024	\$	235,000	\$	173,025	
2025		235,000		165,975	
2026		245,000		158,775	
2027		260,000		151,200	
2028		270,000		143,250	
2029-2033		1,430,000		592,050	
2034-2038		1,675,000		358,875	
2039-20472		1,535,000		93,825	
Total	\$	5,885,000	\$	1,836,975	

Year Ending		Governmental Activities				
December 31,	F	Principal		nterest		
2024	\$	534,876	\$	36,838		
2025		37,136		2,484		
2026		19,476		338		
Total	\$	591,488	\$	39,660		

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for **Financing Arrangements** are as follows:

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for Leases Payable are as follows:

Year Ending		Governmental Activities				
December 31,	I	Principal		Interest		
2024	\$	58,879	\$	17,000		
2025		63,602		15,168		
2026		41,242		13,550		
2027		28,064		12,509		
2028		30,331		11,636		
2029-2033		190,076		42,516		
2034-2038		143,636		13,688		
2039-2041		37,591		1,790		
Total	\$	593,421	\$	127,857		

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for Subscriptions Payable are as follows:

Year Ending		Governmental Activities				
December 31,	Р	Principal		nterest		
2024	\$	65,421	\$	1,951		
2025		33,484		585		
2026		9,151		45		
	\$	108,056	\$	2,581		

## **Changes in Long-term Liabilities**

	Beginning Balance	Additions Reductions		Ending Balance	Due Within One Year	
Governmental activities						
Bonds payable:						
General obligation bonds	\$ 19,285,000	\$ -	\$ 1,070,000	\$ 18,215,000	\$ 895,000	
Certificates of obligation bond	5,885,000	-	-	5,885,000	235,000	
Premium on bonds	2,293,434	-	154,884	2,138,550	-	
Notes payable	86,478	-	86,478	-	-	
Financing arrangements	2,484,871	-	1,893,383	591,488	534,876	
Net OPEB obligation	4,256,833	321,507	347,543	4,230,797	-	
Net pension liability/asset	(2,706,728)	9,596,362	2,253,791	4,635,843	-	
Leases	219,255	428,573	54,406	593,422	58,879	
Subscriptions	160,660	59,648	112,252	108,056	65,421	
Compensated absences	409,680	491,616	419,730	481,566	120,391	
Total governmental activities	\$ 32,374,483	\$ 10,897,706	\$ 6,392,467	\$ 36,879,722	\$ 1,909,567	

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2023, was as follows:

The compensated absences, net pension liability, and OPEB liabilities attributable to the governmental activities are primarily liquidated by the General Fund.

## **Risk Management**

The County is a member of the Texas Association of Counties Risk Pool ('Pool'). The Pool was created for the purpose of providing coverage against risks which are inherent in operating a political subdivision. The County pays annual premiums to the Pool for unemployment and workers' compensation coverage. The County's agreement with the Pool provides that the Pool will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will provide coverage through commercial reinsurance contracts. The Pool agrees to handle all unemployment and workers' compensation claims and provide any defense as is necessary. The Pool makes available to the County loss control services to assist the County in following a plan of loss control that may result in reduced losses. The County agrees that it will cooperate in instituting any and all reasonable loss control recommendations made by the Pool. The County also carries commercial insurance on all other risks of loss, including liability, property, and accident insurance.

The County has experienced no significant reductions in coverage through the Pool over the past year. There have been no insurance settlements exceeding Pool and commercial coverage for any of the past three years.

#### **Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

**Plan Description.** The County participates in a nontraditional defined benefit pension plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System ("TCDRS"). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide agent, multiple-employer, public employee retirement system consisting of nontraditional defined benefit pension plans. TCDRS issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at <u>www.tcdrs.org</u>.

All full and part-time non-temporary employees participate in the plan, regardless of the number of hours they work in a year. Employees in temporary positions are not eligible for membership.

**Benefits Provided.** TCDRS provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits for all eligible employees. Benefit terms are established by the TCDRS Act. The benefits terms may be amended as of January 1, each year, but must remain in conformity with the Act.

Members can retire at age 60 and above with 8 or more years of service, with 20 years of service regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after eight years of service but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by their employer.

Benefit amounts are determined by the sum of the employee's contributions to the plan, with interest, and employer-financed monetary credits. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the governing body of the employer within the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be expected to be adequately financed by the employer's commitment to contribute. By law, employee accounts earn 7% interest. At retirement, death or disability, the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions and the employer-financed monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

#### Employees covered by benefit terms

At the December 31, 2022, valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	207
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	420
Active employees	252
	879

**Contributions.** The contribution rates for employees in TCDRS are either 4%, 5%, 6%, or 7% of employee gross earnings, as adopted by the employer's governing body. Participating employers are required to contribute at actuarially determined rates to ensure adequate funding for each employer's plan. Under the state law governing TCDRS, the contribution rate for each entity is determined annually by the actuary and approved by the TCDRS Board of Trustees. The replacement life entry age actuarial cost method is used in determining the contribution rate. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount to fund benefits in an orderly manner for each participant over his or her career so that sufficient funds are accumulated by the time benefit payments begin, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Employees for the County were required to contribute 7% of their annual gross earnings during the fiscal year. The contribution rates for the County were 13.44% and 12.71% in the calendar years 2022 and 2023 respectively. The County's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended December 31, 2023, were \$1,528,443, and were equal to the required contributions.

**Net Pension Liability.** The County's Net Pension Liability (NPL) was measured as of December 31, 2022, and the Total Pension Liability (TPL) used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

#### Actuarial Assumptions

The Total Pension Liability in the December 31, 2022, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.50% per year
Overall payroll growth	3.00% per year
Investment rate of return	7.50% net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates for active members, retirees, and beneficiaries were based on the following:

Depositing Members	135% of Pub-2010 General Employees Amount- Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.				
Service retirees, beneficiaries and non-depositing member	135% of Pub-2010 General Healthy Retirees Amount- Weighted Mortality Table for males and 120% Pub-2010 General Healthy Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP- 2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.				
Disabled retirees	160% of Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount- Weighted Mortality Table for males and 125% Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP- 2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.				

The actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability as of December 31, 2022, were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2020, except for mortality assumptions. Mortality assumptions were updated for the 2022 valuation to reflect projected improvements.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.6%. The pension plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the TCDRS Board of

The long-term expected rate of return on TCDRS is determined by adding inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and information below are based on January 2023 information for a 10-year time horizon. The valuation assumption for long-term expected return is reassessed at a minimum of every four years and is set based on a long-term horizon; the most recent analysis was performed in 2021. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Benchmark	Target Allocation <sup>(1)</sup>	Geometric Real Rate of Return <sup>(2)</sup>
U.S. Equities	Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market Index	11.50%	4.95%
Global Equities	MSCI World (net) Index	2.50%	4.95%
Int'l Equities - Developed Markets	MSCI World Ex USA (net) Index	5.00%	4.95%
Int'l Equities - Emerging Markets	MSCI Emerging Markets (net) Index	6.00%	4.95%
Investment-Grade Bonds	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregates Bond Index	3.00%	2.40%
Strategic Credit	FTSE High-Yield Cash-Pay Index	9.00%	3.39%
Direct Lending	Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan TR USD Index	16.00%	6.95%
Distressed Debt	Cambridge Associates Distressed <sup>(3)</sup>	4.00%	7.60%
REIT Equities	67% FTSE NAREIT All Equity REITs Index + 33% S&P Global REIT (net) Index	2.00%	4.15%
Master Limited Partnership	Alerian MLP Index	2.00%	5.30%
Private Real Estate Partnerships	Cambridge Associates Real Estate Index <sup>(4)</sup>	6.00%	5.70%
Private Equity	Cambridge Associates Global Private Equity & Venture Capital Index $^{(5)}$	25.00%	7.95%
Hedge Funds	Hedge Fund Research, Inc. (HFRI.) Fund of Funds Composite Index	6.00%	2.90%
Cash Equivalents	90-Day U.S. Treasurery	2.00%	0.20%

<sup>(1)</sup> Target asset allocation adopted at the March 2023 TCDRS Board meeting.

(2) Geometric real rates of return equal the expected return minus the assumed inflation rate of 2.3%, per Cliffwater's 2023 capital market assumptions.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes vintage years 2005-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes vintage years 2007-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

<sup>(5)</sup> Includes vintage years 2006-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.6%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at the rates specified in statue. Based on that assumption, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## Changes in the Net Pension Liability/(Asset)

	Increase (Decrease)			
	Total Pension	Plan Fiduciary	Net Pension	
	Liability	Net Position	Liability	
	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)	
Balance at 12/31/2021	\$ 57,464,616	\$ 60,171,344	\$ (2,706,728)	
Changes for the year:				
Service cost	1,408,075	-	1,408,075	
Interest on total pension liability <sup>(1)</sup>	4,361,978	-	4,361,978	
Effect of plan changes <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-	
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	274,451	-	274,451	
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	-		-	
Refund of contributions	(164,304)	(164,304)	-	
Benefit payments	(2,847,337)	(2,847,337)	-	
Administrative expenses	-	(32,736)	32,736	
Member contributions	-	781,403	(781,403)	
Net investment income	-	(3,462,708)	3,462,708	
Employer contributions	-	1,472,388	(1,472,388)	
Other <sup>(3)</sup>	-	(56,414)	56,414	
Balance at 12/31/2022	\$ 60,497,479	\$ 55,861,636	\$ 4,635,843	

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects the change in the liability due to the time value of money. TCDRS does not charge fees or interest.

<sup>(2)</sup> No plan changes valued.

<sup>(3)</sup> Relates to allocation of system-wide items.

#### Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net pension liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 7.60%, as well as what the County's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.60%) or 1-percentage-higher (8.60%) than the current rate:

	Current					
	1%	6 Decrease	Dis	count Rate	19	∕₀ Increase
	6.60%		7.60%		8.60%	
Total pension liability	\$	68,023,645	\$	60,497,479	\$	54,185,509
Fiduciary net position		55,861,637		55,861,637		55,861,637
Net pension liability / (asset)	\$	12,162,008	\$	4,635,842	\$	(1,676,128)

### **Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued TCDRS financial report. The report may be obtained at <u>www.tcdrs.org</u>.

### Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to Pensions

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the County recognized pension expense of \$583,844.

On December 31, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	(	Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual economic experience Changes of assumptions Net differences between projected and actual investment earnings Contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	\$	137,225 - 1,031,620 1,528,443		
Total	\$	2,697,288		

\$1,528,443 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability for the year ending December 31, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expenses as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	
2024	(569,884)
2025	(35,791)
2026	173,695
2027	1,600,825

### Postemployment Benefits Other than Pension Benefits (OPEB)

# 1. Plan Description

The County's OPEB provides health benefits to eligible retired employees of the County and is a single employer plan administered by the County. Separately issued financial statements are not available for the plan. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 75. Anderson County Commissioners Court has the authority to establish and amend the benefits of the plan.

# 2. Plan Participants

Members are eligible for retirement with TCDRS at age 60 with 8 years of service, or at any age with 20 years of service, or when age plus years of service equals 75.

# 3. Health Care Benefits Eligibility Conditions

Health insurance benefits are provided to eligible retirees of the County in accordance with policies and procedures approved by Commissioners Court. All employees who were vested prior to January 1, 2019, will have the option of retaining the County's group health insurance coverage upon their retirement. If they are vested and eligible for retirement with the Texas County and District Retirement System ("TCDRS") at the time they leave employment, they will be required to make the same employee contribution as is required of active employees with similar dependent elections. Employees who are vested in TCDRS subsequent to December 31, 2018 will have the option of retaining the County's group health insurance coverage upon their retirement, provided that the retired employee is at least 60 years old. They will be required to make the same employee contributions as is required of active employees with similar dependent elections.

All group insurance will cease when retired employees reach age 65, provided however, that if the retired employee's spouse has not reached the age of 65 and/or the retired employee's children have not reached the age of 26, the spouse and/or children will be eligible for group health coverage until they reach the age 65 and 26 respectively. The County, annually, will stipulate the required contribution from the retired employee needed to extend the coverage of their eligible dependents after the retired employee has reached age 65.

# 4. Employees Covered by Benefits Terms

At December 31, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	21
Active plan members	172
Total plan members	193

### 5. Total OPEB Liability

The County's total OPEB liability of \$4,230,797 was measured as of December 31, 2023, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

### Actuarial assumptions and other inputs

The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2023, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumption and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	
	2.50%
Salary Increases	
	3.50%
Discount Rate	
	4.31% as of December 31, 2022
Healthcare Cost Trend Rates	
	Level 4.50%
Mortality	
	RPH-2014 Total Table with Projection MP-2021
Deomgraphic Assumptions	The retirement rates were developed from the assumption used in the 2017
	actuarial report for the TCDRS retirement plans.
Participation Rates	90% of future retirees who are elgible for a County subsidy were
	assumed to receive retiree health care benefits through the County.
	Alternatively, only 10% of retirees who are not elegible for benefits were
	assumed to elect coverage.
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### Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB	
Balance as of 01/01/2023	\$	4,256,833
Service Cost		139,514
Interest on total OPEB Liability	18	
Benefit payments	(34	
Net change in total OPEB Liability		(26,036)
Balance as of 12/31/2023	\$	4,230,797

### Funded Status and Funding Progress

The funding status of the post-employment benefit plan as of the most recent actuarial valuation date is as follows:

Measurement Date	Fiduciary Net Position	Total OPEB Liability	Net OPEB Liability	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	Net OPEB Liability as a % of Covered Payroll
	( a )	(b)	(b)-(a)	(a)/(b)	( c )	(b)-(a)/(c)
12/31/2023	-	4,230,797	4,230,797	0.00%	7,878,060	53.70%

### Sensitivity of Total OPEB Liability to the Discount Rate Assumption

Regarding the sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate, the following presents the plan's total OPEB liability, calculated using a discount rate of 4.31%, as well as what the plan's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher.

1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate Assumption	1% Increase
\$4,553,957	\$4,230,797	\$3,935,342

# Sensitivity of Total OPEB Liability to the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate Assumption

Regarding the sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates, the following presents the plan's total OPEB liability, calculated using the assumed trend rates as well as what the plan's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using the trend rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher.

1% Decrease	Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rate Assumption	1% Increase
\$3,863,790	\$4,230,797	\$4,656,777

	Deferred		Ι	Deferred		
	Outflows of		Outflow		Ir	nflows of
	R	lesources	Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	92,272	\$	92,900		
Changes in assumptions		133,702		463,737		
Total	\$	225,974	\$	556,637		

### 6. Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) Related to OPEB

### Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) to be Recognized in Future OPEB Expense

Year Ended December 31,	Deferred Outflows/(Inflows)		
2024	\$	(16,501)	
2025		(97,975)	
2026		(170,225)	
2027		(45,962)	
2028		-	
Total	\$	(330,663)	

### Commitments and Contingencies

- a. <u>Grants</u> The County has received Federal and State financial assistance in the form of grants that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could result in requests for reimbursement by the grantor agencies for expenditures disallowed under terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements. In the opinion of County management, such disallowances, if any, will not be significant to the County's financial position.
- <u>Litigation</u> The evaluation of County management is that any liability to the County relating to lawsuits will not have a material impact on the County's financial position. Historically, the County has not incurred significant losses from claims or lawsuits which arise during the ordinary course of business.

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# **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

### Required Supplementary Information

# Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

# For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	2023		 2022
Total OPEB Liability			
Service cost	\$	139,514	\$ 215,115
Interest on the total OPEB liability		181,993	110,602
Experience (Gain)/Loss		-	(149,720)
Assumption Changes		-	(747,367)
Benefit payments		(347,543)	 (347,543)
Net change in total OPEB liability		(26,036)	(918,913)
Total OPEB liability - beginning		4,256,833	 5,175,746
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$	4,230,797	\$ 4,256,833
Covered Employee Payroll	\$	7,878,060	\$ 7,878,060
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		53.70%	54.03%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

# Required Supplementary Information

# Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

# For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

 2021	2020		2019		 2018
\$ 215,115	\$	129,979	\$	129,979	\$ 124,860
110,678		176,285		172,026	178,838
-		343,356		-	-
-		497,514		-	-
 (311,229)		(311,229)		(344,980)	(344,980)
14,564		835,905		(42,975)	(41,282)
5,161,182		4,325,277		4,368,252	 4,409,534
\$ 5,175,746	\$	5,161,182	\$	4,325,277	\$ 4,368,252
\$ 6,479,717	\$	6,479,717	\$	7,119,201	\$ 7,119,201
79.88%		79.65%		60.76%	61.36%

# Required Supplementary Information

### Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual

### General Fund

### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Bue	dget			Fi	riance with nal Budget
	Original		Final	 Actual	01	ver (Under)
Revenues:						
Taxes:						
Property	\$ 15,954,277	\$	15,954,777	\$ 16,282,640	\$	327,863
Sales	3,600,000		3,600,000	4,021,174		421,174
Mixed Beverage	45,000		45,000	55,868		10,868
Intergovernmental	475,725		475,725	454,969		(20,756)
Fees of Office	2,558,200		2,562,200	2,666,963		104,763
Fines and Forfeitures	240,000		240,000	242,656		2,656
Investment Earnings	80,000		80,000	769,776		689,776
Miscellaneous	 31,000		115,371	 152,220		36,849
Total Revenues	 22,984,202		23,073,073	 24,646,266		1,573,193
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General Government	7,042,889		6,848,389	6,281,741		(566,648)
Judicial	3,486,820		3,702,944	3,449,045		(253,899)
Public Safety	7,794,284		7,740,684	7,668,757		(71,927)
Social Services	910,979		911,190	820,556		(90,634)
Road & Bridge	4,540,224		4,499,163	4,493,576		(5,587)
Debt Service:						
Principal	99,371		694,401	845,327		150,926
Interest and other charges	25,705		39,743	60,624		20,881
Capital Outlay	 740,050		1,221,468	1,256,736		35,268
Total Expenditures	 24,640,322		25,657,982	 24,876,362		(781,620)
Excess (Deficiency) of						
Revenue over Expenditures	 (1,656,120)		(2,584,909)	 (230,096)		2,354,813
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Sale of capital assets	-		634,713	499,040		(135,673)
Insurance recoveries	-		144,989	58,485		(86,504)
Transfers In	-		183,726	188,196		4,470
Transfers Out	(142,369)		(210,595)	(210,280)		315
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	 (142,369)		752,833	 535,441		(217,392)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,798,489)		(1,832,076)	305,345		2,137,421
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	 6,976,417		6,976,417	 11,393,511		4,417,094
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 5,177,928	\$	5,144,341	\$ 11,698,856	\$	6,554,515

### Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

December 31, 2023

### Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

### **Budgetary Information**

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all governmental funds except the following Special Revenue Funds: American Rescue Plan Act Fund, County Transportation Infrastructure Fund, Law Enforcement Grant, Child Welfare Board, District Attorney Hot Checks, District Attorney Apportionment, Community Development Grant Fund, Elections Service Contract Fund, Help America Vote Act Fund, Jail Commissary, VAWA/VOCA Grant, Texas VINE Grant, Community & Development Revitalization Grant Fund, Medical Reserve Grant, Juvenile Probation State Grants, Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education, District Attorney Drug Forfeiture, Sheriff Forfeiture (Local), District Forfeiture (Federal). In some instances, the Special Revenue Funds listed in the previous sentence may have budgets required by the grantor agency. Since Commissioners Court is not required to adopt a budget for these funds, there are no budgetary comparison schedules presented. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

Annually all departments of the County submit requests for appropriations to the County Judge, who serves as the Budget Officer. The County Judge reviews the requests, prepares the revenue estimates, and makes his recommendations to the Commissioners Court. Through budget workshops a proposed budget is created, which must be voted on by Commissioners Court and filed with the County Clerk. Within ten calendar days after the preliminary budget is filed, the Commissioners Court holds public hearings and publishes notices based on the timetable required by the state statue. Before September 30, the budget and tax rate are adopted with tax notices mailed on or after October 1.

The appropriated budget is adopted annually by fund, activity, department, and account line item. For management purposes the elected official or department head may request approval from Commissioners Court to move appropriations between category line items.

The County uses two levels to manage capital expenditures. As a rule, all assets under \$1,000 are recorded as expenditures in the supplies line item. Some of the assets are brought over to the capital asset system for tracking insurance purposes but are not depreciated. All capital purchases over \$2,500 are individually identified and brought over to the capital asset system for depreciation and inclusion in capital assets under GASB 34 and their expenditure is charged to the 'capital outlay' line items within the budget.

Encumbrance accounting is utilized by governmental entities. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be re-appropriated and purchase orders during the subsequent year. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

December 31, 2023

effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. While all appropriations and encumbrances lapse at year end, valid outstanding encumbrances are re-appropriated and become part of the subsequent year's budget. THIS PAGE LEFT BLANK INTENTIONALLY

# Required Supplementary Information

### Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset) and Related Ratios

Plan Year Ended December 31	2022		2021
Total Pension Liability			
Service Cost	\$ 1,408,075	\$	1,436,865
Interest total pension liability	4,361,978		4,191,617
Effect of plan changes	-		-
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	-		(259,807)
Effect of economic/demographic			
(gains) or losses	274,451		(148,624)
Benefit payments/refunds			
of contributions	(3,011,641)		(2,889,944)
Net change in total pension liability	 3,032,863		2,330,107
Total pension liability - beginning	57,464,616		55,134,509
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 60,497,479	\$	57,464,616
Plan Fiduciary Net Position			
Employer contributions	\$ 1,472,388	\$	1,374,973
Member contributions	781,403		726,402
Investment income net of			
investment expenses	(3,462,708)		10,911,477
Benefit payments/refunds			
of contributions	(3,011,641)		(2,889,944)
Administrative expenses	(32,736)		(32,553)
Other	 (56,414)	_	(7,670)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	 (4,309,708)		10,082,685
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	 60,171,344		50,088,659
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 55,861,636	\$	60,171,344
Net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 4,635,843	\$	(2,706,728)
Fiduciary net position as a percentage	 		
of total pension liability/(asset)	92%		105%
Pensionable covered payroll	\$ 11,162,905	\$	10,377,176
Net position liability/(asset) as a			
percentage of covered payroll	42%		-26%

Note: GASB Statement No. 68 requires 10 years of data to be provided in this schedule. As of December 31, 2023, only 9 years are included and additional years will be added in the future as the information becomes available.

# Required Supplementary Information

# Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset) and Related Ratios

	2020		2019	_		2018		2017
\$	1,273,822	\$	1,208,768		\$	1,217,743	\$	1,279,271
Ψ	4,013,357	Ψ	3,803,123		ψ	3,576,496	ψ	3,430,132
	4,015,557		5,805,125			379,754		5,450,152
	2,944,757		-			-		213,633
	39,494		188,401			141,310		(621,108)
	(2,767,563)		(2,575,893)			(2,443,593)		(2,423,680)
	5,503,867		2,624,399	_		2,871,710		1,878,248
	49,630,642		47,006,242			44,134,532		42,256,284
\$	55,134,509	\$	49,630,642	=	\$	47,006,242	\$	44,134,532
\$	1,457,301	\$	1,272,564		\$	1,199,985	\$	1,161,607
	760,708		704,185			671,460		678,738
	4,744,955		6,572,282			(777,910)		5,345,647
	(2,767,563)		(2,575,893)			(2,443,593)		(2,423,680)
	(36,651)		(35,009)			(32,142)		(27,541)
	(11,709)		(14,025)			(13,263)		(8,941)
	4,147,041		5,924,104	-		(1,395,463)		4,725,830
	45,941,619		40,017,515			41,412,977		36,687,147
\$	50,088,660	\$	45,941,619	-	\$	40,017,515		41,412,977
\$	5,045,849	\$	3,689,023	=	\$	6,988,727	\$	2,721,555
	91%		93%			85%		94%
\$	10,867,260	\$	10,059,783		\$	9,592,286	\$	9,696,253
	46%		37%			73%		28%

# Required Supplementary Information

# Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset) and Related Ratios

Plan Year Ended December 31		2016	2015	2014
Total Pension Liability				
Service Cost	\$	1,268,507	\$ 1,179,479	\$ 1,175,228
Interest total pension liability		3,197,116	3,067,562	2,871,273
Effect of plan changes		-	(180,193)	191,642
Effect of assumption changes or inputs		-	430,658	-
Effect of economic/demographic				
(gains) or losses		(16,699)	(798,076)	65,223
Benefit payments/refunds				
of contributions		(2,042,830)	(1,999,706)	(1,825,627)
Net change in total pension liability		2,406,094	1,699,724	2,477,739
Total pension liability - beginning		39,850,190	38,150,466	35,672,727
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$	42,256,284	\$ 39,850,190	\$ 38,150,466
Plan Fiduciary Net Position				
Employer contributions	\$	1,217,964	\$ 1,166,363	\$ 1,066,489
Member contributions		694,655	671,196	661,243
Investment income net of				
investment expenses		2,536,507	240,531	2,237,562
Benefit payments/refunds				
of contributions		(2,042,830)	(1,999,706)	(1,825,626)
Administrative expenses		(27,691)	(24,797)	(25,774)
Other		(114,307)	(126,494)	(56,196)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position		2,264,297	(72,907)	 2,057,698
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	_	34,422,851	34,495,758	 32,438,060
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$	36,687,148	\$ 34,422,851	\$ 34,495,758
Net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$	5,569,136	\$ 5,427,339	\$ 3,654,708
Fiduciary net position as a percentage				 
of total pension liability/(asset)		87%	86%	90%
Pensionable covered payroll	\$	9,806,496	\$ 9,467,857	\$ 9,446,330
Net position liability/(asset) as a				
percentage of covered payroll		57%	57%	39%

#### Required Supplementary Information

#### Schedule of Employer Contributions - TCDRS

#### Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended December 31	Actuarially Determined Contribution	Actual Employer Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Pensionable Covered Payroll	Actual Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll
2014	1,066,489	1,066,489	-	9,446,330	11.3%
2015	1,166,363	1,166,363	-	9,467,857	12.3%
2016	1,217,964	1,217,964	-	9,806,496	12.4%
2017	1,161,607	1,161,607	-	9,696,253	12.0%
2018	1,199,985	1,199,985	-	9,592,286	12.5%
2019	1,272,564	1,272,564	-	10,059,783	12.7%
2020	1,457,301	1,457,301	-	10,867,260	13.4%
2021	1,374,973	1,374,973	-	10,377,176	13.2%
2022	1,472,388	1,472,388	-	11,162,905	13.2%
2023	1,528,443	1,528,443	-	12,217,783	12.5%

#### Required Supplementary Information

#### Notes to Schedule of Employer Contributions

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Valuation Timing	Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated each December 31, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.
Methods and assumptions u	used to determine contributions rates:
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age
Amortization Method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Remaining Amortization Po	eriod 16.0 years (based on contribution rate calculated in 12/31/22 valuation)
Asset Valuation Method	5-year smoothed market
Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	Varies by age and service. 4.7% average over career including inflation.
Investment Rate of Return	7.50%, net of administrative and investment expenses, including inflation
Retirement Age	Members who are eligible for service retirement are assumed to commence receiving benefit payments based on age. The average age at service retirement for recent retirees is 61.
Mortality	135% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Table for males and 120% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.
Changes in Assumptions an Methods Reflected in the	d 2015: New inflation, mortality and other assumptions were reflected.
Schedule of Employer Contributions*	2017: New mortality assumptions were reflected.
Contributions	2019: New inflation, mortality and other assumptions were reflected.
	2022: New investment return & inflation assumptions were refected.
Changes in Plan Provisions Reflected in the Schedule of Employer Contributions*	
Employer Contributions	2016: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.
	2017: New Annuity Purchase Rates were reflected for benefits earned after 2017.
	2018: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.
	2019: Employer contributions reflect that a 2.00% flat COLA was adopted.
	2020: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the schedule.
	2021: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the schedule.
	2022: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the schedule.
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\*Only changes that affect the benefit amount and that are effective 2015 and later are shown in the Notes to Schedule.

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# **COMBINING FUND STATEMENTS**

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### **Nonmajor Governmental Funds**

*Special Revenue Funds* are used to account for specific revenue that are legally restricted to expenditure for particular purposes.

*Community & Economic Development Programs Fund* – The Community & Economic Development Programs Fund is used to fund programs the County is authorized by law to provide in accordance with Local Government Code 381.004.

*Farm-to-Market and Lateral Road Fund* – The Farm- to-Market and Lateral Road Fund accounts for all property taxes collected pursuant to Transportation Code 256.054 for construction and maintenance of farm-to-market and lateral roads, for flood control purposes, or for both, as determined by Commissioners Court.

*County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Fund* – The County Transportation Infrastructure Fund (CTIF) is an agreement between Texas Department of Transportation and the county for aid in transportation infrastructure projects located in areas affected by increased oil and gas production.

*Law Enforcement Grant Fund* – The Law Enforcement Grant Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Criminal Justice Division to support law enforcement.

*Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund* – The Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund was established in September 2021, to account for the revenue primarily generated from hotel occupancy tax and may be only used to repair and renovate a civic center owned by the County in addition to the other purposes authorized by Texas Tax Code 352.

*Court Facility Fund* – The Court Facility Fee Fund was established by Section 135.151 of the Local Government Code to be used by the County only to fund the construction, renovation, or improvement of facilities that house the courts or to pay the principal of, interest on, and costs of issuance of bonds, including refunding bonds, issued for the construction, renovation, or improvement of the facilities.

*Local Assistance Consistency Fund* – The Local Assistance Consistency Fund is a revenue enhancement program that provides additional assistance to eligible revenue sharing counties, for use on any governmental purpose except for lobbying activity.

*Language Access Fund* – The Language Access Fund was established by fees collected and allocated under section 135.101-103 of the Local Government Code and may be used by a County only to provide language access services for individuals appearing before the court or receiving court services.

*Family Protection Fund* – Section 51.961 of the Texas Government Code provides for the establishment of a Family Protection Fee. The Family Protection Fund was established to account for these fee revenues and expenditures of those funds providing child abuse and family violence prevention services.

*Law Library Fund* – The Law Library Fund was created pursuant to Article 1702h, Revised Texas Civil Statues, for the establishment and maintenance of the County Law Library. Revenues are derived

from the law library fees assessed against each civil case filed in the County Court-at-Law and in the Districts Courts, excluding tax suits.

*Child Abuse Prevention Fund* – The Child Abuse Prevention Fund was established to account for fees collected from defendants convicted of certain child sexual assault and other related convictions. This fund may only be used to fund child abuse prevention programs in the county where the court is located. This fund is administered by the Commissioners Court of the County.

*JCT Fee Fund* – The JCT Fee Fund is used to account for the court cost known as the "justice court technology fee" which is required of defendants convicted of a misdemeanor offense in a justice court. The fund is used only to finance the purchase and maintenance of technological enhancements for the justice court and the cost of continuing education and training for justice court judges and clerks in regard to those enhancements. This fund is administered by the Commissioners Court of the County.

*Child Welfare Board Fund* – The Child Welfare Board Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

*District Attorney Hot Check Fund* – The District Attorney Hot Check Fund was established to account for fees collected by the district attorney for collecting and processing of hot checks. Expenditures from this fund shall be at the sole discretion of the attorney and may be used only to defray the salaries and expenses of the prosecutor's office, excluding the district attorney's own salary.

*District Attorney Apportionment Fund* – The District Attorney Apportionment Fund was established to account for funds received from the state to be used by the district attorney to help defray the salaries and expenses of the office as defined in the General Appropriations Act.

*County Clerk Records Archive Fund* –The County Clerk Records Archive Fund was established to account for the revenues received for the preservation and restoration services performed by the county clerk in connection with maintaining a county clerk's records archive on public documents designated by the county clerk as part of the records archive.

*District Clerk Records Management & Preservation Fund* – The District Clerk Records Management & Preservation Fund was established to account for the revenues received for records management and preservation services performed by the district clerk when a case or document is filed in the records office of the district clerk. The funds may only be used for specific records management and preservation, including automation purposed, and are subject to approval by Commissioners Court of the County.

*County Clerk Records Management & Preservation Fund* - The County Clerk Records Management & Preservation Fund was established to account for the revenues received for records management and preservation services performed by the county clerk after the filing and recording of a document in the records of the office of the clerk. The funds may only be used for specific records management and preservation, including automation purposes, and are subject to approval by Commissioners Court of the County.

*Court Reporter Services Fund* – The Court Reporter Services Fund was established to account for "court reporter service" fees collected by court clerks for courts that have an official court reporter. The fund is used to maintain the court reporter that is available for assignment in the court.

*Community Development Grant Fund* – The Community Development Grant Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) to benefit the community of County Road 427 in unincorporated Anderson County.

*County Records Management & Preservation Fund* – The County Records Management & Preservation Fund was established to account for "court record management & preservation" fees that are collected on all civil cases in a county court, statutory county court, or district court. The funds may only be used to digitize court records and preserve the records from natural disasters. This fund is administered by the Commissioners Court of the County.

*Security Service Fee Fund* – The Security Service Fee Fund was established to account for "security fees", which are cost of the court, collected on misdemeanor offenses in a county court, county courtat-law, district court, or justice court. Money deposited into this fund may be used only for security personnel, services, and items related to buildings that house the operations of district, county, or justice courts. This fund is administered by the Commissioners Court of the County.

*Justice Court Building Security Fund* – The Justice Court Building Security Fund is used to account for a portion of "security fees", which are costs of the court, collected on misdemeanor offenses in a justice court. This fund may only be used for the purpose of providing security personnel, services, and items for a justice court located in a building that is not the county courthouse. This fund is administered under the direction of the Commissioners County of the County.

*Historical Commission Fund* – The Historical Commission Fund accounts for funding necessary to conduct the operations of the Anderson County Historical Commission.

**Pretrial Diversion Fund** – The Pretrial Diversion Fund is used to account for fees collected from defendants who participate in a pretrial intervention program administered by the District Attorney. Funds collected are to be used solely to administer the pretrial intervention program and any expenditure may only be made in accordance with a budget approved by the Commissioners Court of the County.

*Elections Service Contract Fund*– The Elections Service Contract Fund is used to defray expenses of the county elections officer in connection with election-related duties or functions.

*County & District Court Technology Fund* – The County & District Court Technology Fund is used to account for the court cost known as the "county and district court technology fee" which is required of defendants convicted of a criminal offense in a county court, statutory county court, or district court. The fund is used only to finance the purchase and maintenance of technological enhancements for a county court, statutory court, statutory court, statutory and training regarding those enhancements. This fund is administered by the Commissioners Court of the County.

*Court Records Preservation Fund* – The Court Records Preservation Fund was established to account for "court record preservation" fees that are collected on all civil cases filed in a county court, statutory court, or district court. The funds may only be used to digitize court records and preserve the records from natural disasters.

*District Clerk Technology Fund* – The District Clerk Technology Fund was established to account for optional district court records archive fee for filing of a suit, including appeal from inferior court, or cross-action, counterclaim, intervention, contempt action, motion for new trail, or third-party petition in any court in the county for which the district court accepts filings.

*Child Safety Fund* – The Child Safety Fund is used to fund programs the county is authorized by law to provide which are designed to enhance child safety, health, or nutrition, including child abuse prevention and intervention and drug and alcohol abuse prevention; provide funding to the sheriff's department for school-related activities; provide funding to the county juvenile probation department; or to the general fund of the county.

*HAVA Grant Fund* – The HAVA Grant Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Secretary of the State in accordance with the Help America Vote Act.

*Jail Commissary Fund* – The Jail Commissary Fund is used to account for revenues generated by the sale of personal items to jail inmates and the expenditure of those funds for the benefit of the inmates as required by State law.

*VAWA/VOCA Grant Fund* – The VAWA/VOCA Grand Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Criminal Justice Division in accordance with the Violence Against Women Act and the Victim of Crime Act. The funds are used to provide funding for Case Manager positions and Victims Assistance Coordinator positions in the prosecutor's office and Crime Victim Liaisons in law enforcement agencies.

*Texas VINE Grant Fund* – The Texas VINE Grant Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Criminal Justice Department. The funds are used to implement an automated method of providing victims with access to information and notification about changes in offender status and court events.

*Indigent Defense Grant Fund* – The Indigent Defense Grant Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the county by the Texas Indigent Defense Commission.

*Guardianship Fund* – The Guardianship Fund accounts for the fees collected pursuant to the Local Government Code 118.067 whereby the clerk of the court collects a fee on certain probate court actions involving guardianships and is to provide supplemental funding for court appointed guardian's ad litem and court appointed attorneys as litem and to fund guardianship programs for indigent incapacitated individuals.

*Community & Development Revitalization Grant Fund* – The Community & Development Revitalization Grant Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditures of grant funds awarded to

the County by The Texas General Land Office. The funds are used to update the County's local hazard mitigation plan.

*Emergency Communication Fund* – The Emergency Communication Fund is used to account for the funds received by the state to establish and operate a public safety answering point for emergency communications.

*Medical Reserve Grant Fund* – The Medical Reserve Grant fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of grant funds awarded to the County by the Department of State Health Services.

*Juvenile Probation Fund* – The Juvenile Probation Fund consists of State Grant Funds and Local Funds. The Juvenile Probation State Grants Fund was established in compliance with the Human Resources Code Section 75.067. Juvenile Probation assistance is provided by the State and administered by the Juvenile Board having the jurisdiction in the County. The Juvenile Board consists of the District Judges, the County Judge, and the County Court-at-Law Judge. Revenues of the Juvenile Probation Fund are derived primarily from funds supplied by the State. Expenditures are for salaries of probation officers and clerical staff, supplies, communications, travel and transportation expenses, and certain other operation items required for supervision of probationers. The Juvenile Probation Local Fund is used to account for juvenile detention and juvenile probation expenditures that are not funded through grants. The budget for the fund is adopted by the Juvenile Board. The primary financing source for this fund is a transfer from the General Fund.

*Constable Precinct 4 LEOSE Fund* – The LEOSE Fund is used to account for a fee known as "law enforcement officer standards and education fund" collected on criminal cases. The expenditures from this fund are to be used only for education and training of the County's law enforcement personnel.

**District Attorney LEOSE Fund** – The LEOSE Fund is used to account for a fee known as "law enforcement officer standards and education fund" collected on criminal cases. The expenditures from this fund are to be used only for education and training of the County's law enforcement personnel.

*District Attorney Drug Forfeiture Fund* – The District Attorney Forfeiture Fund is used to account for resources to the County pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Code of Criminal Procedures and for the expenditures of such funds for the authorized purposes.

*Sheriff Forfeiture (Local) Fund* – The Sheriff Forfeiture Fund is used to account for resources to the County pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Code of Criminal Procedures and for the expenditures of such funds for the authorized purposes.

*District Attorney Forfeiture (Federal) Fund* – The District Attorney Forfeiture Fund is used to account for resources to the County and for the expenditures of such funds for the authorized purposes.

*Debt Service Funds* are used to account for the accumulation of resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned for the payment of principal and interest on long-term obligations of governmental funds.

*Interest & Sinking Fund* – The Interest and Sinking Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources and the subsequent disbursement of such resources to pay principal, interest, and related costs on general long-term debt.

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

	Special Revenue											
	Ec Dev	nmunity & conomic velopment rograms Fund	Farm to Market and Lateral Road Fund		County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Fund		Η	Law Enforcement Grant Fund	Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund			Court Facility Fund
Assets:												
Cash and Investments	\$	92,358	\$	271,129	\$	-	\$	-	\$	467,349	\$	38,754
Receivables (net of allowances for estimated uncollectible):	*	,_,	+	_, _, _,	Ť		*		-	,.	Ť	,
Property Taxes		-		409,480		-		-		-		-
Due from Other Governments		-		-		55,117		-		-		-
Due from Other Entities		-		-		-		-		19,240		-
Total Assets	\$	92,358	\$	680,609	\$	55,117	\$	-	\$	486,589	\$	38,754
Liabilities:												
Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$	3,464	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Accrued Liabilities		-		-		-		-		-		-
Due to Other Funds		-		-		55,117		7,807		-		-
Unearned Revenue		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Liabilities		-		3,464		55,117		7,807		-		-
Deferred Inflows of Resources:												
Advanced property tax collections		-		195,272		-		-		-		-
Unavailable Revenue - property taxes		-		408,190		-		-		-		-
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		-		603,462		-		-		-		-
Fund Balances:												
Restricted for:												
General Government		-		-		-		-		486,589		38,754
Judicial		-		-		-		-		-		-
Public Safety		-		-		-		-		-		-
Social Services		92,358		-		-		-		-		-
Road & Bridge		-		73,683		-		-		-		-
Debt Service		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned		-		-		-		(7,807)		-		-
Total Fund Balances		92,358		73,683		-		(7,807)		486,589		38,754
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of												
Resources, and Fund Balance	\$	92,358	\$	680,609	\$	55,117	\$	-	\$	486,589	\$	38,754
	-											

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

					Special	Revei	nue					
Local Assistance Consistency Fund		Language Access Fund			Family Protection Fund	La	aw Library Fund		Child Abuse Prevention Fund	JCT Fee Fund		
\$	52,936	\$	9,565	\$	9,219	\$	75,214	\$	9,544	\$	50,849	
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\$	52,936	\$	9,565	\$	9,219	\$	75,214	\$	9,544	\$	50,849	
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,776	\$	-	\$		
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	-		-		-		-		-			
	-		9,565		-		67,438		-		50,84	
	-		-		9,219		-		9,544			
	-		-		-		-		-			
	-		-		-		-		-			
	-		9,565		9,219		67,438		9,544		50,84	
\$	52,936	\$	9,565	\$	9,219	\$	75,214	\$	9,544	\$	50,84	

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

	Special Revenue											
	Child Welfare Board Fund			District Attorney Hot Check Fund		District Attorney Apportionment Fund		County Clerk cords Archive Fund	Ma	strict Clerk Records nagement & reservation Fund	Ma	ounty Clerk Records nagement & reservation Fund
Assets:												
Cash and Investments Receivables (net of allowances for estimated uncollectible):	\$	49,737	\$	929	\$	8,948	\$	63,483	\$	13,958	\$	76,087
Property Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-
Due from Other Governments		-		-		-		-		-		-
Due from Other Entities		-		-		225		-		-		-
Total Assets	\$	49,737	\$	929	\$	9,173	\$	63,483	\$	13,958	\$	76,087
Liabilities:												
Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	120	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,098
Accrued Liabilities		-		-		73		1,042		-		-
Due to Other Funds		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unearned Revenue		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Liabilities		-		-		193		1,042		-		6,098
Deferred Inflows of Resources:												
Advanced property tax collections		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unavailable Revenue - property taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		-		-		-		-		-		-
Fund Balances:												
Restricted for:												
General Government		-		-		-		62,441		13,958		69,989
Judicial		-		929		8,980		-		-		-
Public Safety		-		-		-		-		-		-
Social Services		49,737		-		-		-		-		-
Road & Bridge		-		-		-		-		-		-
Debt Service		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned Total Fund Balances		49,737		929		8,980		62,441		13,958		69,989
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of												
Resources, and Fund Balance	\$	49,737	\$	929	\$	9,173	\$	63,483	\$	13,958	\$	76,087

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

					Special	Rev	venue				
Court Reporter Services Fund		Community Development Grant Fund			County Records anagement & Preservation Fund		Security Service Fee Fund	J	fustice Court Building Security Fund	Historical Commission Fund	
\$	26,015	\$	-	\$	88,217	\$	62,807	\$	32,289	\$	53
	-		-		-		-		-		
\$	26,015	\$	-	\$	- 88,217	\$	- 62,807	\$	32,289	\$	53
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	
	-		870		-		1,273		-		
	-		870		-		1,273		-		
	-		-		-		-		-		
	-				-		-		-		
	-		-		88,217		-		-		
	26,015		-		-		- 61,534		32,289		
	-		-		-		-		-		53
	-		-		-		-		-		
	-		(870)		-		-				
	26,015		(870)		88,217		61,534		32,289		53
\$	26,015	\$	-	\$	88,217	\$	62,807	\$	32,289	\$	53

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

					Sp	pecial Revenue				
		Pre-Trial Diversion Fund	Elections Service Contract			County & District Court Technology Fund	Court Records Preservation Fund			District Clerk Technology Fund
Assets:										
Cash and Investments Receivables (net of allowances for estimated uncollectible):	\$	18,232	\$	10,862	\$	6,906	\$	47,984	\$	63,741
Property Taxes Due from Other Governments		-		-		-		-		-
Due from Other Entities		-		-		-		-		-
Total Assets	\$	18,232	\$	10,862	\$	6,906	\$	47,984	\$	63,741
Liabilities:										
Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Accrued Liabilities		-		-		-		-		-
Due to Other Funds Unearned Revenue		-		-		-		-		-
Total Liabilities		-		-		-		-		-
Deferred Inflows of Resources:										
Advanced property tax collections		_		_		_		_		_
Unavailable Revenue - property taxes		_		-		_		-		-
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		-		-		-		-		-
Fund Balances:										
Restricted for:										
General Government		-		10,862		-		47,984		-
Judicial		18,232		-		6,906		-		63,741
Public Safety		-		-		-		-		-
Social Services		-		-		-		-		-
Road & Bridge		-		-		-		-		-
Debt Service		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned Total Fund Balances		18.232		10,862		- 6,906		47,984		62 741
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Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance	\$	18,232	\$	10,862	\$	6,906	\$	47,984	\$	63,741
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#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

#### December 31, 2023

1					Special	Reve	enue					
	Child HAVA Safety Grant Fund Fund			(	Jail Commissary Fund	V	AWA/VOCA Grant Fund	,	Fexas VINE Grant Fund	Indigent Defense Grant Fund		
\$	75,278	\$	8,375	\$	93,612	\$	-	\$	-	\$	17,510	
	- -		-		-		37,651		3,837		-	
\$	75,278	\$	8,375	\$	93,612	\$	37,651	\$	3,837	\$	17,510	
\$	-	\$	-	\$	50,464	\$	3,015	\$	-	\$	-	
	-		-		-		12,161		3,837		-	
	-		-		50,464		15,176		3,837		-	
			- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -	
	-		8,375		-		22,475		-		17,510	
	75,278		-		43,148		-		-		-	
	-		-		-		-		-		-	
	75,278		8,375		43,148		22,475		-		17,510	
\$	75,278	\$	8,375	\$	93,612	\$	37,651	\$	3,837	\$	17,510	

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

	Special Revenue												
	Guardianship Fund		Community Development & Revitalization Grant Fund		Emergency Communication Fund		Medical Reserve Grant Fund			Juvenile Probation Fund		Constable Precinct 4 LEOSE Fund	
Assets:													
Cash and Investments Receivables (net of allowances for estimated uncollectible):	\$	63,399	\$	-	\$	398,380	\$	368	\$	617,877	\$	3,581	
Property Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Due from Other Governments		-		42,500		-		-		-		-	
Due from Other Entities	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	
Total Assets	\$	63,399	\$	42,500	\$	398,380	\$	368	\$	617,877	\$	3,581	
Liabilities:													
Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	368	\$	20	\$	-	
Accrued Liabilities		-		-		-		-		5,172		-	
Due to Other Funds		-		42,500		-		-		-		-	
Unearned Revenue		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Total Liabilities		-		42,500		-		368		5,192		-	
Deferred Inflows of Resources:													
Advanced property tax collections	-		-		-		-			-		-	
Unavailable Revenue - property taxes		-	-		-		-			-		-	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Fund Balances:													
Restricted for:													
General Government		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Judicial		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Public Safety		-		-		398,380		-		612,685		3,581	
Social Services		63,399		-		-		-		-		-	
Road & Bridge		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Debt Service		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Unassigned		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Total Fund Balances		63,399		-		398,380		-		612,685		3,581	
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance	\$	63,399	\$	42,500	\$	398,380	\$	368	\$	617,877	\$	3,581	
Resources, and Fund Datance	φ	05,599	φ	42,300	φ	376,380	φ	308	φ	017,077	φ	5,581	

#### Combining Balance Sheet

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

		Special		Debt Service									
District Attorney LEOSE Fund		District Attorney Drug Forfeiture Fund			Sheriff Forfeiture (Local) Fund	Di	strict Attorney Forfeiture (Federal) Fund	Interest & Sinking Fund			Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds		
\$	-	\$	84,056	\$	29,074	\$	28,343	\$	2,434,364	\$	5,501,859		
	-		-		-		-		1,224,450		1,633,930 139,105 19,465		
\$	-	\$	84,056	\$	29,074	\$	28,343	\$	3,658,814	\$	7,294,359		
\$	-	\$	150	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	68,460		
	-		1,418		-		-		-		11,993		
	-		-		-		-		-		122,292		
	-		-		-		-		-		52,936		
	-		1,568		-		-		-		255,681		
	-		-		-		-		597,095		792,367		
	-		-		-		-		1,220,257		1,628,447		
	-		-		-		-		1,817,352		2,420,814		
	-		-		-		-		-		827,169		
	-		82,488		-		-		-		407,417		
	-		-		29,074		28,343		-		1,270,786		
	-		-		-		-		-		206,024		
	-		-		-		-		-		73,683		
	-		-		-		-		1,841,462		1,841,462		
	-		-		-		-		-		(8,677)		
	-		82,488		29,074		28,343		1,841,462		4,617,864		
\$	_	\$	84,056	\$	29,074	\$	28,343	\$	3,658,814	\$	7,294,359		
Ψ	_	Ψ	54,050	Ψ	27,074	Ψ	20,545	ψ	5,050,014	Ψ	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		

#### Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

				Special	Revenue		
	Community & Economic Development Programs Fund	ar Latera	) Market nd I Roads ind	County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Fund	Law Enforcement Grant Fund	Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund	Court Facility Fund
Revenues:							
Taxes							
Property	\$	- \$	732,615	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Hotel Occupancy		-	-	-	-	226,111	-
Intergovernmental	92,35	8	-	153,227	-	-	-
Fees of Office Fines and Forfeitures		-	-	-	-	-	19,958
Investment Earnings		-	4,208	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous		-	4,208	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	92,35	8	736,823	153,227	-	226,111	19,958
Expenditures:							
Current:							
General Government		-	-	-	-	-	-
Judicial		-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Safety		-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Services		-	-	-	-	-	-
Road & Bridge		-	724,256	191,581	-	-	-
Debt Service: Principal			86,478				
Interest and other charges		-	1,866	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay		-	1,000	_	21,935	_	_
Total Expenditures		-	812,600	191,581	21,935	-	-
Excess (Deficiency) of							
Revenue over Expenditures	92,35	8	(75,777)	(38,354)	(21,935)	226,111	19,958
Other Financing Sources (Uses):							
SBITA Issuance		-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers In		-	-	38,354	14,128	-	-
Transfers Out		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		-	-	38,354	14,128	-	
Net Change in Fund Balance	92,35	8	(75,777)	-	(7,807)	226,111	19,958
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		-	149,460	-	-	260,478	18,796
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 92,35	8 \$	73,683	\$	\$ (7,807)	\$ 486,589	\$ 38,754

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

			Special F	Revenue		
As Cor	Local ssistance nsistency Fund	Language Access Fund	Family Protection Fund	Law Library Fund	Child Abuse Prevention Fund	JCT Fee Fund
\$	- \$	- 5	6 -	\$-	\$-	\$-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	47,064	5,073	- 7	-	- 641	-
	-		-	35,399		6,875
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	47,064	5,073	7	35,399	641	6,875
	9,490					
	-	95	-	7,936	-	3,902
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	15,731	-	-
	-	-	-	941	-	-
	49,743	- 95	-	76,152	-	3,902
	59,233	95	-	100,760	-	3,902
	(12,169)	4,978	7	(65,361)	641	2,973
	12,169	-	-	76,152	-	-
	-	-	-		-	-
	12,169	-	-	76,152	-	-
	-	4,978	7	10,791	641	2,973
	-	4,587	9,212	56,647	8,903	47,876
\$	- \$	9,565	9,219	\$ 67,438	\$ 9,544	\$ 50,849

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

			Special	Revenue		
	Child Welfare Board Fund	District Attorney Hot Check Fund	District Attorney Apportionment Fund	County Clerk Records Archive Fund	District Clerk Records Management & Preservation Fund	County Clerk Records Management & Preservation Fund
Revenues:						
Taxes						
Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$-
Hotel Occupancy	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	2,727	-	22,500	-	-	-
Fees of Office	-	300	-	-	-	-
Fines and Forfeitures	-	-	-	73,990	4,803	70,713
Investment Earnings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	524	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	3,251	300	22,500	73,990	4,803	70,713
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General Government	-	-	-	60,894	810	55,033
Judicial	-	-	21,999	-	-	-
Public Safety	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Services	10,280	-	-	-	-	-
Road & Bridge	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:						
Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and other charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	3,755
Total Expenditures	10,280	-	21,999	60,894	810	58,788
Excess (Deficiency) of						
Revenue over Expenditures	(7,029)	300	501	13,096	3,993	11,925
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
SBITA Issuance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	-	-	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(7,029)	300	501	13,096	3,993	11,925
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	56,766	629	8,479	49,345	9,965	58,064
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 49,737	\$ 929	\$ 8,980	\$ 62,441	\$ 13,958	\$ 69,989

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Special Revenue										
Se	t Reporter ervices Fund	Community Development Grant Fund	County Records Management & Preservation Fund	Security Service Fee Fund	Justice Court Building Security Fund	Historical Commission Fund				
\$	-	\$-	\$ -	\$ -	- \$ - \$					
	-	-	-	-	-	-				
	-	13,250	-	-	-	-				
	25,445	-	30,163	37,870	233	-				
	-	-	-	-	-	-				
	25,445	13,250	30,163	37,870	233	-				
	-	-	8,574	-	-	-				
	16,580	-	-	-	-	-				
	-	-	-	64,221	-	-				
	-	14,120	-	-	-	-				
	-	-	-	-	-	-				
	-	-	-	-	-	-				
	16,580	14,120	8,574	64,221	-	-				
	8,865	(870)	21,589	(26,351)	233	-				
	-	-	-	-	-	-				
	-	-	-	30,000	-	-				
	-	-	-	30,000	-	-				
	0.047	,								
	8,865	(870)	21,589	3,649	233	-				
	17,150	-	66,628	57,885	32,056	530				
\$	26,015	\$ (870)	\$ 88,217	\$ 61,534	\$ 32,289	\$ 530				

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

				Special Revenue		
	Div	Pre-Trial Elect Diversion Ser Fund Con		County & District Court Technology Fund	Court Records Preservation Fund	District Clerk Technology Fund
Revenues:						
Taxes						
Property	\$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Hotel Occupancy		-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental		-	-	-	-	-
Fees of Office		-	7,138	-	-	-
Fines and Forfeitures		-	-	1,129	6,333	718
Investment Earnings		-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous		11,850	-	-	-	
Total Revenues		11,850	7,138	1,129	6,333	718
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General Government		-	153	-	-	-
Judicial		-	-	-	-	-
Public Safety		-	-	-	-	-
Social Services		-	-	-	-	-
Road & Bridge		-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:						
Principal		-	-	-	-	-
Interest and other charges		-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay		-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures		-	153	-	-	-
Excess (Deficiency) of						
Revenue over Expenditures		11,850	6,985	1,129	6,333	718
1				,		
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
SBITA Issuance		-	-	-	-	-
Transfers In		-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out		-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balance		11,850	6,985	1,129	6,333	718
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		6,382	3,877	5,777	41,651	63,023
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$	18,232 \$	10,862	\$ 6,906	\$ 47,984	\$ 63,741

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

 Special Revenue									
 Child Safety Fund	HAVA Grant Fund	Jail Commissary Fund	VAWA/VOCA Grant Fund	Texas VINE Grant Fund	Indigent Defense Grant Fund				
\$ - \$	- 5	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-				
-	-	-	-	-	-				
37,965	-	70,174	159,255	18,739	-				
	-		-	-	-				
-	-	257	-	-	-				
 -	-	26,004	-	-	-				
 37,965	-	96,435	159,255	18,739	-				
-	-	-	-	-	-				
-	-	-	174,397	-	-				
4,432	-	23,086	-	18,739	-				
-	-	-	-	-	-				
-	-	-	-	-	-				
-	-	-	-	-	-				
 4,432	-	71,757 94,843	1,295 175,692	18,739	-				
 33,533	-	1,592	(16,437)	-	-				
-	-	-	-	-	-				
-	-	-	15,629	-	(183,726)				
 -	-		15,629		(183,726)				
33,533	-	1,592	(808)	-	(183,726)				
 41,745	8,375	41,556	23,283	-	201,236				
\$ 75,278 \$	8,375 5	\$ 43,148	\$ 22,475	\$ -	\$ 17,510				

#### Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

			Special	Revenue		
	Guardianship Fund	Community Development & Revitalization Grant Fund	Emergency Communication Fund	Medical Reserve Grant Fund	Juvenile Probation Fund	Constable Precinct 4 LEOSE Fund
Revenues:						
Taxes						
Property	\$ -	\$ -	s -	\$ -	\$-	s -
Hotel Occupancy	÷ -	÷ -	÷ -	÷ -	÷ -	-
Intergovernmental	-	63,750	-	50,000	496,043	-
Fees of Office	-	-	-		10,412	_
Fines and Forfeitures	4,460	-	-	-		_
Investment Earnings	-	-	-	-	-	_
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	4,427
Total Revenues	4,460	63,750	-	50,000	506,455	4,427
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General Government	-	-	-	-	-	-
Judicial	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Safety	-	63,750	-	45,530	665,212	846
Social Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Road & Bridge	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:						
Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest and other charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	12,882	-
Total Expenditures	-	63,750	-	45,530	678,094	846
Excess (Deficiency) of						
Revenue over Expenditures	4,460	-	-	4,470	(171,639)	3,581
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
SBITA Issuance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	100,000	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	(4,470)	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		-	-	(4,470)	100,000	
Net Change in Fund Balance	4,460	-	-	-	(71,639)	3,581
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	58,939	-	398,380	-	684,324	-
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 63,399	\$ -	\$ 398,380	\$ -	\$ 612,685	\$ 3,581

#### Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

		Special	Revent		]	Debt Service			
LF	t Attorney COSE und	District Attorney Drug Forfeiture Fund	F	Sheriff Forfeiture (Local) Fund	Dis	strict Attorney Forfeiture (Federal) Fund		Interest & Sinking Fund	Total Nonmajor overnmental Funds
\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,536,738	\$ 3,269,353
	-	-		-		-		-	226,111
	-	-		-		-		-	1,118,913 151,668
	-	- 112		-		3,377		-	301,620
	-	953		239		-		7,333	12,990
	607	-		-		-		-	43,412
	607	1,065		239		3,377		2,544,071	5,124,067
	-	-		-		-		-	134,954
	607	97,489		-		-		-	323,005
	-	-		2,652		-		-	888,468
	-	-		-		-		-	10,280 929,957
	-	-		-		-		-	929,931
	-	-		-		-		1,070,000	1,172,209
	-	-		-		-		1,047,014	1,049,821
	-	-		-		-		-	237,519
	607	97,489		2,652		-		2,117,014	4,746,213
	-	(96,424	)	(2,413)		3,377		427,057	377,854
	-	-		-		-		-	76,152
	-	-		-		-		-	210,280
	-	-		-		-		-	(188,196) 98,236
	-	-		-		-		-	90,230
	-	(96,424	)	(2,413)		3,377		427,057	476,090
	-	178,912		31,487		24,966		1,414,405	4,141,774
\$	-	\$ 82,488	\$	29,074	\$	28,343	\$	1,841,462	\$ 4,617,864

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# FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position

#### Fiduciary Funds

# December 31, 2023

		Investment	Funds				Custodial Funds					
	County Clerk Trust		District Clerk Trust			Total Investment Trust Funds		Tax Assessor Collector		County Clerk	District Clerk	
Assets												
Cash and investments	\$	766,621	\$	2,607,278	\$	3,373,899	\$	5,002	\$	65,436	\$	143,695
Total assets	\$	766,621	\$	2,607,278	\$	3,373,899	\$	5,002	\$	65,436	\$	143,695
Liabilities												
Due to other entities	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,002	\$	65,436	\$	143,695
Total liabilities		-		-		-		5,002		65,436		143,695
Net Position Restricted for: Individuals, organizations and other governments Unrestricted		766,621		2,607,278		3,373,899		-		-		-
Total net position	\$	766,621	\$	2,607,278	\$	3,373,899	\$	-	\$	-	\$	

# Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position

## Fiduciary Funds

# December 31, 2023

	Custodia	al Funds							
Sheriff	al District orney	pter 19	C	Total Custodial Funds	Total Fiduciary Funds				
\$ 113,169	\$ \$ - \$ 9,538 \$ 36		\$	336,876	\$	3,710,775			
\$ 113,169	\$ -	\$	9,538	\$	36	\$	336,876	\$	3,710,775
\$ -	\$ 63	\$	-	\$	-	\$	214,196	\$	214,196
 -	63		-		-		214,196		214,196
113,169	(63)		9,538		36		122,743 (63)		3,496,642 (63)
\$ 113,169	\$ (63)	\$	9,538	\$	36	\$	122,680	\$	3,496,579

#### Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

#### Fiduciary Funds

		Investment	Trust	Funds			Cus	todial Funds	
	Co	unty Clerk Trust	Di	strict Clerk Trust	Total investment irust Funds	Tax Assessor Collector		County Clerk	District Clerk
Increases:									
Contributions from judgements	\$	265,923	\$	776,009	\$ 1,041,932	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -
Taxes collected on behalf of taxing entities		-		-	-	140,344,593		-	-
Bonds received		-		-	-	-		5,672	37,750
Clerk fees		-		-	-	-		1,054,407	694,645
Deposits held		-		-	-	-		-	-
Interest income		-		-	-	5,140		304	192
Total Increases		265,923		776,009	1,041,932	140,349,733		1,060,383	732,587
Decreases:									
Bonds refunded	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	19,418	\$ 25,000
Taxes disbursed to taxing entities		-		-	-	92,086,885		-	-
Collections distributed		-		-	-	48,262,248		1,040,965	707,587
Deposits returned		-		-	-	-		-	-
Miscellaneous		-		-	-	600		-	-
Disbursements to beneficiaries		203,219		182,040	385,259	-		-	-
Total Decreases		203,219		182,040	385,259	140,349,733		1,060,383	732,587
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position		62,704		593,969	656,673	-		-	-
Net position - beginning		703,917		2,013,309	2,717,226	-		-	-
Net position - ending	\$	766,621	\$	2,607,278	\$ 3,373,899	\$ -	\$	-	\$ _

#### Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

#### Fiduciary Funds

		Custodia								
Sheriff		al District torney	(	Constable Chapter 19			Total Custodial Funds	Total Fiduciary Funds		
\$ - \$ 39 \$		\$	-	\$	-	\$ 39	\$	1,041,971		
-		-		-		-	140,344,593		140,344,593	
-		-		-		-	43,422		43,422	
-		-		-		-	1,749,052		1,749,052	
523,531		-		1,694		-	525,225		525,225	
244		44		-		5	5,929		5,929	
523,775 83				1,694		5	142,668,260		143,710,192	
\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 44,418	\$	44,418	
-		-		-		-	92,086,885		92,086,885	
319,080		-		-		-	50,329,880		50,329,880	
211,895		-		-		-	211,895		211,895	
500		-		3,507		1,104	5,711		5,711	
-		-		-		-	-		385,259	
531,475		-		3,507		1,104	142,678,789		143,064,048	
(7,700)		83		(1,813)		(1,099)	(10,529)		646,144	
120,869		(146)		11,351		1,135	133,209		2,850,435	
\$ 113,169	\$	(63)	\$	9,538	\$	36	\$ 122,680	\$	3,496,579	

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#### 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

Honorable County Judge and Commissioners Court Anderson County, Texas

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 Anderson County, Texas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 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 September 27, 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 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 County's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.



## **Purpose of This Report**

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 County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Pattillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P.

Waco, Texas September 27, 2024



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Honorable County Judge and Commissioners Court Anderson County, Texas

#### **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

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

We have audited Anderson County, Texas' compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Anderson County, Texas, complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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

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

We are required to be independent of the 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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Anderson County, Texas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Anderson County, Texas' basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon, dated September 27, 2024, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is 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 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 themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Pattillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P.

Waco, Texas September 27, 2024

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Pass-through Grantor's Number	Assistance Listing Number	Total Federal Expenditures	Passed Through to <u>Subrecipients</u>
FEDERAL AWARDS				
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed through the Texas Department of Agriculture: Community Development Block Grant Total Passed through the Texas Department of Agriculture	CDV21-0245	14.228	\$ <u>13,250</u> 13,250	\$ <u> </u>
Passed through the General Land Office: Local Hazard Mitigation Plans Program Total Passed through the General Land Office	22-130-018-D482	14.228	<u>63,750</u> <u>63,750</u>	<u> </u>
Subtotal Assistance Listing Number 14.228			77,000	
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			77,000	
U.S. Department of Justice Passed through the Office of the Governor - Criminal Justice Division: Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) Violence Against Women Act Court Training and Improvement (VAWA) Total Passed through the Office of the Governor - Criminal Justice Division	15POVC-22-GG-00807-ASSI 15JOVW-22-GG-00453-STOP	16.575 16.588	122,788 <u>36,467</u> <u>159,255</u> <u>159,255</u>	
Total U.S. Department of Justice				
U.S. Department of the Treasury Direct Program: COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Local Assistance Consistency Fund Total Direct Program	SLFRP2188 LATCF-2466	21.027 21.032	4,158,214 47,064 4,205,278	
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			4,205,278	
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services Passed through the Center for Health Emergency Preparedness & Response: NACCHO Grant Total Passed through the Center of Health Emergency Preparedness & Response	MRC RISE 22-0550	93.008	<u> </u>	
Passed through the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services: Foster Care Title IV-E Total Passed through the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services	HHS000285000015	93.658	2,727	
Total U. S. Department of Health and Human Services			52,727	
Total Federal Awards			\$ <u>4,494,260</u>	\$

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

#### NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

#### Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of the County under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance*). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position/fund balance or cash flows of the County.

#### **Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The County accounts for federal funding using the modified accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the accounting period in which they become susceptible to accrual, i.e. both measurable and available, and expenditures in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred, if measurable, except for certain compensated absences, claims and judgments, which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. Federal grant funds are considered to be earned to the extent of expenditures made under the provisions of the grant, and, accordingly, when such funds are received, they are recorded as unearned revenue until earned. Generally, unused balances are returned to the grantor at the close of specified project periods.

#### Note 3 - Indirect Costs

The County has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed in the *Uniform Guidance*.

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

#### Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements: Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified?	No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	None
Federal Awards: Internal control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified?	No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)	None
Identification of major programs:	
Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster:
21.027	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (COVID-19)
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	No
Findings Related to the Financial Statements Which are Required to be Reported in Accordance With Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards	

None

#### Findings and Questioned Costs Related to Federal Awards

None

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

None

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