

Little River County, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2022

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE



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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

Financial and Compliance Report

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

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

We have performed certain limited procedures with respect to regulatory basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for Little River County, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated October 21, 2024. These procedures were not performed for the Little River Nursing and Rehab Fund. Management of the County is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

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

County Judge: Larry Cowling
Treasurer: Dayne Guthrie
Sheriff and Tax Collector: Bobby Walraven
County Clerk: Deanna Sivley
Circuit Clerk: Lauren Abney
Assessor: Allie Rosenbaum
County Librarian: Tamara Whitlow

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

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

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

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Little Rock, Arkansas
October 21, 2024
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LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS
 DECEMBER 31, 2022
 (UNAUDITED)

Exhibit A

	General	Road	Other Funds in the Aggregate
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,541,896	\$ 428,680	\$ 6,670,163
Accounts receivable	43,201	1,869	47,933
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,585,097	\$ 430,549	\$ 6,718,096
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 33,331	\$ 130,983	\$ 430,688
Settlements pending			135,475
Total Liabilities	33,331	130,983	566,163
Fund Balances:			
Restricted		107,007	5,861,853
Assigned		192,559	290,080
Unassigned	1,551,766		
Total Fund Balances	1,551,766	299,566	6,151,933
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,585,097	\$ 430,549	\$ 6,718,096

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

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022
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Exhibit B

	General	Road	Other Funds in the Aggregate
REVENUES			
State aid	\$ 704,195	\$ 1,505,596	\$ 13,866
Federal aid	124,229		1,193,584
Property taxes	1,106,907	440,680	80,583
Sales taxes	988,383		3,563,607
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	238,055		105,690
Interest	9,665	3,232	53,635
Officers' fees	45,890		75,200
Contribution from cities	184,850		88,109
Sanitation fees			456,310
Jail fees			138,267
911 surcharge			249,284
Treasurer's commission	137,389		19,773
Collector's commission	306,416		47,813
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	386,639		
Other	294,154	30,006	15,307
	<u>4,526,772</u>	<u>1,979,514</u>	<u>6,101,028</u>
TOTAL REVENUES			
Less: Treasurer's commission	53,273	30,773	48,023
	<u>4,473,499</u>	<u>1,948,741</u>	<u>6,053,005</u>
NET REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	1,868,459		386,073
Law enforcement	1,556,672		4,965,093
Highways and streets		2,049,151	
Public safety	128,023		347,206
Sanitation			1,312,941
Health	14,384		
Recreation and culture			139,924
Social services	66,088		
Total Current	<u>3,633,626</u>	<u>2,049,151</u>	<u>7,151,237</u>
Debt Service:			
Bond principal			245,000
Bond interest and other charges			258,606
Financed purchases principal	49,191	73,640	
Financed purchases interest	3,802	894	
	<u>3,686,619</u>	<u>2,123,685</u>	<u>7,654,843</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
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Exhibit B

	<u>General</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>Other Funds in the Aggregate</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 786,880</u>	<u>\$ (174,944)</u>	<u>\$ (1,601,838)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in			1,191,300
Transfers out	(991,300)		(200,000)
Sales tax remitted to Little River Medical Center, Inc.			(950,295)
Sales tax remitted to Cossatot Community College			<u>(467,559)</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(991,300)</u>		<u>(426,554)</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(204,420)	(174,944)	(2,028,392)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>1,756,186</u>	<u>474,510</u>	<u>8,180,325</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 1,551,766</u>	<u>\$ 299,566</u>	<u>\$ 6,151,933</u>

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

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022
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Exhibit C

	General			Road		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES						
State aid	\$ 515,815	\$ 704,195	\$ 188,380	\$ 1,379,042	\$ 1,505,596	\$ 126,554
Federal aid	75,388	124,229	48,841			
Property taxes	1,114,424	1,106,907	(7,517)	470,202	440,680	(29,522)
Sales taxes	852,490	988,383	135,893			
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	232,863	238,055	5,192			
Interest	2,899	9,665	6,766	240	3,232	2,992
Officers' fees	22,500	45,890	23,390			
Contribution from cities		184,850	184,850			
Treasurer's commission	133,161	137,389	4,228			
Collector's commission	330,772	306,416	(24,356)			
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	449,227	386,639	(62,588)			
Other	416,963	294,154	(122,809)	11,000	30,006	19,006
TOTAL REVENUES	4,146,502	4,526,772	380,270	1,860,484	1,979,514	119,030
Less: Treasurer's commission		53,273	(53,273)		30,773	(30,773)
NET REVENUES	4,146,502	4,473,499	326,997	1,860,484	1,948,741	88,257
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General government	1,988,629	1,868,459	120,170			
Law enforcement	1,605,857	1,556,672	49,185			
Highways and streets				2,009,345	2,049,151	(39,806)
Public safety	132,558	128,023	4,535			
Health	15,322	14,384	938			
Social services	77,954	66,088	11,866			
Total Current	3,820,320	3,633,626	186,694	2,009,345	2,049,151	(39,806)
Debt Service:						
Financed purchases principal		49,191	(49,191)		73,640	(73,640)
Financed purchases interest		3,802	(3,802)		894	(894)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,820,320	3,686,619	133,701	2,009,345	2,123,685	(114,340)

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Exhibit C

	General			Road		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ 326,182	\$ 786,880	\$ 460,698	\$ (148,861)	\$ (174,944)	\$ (26,083)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	56,000		(56,000)			
Transfers out	(394,868)	(991,300)	(596,432)			
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(338,868)	(991,300)	(652,432)			
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(12,686)	(204,420)	(191,734)	(148,861)	(174,944)	(26,083)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	1,908,281	1,756,186	(152,095)	398,964	474,510	75,546
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,895,595	\$ 1,551,766	\$ (343,829)	\$ 250,103	\$ 299,566	\$ 49,463

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LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE -
 REGULATORY BASIS
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Schedule 1

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

	Treasurer's Automation	Collector's Automation	Circuit Court Automation	Assessor's Amendment no. 79	County Clerk's Cost	County Recorder's Cost	County Library
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 87,385	\$ 150,354	\$ 17,954	\$ 26,019	\$ 57,118	\$ 68,180	\$ 23,640
Accounts receivable			13		998	10,545	381
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 87,385	\$ 150,354	\$ 17,967	\$ 26,019	\$ 58,116	\$ 78,725	\$ 24,021
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 375	\$ 580				\$ 1,307	\$ 723
Settlements pending							
Total Liabilities	375	580				1,307	723
Fund Balances:							
Restricted	87,010	149,774	\$ 17,967	\$ 26,019	\$ 58,116	77,418	
Assigned							23,298
Total Fund Balances	87,010	149,774	17,967	26,019	58,116	77,418	23,298
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 87,385	\$ 150,354	\$ 17,967	\$ 26,019	\$ 58,116	\$ 78,725	\$ 24,021

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SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

	Solid Waste	Child Support Cost	Communication Facility and Equipment	Jail Operation and Maintenance	Boating Safety and Enforcement	CMRS 911 Board (Commercial Mobile Radio Service)	Emergency Vehicle
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 956,664	\$ 3,354	\$ 10,850	\$ 2,331	\$ 6,822	\$ 171,116	\$ 14,638
Accounts receivable	2,152		1,223	27,886		2,698	188
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 958,816	\$ 3,354	\$ 12,073	\$ 30,217	\$ 6,822	\$ 173,814	\$ 14,826
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 54,445			\$ 14,035		\$ 5,435	
Settlements pending							
Total Liabilities	54,445			14,035		5,435	
Fund Balances:							
Restricted	874,894	\$ 3,354	\$ 12,073		\$ 6,822	168,379	\$ 14,826
Assigned	29,477			16,182			
Total Fund Balances	904,371	3,354	12,073	16,182	6,822	168,379	14,826
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 958,816	\$ 3,354	\$ 12,073	\$ 30,217	\$ 6,822	\$ 173,814	\$ 14,826

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Schedule 1

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

	Public Defender	Victim/Witness	Public Safety	Juvenile Court Representation	Assessor's Late Assessment Fee	American Rescue Plan Act	Rural Fire Protection
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,542	\$ 1,365	\$ 984	\$ 13,223	\$ 1,519	\$ 1,943,512	\$ 2,100
Accounts receivable	778	440		175			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,320	\$ 1,805	\$ 984	\$ 13,398	\$ 1,519	\$ 1,943,512	\$ 2,100
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable						\$ 157,852	
Settlements pending							
Total Liabilities						157,852	
Fund Balances:							
Restricted			\$ 984		\$ 1,519	1,785,660	\$ 2,100
Assigned	\$ 3,320	\$ 1,805		\$ 13,398			
Total Fund Balances	3,320	1,805	984	13,398	1,519	1,785,660	2,100
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 3,320	\$ 1,805	\$ 984	\$ 13,398	\$ 1,519	\$ 1,943,512	\$ 2,100

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	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS			CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	
	Local Law Enforcement Block Grant	County Grants in Aid	Law Library	Cossatot Community College Sales Tax	Jail Construction	2019 Sales & Use Tax Bonds
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,600	\$ 5,538	\$ 1,914	\$ 1,064,255	\$ 1,897,625
Accounts receivable			456			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,600	\$ 5,994	\$ 1,914	\$ 1,064,255	\$ 1,897,625
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable					\$ 195,936	
Settlements pending				\$ 1,914		
Total Liabilities				<u>1,914</u>	<u>195,936</u>	
Fund Balances:						
Restricted	\$ 3,000		\$ 5,994		668,319	\$ 1,897,625
Assigned		\$ 2,600			200,000	
Total Fund Balances	<u>3,000</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>5,994</u>		<u>868,319</u>	<u>1,897,625</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,600	\$ 5,994	\$ 1,914	\$ 1,064,255	\$ 1,897,625

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CUSTODIAL FUNDS						
	Treasurer's Accounts	Collector's Accounts	Sheriff's Accounts	County Clerk's Accounts	Circuit Clerk's Accounts	Totals
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,702	\$ 63,511	\$ 9,081	\$ 1,860	\$ 55,407	\$ 6,670,163
Accounts receivable						47,933
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,702	\$ 63,511	\$ 9,081	\$ 1,860	\$ 55,407	\$ 6,718,096
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable						\$ 430,688
Settlements pending	\$ 3,702	\$ 63,511	\$ 9,081	\$ 1,860	\$ 55,407	135,475
Total Liabilities	3,702	63,511	9,081	1,860	55,407	566,163
Fund Balances:						
Restricted						5,861,853
Assigned						290,080
Total Fund Balances						6,151,933
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 3,702	\$ 63,511	\$ 9,081	\$ 1,860	\$ 55,407	\$ 6,718,096

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE -
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Schedule 2

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS							
	Treasurer's Automation	Collector's Automation	Circuit Court Automation	Assessor's Amendment no. 79	County Clerk's Cost	County Recorder's Cost	County Library	Solid Waste
REVENUES								
State aid				\$ 4,648			\$ 7,479	
Federal aid								
Property taxes							80,399	
Sales taxes								\$ 950,295
Fines, forfeitures, and costs			\$ 1,395					
Interest					\$ 391	\$ 598	197	6,727
Officers' fees					9,620	63,327		
Contribution from cities								
Sanitation fees								456,310
Jail fees								
911 surcharge								
Treasurer's commission	\$ 19,773							
Collector's commission		\$ 47,813						
Other							3,705	8,743
TOTAL REVENUES	19,773	47,813	1,395	4,648	10,011	63,925	91,780	1,422,075
Less: Treasurer's commission			24	74	153	928	1,444	22,675
NET REVENUES	19,773	47,813	1,371	4,574	9,858	62,997	90,336	1,399,400
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government	14,868	65,569		3,368	3,433	106,730		
Law enforcement			260					
Public safety								
Sanitation								1,312,941
Recreation and culture							139,924	
Total Current	14,868	65,569	260	3,368	3,433	106,730	139,924	1,312,941
Debt Service:								
Bond principal								
Bond interest and other charges								
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	14,868	65,569	260	3,368	3,433	106,730	139,924	1,312,941
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	4,905	(17,756)	1,111	1,206	6,425	(43,733)	(49,588)	86,459
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in							40,000	
Transfers out								
Sales tax remitted to Little River Medical Center, Inc.								
Sales tax remitted to Cossatot Community College								
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							40,000	
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	4,905	(17,756)	1,111	1,206	6,425	(43,733)	(9,588)	86,459
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	82,105	167,530	16,856	24,813	51,691	121,151	32,886	817,912
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 87,010	\$ 149,774	\$ 17,967	\$ 26,019	\$ 58,116	\$ 77,418	\$ 23,298	\$ 904,371

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE -
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Schedule 2

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS							
	Child Support Cost	Communication Facility and Equipment	Jail Operation and Maintenance	Boating Safety and Enforcement	CMRS 911 Board (Commercial Mobile Radio Service)	Emergency Vehicle	Public Defender	Victim/Witness
REVENUES								
State aid				\$ 1,739				
Federal aid								
Property taxes								
Sales taxes								
Fines, forfeitures, and costs			\$ 75,012			\$ 1,800	\$ 12,360	\$ 5,284
Interest	\$ 3	\$ 54	759	7	\$ 1,163			
Officers' fees	108	2,145						
Contribution from cities					88,109			
Sanitation fees								
Jail fees		9,620	128,647					
911 surcharge					249,284			
Treasurer's commission								
Collector's commission								
Other			1,755		450			654
TOTAL REVENUES	111	11,819	206,173	1,746	339,006	1,800	12,360	5,938
Less: Treasurer's commission	2	4	1,629	28	5,162	29	199	96
NET REVENUES	109	11,815	204,544	1,718	333,844	1,771	12,161	5,842
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government								
Law enforcement		15,256	1,066,979	1,932			16,500	8,664
Public safety					333,006			
Sanitation								
Recreation and culture								
Total Current		15,256	1,066,979	1,932	333,006		16,500	8,664
Debt Service:								
Bond principal								
Bond interest and other charges								
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		15,256	1,066,979	1,932	333,006		16,500	8,664
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	109	(3,441)	(862,435)	(214)	838	1,771	(4,339)	(2,822)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in			905,000				5,000	3,000
Transfers out								
Sales tax remitted to Little River Medical Center, Inc.								
Sales tax remitted to Cossatot Community College								
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			905,000				5,000	3,000
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	109	(3,441)	42,565	(214)	838	1,771	661	178
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	3,245	15,514	(26,383)	7,036	167,541	13,055	2,659	1,627
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 3,354</u>	<u>\$ 12,073</u>	<u>\$ 16,182</u>	<u>\$ 6,822</u>	<u>\$ 168,379</u>	<u>\$ 14,826</u>	<u>\$ 3,320</u>	<u>\$ 1,805</u>

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 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE -
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Schedule 2

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS							
	Public Safety	Juvenile Court Representation	Assessor's Late Assessment Fee	American Rescue Plan Act	Rural Fire Protection	Local Law Enforcement Block Grant	Arkansas Historic Preservation Grant	County Grants in Aid
REVENUES								
State aid								
Federal aid				\$ 1,190,584		\$ 3,000		
Property taxes			\$ 184					
Sales taxes								
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	\$ 81	\$ 3,666						
Interest				11,939				
Officers' fees								
Contribution from cities								
Sanitation fees								
Jail fees								
911 surcharge								
Treasurer's commission								
Collector's commission								
Other								
TOTAL REVENUES	81	3,666	184	1,202,523		3,000		
Less: Treasurer's commission	2	56	3	139				
NET REVENUES	79	3,610	181	1,202,384		3,000		
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government				158,814			\$ 26,991	\$ 6,300
Law enforcement		6,830						
Public safety					\$ 14,200			
Sanitation								
Recreation and culture								
Total Current		6,830		158,814	14,200		26,991	6,300
Debt Service:								
Bond principal								
Bond interest and other charges								
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		6,830		158,814	14,200		26,991	6,300
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	79	(3,220)	181	1,043,570	(14,200)	3,000	(26,991)	(6,300)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		14,500			16,300			7,500
Transfers out								
Sales tax remitted to Little River Medical Center, Inc.								
Sales tax remitted to Cossatot Community College								
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		14,500			16,300			7,500
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	79	11,280	181	1,043,570	2,100	3,000	(26,991)	1,200
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	905	2,118	1,338	742,090			26,991	1,400
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 984	\$ 13,398	\$ 1,519	\$ 1,785,660	\$ 2,100	\$ 3,000	\$ 0	\$ 2,600

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 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE -
 REGULATORY BASIS
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Schedule 2

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	Totals
	Law Enforcement Grants	Law Library	Little River Hospital Sales Tax	Cossatot Community College Sales Tax	Jail Construction	2019 Sales & Use Tax Bonds	
REVENUES							
State aid							\$ 13,866
Federal aid							1,193,584
Property taxes							80,583
Sales taxes			\$ 950,295	\$ 475,148		\$ 1,187,869	3,563,607
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	\$ 6,092						105,690
Interest					\$ 18,741	13,056	53,635
Officers' fees							75,200
Contribution from cities							88,109
Sanitation fees							456,310
Jail fees							138,267
911 surcharge							249,284
Treasurer's commission							19,773
Collector's commission							47,813
Other							15,307
TOTAL REVENUES		6,092	950,295	475,148	18,741	1,200,925	6,101,028
Less: Treasurer's commission		97		7,589	14	7,676	48,023
NET REVENUES		5,995	950,295	467,559	18,727	1,193,249	6,053,005
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
General government							386,073
Law enforcement	\$ 37,311	7,929			3,694,532	108,900	4,965,093
Public safety							347,206
Sanitation							1,312,941
Recreation and culture							139,924
Total Current	37,311	7,929			3,694,532	108,900	7,151,237
Debt Service:							
Bond principal						245,000	245,000
Bond interest and other charges						258,606	258,606
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	37,311	7,929			3,694,532	612,506	7,654,843
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(37,311)	(1,934)	950,295	467,559	(3,675,805)	580,743	(1,601,838)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Transfers in					200,000		1,191,300
Transfers out						(200,000)	(200,000)
Sales tax remitted to Little River Medical Center, Inc.			(950,295)				(950,295)
Sales tax remitted to Cossatot Community College				(467,559)			(467,559)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			(950,295)	(467,559)	200,000	(200,000)	(426,554)
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(37,311)	(1,934)			(3,475,805)	380,743	(2,028,392)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	37,311	7,928			4,344,124	1,516,882	8,180,325
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 0	\$ 5,994	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 868,319	\$ 1,897,625	\$ 6,151,933

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

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>
Treasurer's Automation	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-302 established fund to receive up to 10% of Treasurer's gross commissions to operate the Treasurer's office and to purchase, maintain, and operate an automated accounting and record keeping system.
Collector's Automation	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-305 established fund to receive up to 10% of collector's gross commission to operate the collector's office and to purchase, maintain, and operate an automated record keeping system.
Circuit Court Automation	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-13-704 established fund to receive circuit court installment fees to be used for circuit court-related technology and to defray the cost of fine collection.
Assessor's Amendment no. 79	Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-310 provides that 1% of the county's share of surplus funds from the Property Tax Relief Trust Fund be allocated to county assessors for the purpose of administering Ark. Const. amend. 79.
County Clerk's Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-413 established fund to receive fees collected by county clerks to be used for automated record systems and any legitimate county purpose.
County Recorder's Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-306 established fund to receive fees collected by circuit clerks to be used for automated record systems and any legitimate county purpose.
County Library	Ark. Code Ann. § 13-2-404 established fund to account for library property tax millage levied by the quorum court for the support, operation, and maintenance of the public library.
Solid Waste	Ark. Code Ann. § 8-6-212 authorizes counties to fund a solid waste management system for the county by assessing fees, charges, and licenses. Each fee, charge, and license shall be based on fee schedule contained in an ordinance. Little River County Ordinance no. 2015-3 (February 11, 2015) authorized solid waste management fees.
Child Support Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 9-10-109 established fund to receive fees to offset administrative costs in the clerk's office.
Communication Facility and Equipment	Ark. Code Ann. §§ 21-6-307, 12-41-105 established fund to receive 25% of Sheriff's fees collected, phone commission funds, and profits earned from prisoner commissary services to be used to train operations staff; operate, equip, repair, or replace existing communication equipment; purchase additional communications equipment; otherwise improve a communications facility or system for the sheriff's department; or purchase vehicles, weapons, or other equipment for the sheriff's department.

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

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>
Jail Operation and Maintenance	<p>Little River County Ordinance no. 2009-7 (June 8, 2009) pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-129 allows the county to levy an additional fine, not to exceed \$20. Funds shall be used exclusively to defray the cost of incarcerating county prisoners, including construction and maintenance of the county jail.</p> <p>Little River County Ordinance no. 2019-4 (February 11, 2019), pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 12-41-505 established fund to receive booking and administration fees assessed on persons convicted of a felony or Class A misdemeanor to be used exclusively for the maintenance, operation, and capital expenditures of a county jail or regional detention facility or for certificate pay for law enforcement and jailer personnel.</p>
Boating Safety and Enforcement	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-101-111 established fund to receive fees to be used for operating a patrol on the waterways within the county or for emergency rescue services if the county has not established a patrol.
CMRS 911 Board (Commercial Mobile Radio Service)	Ark. Code Ann. § 12-10-318 established fund to receive fees collected by commercial mobile radio service providers for 911 emergency services.
Emergency Vehicle	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-22-103 established fund to account for the fine for failure to insure motor vehicles to be used for the purchase and maintenance of rescue, emergency medical, and law enforcement vehicles, communications equipment, animals owned or used by law enforcement agencies, life-saving medical apparatus, and law enforcement apparatus to be used for those purposes.
Public Defender	Ark. Code Ann. § 17-19-301 authorized a bail bond fee of \$20 to be collected, which shall be remitted to the Arkansas Public Defender Commission. Three dollars of each fee is remitted back to the county quarterly to be used to defray the operating expenses of the public defender office.
Victim/Witness	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-21-151 established fund to receive district court costs levied to be used by prosecuting attorney for operating victim/witness program.
Public Safety	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-34-108 established fund to receive 25% of the district court fines levied for violations of the Child Passenger Protection Code to be used for promotion of public safety.
Juvenile Court Representation	Ark. Code Ann. § 9-27-316 established fund to collect fees and costs to offset expenses of juvenile cases.
Assessor's Late Assessment Fee	Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-201 established fund to receive \$.50 fee on delinquent persons which shall be used by the county assessor to help pay for the expense of assessing property.
American Rescue Plan Act	Established to receive and disburse Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLRF), a part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, to support response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>
Rural Fire Protection	Established to account for expenditures related to rural fire departments.
Local Law Enforcement Block Grant	Established to account for a grant received from the State of Arkansas for local law enforcement programs.
Arkansas Historic Preservation Grant	Established to account for a grant received from the State of Arkansas for maintenance to the courthouse.
County Grants in Aid	Established to receive transfers for the payment of expenditures associated with grants to other entities.
Law Enforcement Grants	Established to account for grant proceeds for law enforcement grant to be used for bullet proof vests.
Law Library	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-23-101 established fund to receive court costs to be used for any purpose related to the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a county law library.
Little River Hospital Sales Tax	Established to receive and remit 1/2 cent sales tax approved by Little River County ordinance no. 2000-5 (February 24, 2000) as approved by referendum on March 28, 2000, for the purpose of operation and maintenance of hospital and nursing home facilities and related health care facilities.
Cossatot Community College Sales Tax	Established to receive and remit 1/4 cent sales tax approved by Little River County ordinance no. 2007-6 (February 12, 2007) as approved by referendum May 8, 2007, for the purpose of operating and maintaining college facilities.
Jail Construction	Little River County Ordinance no. 2019-16 (October 29, 2019) established fund to receive the proceeds from the issuance of bonds to be used for the cost of constructing jail and law enforcement facilities.
2019 Sales & Use Tax Bonds	Little River County Ordinance nos. 2019-7 and 2019-9 (May 29, 2019) established fund to receive future collections of two sales and use taxes aggregating .625%, approved by referendum on September 10, 2019, to pay the principal and interest on bonds as they become due at maturity or redemption prior to maturity and the Trustee's fees and expenses.

Treasurer's accounts consist primarily of taxes not distributed to the appropriate agencies.

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

Sheriff's accounts consist primarily of fees settlement, bond, evidence, and inmate trust money.

County Clerk's accounts consist primarily of fee money to be settled with the treasurer.

Circuit Clerk's accounts consist of trust money and settlements due to the treasurer.

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1. A. **Basis of Presentation - Regulatory**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Capital Projects Funds - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlay, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Capital Projects Fund presented on Schedules 1 and 2 is reported with other funds in the aggregate.

Debt Service Funds - Debt Service Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The Debt Service Fund presented on Schedules 1 and 2 is reported with other funds in the aggregate.

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

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B. Basis of Accounting - Regulatory

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

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

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

C. Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balances

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of financial reporting, "cash and cash equivalents" includes all demand, savings, and money market accounts, and certificates of deposit.

Settlements Pending

Settlements pending are considered fines, forfeitures, costs, and property taxes, and other balances that have not been transferred to the appropriate entities.

Fund Balance Classifications

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

D. Property Taxes

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

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E. Budget Law

1. Legal Requirements

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

2. Accounting

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

F. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures

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

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

There were no committed fund balances at year-end.

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2. Details of Fund Balance Classifications

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

Description	General Fund	Road Fund	Other Funds in the Aggregate
Fund Balances:			
Restricted for:			
General government			\$ 2,188,870
Law enforcement			60,682
Highways and streets		\$ 107,007	
Public safety			171,463
Sanitation			874,894
Capital outlay			668,319
Debt service			1,897,625
Total Restricted		<u>107,007</u>	<u>5,861,853</u>
Assigned to:			
General government			2,600
Law enforcement			34,705
Highways and streets		192,559	
Sanitation			29,477
Recreation and culture			23,298
Capital outlay			200,000
Total Assigned		<u>192,559</u>	<u>290,080</u>
Unassigned	<u>\$ 1,551,766</u>		
Totals	<u>\$ 1,551,766</u>	<u>\$ 299,566</u>	<u>\$ 6,151,933</u>

3. Commitments

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

	December 31, 2022
Long-term liabilities	\$ 8,381,104
Reappraisal contract	533,004
Construction contracts	<u>3,542,235</u>
Total Commitments	<u>\$ 12,456,343</u>

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3. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term Liabilities

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

	December 31, 2022
<u>Bonds</u>	
2019 Sales and Use Tax Bonds Series 2019, dated December 10, 2019, in the amount of \$8,690,000 due in annual installments of \$180,000 - \$490,000 with interest at 2.75% - 4.00% due September 1, 2020, and semiannually thereafter on March 1 and September 1 of each year through March 1, 2045. Payments are to be made from the Debt Service Fund.	\$ 8,265,000
<u>Direct Borrowings</u>	
Financed purchase with Arvest Bank, dated January 10, 2020, in the amount of \$220,000 for renovation of the annex building, monthly payments of \$4,416 for 54 months beginning on February 10, 2020, with interest of 3.52%. Payments are to be made from the General Fund.	81,224
Arkansas District Judge's Retirement unfunded pension liability. The actuarial assumed rate of interest is 7.15%. Little River County and the City of Ashdown have agreed to share the cost on a 62% and 38% basis, respectively. Payments are to be made from the General Fund.	34,880
Total Long-term liabilities	\$ 8,381,104

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

The County's outstanding bonds payable of \$8,265,000 contain a provision that in an event of default, the Trustee may, and upon written request of the owners of not less than 10% in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding shall, by proper suit compel the performance of the duties of the officials of the County and officials of the State to take any action or obtain any proper relief in law or equity available under the Constitution and laws of the State.

The County's outstanding direct borrowings of \$81,224 contain a provision that in an event of default, outstanding amounts, at the Lender's sole option, may be declared immediately due and payable, and the Lender may exercise any rights and remedies, including the right to immediate possession of the collateral, available to it under applicable law.

Long-Term Debt Issued and Outstanding

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding December 31, 2022	Maturities to December 31, 2022
<u>Bonds</u>					
12/10/19	3/1/45	2.75 - 4.00%	\$ 8,690,000	\$ 8,265,000	\$ 425,000
<u>Direct Borrowings</u>					
1/10/20	7/10/24	3.52%	220,000	81,224	138,776
Total Long-Term Debt			\$ 8,910,000	\$ 8,346,224	\$ 563,776

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3. Commitments (Continued)

Changes in Long-Term Debt

	Balance January 01, 2022	Issued	Retired	Balance December 31, 2022
Bonds payable	\$ 8,510,000	\$ 0	\$ 245,000	\$ 8,265,000
<u>Direct Borrowings</u>				
Financed purchases	204,055	0	122,831	81,224
Total Long-Term Debt	<u>\$ 8,714,055</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 367,831</u>	<u>\$ 8,346,224</u>

Debt Service Requirements to Maturity

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

Years Ending December 31,	Bonds			Direct Borrowings		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 250,000	\$ 248,619	\$ 498,619	\$ 50,951	\$ 2,042	\$ 52,993
2024	260,000	240,969	500,969	30,273	354	30,627
2025	265,000	231,769	496,769			
2026	280,000	222,269	502,269			
2027	285,000	213,794	498,794			
2028 through 2032	1,575,000	928,484	2,503,484			
2033 through 2037	1,820,000	680,406	2,500,406			
2038 through 2042	2,105,000	386,784	2,491,784			
2043 through 2045	1,425,000	67,734	1,492,734			
Totals	<u>\$8,265,000</u>	<u>\$3,220,828</u>	<u>\$ 11,485,828</u>	<u>\$ 81,224</u>	<u>\$ 2,396</u>	<u>\$ 83,620</u>

County-Wide Reappraisal Contract

The County entered into a contract with Arkansas CAMA Technology on November 28, 2022, with an amended contract dated September 27, 2023, for a county-wide reappraisal. The County is obligated for 12 monthly payments of \$9,417 followed by 48 monthly payments of \$8,750 for a total of \$533,004 beginning February 1, 2023.

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

Year	December 31, 2022
2023	113,004
2024	105,000
2025	105,000
2026	105,000
2027	105,000
Total	<u>\$ 533,004</u>

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Construction Contracts

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

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Completed Date</u>	<u>Contract Balance December 31, 2022</u>
County Detention Center	March 2023	\$ 758,870
Multipurpose and Courtroom	June 2024	<u>2,783,365</u>
Total Construction Contracts		<u>\$ 3,542,235</u>

4. Interfund Transfers

The General Fund transferred \$991,300 to Other Funds in the Aggregate (\$40,000 – County Library, \$905,000 – Jail Operation and Maintenance, \$5,000 – Public Defender, \$3,000 – Victim/Witness, \$16,300 – Rural Fire Protection, \$7,500 – County Grants in Aid, \$14,500-Juvenile Court Representation) for operating purposes. Within Other Funds in the Aggregate, the 2019 Sales & Use Tax Bond Fund transferred \$200,000 to the Jail Construction Fund to supplement construction costs.

5. Pledged Revenues

The County pledged future 0.375% and 0.25% sales and use taxes to repay \$8,690,000 in bonds that were issued in 2019 to provide funding for all or a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, equipping, and furnishing new jail and law enforcement facilities. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds are \$8,265,000 and \$3,220,828, respectively, payable through March 1, 2045. For 2022, principal and interest paid were \$245,000 and \$256,044, respectively. After the bonds are retired, the 0.375% sales and use tax will no longer be levied or collected.

The Debt Service Fund received \$1,187,869 in sales taxes in 2022. Any sales taxes collected in excess of debt service payments on these bonds is permitted to be used for operation and maintenance of the jail and law enforcement facilities.

6. Joint Venture: Tri-County Regional Library System

Sevier, Little River, and Howard Counties entered into an agreement on October 9, 2013, in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. §13-2-401 to establish the Tri-County Regional Library System. The agreement states the Tri-County Regional Library System is governed by a six-member board which is comprised two appointed representatives of each county library board. Each county is to contribute .25 per capita per year from their one mill property tax fund for the operation of the Tri-County Regional Library System. Little River County paid \$3,065 for regional library expenses in 2022.

7. Jointly Governed Organizations

Upper Southwest Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District

The County paid the Upper Southwest Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District \$211,985 in 2022. The Upper Southwest Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District is a jointly governed organization comprised of representatives from Howard, Pike, Sevier, Little River, Hempstead, Lafayette, Montgomery, Nevada, and Polk Counties and participating cities within the aforementioned counties. The Upper Southwest Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of the respective judges and mayors unless some other representative is appointed by the participating entity. Separate audited financial statements for the Upper Southwest Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District are available at www.arklegaudit.gov.

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7. **Jointly Governed Organizations (Continued)**

Ninth West Judicial Drug Task Force

The Prosecuting Attorney of the Ninth West Judicial District, the Sheriffs' Departments of Sevier, Little River, Howard, and Pike Counties, and the Police Departments of De Queen, Ashdown, Nashville, Murfreesboro, and Dierks entered into an agreement to establish the Ninth West Judicial Drug Task Force (Task Force). The agreement covers the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, and may be extended upon written mutual agreement. Funding is provided through federal and state grants in addition to contributions from participating entities. The County contributed \$5,000 to the Task Force in 2022. Separate financial statements for the Task Force were not available.

Little River Intermodal Authority

Little River County and the City of Ashdown entered into an agreement on November 4, 2015, to establish the Little River Intermodal Authority (Authority) pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-143-101 – 14-143-129. The Authority shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of nine members appointed by the participating County Judge and Mayor. Little River County and the City of Ashdown will each receive four members, and the ninth member will be appointed by mutual agreement between the entities. In 2022, the County made no contributions to the Authority. Separate financial statements for the Little River Intermodal Authority are not available.

8. **Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System**

Plan Description

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

Funding Policy

APERS has contributory and non-contributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 5% of their salary. Beginning July 1, 2022, the contribution rates shall be increased in increments of .25% per fiscal year, not to exceed 7%. The contributory rate was increased to 5.25% as of July 1, 2022. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate established by the Board of Trustees of the system based on the annual actuarial valuation. The County's contributions to the plan for the year ended June 30, 2022, (date of APERS Employer Allocation Report) were \$558,073.

Net Pension Liability

The requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 68, under the regulatory basis of accounting, are limited to disclosure of the County's share of the collective net pension liability. The County's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability at June 30, 2022, (actuarial valuation date and measurement date) was \$4,699,036.

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9. Capital Assets

The County's capital assets records are summarized below :

	December 31, 2022
Land	\$ 140,280
Buildings	8,750,708
Equipment	<u>5,728,204</u>
Total	<u>\$ 14,619,192</u>

10. Corona Virus (COVID-19)

On March 11, 2020, the Governor of Arkansas issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring an emergency and ordered Arkansas Department of Health to take action to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). In 2021, the County was awarded \$2,381,167 in federal aid from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and as of the report date, \$2,381,167 of this amount has been received. In 2022, the County was awarded \$106,762 in federal aid from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund, which was a part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and as of the report date, \$106,762 of this amount has been received. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on financial statements for future reporting periods remains uncertain.

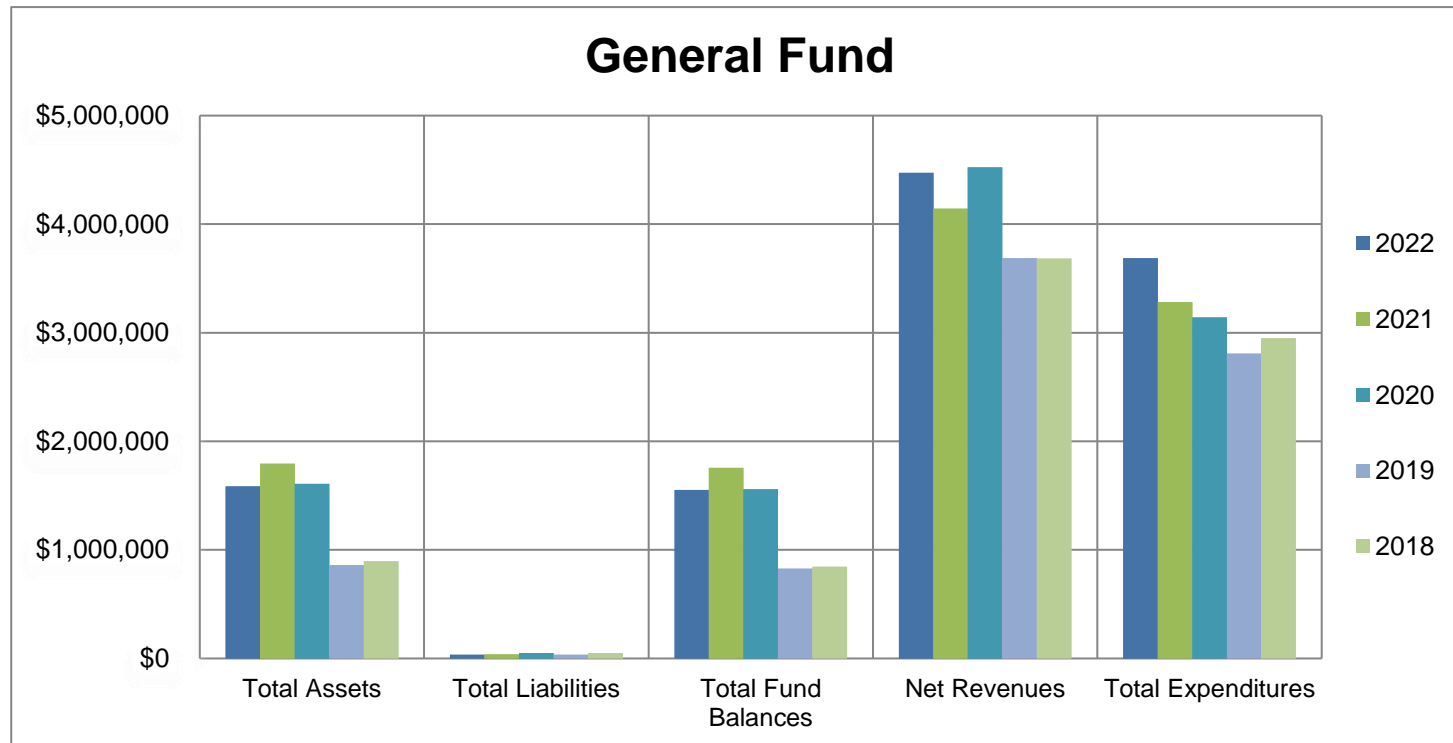
11. Lease of Hospital Facilities

Little River Memorial Hospital was operated as a county hospital through June 30, 2016. During 2016, members of the Board of Governors of the Little River Memorial Hospital formed a 501(C)(3) not-for-profit corporation for the purpose of leasing the hospital facilities from the County and operating it as a private concern. On June 30, 2016, Little River Medical Center, Inc. entered into a lease agreement with the County to lease the facilities for 25 years for \$25 annually.

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 SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - GENERAL FUND - REGULATORY BASIS
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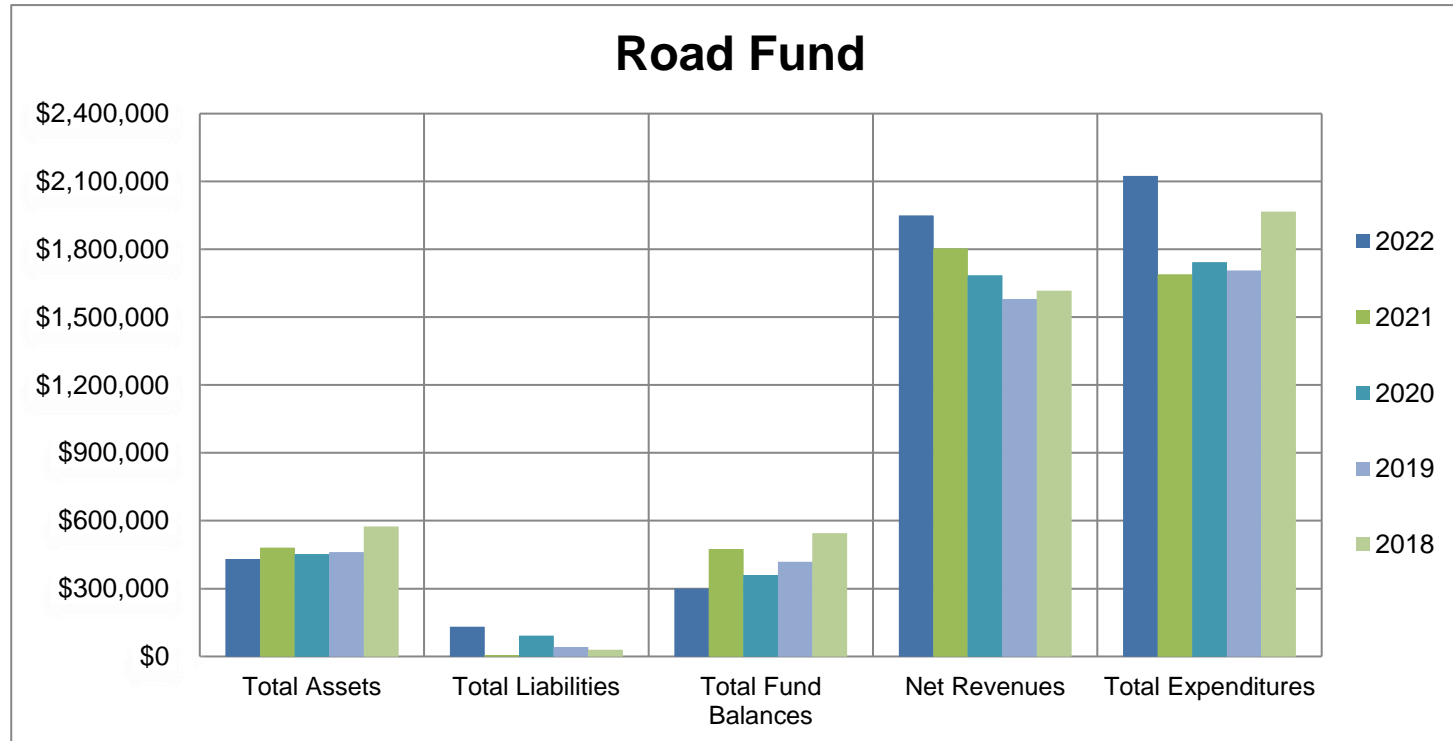
<u>General</u>	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 1,585,097	\$ 1,792,924	\$ 1,606,855	\$ 858,414	\$ 895,600
Total Liabilities	33,331	36,738	47,987	32,788	49,988
Total Fund Balances	1,551,766	1,756,186	1,558,868	825,626	845,612
Net Revenues	4,473,499	4,142,927	4,522,228	3,686,196	3,683,084
Total Expenditures	3,686,619	3,283,399	3,141,239	2,806,477	2,948,184
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	(991,300)	(662,210)	(647,747)	(899,705)	(818,409)



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 SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - ROAD FUND - REGULATORY BASIS
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<u>Road</u>	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 430,549	\$ 480,655	\$ 451,414	\$ 460,468	\$ 573,719
Total Liabilities	130,983	6,145	91,017	41,862	29,009
Total Fund Balances	299,566	474,510	360,397	418,606	544,710
Net Revenues	1,948,741	1,803,323	1,684,464	1,579,717	1,615,753
Total Expenditures	2,123,685	1,689,210	1,742,673	1,705,821	1,965,966
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses					



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 SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE - REGULATORY BASIS
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Schedule 3-3

<u>Other Funds in the Aggregate</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total Assets	\$ 6,718,096	\$ 8,807,344	\$ 10,326,030	\$ 10,013,234	\$ 1,619,315
Total Liabilities	566,163	627,019	290,011	208,632	314,100
Total Fund Balances	6,151,933	8,180,325	10,036,019	9,804,602	1,305,215
Net Revenues	6,053,005	5,737,969	4,409,202	2,996,639	2,989,843
Total Expenditures	7,654,843	6,935,826	3,606,146	3,211,158	2,557,533
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	(426,554)	(657,837)	(581,067)	8,713,906	(236,244)

