Phillips 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

Phillips 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 Phillips County, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated June 5, 2024. Management of the County is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

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

County Judge: Clark Hall Treasurer: Vacant (August 25, 2022 - December 31, 2022) Nancy Heard (January 1, 2022 - August 24, 2022) Sheriff: Neal Byrd Tax Collector: Neal Byrd County Clerk: Linda Winfield Circuit Clerk: Chasity Deisch Assessor: Jerome Turner County Librarian: Linda Bennett

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

Noncompliance with state law and accepted accounting practices was noted in the office of County Judge.

County Judge

- 1. The County disbursed funds totaling \$8,977 to the Phillips County Ambulance Association without a contract for services, in apparent conflict with Ark. Const. art. 12, § 5, as interpreted in Op. Att'y Gen. no. 1992-099. A similar finding was issued in the prior report.
- Although the County employed janitorial staff, the County paid \$172,836 and \$251,637 for janitorial services in calendar years 2023 and 2022, respectively. Review of these expenditures revealed the following questionable transactions:
 - The County paid a janitorial employee \$33,675 and \$68,358 in 2023 and 2022, respectively, without a contract for services and in excess of salary.
 - A janitorial employee submitted invoices totaling \$20,400 and \$11,175 for 2023 and 2022, respectively; the County paid these invoices prior to services being provided.

Based on available documentation, we were unable to determine if janitorial employees provided these services during regular business hours.

Additionally, a non-employee was paid \$66,035 and \$75,079 in 2023 and 2022, respectively; although contracts were provided, payments exceeded contracted amounts.

A similar finding was noted in the previous three reports dating back to 2019.

County Judge (Continued)

- 3. The following issues were noted with financed purchase agreements:
 - The County did not comply with agreements.
 - Payments were not made in a timely manner.
 - Documentation was not maintained.
 - Expenditures for financed purchases were not classified as principal and interest.

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.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

With Who

Kevin William White, CPA, JD Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas June 5, 2024 LOCO05422

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	 General	Road	-	other Funds in the Aggregate	
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,077,894	\$	2,015,358	\$	7,579,731
Investments					90,330
Accounts receivable	1,021,559		26,131		131,032
Interfund receivables	 1,868				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,101,321	\$	2,041,489	\$	7,801,093
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 170,287	\$	152,281	\$	100,305
Interfund payables			1,868		
Settlements pending	9,530				3,215,952
Total Liabilities	 179,817		154,149		3,316,257
Fund Balances:					
Restricted			1,532,371		4,647,914
Assigned	219,490		354,969		25,000
Unassigned	 1,702,014				(188,078)
Total Fund Balances	 1,921,504		1,887,340		4,484,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 2,101,321	\$	2,041,489	\$	7,801,093

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

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

		General		Road		ther Funds in the Aggregate
REVENUES State aid	\$	829,171	\$	1,718,153	\$	240,982
Federal aid	Ŧ	99,627	•	3,070	+	1,726,972
Property taxes		1,813,574		839,725		344,059
Sales taxes		807,418				1,625,307
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		58,790				108,322
Interest		3,118		4,376		41,432
Officers' fees		14,402				99,649
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments						3,475
Contributions from regional library						30,000
Emergency 911 fees						296,884
Jail fees						740,939
Donations						12,549
Phone commission						101,499
Treasurer's commission		185,919				22,185
Collector's commission		261,755				47,485
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense		439,948		040 500		70.004
Other		217,265		242,520		70,064
TOTAL REVENUES		4,730,987		2,807,844		5,511,803
Less: Treasurer's commission		63,885		48,141		50,705
NET REVENUES		4,667,102		2,759,703		5,461,098
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General government		2,013,295				1,220,406
Law enforcement		1,772,243				1,918,737
Highways and streets				2,103,873		415,750
Public safety		10,700				497,303
Health		72,433				
Recreation and culture		1,166				238,202
Social services		80,450		0.400.070		1 000 000
Total Current		3,950,287		2,103,873		4,290,398
Debt Service:						
Bond principal						335,000
Bond interest and other charges						385,274
Financed purchases principal		10,651		298,886		4,298
Financed purchases interest		1,349		15,678		1,548
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		3,962,287		2,418,437		5,016,518

Exhibit B

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General	 Road	her Funds in the .ggregate
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ 704,815	\$ 341,266	\$ 444,580
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out			 931,298 (931,298)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			 0
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	704,815	341,266	444,580
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	 1,216,689	1,546,074	 4,040,256
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,921,504	\$ 1,887,340	\$ 4,484,836

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

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Exhibit B

PHILLIPS 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 (UNAUDITED)

			Road								
	Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable Infavorable)		Budget		Actual	I	Variance Favorable Infavorable)
REVENUES State aid		\$	829,171	\$	829,171			\$	1,718,153	\$	1,718,153
Federal aid		φ	99,627	φ	99,627			φ	3,070	φ	3,070
Property taxes			1,813,574		1,813,574				839,725		839,725
Sales taxes			807,418		807,418				000,120		000,120
Fines, forfeitures, and costs			58,790		58,790						
Interest			3,118		3,118				4,376		4,376
Officers' fees			14,402		14,402				,		,
Unclassified	\$ 4,741,528	3			(4,741,528)	\$	2,816,446				(2,816,446)
Treasurer's commission			185,919		185,919						(, , ,
Collector's commission	192,551		261,755		69,204						
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	408,320)	439,948		31,628						
Other			217,265		217,265				242,520		242,520
TOTAL REVENUES	5,342,399)	4,730,987		(611,412)		2,816,446		2,807,844		(8,602)
Less: Treasurer's commission			63,885		(63,885)				48,141		(48,141)
NET REVENUES	5,342,399)	4,667,102		(675,297)		2,816,446		2,759,703		(56,743)
EXPENDITURES											
Current:											
General government	3,169,335	5	2,013,295		1,156,040						
Law enforcement	1,824,332	2	1,772,243		52,089						
Highways and streets							2,684,422		2,103,873		580,549
Public safety	27,283	3	10,700		16,583						
Health	76,200)	72,433		3,767						
Recreation and culture	24,000)	1,166		22,834						
Social services	99,718	3	80,450		19,268						
Unclassified	50,338				50,338						
Total Current	5,271,200	;	3,950,287		1,320,919		2,684,422		2,103,873		580,549
Debt Service:											
Financed purchases principal			10,651		(10,651)				298,886		(298,886)
Financed purchases interest			1,349		(1,349)				15,678		(15,678)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,271,200	<u> </u>	3,962,287		1,308,919		2,684,422		2,418,437		265,985
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	71,193	3	704,815		633,622		132,024		341,266		209,242
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	500,000)	1,216,689		716,689		469,135		1,546,074		1,076,939
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 571,193	3 \$	1,921,504	\$	1,350,311	\$	601,159	\$	1,887,340	\$	1,286,181
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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		easurer's tomation		ollector's utomation		cuit Court utomation	Ame	sessor's endment io. 79		nty Clerk's		County order's Cost	Cou	inty Library	Re	ps County appraisal Cost		oport ons Cost
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	(3,734)	\$	200,180	\$	(51,554)	\$	4,552	\$	15,865	\$	(105,768)	\$	624,886	\$	24,554	\$	605
Investments	Ψ	(0,701)	Ψ	200,100	Ψ	(01,001)	Ψ	1,002	Ŷ	10,000	Ψ	(100,100)	Ψ	90,330	Ψ	21,001	Ŷ	000
Accounts receivable		22,185		43,042										7,795				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	18,451	\$	243,222	\$	(51,554)	\$	4,552	\$	15,865	\$	(105,768)	\$	723,011	\$	24,554	\$	605
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES																		
Liabilities:																		
Accounts payable			\$	1,389					\$	48	\$	3,478			\$	24,554		
Settlements pending																		
Total Liabilities				1,389						48		3,478				24,554		
Fund Balances:																		
Restricted	\$	18,451		241,833			\$	4,552		15,817			\$	723,011			\$	605
Assigned																		
Unassigned					\$	(51,554)						(109,246)						
Total Fund Balances		18,451		241,833		(51,554)		4,552		15,817		(109,246)		723,011				605
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	18,451	\$	243,222	\$	(51,554)	\$	4,552	\$	15,865	\$	(105,768)	\$	723,011	\$	24,554	\$	605

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

						SPE	CIAL F	REVENUE FU	INDS							
	Fa	munication icility and quipment	Drug	g Control	Operations and ntenance	ing Safety and orcement	Eme	ergency 911	Publi	ic Defender	Ju D	cuit Clerk uvenile ivision ation Fee	COPS	S Grant	Commi	Clerk's ssioner's ee
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	119,981	\$	3,458	\$ (1,494)	\$ 23,496	\$	223,215	\$	(23,766)	\$	8,389	\$	45	\$	2
Investments																
Accounts receivable		30			 384	 		6,293		183		70				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	120,011	\$	3,458	\$ (1,110)	\$ 23,496	\$	229,508	\$	(23,583)	\$	8,459	\$	45	\$	2
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:							\$	7 000	\$	0.595						
Accounts payable Settlements pending							φ	7,000	φ	2,585						
Total Liabilities								7,000		2,585						
Fund Balances:																
Restricted	\$	120,011	\$	3,458		\$ 23,496		197,508			\$	8,459	\$	45	\$	2
Assigned								25,000								
Unassigned					\$ (1,110)	 				(26,168)						
Total Fund Balances		120,011		3,458	 (1,110)	 23,496		222,508		(26,168)		8,459		45		2
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	120,011	\$	3,458	\$ (1,110)	\$ 23,496	\$	229,508	\$	(23,583)	\$	8,459	\$	45	\$	2

					SPE	CIAL REV	ENUE	E FUNDS						
	American Rescue Plan Act	Phillips County ourthouse Park	Phillips County Justice Complex	County Hospital	A	ooking rea truction	Ai S	rcuit Clerk utomated Systems Grant	W	Dragon oodland Grant	nergency quipment	Ass	sessor's Late essment Fee	County Law Library
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$ 1,504,089	\$ 7,121	\$ 158,801	\$ 320,719	\$	16	\$	30,500	\$	2,656	\$ 42,542	\$	3,917	\$ 108,573
Accounts receivable		 	50,977											73
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,504,089	\$ 7,121	\$ 209,778	\$ 320,719	\$	16	\$	30,500	\$	2,656	\$ 42,542	\$	3,917	\$ 108,646
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:														
Accounts payable Settlements pending			\$ 61,251											
Total Liabilities			61,251											
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Unassigned	\$ 1,504,089	\$ 7,121	148,527	\$ 320,719	\$	16	\$	30,500	\$	2,656	\$ 42,542	\$	3,917	\$ 108,646
Total Fund Balances	1,504,089	 7,121	148,527	320,719		16		30,500		2,656	 42,542		3,917	108,646
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,504,089	\$ 7,121	\$ 209,778	\$ 320,719	\$	16	\$	30,500	\$	2,656	\$ 42,542	\$	3,917	\$ 108,646

	PRO	PITAL DJECTS UND	:	DEBT SERVICE FUND CUSTODIAL FUNDS												
		-Tech Ed ct Grant		18 Sales and se Tax Bond		reasurer's		Collector's Accounts		Sheriff's Accounts		y Clerk's counts		cuit Clerk's		Totals
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable	\$	100	\$	1,121,833	\$	2,805,336	\$	234,231	\$	64,788	\$	1	\$	111,596	\$	7,579,731 90,330 131,032
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	100	\$	1,121,833	\$	2,805,336	\$	234,231	\$	64,788	\$	1	\$	111,596	\$	7,801,093
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Settlements pending Total Liabilities					\$	2,805,336 2,805,336	\$	234,231 234,231	\$	64,788 64,788	\$	1	\$	<u>111,596</u> 111,596	\$	100,305 3,215,952 3,316,257
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total Fund Balances	\$	100	\$	1,121,833												4,647,914 25,000 (188,078) 4,484,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	100	\$	1,121,833	\$	2,805,336	\$	234,231	\$	64,788	\$	1	\$	111,596	\$	7,801,093

							SF	ECIAL REV	VENUE I	UNDS				
	Treasurer' Automatio		Collector's Automatio		Circuit Cour Automation		Ame	essor's ndment o. 79		nty Clerk's tomation	County order's Cost	Cou	nty Library	ps County oraisal Cost
REVENUES											 			
State aid							\$	4,554				\$	19,629	\$ 147,322
Federal aid Property taxes													342,261	
Sales taxes													542,201	
Fines, forfeitures, and costs														
Interest	\$	13	\$	565				11	\$	37			3,079	
Officers' fees										11,940	\$ 82,472			
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments													3,475	
Contributions from regional library													30,000	
Emergency 911 fees Jail fees														
Donations													12,549	
Phone commission													12,349	
Treasurer's commission	22,	185												
Collector's commission			47,	185										
Other								80		8,919	 		8,239	
TOTAL REVENUES	22,	198	48,)50				4,645		20,896	82,472		419,232	147,322
Less: Treasurer's commission				11				93		431	1,992		6,858	
NET REVENUES	22,	198	48,					4,552		20,465	 80,480		412,374	 147,322
EXPENDITURES														
Current:														
General government	29,	800	40,-	185	\$ 51,5	54				22,437	189,726			147,322
Law enforcement														
Highways and streets														
Public safety														
Recreation and culture											 		238,202	
Total Current	29,	800	40,	185	51,5	54				22,437	189,726		238,202	147,322
Debt Service:														
Bond principal														
Bond interest and other charges														
Financed purchases principal														
Financed purchases interest											 		<u> </u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	29,	800	40,	185	51,55	54				22,437	 189,726		238,202	 147,322
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)														
EXPENDITURES	(6,	810)	7,	554	(51,55	54)		4,552		(1,972)	(109,246)		174,172	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)											 			
Transfers in														
Transfers out														
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)														
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)			_		(- · -					(1.075)	(100.045)			
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(6,	810)	7,:	554	(51,55	54)		4,552		(1,972)	(109,246)		174,172	
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	25,	261	234,	279						17,789	 		548,839	
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 18,	451	\$ 241,	333	\$ (51,55	54)	\$	4,552	\$	15,817	\$ (109,246)	\$	723,011	\$ 0
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					SPECIAL RE	VENUE FUNDS			
	Suppo Collections		Communication Facility and Equipment	Drug Control	Jail Operations and Maintenance	Boating Safety and Enforcement	Emergency 911	Public Defender	Circuit Clerk Juvenile Division Probation Fee
REVENUES State aid						\$ 946			
Federal aid						ф 0.10			
Property taxes									
Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs					\$ 100,713			\$ 4,392	
Interest	\$	2	\$ 45	\$ 8	\$ 100,713	57	\$ 717	ə 4,392	\$ 17
Officers' fees	Ŷ	36	2,658	ψ	20	01	φ		2,543
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments									
Contributions from regional library									
Emergency 911 fees							296,884		
Jail fees Donations									
Phone commission			101,499						
Treasurer's commission			101,100						
Collector's commission									
Other					5		40,601		
TOTAL REVENUES		38	104,202	8	100,738	1,003	338,202	4,392	2,560
Less: Treasurer's commission		2	64		2,086	21	5,898	85	50
NET REVENUES		36	104,138	8	98,652	982	332,304	4,307	2,510
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Highways and streets Public safety Recreation and culture Total Current			1,302	236	114,586	-	471,803	32,312	
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchases principal Financed purchases interest							4,298 1,548		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			1,302	236	114,586		477,649	32,312	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		36	102,836	(228)	(15,934)	982	(145,345)	(28,005)	2,510
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · ·			<u>_</u>		
Transfers in Transfers out									
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES)	36	102,836	(228)	(15,934)	982	(145,345)	(28,005)	2,510
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1		569	17,175	3,686	14,824	22,514	367,853	1,837	5,949
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	605	\$ 120,011	\$ 3,458	\$ (1,110)	\$ 23,496	\$ 222,508	\$ (26,168)	\$ 8,459
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	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS											
	COPS Grant	Comm	iit Clerk's hissioner's Fee	American Rescue Plan Act	Phillips County Courthouse Park	Phillips County Justice Complex	County Hospital	Jail Booking Area Construction	Aut	uit Clerk omated ms Grant		
REVENUES						_						
State aid									\$	30,500		
Federal aid				\$ 1,726,972			• • • •					
Property taxes							\$ 11					
Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs												
Interest		\$	2	25,398	\$ 18	\$ 1,368	804					
Officers' fees		Ψ	2	20,000	φ 10	ψ 1,000	004					
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments												
Contributions from regional library												
Emergency 911 fees												
Jail fees						740,939						
Donations												
Phone commission												
Treasurer's commission Collector's commission												
Other						12,220						
TOTAL REVENUES			2	1,752,370			815			30,500		
Less: Treasurer's commission			_	.,,		32,993	16					
NET REVENUES			2	1,752,370			799			30,500		
EXPENDITURES						<u> </u>				<u>_</u>		
Current:												
General government				739,874								
Law enforcement				144,345		1,547,521						
Highways and streets				415,750								
Public safety Recreation and culture				25,500								
Total Current				1,325,469		1,547,521	-					
Debt Service:												
Bond principal												
Bond interest and other charges												
Financed purchases principal												
Financed purchases interest							-					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES				1,325,469		1,547,521	-					
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES			2	426,901	18	(825,987)	799			30,500		
			2	420,901	10	(823,987)				30,300		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)												
Transfers in Transfers out						931,298						
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						931,298	-					
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)							-					
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES			2	426,901	18	105,311	799			30,500		
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	\$ 45			1,077,188	7,103	43,216	319,920	\$ 16		<u> </u>		
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 45	\$	2	\$ 1,504,089	\$ 7,121	\$ 148,527	\$ 320,719	\$ 16	\$	30,500		
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			SPECIAL RE	EVENUE	E FUNDS			CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	DE	BT SERVICE FUND	
		agon and Grant	nergency quipment		essor's Late	C	County Law Library	Enviro-Tech Ed Project Grant		18 Sales and se Tax Bond	 Totals
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes			\$ 38,031	\$	1,787						\$ 240,982 1,726,972 344,059
Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments					8	\$	3,217 269		\$	1,625,307 8,994	1,625,307 108,322 41,432 99,649 3,475
Contributions from regional library Emergency 911 fees Jail fees Donations Phone commission Treasurer's commission Collector's commission Other											 30,000 296,884 740,939 12,549 101,499 22,185 47,485 70,064
TOTAL REVENUES			38,031		1,795		3,486			1,634,301	5,511,803
Less: Treasurer's commission			 		36		69				 50,705
NET REVENUES			 38,031		1,759		3,417			1,634,301	 5,461,098
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Highways and streets Public safety Recreation and culture Total Current							796			77,639	 1,220,406 1,918,737 415,750 497,303 238,202 4,290,398
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchases principal Financed purchases interest										335,000 385,274	 335,000 385,274 4,298 1,548
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							796			797,913	 5,016,518
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES			 38,031		1,759		2,621			836,388	 444,580
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out										(931,298)	 931,298 (931,298)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										(931,298)	 0
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES)		38,031		1,759		2,621			(94,910)	444,580
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	\$	2,656	 4,511		2,158		106,025	\$ 100		1,216,743	 4,040,256
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	2,656	\$ 42,542	\$	3,917	\$	108,646	\$ 100	\$	1,121,833	\$ 4,484,836
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PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 31, 2022

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

Fund Name	Fund Description
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 Automation	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.
Phillips County Reappraisal Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-1907 established fund to pay reappraisals of real property with revenue received from the State.
Support Collections 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 and phone commission funds to be used for communications equipment and repair and to train operations staff.
Drug Control	Ark. Code Ann. § 5-64-505 established fund to receive asset forfeitures resulting from drug offense cases due to arresting agency.
Jail Operations and Maintenance	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-129 and Phillips County Ordinance no. 85-5 (October 9, 1985) allows a 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.

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 31, 2022

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

Fund Name	Fund Description
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.
Emergency 911	Ark. Code Ann. § 12-10-318 established fund to receive fees collected by telephone providers for 911 emergency services.
Public Defender	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-10-307 established the County Administration of Justice Fund which continued to finance this fund to be used for defense of indigents.
Circuit Clerk Juvenile Division Probation Fee	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-13-326 established fund to collect juvenile fees and provide services and supplies to juveniles at the discretion of the juvenile division of circuit court.
COPS Grant	Phillips County Ordinance no. 2000-19 (August 8, 2000), interlocal agreement between Phillips County and Barton Lexa Public Schools to provide for employment of a deputy sheriff with conditions of grant award under the Cops in Schools Grant Program.
Circuit Clerk's Commissioner's Fee	Ark. Code Ann. § 21-6-412 established fund to receive fee awarded, when appointed as commissioner, for a sale of real or personal property under judicial decree. The funds are to be used to offset administrative costs associated with the performance of the commissioner's duties and for general operations expense of the office of circuit clerk.
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.
Phillips County Courthouse Park	Phillips County Ordinance no. 97-07 (March 11, 1997) and Phillips County Resolution no. 94-10 (August 9, 1994) established fund to receive a grant to fund and maintain courthouse park area.
Phillips County Justice Complex	Established to receive sales tax and fees for housing prisoners to maintain and operate the justice complex and detention center.
County Hospital	Ark. Const. amend. 32 established fund to collect and disburse property tax to be used for maintenance, operation and support of the public hospital.
Jail Booking Area Construction	Established to receive and disburse local grant funds for renovations of the Phillips County Booking and Holding Center.
Circuit Clerk Automated Systems Grant	Established to account for grant received for the purpose of updating an automated circuit clerk recording system.

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 31, 2022

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

Fund Name	Fund Description
Dragon Woodland Grant	Established to receive and disburse Community Development Block Grant benefiting low-to-moderate income individuals.
Emergency Equipment	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.
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.
County Law Library	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-10-307 established fund to receive costs to be used for any purpose related to establishment, maintenance, and operations of a county law library.
Enviro-Tech Ed Project Grant	Established to receive and disburse Arkansas Economic Development Commission grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for rail, water, and sewer upgrades.
2018 Sales and Use Tax Bond	Phillips County Ordinance no. 2018-7 (May 8, 2018) authorized the issuance of sales and use tax bonds and to receive 1% sales and use tax being levied for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of jail and law enforcement facilities improvements, to equip, operate and maintain new or existing jail and law enforcement facilities, including road and parking improvements related thereto and to pay and secure the repayment of bonds.

Treasurer's accounts consist primarily of property taxes, treasurer's commission, and inmate commissary 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, 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.

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.

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

<u>Road Fund</u> - 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, property taxes, and federal aid that are restricted or committed for maintaining and constructing roads.

<u>Other Funds in the Aggregate</u> - 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:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - 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.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> - 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.

<u>Debt Service Funds</u> - 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.

<u>Custodial Funds</u> - 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.

1. (Continued)

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, certificates of deposit, and short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

Investments

Investments are reported at fair market value.

Settlements Pending

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

Fund Balance Classifications

- 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.

1. (Continued)

C. Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balances (Continued)

Fund Balance Classifications (Continued)

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.

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 except for the Sales Tax Revenue, General Reserve, Group Insurance, Local Assistance Tribal Consistency, and Election Expense accounts, Road Fund, and the other operating funds except for the Phillips County Courthouse Park, County Hospital, Circuit Clerk Automated Systems Grant, and Assessor's Late Assessment Fee.

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.

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			\$ 1,819,766
Law enforcement			455,200
Highways and streets		\$ 1,532,371	
Public safety			197,508
Health			320,719
Recreation and culture			730,132
Social services			2,656
Capital outlay			100
Debt service			1,121,833
Total Restricted		1,532,371	4,647,914
Assigned to:			
General government	\$ 219,490		
Highways and streets		354,969	
Public safety			25,000
Total Assigned	219,490	354,969	25,000
Unassigned	1,702,014		(188,078)
Totals	\$ 1,921,504	\$ 1,887,340	\$ 4,484,836

3. Commitments

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

	De	ecember 31, 2022
Long-term liabilities Leases Reappraisal contract Construction contract	\$	11,297,395 133,104 294,644 221,604
Total Commitments	\$	11,946,747

3. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term Liabilities

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

	De	ecember 31, 2022
Bonds		
2018 Sales and Use Tax Bonds, Series 2018, dated May 15, 2018, in the amount of \$10,995,000, due in annual installments of \$325,000 to \$3,210,000 plus interest through September 1, 2043, interest rates from 2.85% to 4.0%. Interest and principal payments begin in 2018 and 2021, respectively. Payments are to be made from the 2018 Sales and Use Tax Bond Fund.	_\$	10,335,000
<u>Direct Borrowings</u> Financed purchase agreement dated December 28, 2022, with Cadence Bank, in the amount of \$105,000, with an interest rate of 5.4%, for the purchase of one 2020 Mack Stampede Dump Bodies. Monthly payments of \$2,437 for 48 months. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.		105,000
		105,000
Financed purchase agreement dated February 3, 2020, with Southern Bancorp Bank, in the amount of \$60,000, with an interest rate of 3.85%, for the purchase of election equipment. Monthly payments of \$1,000 for 34 months and 1 payment of \$31,989. Payments are to be made from the General Fund.		29,237
Financed purchase agreement dated July 6, 2021, with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation, in the amount of \$199,733, with an interest rate of 2.99%, for the purchase of a 2021 Caterpillar 140-15 Motor Grader. Monthly payments of \$2,390 for 35 months and 1 payment of \$130,950. Payments are to be made from Road Fund.		164,652
Financed purchase agreement dated September 21, 2022, with Cadence Bank, in the amount of \$534,634, with an interest rate of 3.990%, for the purchase of two John Deere 670GP Motor Graders. Monthly payments of \$6,617 for 60 months and 1 payment of \$213,865. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.		520,067
Financed purchase agreement dated December 29, 2022, with Cadence Bank, in the amount of \$123,886, with an interest rate of 4.890%, for the purchase of two John Deere 5090E Tractors and one John Deere 520M Loader. Monthly payments of \$2,332 for 60 months. Payments are to be made from the Road Fund.		123,886
Total Direct Borrowings		942,842
Arkansas District Judge's Retirement unfunded pension liability - The actuarial assumed rate of interest is 8%. The City of Helena-West Helena and Phillips County have agreed to share the cost on a 50/50 basis. The amount of liability reflected represents only the County's portion.		19,553
Total Long-term liabilities	\$	11,297,395

3. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

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 \$10,335,000 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 financed purchases from direct borrowings of \$942,842 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.

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences do vest or accumulate, however, there were no compensated absences liability. The County encouraged employees to use all their leave before year end.

Post Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions

The amount of any actuarially determined accrued liability for post employment benefits other than pensions was not determined.

Long-Term Debt Issued and Outstanding

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Dutstanding ember 31, 2022	Maturities to mber 31, 2022
Bonds					
5/15/18	9/1/43	2.85-4%	\$ 10,995,000	\$ 10,335,000	\$ 660,000
Direct Borrow	<u>ings</u>				
2/3/20	12/16/22	3.85%	60,000	29,237	30,763
7/6/21	8/6/24	2.99%	199,733	164,652	35,081
9/21/22	9/21/27	3.99%	534,634	520,067	14,567
12/28/22	12/28/26	5.40%	105,000	105,000	
12/29/22	12/29/27	4.89%	123,886	123,886	
Total Direct	Borrowings		1,593,367	 942,842	 650,525
Total Long	g-Term Debt		\$ 12,588,367	\$ 11,277,842	\$ 1,310,525

3. Commitments (Continued)

Changes in Long-Term Debt

	Jan	Balance uary 01, 2022	 Issued	 Retired	Balance December 31, 2022		
Bonds payable	\$	10,670,000	\$ 0	\$ 335,000	\$	10,335,000	
Direct Borrowings Financed purchases		598,157	 658,520	 313,835		942,842	
Total Long-Term Debt	\$	11,268,157	\$ 658,520	\$ 648,835	\$	11,277,842	

Debt Service Requirements to Maturity

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

Years Ending			Bonds				Direct Borrowings					
December 31,	-	Principal		Interest	Total		Principal		Interest			Total
2023	\$	345,000	\$	372,274	\$	717,274	\$	159,596	\$	30,688	\$	190,284
2024		355,000		361,924		716,924		251,834		27,696		279,530
2025				351,806		351,806		116,329		20,301		136,630
2026		750,000		351,806		1,101,806		121,684		14,946		136,630
2027		390,000		329,306		719,306		293,399		8,000		301,399
2028 through 2032		2,140,000		1,471,499		3,611,499						
2033 through 2037				1,211,625		1,211,625						
2038 through 2042		3,145,000		739,875		3,884,875						
2043		3,210,000		124,388		3,334,388						
Totals	\$ 1	0,335,000	\$	5,314,503	\$	15,649,503	\$	942,842	\$	101,631	\$	1,044,473

Leases

The County entered into lease agreements for four (4) Caterpillar graders in April 2019, a Caterpillar backhoe loader in October 2019, a Caterpillar hydraulic excavator in February 2020 and a Caterpillar grader in June 2020. Terms of the leases are monthly rental payments of \$7,080 for 36 months, \$1,703 for 24 months and extended for 7 months with payments of \$1,703 monthly, \$1,770 for 24 months, and \$879 for 60 months. At the end of each lease term, the County will return the leased equipment. The County is obligated for the following amounts for the next three years:

Year	Decen	nber 31, 2022
2023	\$	10 552
2023	Φ	10,553 10,553
2024		111,998
2020		111,000
Total	\$	133,104

Lease expense for 2022, was \$137,193.

3. Commitments (Continued)

County-Wide Reappraisal Contract

The County entered into a contract with Delta Mass Appraisal on November 20, 2019, for a county-wide reappraisal. The County is obligated for 60 monthly payments of \$12,277 for a total of \$736,610 beginning January 1, 2020. Contract expense for 2022, was \$147,322.

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

Year	Decer	nber 31, 2022
2023 2024	\$	147,322 147,322
Total	\$	294,644

Construction Contract

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

		Contr	Contract Balance			
Project Name	Completed	Decem	nber 31, 2022			
Central Plant Repair Phase II	June 19, 2023	\$	221,604			

4. Interfund Transfers

Within Other Funds in the Aggregate, 2018 Sales and Use Tax Bond transferred \$931,298 to the Phillips County Justice Complex for operations.

5. Pledged Revenues

The County pledged future 1% sales and use taxes to repay \$10,995,000 in bonds that were issued in 2018 to provide funding for financing jail and law enforcement facilities improvements, including particularly, without limitation, a new jail and the acquisition and renovation of a building to contain the sheriff's office, arraignment room/courtroom, communications center, and administrative offices related to law enforcement and any necessary land acquisition, furnishings, equipment, signage and utility, road and parking improvements. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds are \$10,335,000 and \$5,314,503, respectively, payable through September 1, 2043. For 2022, principal and interest paid were \$335,000 and \$382,324, respectively.

The Debt Service Fund received \$1,625,307 in sales taxes in 2022. Any sales taxes collected in excess of debt service payments on these bonds is permitted to be used for to acquire, construct, improve, expand, equip, furnish, operate, and maintain new or existing jail and law enforcement facilities, including any necessary utility, road, and parking improvement related thereto.

6. Joint Venture: Regional Library

Phillips, Lee, and Monroe Counties entered into an agreement in May 1978 in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 13-2-401 to establish the Phillips, Lee, and Monroe Regional Library. The agreement states that the library boards of these counties are to continue the same duties and functions that they have in the past until said duties and functions are altered by the Quorum Court as provided by law. The Phillips County Library did not pay any regional library expenditures in 2022. Separate financial statements of the Phillips, Lee, and Monroe Regional Library are available at 702 Porter Street, Helena, AR 72342.

7. Jointly Governed Organization

The First Judicial District Drug Task Force is a jointly governed organization comprised of representatives from Monroe, Lee, Phillips, St. Francis, Cross and Woodruff Counties and participating cities within the aforementioned counties. The Sheriff from each county acts as a representative. The County did not pay any drug task force expenditures in 2022. Contact the First Judicial District Drug Task Force at 113 S. Main Street, Clarendon, Arkansas 72029 to inquire on the availability of financial statements.

8. Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description

The County contributes to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), a cost-sharing multipleemployer 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 \$509,794.

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 \$4,292,519.

9. Capital Assets

The County's capital assets records are summarized below:

	De	ecember 31, 2022
Land Buildings Equipment	\$	376,168 18,511,439 6,900,823
Total	\$	25,788,430

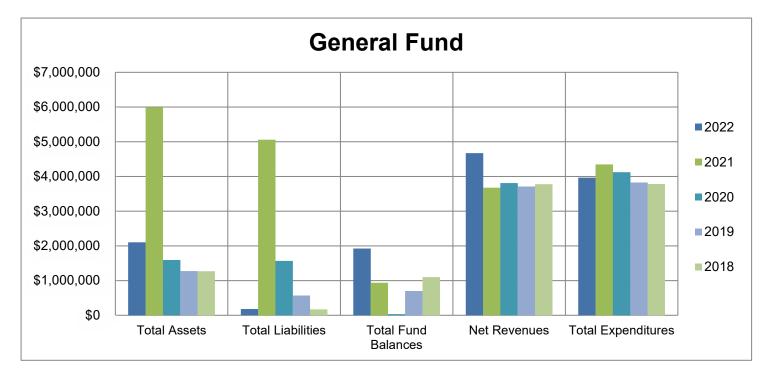
10. Corona Virus (COVID-19)

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 \$3,453,945 in federal aid from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and as of the report date, \$3,453,945 of this amount has been received. In 2022, the County was awarded \$168,176 in federal aid from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund, which was a part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. In 2022 and 2023, the County received funds in the amount of \$84,088 and \$84,088, respectively. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on financial statements for future reporting periods remains uncertain.

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - GENERAL FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

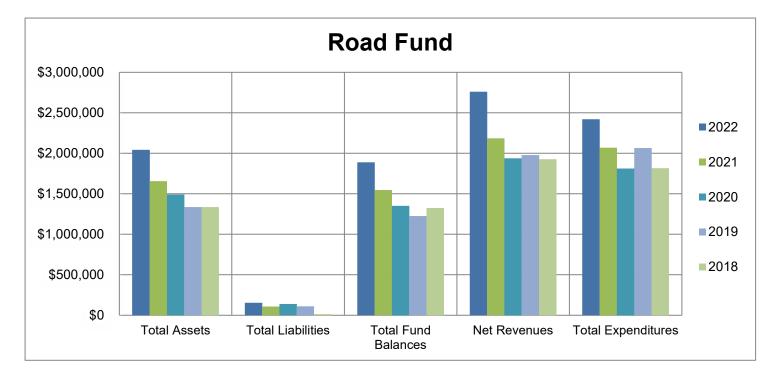
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General	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Total Assets	\$ 2,101,321	\$ 5,989,467	\$ 1,592,981	\$ 1,268,636	\$ 1,264,797
Total Liabilities	179,817	5,053,810	1,564,068	571,573	167,388
Total Fund Balances	1,921,504	935,657	28,913	697,063	1,097,409
Net Revenues	4,667,102	3,671,892	3,805,750	3,709,447	3,774,217
Total Expenditures	3,962,287	4,347,060	4,119,363	3,826,199	3,778,645
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses		(425,636)	(22,850)		(52,827)



PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - ROAD FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

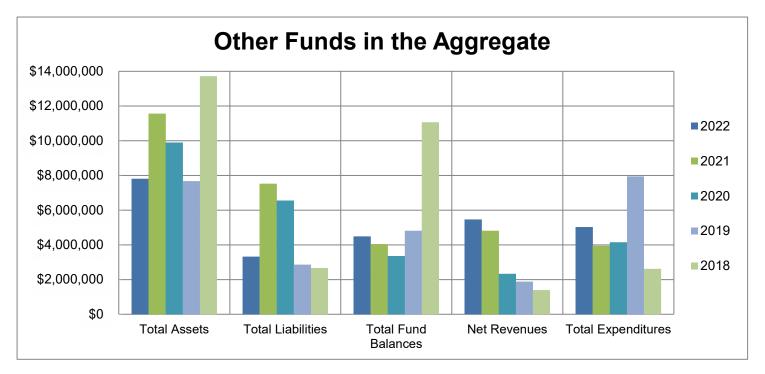
Road	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Total Assets	\$ 2,041,489	\$ 1,653,800	\$ 1,490,673	\$ 1,333,931	\$ 1,335,130
Total Liabilities	154,149	107,726	140,372	109,797	12,991
Total Fund Balances	1,887,340	1,546,074	1,350,301	1,224,134	1,322,139
Net Revenues	2,759,703	2,183,503	1,937,543	1,976,698	1,925,215
Total Expenditures	2,418,437	2,068,521	1,811,476	2,063,143	1,813,881
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses		7,100			



Schedule 3-2

PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

Other Funds in the Aggregate 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 **Total Assets** \$ 7,801,093 \$ 11,560,627 \$ 9,897,942 \$ 7,666,789 \$ 13,713,082 **Total Liabilities** 3,316,257 7,520,371 6,547,080 2,855,081 2,656,531 **Total Fund Balances** 4,484,836 4,040,256 3,350,862 4,811,708 11,056,551 2,330,387 Net Revenues 5,461,098 4,809,353 1,874,941 1,390,630 **Total Expenditures** 5,016,518 3,941,488 4,145,705 7,947,470 2,612,586 Total Other Financing Sources/Uses 418,536 22,850 (281,072) 10,532,263



Schedule 3-3