St. Francis County, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2023



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

Financial and Compliance Report

St. Francis 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 St. Francis County, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated September 26, 2024. 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 relates to the following officials who held office during 2023:

County Judge: Craig Jones Treasurer: Tammy Talley Sheriff and Tax Collector: Bobby May County Clerk: Brandi McCoy Circuit Clerk: Alan Smith Assessor: Ginadell Adams

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 September 26, 2024 LOCO06823

ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

		General		Road		Other Funds in the Aggregate
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	10,369,758	\$	158,062	\$	9,459,618
Investments	·	-,,	·	,	•	1,302,895
Accounts receivable		228,129				116,760
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	10,597,887	\$	158,062	\$	10,879,273
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	106,576	\$	17,583	\$	125,114
Settlements pending		41,693		1,990		541,205
Total Liabilities		148,269		19,573		666,319
Fund Balances:						
Nonspendable						1,977,895
Restricted						7,515,423
Committed		6,574,502				
Assigned		3,068,929		138,489		721,684
Unassigned		806,187				(2,048)
Total Fund Balances		10,449,618		138,489		10,212,954
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	10,597,887	\$	158,062	\$	10,879,273

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

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ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

	General		Road		ther Funds in the Aggregate
REVENUES State old	¢ = 542,429	¢	1 711 706	¢	207 751
State aid	\$ 542,428	\$	1,711,706	\$	287,751
Federal aid	82,285		044 704		34,066
Property taxes	1,235,722		214,721		904
Sales taxes	583,705		427,705		4,593,778
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	562,293		351		742,034
Interest Officers free	373,913		301		137,990
Officers' fees	83,657				251,393
Jail fees	84,480				17,329
Franchise fees	5,522				1,169
Emergency 911 fees					543,373
Sanitation fees					928,829
Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments					53,880
Treasurer's commission	127,743				37,459
Collector's commission	218,422				47,242
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	276,818				
Other	317,847	·	97,752		591,578
TOTAL REVENUES	4,494,835		2,452,235		8,268,775
Less: Treasurer's commission	24,657		20,869		43,079
NET REVENUES	4,470,178		2,431,366		8,225,696
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government	1,654,127				350,610
Law enforcement	3,506,571				1,935,237
Highways and streets			2,254,028		
Public safety	56,044				975,483
Sanitation					2,619,202
Health	45,551				
Recreation and culture	47,684				
Social services	137,089				221,479
Total Current	5,447,066		2,254,028		6,102,011
Debt Service:					
Bond principal					4,475,000
Bond interest and other charges					275,125
Financed purchase principal	2,380		82,683		173,108
Financed purchase interest	686		32,804		43,809
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,450,132	·	2,369,515		11,069,053

ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

	 General	Road	-	Other Funds in the Aggregate
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (979,954)	\$ 61,851	\$	(2,843,357)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out		 (434)		2,975,968 (2,975,534)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		 (434)		434
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(979,954)	61,417		(2,842,923)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	 11,429,572	 77,072		13,055,877
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 10,449,618	\$ 138,489	\$	10,212,954

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

Exhibit B

ST. FRANCIS 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, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

		General		Road							
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)					
REVENUES											
State aid	\$ 529,061	\$ 542,428	\$ 13,367	\$ 1,520,880	\$ 1,711,706	\$ 190,826					
Federal aid	74,000	82,285	8,285								
Property taxes	1,239,850	1,235,722	(4,128)	206,064	214,721	8,657					
Sales taxes	552,600	583,705	31,105	365,000	427,705	62,705					
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	439,100	562,293	123,193								
Interest	97,155	373,913	276,758	900	351	(549)					
Officers' fees	57,100	83,657	26,557								
Jail fees	112,500	84,480	(28,020)								
Franchise fees	5,200	5,522	322								
Treasurer's commission	92,000	127,743	35,743								
Collector's commission	295,150	218,422	(76,728)								
Taxes apportioned - Assessor's salary and expense	286,460	276,818	(9,642)								
Other	192,403	317,847	125,444		97,752	97,752					
TOTAL REVENUES	3,972,579	4,494,835	522,256	2,092,844	2,452,235	359,391					
Less: Treasurer's commission		24,657	(24,657)		20,869	(20,869)					
NET REVENUES	3,972,579	4,470,178	497,599	2,092,844	2,431,366	338,522					
EXPENDITURES											
Current:											
General government	1,947,672	1,654,127	293,545								
Law enforcement	3,387,697	3,506,571	(118,874)								
Highways and streets		, ,		2,543,171	2,254,028	289,143					
Public safety	39,519	56,044	(16,525)	, ,		,					
Health	33,345	45,551	(12,206)								
Recreation and culture	51,496	47,684	3,812								
Social services	135,804	137,089	(1,285)								
Total Current	5,595,533	5,447,066	148,467	2,543,171	2,254,028	289,143					
Debt Service:											
Financed purchase principal		2,380	(2,380)		82,683	(82,683)					
Financed purchase interest		686	(686)		32,804	(32,804)					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,595,533	5,450,132	145,401	2,543,171	2,369,515	173,656					

Exhibit C

ST. FRANCIS 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, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

		General		Road							
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)					
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (1,622,954)	\$ (979,954)	\$ 643,000	\$ (450,327)	\$ 61,851	\$ 512,178					
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out	700,000 (30,000)		(700,000) 30,000		(434)	(434)					
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	670,000		(670,000)		(434)	(434)					
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(952,954)	(979,954)	(27,000)	(450,327)	61,417	511,744					
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	10,853,291	11,429,572	576,281	410,000	77,072	(332,928)					
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 9,900,337	\$ 10,449,618	\$ 549,281	\$ (40,327)	\$ 138,489	\$ 178,816					

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Exhibit C

								SPE	ECIAL F	REVENUE F	UNDS	6				
100570	Treasurer's Collector's Automation Automation			-	Assessor's Circuit Court Amendment Automation no. 79				ity Clerk's Cost		County ecorder's Cost	Eas	Solid aste/North at Arkansas Recycling	nty Clerk erating	appraisal Cost	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	110,766	\$	96,092	\$	38,674	\$	10,370	\$	5,943	\$	119,574	\$	397,907	\$ 1,795	\$ 17,250
Investments																
Accounts receivable						65				752		8,502		16,389	 22	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	110,766	\$	96,092	\$	38,739	\$	10,370	\$	6,695	\$	128,076	\$	414,296	\$ 1,817	\$ 17,250
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Settlements pending Total Liabilities	\$	147									\$	4,488	\$	52,453		
Fund Balances: Nonspendable Restricted Assigned		110,619	\$	96,092	\$	38,739	\$	10,370	\$	6,695		123,088 500		361,843	\$ 1,817	\$ 17,250
Unassigned																
Total Fund Balances		110,619		96,092		38,739		10,370		6,695		123,588		361,843	 1,817	 17,250
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	110,766	\$	96,092	\$	38,739	\$	10,370	\$	6,695	\$	128,076	\$	414,296	\$ 1,817	\$ 17,250

	_							SPECIAL R	EVE	NUE FUNDS				
ASSETS		upport llections Costs	Jail Operation and Maintenance		C	County Detention Facility	Sa	oating fety and prcement	E	mergency 911	enile Court resentation	Comn	uit Clerk nissioner's Fee	sessor's Late sessment Fee
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	2,932	\$	271,405	\$	192,001	\$	8,700	\$	951,787	\$ 84,045	\$	2,454	\$ 43,286
Accounts receivable				17,262		796		579		4,581	 245			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,932	\$	288,667	\$	192,797	\$	9,279	\$	956,368	\$ 84,290	\$	2,454	\$ 43,286
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:														
Accounts payable Settlements pending			\$	4					\$	25,527	\$ 10,780			\$ 39,806
Total Liabilities				4						25,527	 10,780			39,806
Fund Balances: Nonspendable														
Restricted Assigned	\$	2,932		283,804 4,859	\$	192,797	\$	9,279		924,953 5,888	73,510	\$	2,454	3,480
Unassigned Total Fund Balances		2,932	_	288,663	_	192,797		9,279		930,841	 73,510		2,454	 3,480
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	2,932	\$	288,667	\$	192,797	\$	9,279	\$	956,368	\$ 84,290	\$	2,454	\$ 43,286

						SF	PECI	AL REVENUE	FUND	S					
100570	eriff's ipment	In	I-40 terdictory	Res	ecial ponse eam	nile Court onitors		Economic evelopment Tax		eterans sportation	M	Operation and aintenance - Sales Tax Revenue	Juvenile Services	Auto Sys	it Clerk mated tems rant
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable	\$ 336	\$	273,358 53,452	\$	29	\$ 3,589	\$	1,326,180	\$	10,736	\$	1,604,150	\$ 476,180	\$	839
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 336	\$	326,810	\$	29	\$ 3,589	\$	1,326,180	\$	10,736	\$	1,604,150	\$ 476,180	\$	839
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Settlements pending Total Liabilities		\$	8,776										\$ 20,199 20,199		
Fund Balances: Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned	\$ 336		318,034	\$	29	\$ 3,589	\$	1,326,180	\$	10,736	\$	1,604,150	 455,981	\$	839
Total Fund Balances	 336		318,034		29	 3,589		1,326,180		10,736		1,604,150	 455,981		839
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 336	\$	326,810	\$	29	\$ 3,589	\$	1,326,180	\$	10,736	\$	1,604,150	\$ 476,180	\$	839

								SPECIAL F	REVENU	E FUNDS				
	Impi	Court ovement m Grant	Rural V Fi	castle olunteer ire rtment	Juve	enile Officer Grant	J	Support uvenile unding	Victir	n/Witness	neland curity	Fa	munication cility and quipment	gent Care perations
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable	\$	4,000	\$	2	\$	153,814	\$	3,870	\$	(14,115) 14,115	\$ 55	\$	71,568	\$ 30,560
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,000	\$	2	\$	153,814	\$	3,870	\$	0	\$ 55	\$	71,568	\$ 30,560
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Settlements pending Total Liabilities					\$	692 692			\$	2,048				
Fund Balances: Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total Fund Balances	\$	4,000	\$	2		153,122	\$	3,870 3,870		(2,048)	\$ 55 55	\$	71,568	\$ 30,560 30,560
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	4,000	\$	2	\$	153,814	\$	3,870	\$	0	\$ 55	\$	71,568	\$ 30,560

	PF	APITAL OJECTS FUND	 DEBT SERVICE FUND	PE	PERMANENT FUND			C	UST	ODIAL FUND	S			
100570	Co	Jail nstruction	ales & Use Tax Bonds	Inc	digent Care		easurer's ccounts	Collector's Accounts		Sheriff's Accounts		ty Clerk's counts	uit Clerk's ccounts	 Totals
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable	\$	176,481	\$ 1,806,606	\$	675,000 1,302,895	\$	56,636	\$ 200,754	\$	206,292	\$	6,823	\$ 30,894	\$ 9,459,618 1,302,895 116,760
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	176,481	\$ 1,806,606	\$	1,977,895	\$	56,636	\$ 200,754	\$	206,292	\$	6,823	\$ 30,894	\$ 10,879,273
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable Settlements pending Total Liabilities						\$	56,636 56,636	\$ 200,754 200,754	\$	206,292 206,292	\$	6,823 6,823	\$ 30,894 30,894	\$ 125,114 541,205 666,319
Fund Balances: Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total Fund Balances	\$	176,481 176,481	\$ 1,806,606	\$	1,977,895									 1,977,895 7,515,423 721,684 (2,048) 10,212,954
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	176,481	\$ 1,806,606	\$	1,977,895	\$	56,636	\$ 200,754	\$	206,292	\$	6,823	\$ 30,894	\$ 10,879,273

							SI	PECIAL	REVENUE	UNDS						
	Treasurer's Automation			Circuit Autor		Ame	essor's endment o. 79		nty Clerk's Cost		County rder's Cost	Eas	Waste/North st Arkansas Recycling	nty Clerk erating	Re	appraisal Cost
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes						\$	5,287								\$	147,160
Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees Jail fees Franchise fees Emergency 911 fees	\$ 597	\$	451	\$	1,494 230 333		63	\$	63 8,073	\$	705 126,857	\$	1,011,410 3,432	\$ 11 200		
Sanitation fees Sanitation fees Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments Treasurer's commission Collector's commission	37,459	4	7,242										928,829			
Other													231,272	 		
TOTAL REVENUES	38,056	4	7,693		2,057		5,350		8,136		127,562		2,174,943	211		147,160
Less: Treasurer's commission			399		15		45		66		1,072		17,825	 2		
NET REVENUES	38,056	4	7,294		2,042		5,305		8,070		126,490		2,157,118	 209		147,160
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety	22,873	4	6,782				147		15,571		127,595					135,828
Sanitation Social services		·											2,619,202			
Total Current Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest	22,873	4	6,782				147		15,571		127,595		2,619,202 142,875 39,938			135,828
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	22,873	4	6,782				147	_	15,571		127,595		2,802,015			135,828
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	15,183		512		2,042		5,158		(7,501)		(1,105)		(644,897)	209		11,332
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out																
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)																
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	15,183		512		2,042		5,158		(7,501)		(1,105)		(644,897)	209		11,332
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	95,436	9	5,580		36,697		5,212		14,196		124,693		1,006,740	 1,608		5,918
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 110,619	\$ 9	6,092	\$	38,739	\$	10,370	\$	6,695	\$	123,588	\$	361,843	\$ 1,817	\$	17,250

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS															
	Colle	oport ections osts	Jail Ope an Mainte	nd	C	County Detention Facility		ng Safety and prcement	Emergency 911		ile Court sentation	Comm	uit Clerk lissioner's Fee	Assesso Assessm		neriff's lipment
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes Sales taxes							\$	1,104						\$	904	
Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees Jail fees Franchise fees	\$	18 144		83,090 1,515 14,766	\$	10,312 1,066 10,361 17,329		64	\$	\$	648 672 4,590				117	
Emergency 911 fees Sanitation fees Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments Treasurer's commission Collector's commission									543,373							
Other				18,500					13,145						250	
TOTAL REVENUES		162	2	17,871		39,068		1,168	564,912		5,910				1,271	
Less: Treasurer's commission		2		1,772		307		8	3,668		52				344	
NET REVENUES		160	2	16,099		38,761		1,160	561,244		5,858				927	
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety Sanitation Social services Total Current				51,462		27,390		6,485	968,998		66,982 66,982				1,814	\$ 1,558
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest									1,562 450							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			3	51,462		27,390		6,485	971,010		66,982				1,814	 1,558
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		160	(1	35,363)		11,371		(5,325)	(409,766)		(61,124)				(887)	 (1,558)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out			3	90,113				434								
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			3	90,113				434								
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES		160	2	54,750		11,371		(4,891)	(409,766)		(61,124)				(887)	(1,558)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1		2,772		33,913		181,426		14,170	1,340,607		134,634	\$	2,454		4,367	 1,894
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	2,932	\$2	88,663	\$	192,797	\$	9,279	\$ 930,841	\$	73,510	\$	2,454	\$	3,480	\$ 336

							SPECIAL R	EVEN	JE FUNDS						
	I-40	Interdictory	Speci Response			nile Court onitors	Economic evelopment Tax		eterans isportation	Mainte	Operation and enance - Sales x Revenue	Juver	ile Services	Autor	t Clerk nated is Grant
REVENUES															
State aid Federal aid Property taxes	\$	34,066													
Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest		546,490								\$	895,592	\$	447,796		
Officers' fees Jail fees		47,835													
Franchise fees Emergency 911 fees Sanitation fees Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments															
Treasurer's commission Collector's commission															
Other		9,030						\$	2,534		114,436				
TOTAL REVENUES		637,421							2,534		1,010,028		447,796		
Less: Treasurer's commission		4,830									8,448		4,224		
NET REVENUES		632,591							2,534		1,001,580		443,572		
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety Sanitation Social services		920,175			\$	750			4,234		22,412		391,828		
Total Current		920,175				750			4,234		22,412		391,828		
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest		18,623 3,257											10,048 164		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		942,055				750			4,234		22,412		402,040		
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(309,464)				(750)			(1,700)		979,168		41,532		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out											(434,753)				
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)											(434,753)				
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES		(309,464)				(750)			(1,700)		544,415		41,532		
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1		627,498	\$	29		4,339	\$ 1,326,180		12,436		1,059,735		414,449	\$	839
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	318,034	\$	29	\$	3,589	\$ 1,326,180	\$	10,736	\$	1,604,150	\$	455,981	\$	839
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	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS														
	Impr	Court rovement im Grant	Newcastle Rura Volunteer Fire Department		venile Officer Grant	Ju	upport ivenile unding	Victi	m/Witness	Home Secu		Fac	munication cility and uipment		ent Care erations
REVENUES				•											
State aid Federal aid				\$	134,200										
Property taxes															
Sales taxes															
Fines, forfeitures, and costs															
Interest												\$	193	\$	51
Officers' fees													38,234		
Jail fees															
Franchise fees															
Emergency 911 fees															
Sanitation fees															
Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments															
Treasurer's commission															
Collector's commission								¢	200 782				1,628		
Other								\$	200,783				1,628		
TOTAL REVENUES					134,200				200,783				40,055		51
Less: Treasurer's commission															
NET REVENUES					134,200				200,783				40,055		51
EXPENDITURES															
Current:															
General government															
Law enforcement					85,280	\$	68						36,476		
Public safety															
Sanitation Social services									200,659						16,586
Total Current					85,280		68		200,659				36,476		16,586
					05,200		00		200,033				30,470		10,500
Debt Service:															
Bond principal															
Bond interest and other charges															
Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest															
TOTAL EXPENDITURES					85,280		68		200,659				36,476	·	16,586
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)					00,200		00		200,659				30,470		10,500
EXPENDITURES					48,920		(68)		124				3,579		(16,535)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)															
Transfers in															30,072
Transfers out															00,012
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)															30,072
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)															
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES					48,920		(68)		124				3,579		13,537
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	\$	4,000	\$	2	104,202		3,938		(2,172)	\$	55		67,989		17,023
						\$		¢		\$		¢		¢	
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	4,000	\$	2 \$	153,122	φ	3,870	\$	(2,048)	Φ	55	\$	71,568	\$	30,560

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND DEBT SERVICE FUND PERMANENT FUND

	Jail Co	nstruction	Sales &	Use Tax Bonds	Indi	igent Care	Totals
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Property taxes Sales taxes			\$	2,238,980			\$ 287,751 34,066 904 4,593,778
Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Officers' fees Jail fees Franchise fees Emergency 911 fees	\$	15,909		75,536	\$	30,072	742,034 137,990 251,393 17,329 1,169 543,373
Sanitation fees Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments Treasurer's commission Collector's commission Other						53,880	 928,829 53,880 37,459 47,242 591,578
TOTAL REVENUES		15,909		2,314,516		83,952	8,268,775
Less: Treasurer's commission							 43,079
NET REVENUES		15,909		2,314,516		83,952	 8,225,696
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Public safety Sanitation Social services Total Current		30,856 30,856					 350,610 1,935,237 975,483 2,619,202 221,479 6,102,011
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchase principal Financed purchase interest				4,475,000 275,125			4,475,000 275,125 173,108 43,809
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		30,856		4,750,125			 11,069,053
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(14,947)		(2,435,609)		83,952	 (2,843,357)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out		44,640 (2,510,709)		2,510,709		(30,072)	 2,975,968 (2,975,534)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		(2,466,069)		2,510,709		(30,072)	 434
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES		(2,481,016)		75,100		53,880	(2,842,923)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1		2,657,497		1,731,506		1,924,015	 13,055,877
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	176,481	\$	1,806,606	\$	1,977,895	\$ 10,212,954

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 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.
Solid Waste/North East Arkansas Recycling	Established to a account for a 1 cent sales tax for the purpose of collection and disposal of solid waste per St. Francis County Ordinance no. 94-21 (September 20, 1994) as approved by voters in a special election.
County Clerk Operating	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-20-407 established a \$2 marriage license fee to be used for county clerk's cost.
Reappraisal Cost	Ark. Code Ann. § 26-26-1907 established fund to pay reappraisals of real property with revenue received from the State.
Support Collections Costs	Ark. Code Ann. § 9-10-109 established fund to receive fees to offset administrative costs in the clerk's office.
Jail Operation and Maintenance	Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-129 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.
County Detention Facility	Ark. Code Ann. § 12-41-505 established fund to receive 90% of a \$40 booking and administration fee 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.

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.
Juvenile Court Representation	Ark. Code Ann. § 9-27-316 established fund to collect fees and costs to offset expenses of juvenile cases.
Circuit Clerk 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.
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.
Sheriff's Equipment	Established to account for circuit court ordered fines to be used for sheriff's equipment expenses.
I-40 Interdictory	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 08-34 (October 21, 2008) established fund to receive fines for the purpose of law enforcement expenditures related to patrolling Interstate 40.
Special Response Team	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 08-31 (October 21, 2008) established fund to receive voluntary contributions for the purpose of maintaining the County Emergency Response Team.
Juvenile Court Monitors	Established to account for grant received for the purpose of purchasing monitors for the Juvenile Courts.
Economic Development Tax	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 13-04 (April 30, 2013) called for a special election to established half cent sales and use tax for the purpose of economic development.
Veterans Transportation	Established to account for donations for the purpose of transportation expenses of veterans.
Jail Operation and Maintenance - Sales Tax Revenue	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 19-09 (October 1, 2019) to account for sales tax funds for the purpose of jail and law enforcement facilities expenditures. Funds shall be used to acquire, construct, improve, expand, equip, furnish, demolish, operate and maintain new or existing jail and law enforcement facilities, including any necessary land acquisition and utility, road and parking improvements related thereto or in support thereof and to pay and secure the repayment of bonds approved by the voters and issued by the County from time to time to finance jail and law enforcement facilities.

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

Fund Name	Fund Description
Juvenile Services	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 19-13 (October 1, 2019) to account for sales tax funds to be used to support and provide programs and services for juveniles in the County.
Circuit Clerk Automated Systems Grant	Established to account for grant received for the purpose of updating an automated circuit clerk recording system.
Court Improvement Team Grant	Established to account for grant received to offset the expense that is incurred from meetings, to include but not limited to; office space, refreshments, materials, technical assistance and training for team members.
Newcastle Rural Volunteer Fire Department	Established to account for grant received for the purpose of purchasing a side-by-side utility vehicle and trailer that will equip the department with the tools needed to serve and protect area citizens.
Juvenile Officer Grant	Established to account for grant received for operations of the juvenile office.
Support Juvenile Funding	Established to account for grant received to supplement the juvenile fund for detention and related expenses.
Victim/Witness	Established to account for grants received on a reimbursement basis from Victims of Crime Act, purpose of funds are to provide residents with services, necessary referrals, and information of their rights under Arkansas law.
Homeland Security	Established to account for grants received from Arkansas Department of Emergency Management for the purpose of purchasing equipment.
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.
Indigent Care Operations	Established by St. Francis County Ordinance no. 83-2 (January 4, 1983) and no. 83-3 (January 4, 1983) to be used for St. Francis County indigent residents.
Jail Construction	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 19-11 (October 1, 2019) authorized the issuance of capital improvement bonds to finance the costs of acquiring, constructing, equipping, and furnishing new jail and law enforcement facilities.
Sales & Use Tax Bonds	St. Francis County Ordinance no. 20-07 (July 21, 2020) as approved by voters authorized the issuance of sales and use tax bonds. This fund was established in order to facilitate the retirement of the related debt.

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

Fund Name Fund Description

Indigent Care Established agreement by St. Francis County Ordinance no. 83-2 (January 4, 1983) and no. 83-3 (January 4, 1983) with interest earned transferred to Indigent Care Operations Fund.

Treasurer's accounts consist primarily of property taxes, treasurer's commission, Law Library monies, and officers' fees 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 of trust money and settlements due to 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, and property taxes 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>Permanent Fund</u> – Permanent Funds are used to account for and report resources that are restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not principal, may be used for purposes that support the reporting government's programs that is, for the benefit of the government or its citizenry. The Permanent 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.

C. Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balances

Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

Investments

Investments are reported at fair market value.

Settlements Pending

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

Fund Balance Classifications

- 1. Nonspendable fund balance amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance 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.
- 3. Committed fund balance amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Quorum Court.

1. (Continued)

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

Fund Balance Classifications (Continued)

- 4. 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.
- 5. 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, 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.

2. Details of Fund Balance Classifications

Fund balance classifications at December 31, 2023, are composed of the following:

	General	Road	Other Funds in			
Description	Fund	Fund	the Aggregate			
Fund Balances:						
Nonspendable:						
Social services			\$ 1,977,895			
Restricted for:						
General government			414,375			
Law enforcement			2,846,756			
Public safety			934,289			
Social services			10,736			
Economic development			1,326,180			
Capital outlay			176,481			
Debt service			1,806,606			
Total Restricted			7,515,423			
Committed for:						
General government	\$ 6,574,502					
Assigned to:						
General government	3,045,005		500			
Law enforcement	23,924		322,893			
Highw ays and streets		\$ 138,489				
Public safety			5,888			
Sanitation			361,843			
Social services			30,560			
Total Assigned	3,068,929	138,489	721,684			
Unassigned	806,187		(2,048)			
Totals	\$ 10,449,618	\$ 138,489	\$ 10,212,954			

3. Commitments

Total commitments consist of the following at December 31, 2023:

	De	ecember 31, 2023
Long-term liabilities Reappraisal contract	\$	12,331,638 543,312
Total Commitments	\$	12,874,950

3. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term Liabilities

Long-term liabilities at December 31, 2023, are comprised of the following:

	December 31, 2023
Bonds	
St. Francis County Sales & Use Tax Bonds of \$13,280,000 dated August 27, 2020, due in semi-annual installments of \$840,000 - \$1,185,000 plus interest through December 31, 2029, interest at 1.25% - 4.00%. Payments are to be made from the St. Francis Sales and Use Tax Bonds, Series 2020 Debt Service Fund.	\$ 5,195,000
Direct Borrow ings	
Financed purchase with Bancorp South, dated February 4, 2021, for the purchase of a Chevrolet Express Passenger Van. Purchased for \$29,580 to be repaid in 36 monthly installments at an interest rate of 2.29%. Payments are \$851 due monthly beginning March 4, 2021. Payments are to be paid from the Juvenile Services Fund.	1,697
Financed purchase with First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas, dated January 30, 2023, for the purchase of two Mack Trucks. Purchased for \$722,311 to be repaid in 24 monthly installments and 1 balloon note at an interest rate of 5.50%. Payments are \$13,797 due monthly beginning February 18, 2023. Payments are to be paid from the Solid Waste/Northeast Arkansas Recycling Fund.	604,212
Financed purchase with First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas, dated July 11, 2023, for the purchase of 2023 Mack Truck. Purchased for \$235,159 to be repaid in 24 monthly installments and 1 balloon note at an interest rate of 5.50%. Payments are \$5,175 due monthly beginning July 18, 2023. Payments are to be paid from the Solid Waste/Northeast Arkansas Recycling Fund.	210,383
Financed purchase with First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas, dated July 13, 2023, to purchase three Dodge Durangos. Purchased for \$144,802 to be repaid in 36 monthly installments at an interest rate of 5.50%. Payments are \$4,376 due monthly beginning August 18, 2023. Payments are to be paid from the I-40 Interdictory Fund.	126,179
Financed purchase with First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas, dated October 24, 2023, to purchase 2023 Dodge Durango. Purchased for \$52,383 to be repaid in 60 monthly installments at an interest rate of 5.75%. Payments are \$1,006 due monthly beginning November 20, 2023. Payments are to be paid from the Emergency 911 Fund.	50,821
Financed purchase with First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas, dated September 19, 2023, to refinance 5 Caterpillar road graders and purchase two Volvo graders and Low boy trailers. Amount financed was \$788,835 to be repaid in 60 monthly installments at an interest rate of 5.75%. Payments are \$15,163 due monthly beginning October 20, 2023. Payments are to be paid from Road Fund.	754,617
Financed purchase with First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas, dated October 24, 2023, to purchase 2023 Chevy Suburban. Purchased for \$79,824 to be repaid in 60 monthly installments at an interest rate of 5.75%. Payments are \$1,533 due monthly beginning November 20, 2023. Payments are to be paid from General Fund. Total Direct Borrow ings	77,444 1,825,353
Compensated absences consisting of accrued sick leave adjusted to current salary cost	116,285
Total Long-term liabilities	\$ 12,331,638

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

3. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

The County's outstanding bonds payable of \$5,195,000 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 of \$1,825,353 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

			Amount		Debt	Maturities				
Date	Date of Final	Rate of	Authorized	0	utstanding	to				
of Issue	Maturity	Interest	and Issued	December 31, 2023		Dece	mber 31, 2023			
<u>Bonds</u>										
8/27/20	8/1/29	1.25-4%	\$ 13,280,000	\$	5,195,000	\$	8,085,000			
Direct Borrov	<u>v ings</u>									
2/4/21	2/4/24	2.29%	29,580		1,697		27,883			
1/30/23	2/18/25	5.50%	722,311		604,212		118,099			
7/11/23	7/18/25	5.50%	235,159		210,383		24,776			
7/13/23	7/18/26	5.50%	144,802		126,179		18,623			
10/24/23	10/20/28	5.75%	52,383		50,821		1,562			
9/19/23	9/20/28	5.75%	788,835		754,617		34,218			
10/24/23	10/20/28	5.75%	79,824		77,444		2,380			
Total Direct	t Borrow ings		2,052,894		1,825,353		227,541			
Total Lon	g-Term Debt		\$ 15,332,894	\$	7,020,353	\$	8,312,541			

Changes in Long-Term Debt

	Balance January 01, 2023			lssued	 Retired		Balance December 31, 2023			
Bonds payable	\$	9,670,000	\$	0	\$ 4,475,000		\$	5,195,000		
<u>Direct Borrow ings</u> Financed purchases		724,892	1	2,023,314	 922,853	*		1,825,353		
Total Long-Term Debt	\$	10,394,892	\$	2,023,314	\$ 5,397,853		\$	7,020,353		

*Includes amount refinanced of \$664,682.

3. Commitments (Continued)

Debt Service Requirements to Maturity

The County is obligated for the following amounts at December 31, 2023:

Years Ending		Bonds		Direct Borrow ings						
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total				
2024	\$ 915,000	\$ 281,450	\$1,196,450	\$ 401,684	\$ 92,603	\$ 494,287				
2025	950,000	244,850	1,194,850	852,325	48,735	901,060				
2026	990,000	206,850	1,196,850	216,233	26,813	243,046				
2027	1,030,000	167,250	1,197,250	197,143	15,270	212,413				
2028	1,070,000	126,050	1,196,050	157,968	3,881	161,849				
2029	240,000	83,250	323,250							
Totals	\$5,195,000	\$1,109,700	\$6,304,700	\$1,825,353	\$ 187,302	\$2,012,655				

County-Wide Reappraisal Contract

The County entered into a contract with Delta Mass Appraisal Services, Inc. on October 5, 2022, for a county-wide reappraisal. The County is obligated for 60 monthly payments of \$11,319 for a total of \$679,140 beginning January 1, 2023. Contract expense for 2023, was \$135,828.

The County is obligated for the following amounts at December 31, 2023:

Year	Decen	nber 31, 2023
2024	\$	135,828
2025		135,828
2026		135,828
2027		135,828
Total	\$	543,312

4. Interfund Transfers

Road Fund transferred \$434 to Other Funds in the Aggregate (Boating Safety and Enforcement Fund) to correct a prior year item. Within Other Funds in the Aggregate, Indigent Care Fund transferred \$30,072 to the Indigent Care Operations Fund for operations; Jail Construction Fund transferred \$2,510,709 to Sales and Use Tax Bonds Fund for debt service payments upon construction completion; Jail Operation and Maintenance Sales Tax Revenue Fund transferred \$44,640 to the Jail Construction Fund for reimbursement of a prior year item and \$390,113 to Jail Operations and Maintenance Fund for operational purposes.

5. Pledged Revenues

The County pledged future 0.625% and 0.25% sales and use taxes to repay \$13,280,000 in bonds that were issued in 2020 to provide funding for acquiring, constructing, equipping, and furnishing new jail and law enforcement facilities. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds are \$5,195,000 and \$1,109,700, respectively, payable through August 1, 2029. For 2023, principal and interest and other charges paid were \$4,475,000 and \$275,125, respectively.

The Debt Service Fund received \$2,238,980 in sales taxes in 2023. Any sales taxes collected in excess of debt service payments on these bonds is required to be used for the early retirement of the bonds until it is repaid.

6. Jointly Governed Organizations

First Judicial District Drug Task Force

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 2023. Contact the First Judicial District Drug Task Force at 113 S. Main Street, Clarendon, Arkansas 72029 to inquire on the availability of financial statements.

Delta Regional Airport Authority

Cross and St. Francis counties, including the Cities of Wynne and Forrest City, entered into an agreement on February 11, 2003, to establish the Delta Regional Airport Authority (DRAA). The Delta Regional Airport Authority is governed by eight board members. Three commissioners were appointed by the Mayor of each of the cities and one commissioner was appointed by the Judge of each of the counties. Any funds received by the county relating to the DRAA are reflected in the respective financial statements. Any accounts handled directly by DRAA are not included. Contact the DRAA at 21 CR 709, Wynne, Arkansas 72396 to inquire on the availability of financial statements.

7. 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 5.5% as of July 1, 2023. 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, 2023, (date of APERS Employer Allocation Report) were \$686,457.

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, 2023, (actuarial valuation date and measurement date) was \$5,891,429.

8. Capital Assets

The County's capital assets records are summarized below :

	December 31, 2023
Land Buildings Equipment	\$ 182,882 14,704,534 9,780,709
Total	\$ 24,668,125

9. 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 2022, the County was awarded \$100,000 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, \$100,000 of this amount has been received. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on financial statements for future reporting periods remains uncertain.

ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - GENERAL FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

General	 2023	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019
Total Assets	\$ 10,597,887	\$ 11,568,144	\$ 10,505,175	\$ 9,339,089	\$ 9,752,188
Total Liabilities	148,269	138,572	117,220	76,276	183,809
Total Fund Balances	10,449,618	11,429,572	10,387,955	9,262,813	9,568,379
Net Revenues	4,470,178	4,216,337	4,077,778	4,737,950	4,301,264
Total Expenditures	5,450,132	3,174,720	2,952,636	3,749,811	3,704,181
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses				(1,293,705)	875



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ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - ROAD FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

Road	2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
Total Assets	\$ 158,062	\$	134,810	\$	943,384	\$	673,464	\$	355,540	
Total Liabilities	19,573		57,738		40,723		50,824		44,375	
Total Fund Balances	138,489		77,072		902,661		622,640		311,165	
Net Revenues	2,431,366		2,384,477		2,595,916		2,133,978		2,006,770	
Total Expenditures	2,369,515		3,210,066		2,315,895		1,843,003		2,008,385	
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	(434)	1					20,500			



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ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

Other Funds in the Aggregate		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
Total Assets	\$	10,879,273	\$	17,404,411	\$	19,618,952	\$	21,926,308	\$	7,616,355	
Total Liabilities		666,319		4,348,534		3,543,706		837,809		793,452	
Total Fund Balances		10,212,954		13,055,877		16,075,246		21,088,499		6,822,903	
Net Revenues		8,225,696		9,932,667		9,011,623		5,261,857		3,535,526	
Total Expenditures		11,069,053		12,952,036		14,024,876		5,492,851		3,798,195	
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses		434						14,496,590		(875)	



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