Town of Friendship, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2025

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A priority of Arkansas Legislative Audit is to assist local government officials by promoting sound financial management and accountability of government resources. The Legislative Auditor reports on the fiscal affairs of local 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 cash basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the Town of Friendship, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2025, and have issued our report thereon dated August 7, 2026. Management of the Town 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 2025:

Mayor: Stewart Norris
Recorder/Treasurer: Malinda Clark

We evaluated the Town's compliance with certain state laws concerning general and district court 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 Town 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
August 7, 2026
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TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025
(UNAUDITED)

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds
Cash Balance, January 1, 2025	$ 44,616	$ 122,287
Receipts:		
State aid	2,347	13,351
Property taxes	11,801	3,242
Franchise fees	6,376	
Sales taxes	21,646	
Other	2,910	303
Total Receipts	45,080	16,896
Disbursements:		
General government	15,161	
Highways and streets		4,459
Public safety	3,075	
Sanitation	19,568	
Recreation and culture	1,787	
Total Disbursements	39,591	4,459
Cash Balance, December 31, 2025	$ 50,105	$ 134,724

Schedule 2

TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP, ARKANSAS
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025
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	Street	American Rescue Plan Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2025	$ 84,469	$ 37,818	$ 122,287
Receipts:			
State aid	13,351		13,351
Property taxes	3,242		3,242
Other	303		303
Total Receipts	16,896		16,896
Disbursements:			
Highways and streets	4,459		4,459
Cash Balance, December 31, 2025	$ 96,906	$ 37,818	$ 134,724

TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP, ARKANSAS
OTHER INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025
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Schedule 3

1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts.

2. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

	December 31, 2025
Land	$ 4,933
Buildings	56,508
Equipment	41,425
Total	$ 102,866