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NORTH CAROLINA**

**ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE
FINANCIAL REPORT**

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November 15, 2024

Board of County Commissioners
and the Citizens of Macon County,
North Carolina

We are pleased to present the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) of Macon County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The financial statements and supplemental schedules contained herein have been audited by the independent certified public accounting firm of Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P. A. Their unmodified opinion is included in the basic financial statements. However, this report is presented by the County, which is responsible for the accuracy of the data as well as the completeness and fairness of its presentation including all disclosures. We believe the data, as presented, is accurate in all material aspects; that it is presented in a manner designed to fairly set forth the financial position and results of operations of the County as measured by the financial activity of its various funds; and that all disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain the maximum understanding of the County's financial affairs have been included.

This report is divided into four sections: the Introductory, Financial, Statistical, and the separately bound Compliance section. The Introductory Section, which is unaudited, contains this letter of transmittal and information about the organization and principal officials of the County. The Financial Section is composed of the auditors' report, Management's Discussion and Analysis, the County's combined financial statements, the Notes to the Financial Statements, and combining statements with detailed individual fund statements and schedules. Management's Discussion and Analysis provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the financial statements. The Statistical Section, which is unaudited, contains fiscal and economic data designed to provide a more complete understanding of the County. Many tables in this section present financial data for the past ten years. Finally, the Compliance Section presents reports and schedules required by the federal and State Single Audit Acts, which is discussed in a later paragraph.

The financial reporting entity includes all the funds of the primary government (Macon County), as well as all of its component units. Component units are legally separate entities for which the primary government is financially accountable. Macon County Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Financing Authority is a component unit of Macon County; however, this authority has no financial transactions or account balances and is therefore not reported in the financial statements. Macon County Airport Authority is shown as a discretely presented component unit.

DESCRIPTION OF THE COUNTY:

Macon County, founded in 1828, is located in the Southwestern area of the state. Macon County has land area of 519 square miles and an estimated population of 38,152. Macon County has a diverse economy. Manufacturing, healthcare, tourism, agriculture, finance, retail, and real estate/construction are major components of the economy. Manufacturing industries include Drake Software (tax software), TekTone Sound & Signal Mfg., Inc. (healthcare communications), Duotech Services (aerospace), Landers USA (metal tubular fabrication), and Beasley Flooring Products (flooring). Healthcare includes three medical campuses from two health systems (Hospital Corporation of America Healthcare and Duke LifePoint Healthcare). Tourism and hospitality is especially strong in both the Highlands and Franklin areas, with entities such as Old Edwards Inn & Spa and the Smoky Mountain Center for the Performing Arts gaining national and global recognition. Macon County's natural resources, beauty, and proximity to major population centers have made it a major destination for both green tourism (hiking, whitewater rafting, camping, hunting, fishing, etc.), as well as more traditional activities such as golf and gem mining. Three local breweries are located in the county. Real estate and second home/retirement construction are also major contributors to the local economy. Agriculture includes vegetables, ornamentals, Christmas trees, trout production, and livestock. In addition, several national, regional, and local banks maintain operations in the county. Two municipalities are located in the County, the largest being the Town of Franklin, which serves as the County seat, and Highlands, a major travel/tourism and vacation home destination. The County has a commissioner/manager form of government. The five members of the Board of Commissioners are elected at-large and serve staggered four-year terms.

The County provides its citizens a wide range of services that include education, human services, public safety, cultural and recreational activities, economic development and physical development, transportation, general administration, and others. This report includes all the County's activities in maintaining these services, except schools, which are administered by the Macon County Board of Education. The County also extends financial support to certain boards, agencies and commissions to assist their efforts in serving citizens, including Vaya Health, the Southwestern North Carolina Planning and Economic Development Commission, Fontana Regional Library, and Southwestern Community College.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND OUTLOOK:

Assessed property values increased by \$4.43 billion, or 51.76%, due to revaluation in the County. Tourism spending continued to be a driving force in the local economy with over \$350 million dollars spent in 2023, an increase of 3.8% over 2022. As of June 2024, the county's unemployment rate was 3.7%, up from 3.2% in June 2023.

Going forward, the economic outlook looks positive. Population estimates indicate continued growth, with the county's location and natural beauty continuing to attract both year-round and part-time residents. There is significant retail development occurring along the 64/441 corridor in Franklin. Highlands continues to be a desirable travel and tourism destination for more affluent visitors, as well as vacation homeowners.

The private sector owns 51.75% of Macon County's 332,551 total acres with the U.S. Forest Service owning 46.04% or 153,110 acres. The remaining 2.21% is exempt acreage. There are 44,156 parcels and 43,165 are taxable. The total appraised value of taxable property is \$12.98 billion. The tax rate is 27 cents per \$100 valuation. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC continues to be the County's largest taxpayer with 1.50% of the total assessed valuation. The County's tax base is diverse, with the ten leading taxpayers making up 4.19% of total assessed value.

Transportation is critical to business and industry development. U.S. 441 is five lanes wide, making the trip to Atlanta, Georgia approximately two hours; this increases the marketability of our area. Additionally, U.S. 441 North is four lanes to Interstate 40, which runs east and west across the country. U.S. Highway 64 West is three and four lanes in a westward direction to the Tennessee line. Macon County has a modern airport facility with a

5,000 feet runway enabling business jet access, a terminal, hangar space with room for expansion, and plans for an additional 1,000 feet runway extension. Macon County also operates a bus transit system with local daily routes as well as transportation outside the county for medical care.

LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING

The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report reflects the sound fiscal policies our elected officials have established to achieve their annual priorities for programs, services, and capital improvements. These policies have resulted in the County's strong financial position.

Macon County has developed a process that charts growth in tax base, tax rates, growth in revenues and expenditures, and change in fund balance. The County continues to address capital needs of the community, primarily school capital needs. The County has a ten-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) that is focused on the first five years of the plan. This CIP is updated annually.

MAJOR INITIATIVES:

During the year, the County was involved in a number of major projects, some of which were completed during the year. Highlights of these are discussed in the following paragraphs.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - The Macon County Economic Development Commission continues to create a climate for business and industry investment, innovative entrepreneurship, and quality job creation. Development of the former Duke Energy tract continued with the construction of a new stand-alone Starbucks with an indoor dining area and drive-thru. Charter Communications began engineering and field assessment work on their \$9 million Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) award to provide broadband for 8,191 customers across Macon County. BalsamWest Fibernet LLC received a Growing Rural Economies with Access to Technology (GREAT) grant from the North Carolina Department of Information Technology. This \$992,000 grant will provide fiber service to 263 homes and businesses in the Otto and Scaly Mountain areas of Macon County.

Duotech Services LLC, an engineering company that specializes in the repair and maintenance of legacy defense equipment, will expand its operations in Macon County, creating 95 jobs. The \$6.5M expansion will be facilitated, in part, by a Job Development Investment (JDIG) grant through the North Carolina Department of Commerce. Over the 12-year term of the JDIG grant, the project is expected to grow the state's economy by \$416.8 million. Duotech has continuously operated in Franklin since 1986.

SCHOOLS – Macon County continues to meet the challenge of providing school facilities as recommended by the facilities planning committee made up of county and school officials. Construction of the athletic building at Macon Middle School was completed. Concerning the Franklin High School project, the County amended the architect contract with LS3P to include construction documents and approved a Construction Manager at Risk pre-construction contract with Carroll Daniel Construction. Also, the County was awarded a \$62 million Needs-Based Public School Capital Fund grant to help fund the Franklin High School project. The County approved a Construction Manager at Risk pre-construction contract with Vannoy Construction for the Highlands School Project.

TRANSIT – Owle Construction completed construction of a storage facility for the transit vans. Owle Construction also completed construction of the expansion of the existing transit facility. Both projects were 80% grant funded.

RECREATION – McGill Associates, PA completed the Recreation Park Master Plan which covers redevelopment of the existing facility located at 1288 Georgia Road in Franklin, NC. The County approved a contract with McGill Associates, PA to design and bid phase 1A of the master plan. This phase consists of newly constructed pickleball courts, tennis courts, restrooms and a changing facility.

SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS – The County opened the Macon County MSW Landfill in 1992 and expanded the cell in 1999. During 2020, the County added a new cell to the Macon County MSW Landfill. The County began transitioning to the new cell in January 2020.

The County's solid waste landfill is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) regulations for municipal solid waste landfill closure and post closure care. Closure, post closure, and corrective action costs of the current and closed cells is estimated to be \$15,784,417. The County has already recognized a liability of \$13,979,102 for closure, post closure, and corrective action costs, based upon the amount of cell capacity used to date. Although the County has complied with the EPA's financial assurance requirements through the use of the local government financial test, a reserve fund has been established to pay for the future costs of closure and post-closure care for the current landfill. Additional information is included in the notes to the financial statements.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

INTERNAL CONTROL - The County's administrative and financial officials are responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In developing and maintaining an accounting system, consideration is given to the adequacy of internal accounting controls. Internal accounting controls are designed to provide reasonable but not absolute assurance regarding 1) the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and 2) the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that 1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived and 2) the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. We believe that the County's internal accounting controls adequately protect assets and provide reasonable assurance of the proper recording of financial transactions.

SINGLE AUDIT - As a recipient of federal and state financial assistance, the County is also responsible for an adequate internal control structure to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to these programs. This internal control structure is subject to periodic evaluation by county financial officials and monitoring by federal and state officials.

As a part of the County's single audit described earlier, tests are made to determine the adequacy of the internal control structure, including that portion related to federal financial assistance programs, as well as to determine that the County has complied with the applicable laws and regulations. The results of the single audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 provided no material instances of noncompliance.

BUDGETING CONTROLS - In addition to the single audit, the County maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to maintain compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual budget approved by the Board of Commissioners. The activities of the County are included in either the annual budget ordinance or a project budget ordinance, which may extend longer than one fiscal year. The budgetary control (that is, the level at which expenditures cannot legally exceed the appropriated amount) is established at the departmental level for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, and Enterprise Funds, and at the direct level for the Capital Projects Funds. The County Manager has the authority to make various changes including inter-departmental transfers, executing grant agreements, and other changes as defined in the annual budget ordinance. The County also maintains an encumbrance accounting system as one technique of accomplishing budgetary control. Encumbered amounts lapse at year-end; however, encumbrances generally are reappropriated in the following year's budget. As demonstrated by the statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the County continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management.

FINANCIAL POLICIES - Macon County has a fund balance policy to maintain an unassigned fund balance of at least 25% of expenditures and transfers out. Over the years, the county has maintained a very healthy financial position. The County considers the 10-year payout ratio, debt to assessed value ratio, and debt service to expenditures ratio when evaluating new debt issuance.

OTHER INFORMATION - Independent Audit: North Carolina's General Statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants. The accounting firm of Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P. A. was selected by the Macon County Board of Commissioners. The auditors' report on the basic financial statements and combining and individual fund statements and schedules is included in the financial section of this report. The federal and state Single Audit Acts require county auditors to study internal controls and perform additional tests on transactions involving grant funds. The auditors' report on this work is included in the compliance section of this publication.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Macon County for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements. Macon County has received twenty-seven annual GFOA Certificates for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current annual comprehensive financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS - The preparation of the annual comprehensive financial report was made possible by a combined effort of Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A., the staff of the Macon County Finance Department, and various departments that provided statistical data. Each has our sincere appreciation for the contribution made toward the preparation of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

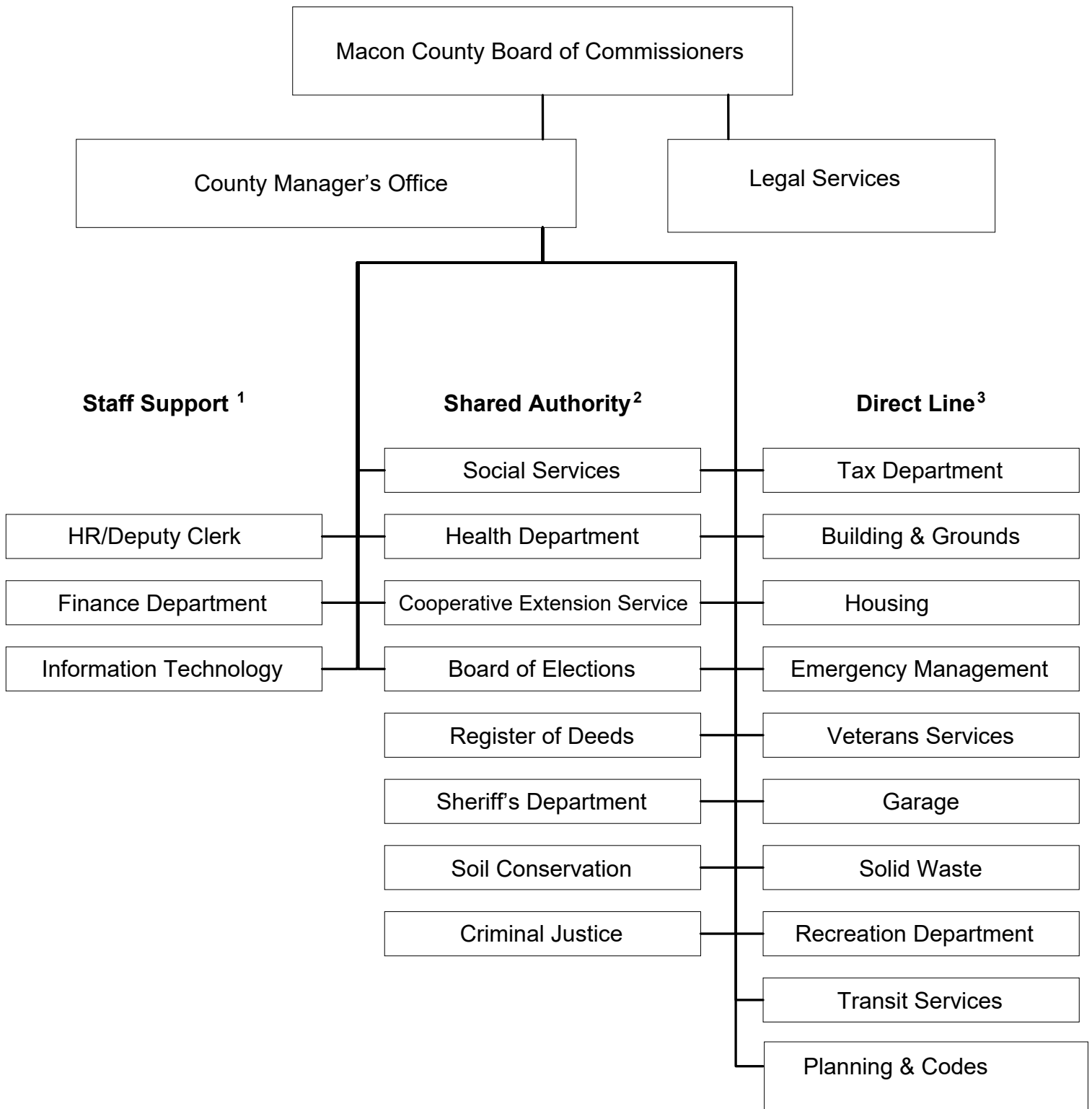


Lori M. Carpenter
Finance Officer



Warren J. Cabe
County Manager

Macon County Government



1. County departments whose main function is overall county government support.
2. County departments that have shared resources, supervision and/or local boards;
3. All other county departments are headed by elected officials.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

List of Principal Officials

June 30, 2024

Board of Commissioners

Gary Shields, Chairman
Josh Young, Vice-Chairman
Danny Antoine, Commissioner
John Shearl, Commissioner
Paul Higdon, Commissioner

Principal Officials

Warren Cabe, Interim County Manager
Lori M. Carpenter, Finance Director
Tammy Keezer, Human Resources Director
Eric Ridenour, County Attorney
Abby Braswell, Tax Supervisor
Delena Raby, Tax Collector
Bobby Bishop, Code Enforcement Director
Melanie Thibault, Board of Elections Director
Todd Raby, Register of Deeds
Andy Muncey, Information Technology Director
Travis Waldroop, Buildings and Grounds Director
Brent Holbrooks, Sheriff
Warren Cabe, Emergency Services Director
M. Chris Stahl, Solid Waste Director
Doug Johnson, Soil and Water Conservation
Christy Bredenkamp, Cooperative Extension Director
R. Patrick Betancourt, Social Services Director
Darlene Asher, Transit Director
Kathy McGaha, Health Director
Leigh Tabor, Veterans' Service Officer
Seth D. Adams, Recreation Director
Chris Queen, Garage Services
Beau Bishop, Housing Director



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Executive Director/CEO

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Commissioners
Macon County
Franklin, North Carolina

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Macon County, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Macon County, North Carolina, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund and the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the County, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions. The financial statements of the Macon County Airport Authority were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability and Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll, the Other Post-Employment Benefits' Schedules of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Schedules of the Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Contributions, and the Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Schedule of Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with

auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Macon County's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory section and statistical section but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 15, 2024 on our consideration of Macon County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Macon County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Macon County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Hickory, North Carolina
November 15, 2024

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Macon County, we offer readers of Macon County's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Macon County (the "County") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the County's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

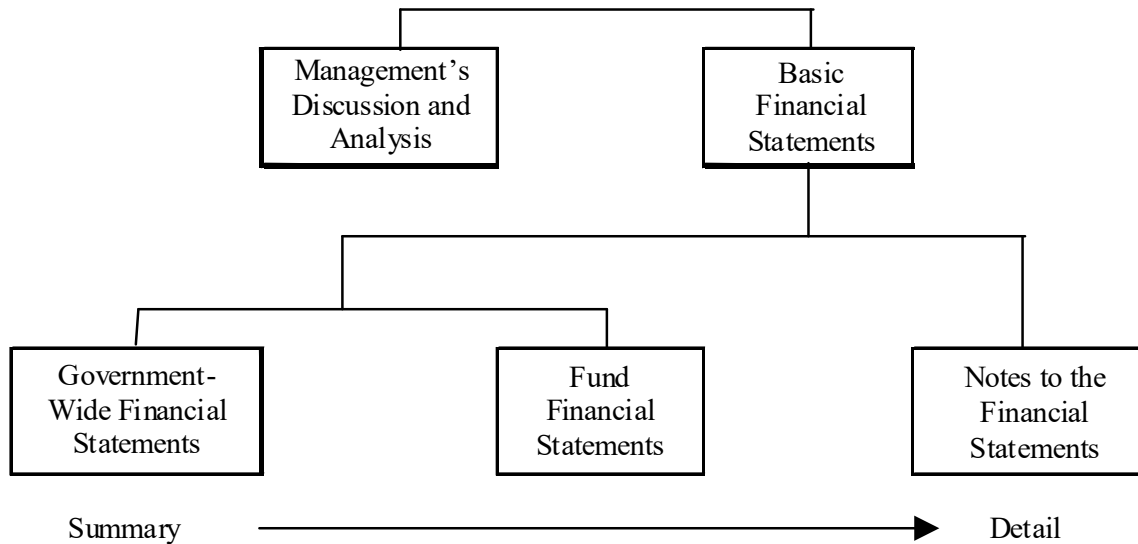
Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Macon County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$18,960,185 (*net position*).
- The County's total net position increased by \$10,349,282, primarily due to an increase in the net position of governmental activities. This increase is due to an increase in ad valorem taxes and interest earned.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, Macon County's General Fund reported an ending fund balance of \$55,006,221, an increase of \$3,303,020 in comparison with the prior year. Total governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$69,314,342. Approximately 14.19% of this total amount, or \$9,833,707, is restricted or non-spendable.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$48,811,310, or 73.54%, of total General Fund expenditures and transfers out.
- Macon County's total debt decreased by \$4,013,883, or 14.58%, during the fiscal year. The key factor in this decrease was making current year payments on installment contracts, limited obligation bonds, and special obligation bonds. The County is rated Aa2 by Moody's Investors Service.
- Macon County's total liabilities increased by \$2,338,850, or 2.39%, during the past fiscal year, primarily due to an increase in LGERS net pension liability.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Macon County's basic financial statements. Macon County's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (Figure 1). The basic financial statements present two different views of the County through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of Macon County.

Required Components of Annual Financial Report
Figure 1



Basic Financial Statements

The first two statements (Exhibits A and B) in the basic financial statements are the **government-wide financial statements**. They provide both short and long-term information about the County's financial status.

The next statements (Exhibits C through L) are the **fund financial statements**. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the County's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements. There are four parts to the fund financial statements: 1) the governmental funds statements, 2) the budgetary comparison statements, 3) the proprietary fund statements, and 4) the fiduciary fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **notes to the financial statements**. The notes offer a detailed explanation about various information contained in the statements. After the notes, **supplemental information** is provided to show details about the County's nonmajor governmental funds and internal service funds, all of which are added together in one column on the basic financial statements. Budgetary information required by the North Carolina General Statutes can also be found in this part of the statements.

Following the notes is the required supplementary information. This section contains funding information about the County's pension plans.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the County's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the County's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the County's net position and how it has changed. Net position is the difference between the total of the County's assets and deferred outflows of resources and the total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Measuring the net position is one way to gauge the County's financial condition.

The government-wide financial statements are divided into three categories: 1) governmental activities, 2) business-type activities, and 3) component unit. The governmental activities include most of the County's basic services, such as general government, public safety, transportation, public education, economic development, and general administration. Property taxes and federal and state grant funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those that the County charges customers to provide. This includes the solid waste (landfill) operation offered by Macon County. The final category is the component unit. Macon County is financially accountable for the Macon County Airport Authority. Financial information for this component unit is reported separately from the financial information presented for the primary government itself.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on Exhibits A and B of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the County's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Macon County, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the County's budget ordinance. All of the funds of Macon County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the County's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out, and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting*. This method also has a current financial resources focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps him or her determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the County's programs. The relationship between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

Macon County adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the County, the management of the County, and the decisions of the Board of Commissioners about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the County to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the County complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the County succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the Board; 2) the final budget as amended by the Board; 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund; and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges.

Proprietary Funds. Macon County maintains two types of proprietary funds: the Enterprise Fund and the Internal Service Fund. *Enterprise funds* report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Macon County uses an enterprise fund to account for its solid waste operations. This fund is the same as the separate activities shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities. Macon County uses an internal service fund to account for health insurance on a cost reimbursement basis. As these services predominantly benefit governmental rather than business-type functions, they have been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for solid waste and health insurance.

Fiduciary Funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Macon County has two fiduciary funds, both of which are custodial funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements follow Exhibit L of this report.

Other Information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning Macon County's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. Required supplementary information can be found following the notes to the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Macon County's Net Position
Figure 2

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
Current and other assets	\$ 79,141,103	\$ 81,605,034	\$ 15,115,789	\$ 14,755,920	\$ 94,256,892	\$ 96,360,954
Capital assets	24,367,106	26,831,814	10,019,075	10,229,615	34,386,181	37,061,429
Total assets	<u>103,508,209</u>	<u>108,436,848</u>	<u>25,134,864</u>	<u>24,985,535</u>	<u>128,643,073</u>	<u>133,422,383</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>30,794,707</u>	<u>29,218,575</u>	<u>2,014,996</u>	<u>1,877,815</u>	<u>32,809,703</u>	<u>31,096,390</u>
Long-term liabilities						
outstanding	66,209,554	66,666,611	18,220,781	17,530,454	84,430,335	84,197,065
Other liabilities	<u>11,903,552</u>	<u>14,305,996</u>	<u>1,441,310</u>	<u>1,610,986</u>	<u>13,344,862</u>	<u>15,916,982</u>
Total liabilities	<u>78,113,106</u>	<u>80,972,607</u>	<u>19,662,091</u>	<u>19,141,440</u>	<u>97,775,197</u>	<u>100,114,047</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>51,579,928</u>	<u>42,577,827</u>	<u>3,486,748</u>	<u>2,866,714</u>	<u>55,066,676</u>	<u>45,444,541</u>
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	23,037,582	25,729,931	7,510,566	8,669,443	30,548,148	34,399,374
Restricted	8,944,299	9,391,806	-	-	8,944,299	9,391,806
Unrestricted	<u>(27,371,999)</u>	<u>(21,016,748)</u>	<u>(3,509,545)</u>	<u>(3,814,247)</u>	<u>(30,881,544)</u>	<u>(24,830,995)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 4,609,882</u>	<u>\$ 14,104,989</u>	<u>\$ 4,001,021</u>	<u>\$ 4,855,196</u>	<u>\$ 8,610,903</u>	<u>\$ 18,960,185</u>

As noted earlier, net position may serve, over time, as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The County's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$18,960,185 as of June 30, 2024. The County's net position increased by \$10,349,282 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. One of the largest portions of Macon County's net position, \$34,399,374, reflects its net investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment). The County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although Macon County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. An additional portion of the County's net position, \$9,391,806, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the County is reporting a negative balance in unrestricted net position in the amount of \$24,830,995 for the government as a whole. The primary reason for the deficit is the implementation of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions*, in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 and the resulting total OPEB liability. Another reason for the deficit is the County holds title to certain Macon County Board of Education properties that have not been included in the County's capital assets. These properties have been deeded to the County to allow for debt financings on school construction. Agreements between the County and the Board of Education give the Board of Education full use of the facilities, full responsibility for maintenance of the facilities, and provide that the County will convey title back to the Board of Education after all restrictions of the debt financings have been met. These properties are reflected as capital assets in the financial statements of the Macon County Board of Education. Since the County, as the issuing government, doesn't include these properties as capital assets, the County has incurred a liability without a corresponding increase in assets.

Macon County's Changes in Net Position
Figure 3

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 5,918,064	\$ 5,926,894	\$ 5,551,531	\$ 5,429,467	\$ 11,469,595	\$ 11,356,361
Operating grants and contributions	14,317,916	8,786,486	-	-	14,317,916	8,786,486
Capital grants and contributions	1,369,491	1,616,028	-	-	1,369,491	1,616,028
General revenues:						
Property taxes	39,420,977	40,517,583	-	-	39,420,977	40,517,583
Other taxes	20,259,739	19,799,877	-	-	20,259,739	19,799,877
Other	3,513,884	4,453,429	292,188	433,033	3,806,072	4,886,462
Total revenues	<u>84,800,071</u>	<u>81,100,297</u>	<u>5,843,719</u>	<u>5,862,500</u>	<u>90,643,790</u>	<u>86,962,797</u>
Expenses:						
General government	12,366,566	13,773,359	-	-	12,366,566	13,773,359
Public safety	19,553,169	21,375,761	-	-	19,553,169	21,375,761
Transportation	1,072,755	798,304	-	-	1,072,755	798,304
Economic and physical development	4,676,727	4,284,899	-	-	4,676,727	4,284,899
Human services	10,158,686	10,650,492	-	-	10,158,686	10,650,492
Cultural and recreational	3,381,145	3,883,844	-	-	3,381,145	3,883,844
Education	13,969,994	16,030,473	-	-	13,969,994	16,030,473
Interest on long-term debt	753,707	649,724	-	-	753,707	649,724
Solid waste	-	-	9,339,633	5,166,659	9,339,633	5,166,659
Total expenses	<u>65,932,749</u>	<u>71,446,856</u>	<u>9,339,633</u>	<u>5,166,659</u>	<u>75,272,382</u>	<u>76,613,515</u>
Change in net position before transfers	18,867,322	9,653,441	(3,495,914)	695,841	15,371,408	10,349,282
Transfers	<u>(158,334)</u>	<u>(158,334)</u>	<u>158,334</u>	<u>158,334</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in net position	<u>18,708,988</u>	<u>9,495,107</u>	<u>(3,337,580)</u>	<u>854,175</u>	<u>15,371,408</u>	<u>10,349,282</u>
Net Position:						
Beginning of year - July 1	(16,411,561)	4,609,882	7,338,601	4,001,021	(9,072,960)	8,610,903
Restatement	<u>2,312,455</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,312,455</u>	<u>-</u>
Beginning of year - July 1, as restated	<u>(14,099,106)</u>	<u>4,609,882</u>	<u>7,338,601</u>	<u>4,001,021</u>	<u>(6,760,505)</u>	<u>8,610,903</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 4,609,882</u>	<u>\$ 14,104,989</u>	<u>\$ 4,001,021</u>	<u>\$ 4,855,196</u>	<u>\$ 8,610,903</u>	<u>\$ 18,960,185</u>

Governmental Activities. Of the total net position, governmental activities account for \$14,104,989, 74.39%. Property taxes provide 49.96% of funding at \$40,517,583, charges for services funded at \$5,926,894, local option sales tax and occupancy tax funded at \$19,799,877, and operating grants funded at \$8,786,486 of Macon County's governmental activities. Governmental activities increased Macon County's net position by \$9,495,107. This increase is primarily due to an increase in capital grants and contributions, ad valorem taxes, and interest earned on investments. Capital grants and contributions increased due to receipt of a \$496,000 recreation capital grant used for library renovations and greenway improvements. Ad valorem taxes increased primarily due to 51.76% growth in taxable property values due to revaluation and a decrease in the tax rate from \$0.40 to \$0.27 per \$100 of valuation. Interest earned on investments increased by \$911,642 due to the higher interest rates and larger investable balances.

Business-Type Activities. Business-type activities increased the County's net position by \$854,175. This increase is primarily attributable to an increase in interest earned on investments due to higher interest rates and a decrease in landfill closure and post-closure care costs.

Financial Analysis of the County's Funds

As noted earlier, the County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds. The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing Macon County's financing requirements. Specifically, fund balance available for appropriation can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of Macon County. At the end of the current fiscal year, fund balance available in the General Fund was \$49,373,025, while total fund balance reached \$55,006,221. The County currently has an available fund balance of 74.39% of General Fund expenditures and transfers out less lease and subscription liabilities issued, while total fund balance represents 82.87% of that same amount. Total fund balance in the General Fund increased by \$3,303,020. This increase is primarily attributable to an increase in investment earnings and ad valorem tax revenues. Investment earnings increased by \$1.27 million due to higher interest rates and larger investable balances. Ad valorem tax revenues increased by 2.73% due to a \$4.43 billion, or 51.76%, increase in assessed valuation due to revaluation and a decrease in the tax rate from \$0.40 to \$0.27 per \$100 valuation. Assessed valuation increased in all three categories: real property, personal property, and public service companies.

The Debt Service Fund's total fund balance increased by \$2,687,984. This increase is primarily attributable to the transfers from the general fund to the debt service fund exceeding the payments that were due from this transfer.

The Opioid Settlement Fund total fund balance increased by \$864,743. This increase is primarily attributable to receiving opioid settlement revenues but not spending any funds.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Macon County's total governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$69,314,342, an increase of \$5,292,159 in comparison with the prior year. This increase is primarily attributable to an increase in investment earnings and ad valorem tax revenues.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the fiscal year, the County revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as federal and state grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services. Total amendments to the General Fund increased the budget by \$17,876,473. The majority of this increase was attributable to restricted intergovernmental revenues, investment earnings, and a transfer from the American Rescue Plan Special Revenue Fund. The difference between the final budgeted amount and the actual expenditures and transfers out was \$15,258,411. This difference is primarily due to underspending the budget in human services, public safety, education, and general government.

Proprietary Funds. Macon County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail. Unrestricted net position of the Solid Waste Fund at the end of the year totaled (\$3,814,247). The increase of \$854,175 over the prior year is primarily attributable to a decrease in landfill closure and post-closure care cost. Other factors concerning the finances of the fund have already been addressed in the discussion of the County's business-type activities.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. Macon County's capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2024 amount to \$37,061,429, (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization). These assets include land, buildings and systems, improvements, machinery, and equipment.

Major capital asset transactions during the year include:

- Completed a Transit facility expansion
- Completed greenway improvements
- Purchased 10 vehicles for Sheriff's Department
- Purchased 5 transit vans
- Purchased IT infrastructure
- Purchased whole body scanner for detention

Macon County's Capital Assets
Figure 4

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
Land	\$ 10,939,142	\$ 11,169,794	\$ 2,031,662	\$ 2,031,662	\$ 12,970,804	\$ 13,201,456
Buildings and improvements	33,642,237	35,345,927	17,209,763	17,218,063	50,852,000	52,563,990
Furniture and equipment	6,815,828	8,018,153	5,316,811	6,031,507	12,132,639	14,049,660
Vehicles	8,481,759	8,927,859	877,996	1,119,145	9,359,755	10,047,004
Right to use assets	744,864	738,989	-	-	744,864	738,989
Construction in progress	366,808	865,283	132,592	241,390	499,400	1,106,673
Subtotal	60,990,638	65,066,005	25,568,824	26,641,767	86,559,462	91,707,772
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(36,623,532)	(38,234,191)	(15,549,749)	(16,412,152)	(52,173,281)	(54,646,343)
Total	<u>\$ 24,367,106</u>	<u>\$ 26,831,814</u>	<u>\$ 10,019,075</u>	<u>\$ 10,229,615</u>	<u>\$ 34,386,181</u>	<u>\$ 37,061,429</u>

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements beginning on page 53.

Long-Term Debt. As of June 30, 2024, Macon County had total bonded debt outstanding of \$19,008,073, all of which is debt backed by full faith and credit of the County.

Macon County's Outstanding Debt
Figure 5

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
Installment contracts	\$ 5,244,444	\$ 4,167,170	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,244,444	\$ 4,167,170
Special obligation bonds	-	-	3,162,552	2,130,556	3,162,552	2,130,556
Limited obligation bonds	18,646,585	16,877,517	-	-	18,646,585	16,877,517
Lease liability	219,094	165,706	-	-	219,094	165,706
Subscription liability	259,479	177,322	-	-	259,479	177,322
Total	<u>\$ 24,369,602</u>	<u>\$ 21,387,715</u>	<u>\$ 3,162,552</u>	<u>\$ 2,130,556</u>	<u>\$ 27,532,154</u>	<u>\$ 23,518,271</u>

The state of North Carolina limits the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8% of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government's boundaries. The legal debt margin for Macon County is approximately \$1,015,275,000, which is significantly greater than Macon County's outstanding debt.

More detailed information on the County's long-term debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements beginning on page 74.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The following factors reflect the economic activity of the County:

- The County's June 2024 unadjusted unemployment rate is 3.7% compared to the state's unadjusted unemployment rate of 4.1%. The County's June 2024 rate is 0.5% higher than it was a year ago.
- Assessed property values increased \$4.43 billion, or 51.76%, due to revaluation
- The property tax rate of \$0.2700/\$100 is below the state average of \$0.6448/\$100 and the lowest of all 100 counties in North Carolina.

Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025

Governmental Activities. Taxes are based on \$13.1 billion in property valuation, with the tax rate of \$0.27 per \$100 of assessed value. This results in a tax revenue increase of \$698,196. Sales tax revenues were budgeted at the FY 2024 budget number, resulting in no revenue increase.

Budgeted expenditures in the General Fund are \$63,704,651, which is \$49,886 less than FY 2024 original budget. The budget includes an increase to the County's required contribution to the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System for employees at a cost of \$163,459, a 2% COLA at a cost of \$534,399, and a one-step pay scale advancement at a cost of \$454,072. The budget contains \$3,635,581 in capital outlay, which is a decrease of \$1,826,676.

Business-Type Activities. The budgeted expenditures for the Solid Waste Fund are \$7,518,018, which represents an increase of \$559,868, or 8.05%. The availability fee increased from \$108 per year to \$120 per year, which results in a \$330,000 increase in revenues. The budget includes an increase to the County's required contribution to the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System for employees, a 2% COLA, and a one-step pay scale advancement. Also, the budget includes capital funds for the completion of the Carson Convenience Center and environmental/engineering services for Phase III, Cell II at the landfill.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the County's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report, or requests for additional financial information, should be addressed to the Office of the Finance Director, 5 West Main Street, Franklin, North Carolina 28734.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – OVERVIEW

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2024

	Primary Government			Component Unit
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Macon County Airport Authority
Assets:				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 64,820,403	\$ 13,796,769	\$ 78,617,172	\$ 127,278
Taxes receivable, net	651,394	-	651,394	-
Interest receivable	9,831	-	9,831	-
Accounts receivable, net	2,322,664	388,767	2,711,431	-
Due from other governments	6,596,610	-	6,596,610	-
Lease receivable	17,972	-	17,972	-
Inventories	15,373	-	15,373	-
Prepaid items	438,287	-	438,287	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	3,918,067	570,384	4,488,451	-
Total current assets	78,790,601	14,755,920	93,546,521	127,278
Non-current assets:				
Lease receivable, non-current	114,490	-	114,490	-
Receivables, non-current	2,634,003	-	2,634,003	-
Notes receivable - long term	16,796	-	16,796	-
Net pension asset - ROD	49,144	-	49,144	-
Capital assets:				
Right to use leased assets, net of amortization	163,122	-	163,122	-
Right to use subscription assets, net of amortization	239,313	-	239,313	16,450
Non-depreciable capital assets	12,035,077	2,273,052	14,308,129	2,930,538
Depreciable capital assets, net	14,394,302	7,956,563	22,350,865	8,926,727
Total capital assets	26,831,814	10,229,615	37,061,429	11,873,715
Total non-current assets	29,646,247	10,229,615	39,875,862	11,873,715
Total assets	108,436,848	24,985,535	133,422,383	12,000,993
Deferred Outflows of Resources:				
Pension deferrals	10,269,605	586,483	10,856,088	-
OPEB deferrals	18,948,970	1,291,332	20,240,302	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	29,218,575	1,877,815	31,096,390	-
Liabilities:				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,827,676	425,907	4,253,583	792
Grants received in advance	2,647,009	-	2,647,009	-
Unearned revenues	3,386,657	-	3,386,657	-
Current portion of compensated absences	138,349	9,692	148,041	-
Current portion of OPEB liability	1,192,403	81,260	1,273,663	-
Current portion of pension liability - LEOSA	106,194	-	106,194	-
Current portion of long-term debt	3,007,708	1,094,127	4,101,835	5,670
Total current liabilities	14,305,996	1,610,986	15,916,982	6,462

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2024

	Primary Government			Component Unit
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Macon County Airport Authority
Long-term liabilities:				
Due in more than one year:				
Non-current compensated absences	1,245,142	87,229	1,332,371	-
Bonds, installment purchases, leases	18,380,007	15,015,531	33,395,538	5,833
Net pension liability - LGERS	14,966,536	914,766	15,881,302	-
Total pension liability - LEOSA	2,152,841	-	2,152,841	-
Total OPEB liability	29,922,085	1,512,928	31,435,013	-
Total long-term liabilities	66,666,611	17,530,454	84,197,065	5,833
Total liabilities	80,972,607	19,141,440	100,114,047	12,295
Deferred Inflows of Resources:				
Prepaid taxes	52,938	-	52,938	-
Pension deferrals	447,309	7,957	455,266	-
OPEB deferrals	41,949,350	2,858,757	44,808,107	-
Leases	128,230	-	128,230	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	42,577,827	2,866,714	45,444,541	-
Net Position:				
Net investment in capital assets	25,729,931	8,669,443	34,399,374	11,862,212
Restricted for:				
Stabilization by state statute	6,973,862	-	6,973,862	-
Register of Deeds' pension plan	49,144	-	49,144	-
Cultural and recreational	4,969	-	4,969	-
Public safety	925,603	-	925,603	-
Economic and physical development	17,113	-	17,113	-
Education	141,376	-	141,376	-
Human services	1,279,739	-	1,279,739	-
Unrestricted	(21,016,748)	(3,814,247)	(24,830,995)	126,486
Total net position	\$ 14,104,989	\$ 4,855,196	\$ 18,960,185	\$ 11,988,698

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Program Revenues		
		Charges for	Operating	Capital
	Expenses	Services	Grants and	Grants and
			Contributions	Contributions
Functions/Programs:				
Primary Government:				
Governmental Activities:				
General government	\$ 13,773,359	\$ 2,028,041	\$ 2,202,855	\$ -
Public safety	21,375,761	2,813,435	860,270	-
Transportation	798,304	230,254	287,556	1,119,368
Economic and physical development	4,284,899	185,318	1,278,812	-
Human services	10,650,492	495,857	3,512,055	-
Cultural and recreational	3,883,844	60,854	-	496,527
Education	16,030,473	113,135	644,938	133
Interest on long-term debt	649,724	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>71,446,856</u>	<u>5,926,894</u>	<u>8,786,486</u>	<u>1,616,028</u>
Business-Type Activities:				
Solid waste	<u>5,166,659</u>	<u>5,429,467</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 76,613,515</u>	<u>\$ 11,356,361</u>	<u>\$ 8,786,486</u>	<u>\$ 1,616,028</u>
Component Unit:				
Macon County Airport Authority	<u>\$ 888,582</u>	<u>\$ 16,596</u>	<u>\$ 33,650</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
	Primary Government		Component Unit	
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Macon County Airport Authority
Functions/Programs:				
Primary Government:				
Governmental Activities:				
General government	\$ (9,542,463)	\$ -	\$ (9,542,463)	
Public safety	(17,702,056)	-	(17,702,056)	
Transportation	838,874	-	838,874	
Economic and physical development	(2,820,769)	-	(2,820,769)	
Human services	(6,642,580)	-	(6,642,580)	
Cultural and recreational	(3,326,463)	-	(3,326,463)	
Education	(15,272,267)	-	(15,272,267)	
Interest on long-term debt	(649,724)	-	(649,724)	
Total governmental activities	<u>(55,117,448)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,117,448)</u>	
Business-Type Activities:				
Solid waste	<u>-</u>	<u>262,808</u>	<u>262,808</u>	
Total primary government	<u>(55,117,448)</u>	<u>262,808</u>	<u>(54,854,640)</u>	
Component Unit:				
Macon County Airport Authority				<u>\$ (838,336)</u>
General Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	40,517,583	-	40,517,583	-
Local option sales tax	17,483,398	-	17,483,398	-
Occupancy taxes	2,316,479	-	2,316,479	-
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues:				
Other taxes	482,945	-	482,945	-
Gross receipts tax	40,950	-	40,950	-
Interest earned on investments	3,929,534	433,033	4,362,567	-
Total general revenues	<u>64,770,889</u>	<u>433,033</u>	<u>65,203,922</u>	<u>-</u>
Transfers	<u>(158,334)</u>	<u>158,334</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total general revenues and transfers	<u>64,612,555</u>	<u>591,367</u>	<u>65,203,922</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in net position	9,495,107	854,175	10,349,282	(838,336)
Net Position:				
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>4,609,882</u>	<u>4,001,021</u>	<u>8,610,903</u>	<u>12,827,034</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 14,104,989</u>	<u>\$ 4,855,196</u>	<u>\$ 18,960,185</u>	<u>\$ 11,988,698</u>

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2024

	Major				Nonmajor	Total
	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	American Rescue Plan Fund	Opioid Settlement Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
Assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 51,861,447	\$ 7,343,815	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,837,754	\$ 64,043,016
Taxes receivable, net	547,701	-	-	-	103,693	651,394
Interest receivable	9,520	-	-	-	-	9,520
Accounts receivable, net	1,263,725	-	-	3,376,850	316,092	4,956,667
Notes receivable, long term	16,796	-	-	-	-	16,796
Due from other funds	48,399	-	-	-	-	48,399
Due from other governments	5,097,348	83,429	-	-	1,415,833	6,596,610
Lease receivable	132,462	-	-	-	-	132,462
Inventories	15,373	-	-	-	-	15,373
Prepaid items	438,287	-	-	-	-	438,287
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted	1,106,619	-	1,371,755	1,266,089	173,604	3,918,067
Total assets	<u>\$ 60,537,677</u>	<u>\$ 7,427,244</u>	<u>\$ 1,371,755</u>	<u>\$ 4,642,939</u>	<u>\$ 6,846,976</u>	<u>\$ 80,826,591</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,425,677	\$ 160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 911,301	\$ 3,337,138
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	48,399	48,399
Unearned revenues	9,807	-	-	3,376,850	-	3,386,657
Grants received in advance	1,106,619	-	1,371,755	-	168,635	2,647,009
Total liabilities	<u>3,542,103</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>1,371,755</u>	<u>3,376,850</u>	<u>1,128,335</u>	<u>9,419,203</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:						
Property taxes receivable	547,701	-	-	-	103,693	651,394
Ambulance receivable	610,114	-	-	-	-	610,114
Public health receivable	650,370	-	-	-	-	650,370
Prepaid taxes	52,938	-	-	-	-	52,938
Leases	128,230	-	-	-	-	128,230
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>1,989,353</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,693</u>	<u>2,093,046</u>
Fund Balances:						
Non-spendable, not in spendable form:						
Inventories	15,373	-	-	-	-	15,373
Prepays	438,287	-	-	-	-	438,287
Notes receivable, long term	16,796	-	-	-	-	16,796
Leases	4,232	-	-	-	-	4,232
Restricted for:						
Stabilization by state statute	5,158,508	83,429	-	-	1,731,925	6,973,862
Public safety	420,339	-	-	-	505,264	925,603
Economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	17,113	17,113
Human services	-	-	-	1,266,089	13,650	1,279,739
Cultural and recreational	-	-	-	-	4,969	4,969
Education	141,376	-	-	-	16,357	157,733
Committed for:						
General government	-	-	-	-	776,093	776,093
Economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	410,269	410,269
Education	-	-	-	-	2,522,197	2,522,197
Assigned for:						
Debt service	-	7,343,655	-	-	-	7,343,655
Unassigned	48,811,310	-	-	-	(382,889)	48,428,421
Total fund balances	<u>55,006,221</u>	<u>7,427,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,266,089</u>	<u>5,614,948</u>	<u>69,314,342</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 60,537,677</u>	<u>\$ 7,427,244</u>	<u>\$ 1,371,755</u>	<u>\$ 4,642,939</u>	<u>\$ 6,846,976</u>	<u>\$ 80,826,591</u>

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2024

**Total
Governmental
Funds**

Amounts reported in the governmental activities in the Statement of Net
Position are different because:

Total fund balances	\$ 69,314,342
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	26,429,379
Other long-term assets (accrued interest receivable from leases) are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	
Accrued interest on leases	311
Right to use leased and subscription assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Right to use assets at historical cost	738,989
Accumulated amortization	(336,554)
Net pension asset	49,144
Net pension liability - LGERS	(14,966,536)
Total pension liability - LEOSSA	(2,259,035)
Total OPEB liability	(31,114,488)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the cost of health insurance. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.	449,791
Long-term liabilities, accrued interest, and compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(22,934,148)
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds.	10,269,605
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds.	(447,309)
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB are not reported in the funds.	18,948,970
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB are not reported in the funds.	(41,949,350)
Deferred inflows of resources for taxes receivables	651,394
Deferred inflows of resources for other unavailable revenues	1,260,484
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 14,104,989

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Major				Nonmajor	Total
	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	American Rescue Plan Fund	Opioid Settlement Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
Revenues:						
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 35,301,349	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,142,527	\$ 40,443,876
Local option sales taxes	13,975,529	-	-	-	3,507,869	17,483,398
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	523,895	-	-	-	-	523,895
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	9,042,747	478,546	1,875,659	825,185	2,214,180	14,436,317
Occupancy taxes	-	-	-	-	2,316,479	2,316,479
Permits and fees	1,699,724	-	-	-	33,282	1,733,006
Sales and services	3,040,595	-	-	-	350,615	3,391,210
Interest earned on investments	3,687,543	3,468	-	39,558	168,986	3,899,555
Miscellaneous	332,300	35,796	-	-	113,260	481,356
Total revenues	<u>67,603,682</u>	<u>517,810</u>	<u>1,875,659</u>	<u>864,743</u>	<u>13,847,198</u>	<u>84,709,092</u>
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	11,282,583	-	-	-	398,990	11,681,573
Public safety	18,802,146	-	-	-	5,764,742	24,566,888
Transportation	2,465,742	-	-	-	-	2,465,742
Economic and physical development	749,528	-	-	-	3,659,859	4,409,387
Human services	12,541,098	-	-	-	172,306	12,713,404
Education	11,548,073	-	-	-	4,482,400	16,030,473
Cultural and recreational	3,174,194	-	-	-	496,527	3,670,721
Debt service:						
Principal repayments	165,004	2,727,274	-	-	-	2,892,278
Interest	12,425	783,411	-	-	-	795,836
Total expenditures	<u>60,740,793</u>	<u>3,510,685</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,974,824</u>	<u>79,226,302</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>6,862,889</u>	<u>(2,992,875)</u>	<u>1,875,659</u>	<u>864,743</u>	<u>(1,127,626)</u>	<u>5,482,790</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Subscription liabilities issued	29,459	-	-	-	-	29,459
Transfers in	2,042,478	5,680,859	-	-	3,517,263	11,240,600
Transfers (out)	(5,631,806)	-	(1,875,659)	-	(3,953,225)	(11,460,690)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(3,559,869)</u>	<u>5,680,859</u>	<u>(1,875,659)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(435,962)</u>	<u>(190,631)</u>
Net change in fund balances	3,303,020	2,687,984	-	864,743	(1,563,588)	5,292,159
Fund Balances:						
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>51,703,201</u>	<u>4,739,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>401,346</u>	<u>7,178,536</u>	<u>64,022,183</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 55,006,221</u>	<u>\$ 7,427,084</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,266,089</u>	<u>\$ 5,614,948</u>	<u>\$ 69,314,342</u>

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Exhibit B) are different due to the following items:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 5,292,159
Property tax revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds statement.	73,707
Exhibit D reports revenues using a current financial resources basis, which generally means revenue is recognized when collected, or is expected to be collected, within 90 days of year-end. Exhibit B reports revenues when the earning process is complete, regardless of when it is collected. This measurement difference causes timing of revenue recognition differences for the following revenues types:	
Ambulance revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds statement.	(172,361)
Public health fees in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds statement.	102,056
Other revenues in the Statement of Activities that were not recognized as revenue under the modified accrual method.	(4,033,803)
Change in interest receivable	60
Accrued interest and amortization of refunding costs and premiums and amortized expenses that do not require current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	146,112
Expenses related to compensated absences that do not require current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	(100,995)
Principal repayments are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, these transactions are not an expense, rather they are a decrease in liabilities.	2,892,278
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
Pension expense - LEOSA	(179,938)
Pension expense - LGERS	(1,662,235)
Pension expense - ROD	(6,089)
OPEB plan expense	4,641,400
Capital assets (net) disposed of during the year are not recognized on the modified accrual basis.	(98,875)
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, capital outlay is not an expense; rather it is an increase in capital assets.	5,097,163
Right to use leased and subscription asset capital outlay expenditures, which were capitalized	31,409
Depreciation expense allocates the costs of capital assets over their useful lives. It is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds statement.	(2,356,753)
Amortization expense for leases and subscriptions	(208,236)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) and the refunding of long-term debt provide current financial resources to governmental funds. The repayment of refunded long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, is reported in the Statement of Activities.	(29,459)
The net revenue (expense) of the internal service funds are reported with governmental activities.	67,507
Change in net position of governmental activities (Exhibit B)	<u>\$ 9,495,107</u>

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance from Final Budget Over/Under
	Original	Final	Actual	
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 34,864,836	\$ 34,864,836	\$ 35,301,349	\$ 436,513
Local option sales taxes	14,133,859	14,133,859	13,975,529	(158,330)
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	460,000	460,000	523,895	63,895
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	8,713,323	11,616,986	9,042,747	(2,574,239)
Permits and fees	1,385,481	1,385,481	1,699,724	314,243
Sales and services	3,143,925	3,163,893	3,040,595	(123,298)
Investment earnings	987,559	3,688,277	3,687,543	(734)
Miscellaneous	65,554	190,585	332,300	141,715
Total revenues	<u>63,754,537</u>	<u>69,503,917</u>	<u>67,603,682</u>	<u>(1,900,235)</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government	11,324,797	14,862,222	11,282,583	3,579,639
Public safety	18,698,012	20,839,845	18,802,146	2,037,699
Transportation	1,797,783	3,088,186	2,465,742	622,444
Economic and physical development	625,036	2,440,399	749,528	1,690,871
Human services	14,263,309	16,417,988	12,541,098	3,876,890
Cultural and recreational	3,209,041	3,498,918	3,174,194	324,724
Intergovernmental:				
Education	11,383,028	14,674,202	11,548,073	3,126,129
Debt service:				
Principal	-	165,008	165,004	4
Interest and fees	-	12,436	12,425	11
Total expenditures	<u>61,301,006</u>	<u>75,999,204</u>	<u>60,740,793</u>	<u>15,258,411</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>2,453,531</u>	<u>(6,495,287)</u>	<u>6,862,889</u>	<u>13,358,176</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Lease liabilities issued	-	660,000	-	(660,000)
Subscription liabilities issued	-	2,700,000	29,459	(2,670,541)
Transfers in	-	2,463,903	2,042,478	(421,425)
Transfers (out)	(2,453,531)	(5,631,806)	(5,631,806)	-
Appropriated fund balance	-	6,303,190	-	(6,303,190)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(2,453,531)</u>	<u>6,495,287</u>	<u>(3,559,869)</u>	<u>(10,055,156)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>3,303,020</u>	<u>\$ 3,303,020</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1			<u>51,703,201</u>	
End of year - June 30			<u>\$ 55,006,221</u>	

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance from
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget Over/Under
Revenues:				
Opioid Settlement funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 825,185	\$ 825,185
Investment earnings	-	-	39,558	39,558
Total revenues	-	-	864,743	864,743
 Net change in fund balance	 \$ -	 \$ -	 864,743	 \$ 864,743
 Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1			401,346	
End of year - June 30			\$ 1,266,089	

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

	Business-Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Solid Waste Fund	Internal Service Fund
Assets:		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,796,769	\$ 777,387
Accounts receivable, net	388,767	-
Total current assets	14,185,536	777,387
Non-current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted	570,384	-
Non-depreciable capital assets	2,273,052	-
Depreciable capital assets, net	7,956,563	-
Total capital assets	10,229,615	-
Total non-current assets	10,799,999	-
Total assets	24,985,535	777,387
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Pension deferrals	586,483	-
OPEB deferrals	1,291,332	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	1,877,815	-
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	425,907	327,596
Current portion of accrued landfill closure and post-closure care cost	39,555	-
Current portion of long-term liabilities	1,054,572	-
Current portion of OPEB liability	81,260	-
Compensated absences payable - current	9,692	-
Total current liabilities	1,610,986	327,596
Non-current liabilities:		
Net pension liability - LGERS	914,766	-
Accrued landfill closure and post-closure care cost	13,939,547	-
Compensated absences payable	87,229	-
Total OPEB liability	1,512,928	-
Long-term liabilities - non-current	1,075,984	-
Total non-current liabilities	17,530,454	-
Total liabilities	19,141,440	327,596
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Pension deferrals	7,957	-
OPEB deferrals	2,858,757	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	2,866,714	-
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	8,669,443	-
Unrestricted	(3,814,247)	449,791
Total net position	\$ 4,855,196	\$ 449,791

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

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Business-Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Solid Waste Fund	Internal Service Fund
Operating Revenues:		
Landfill fees	\$ 2,962,072	\$ -
Solid waste disposal fees	33,895	-
Charges for services	-	5,054,835
Tipping fees	2,062,898	-
Scrap tire revenues	72,243	-
Other	298,359	-
Total operating revenues	<u>5,429,467</u>	<u>5,054,835</u>
Operating Expenses:		
Salaries	1,666,196	-
Employee benefits	359,455	-
Benefit payments	-	65,223
Insurance premiums	-	5,013,840
Operating expenses	1,981,570	-
Landfill closure and post-closure care cost	210,062	-
Depreciation and amortization	891,764	-
Total operating expenses	<u>5,109,047</u>	<u>5,079,063</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>320,420</u>	<u>(24,228)</u>
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):		
Interest earned on investments	433,033	29,979
Interest and fees	(57,612)	-
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>375,421</u>	<u>29,979</u>
Net income (loss) before transfers	695,841	5,751
Transfers in (out)	<u>158,334</u>	<u>61,756</u>
Change in net position	854,175	67,507
Net Position:		
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>4,001,021</u>	<u>382,284</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 4,855,196</u>	<u>\$ 449,791</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Business-Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Solid Waste Fund	Internal Service Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Cash received from customers	\$ 4,967,711	\$ 5,054,835
Cash paid for goods and services	(1,951,938)	(5,040,963)
Cash paid to employees for services	(2,231,332)	-
Other operating revenues	454,362	-
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	1,238,803	13,872
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:		
Transfers to/from other funds	158,334	61,756
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(1,102,304)	-
Principal paid on long-term debt	(1,031,996)	-
Interest paid on long-term debt	(63,133)	-
Net cash provided (used) for capital and related financing activities	(2,197,433)	-
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Interest on investments	433,033	29,979
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(367,263)	105,607
Cash and Cash Equivalents:		
Beginning of year - July 1	14,734,416	671,780
End of year - June 30	\$ 14,367,153	\$ 777,387
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ 320,420	\$ (24,228)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	891,764	-
Change in estimate of closure and post-closure care cost	178,452	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in receivables	(7,394)	-
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows - pension	(92,648)	-
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows - OPEB	229,829	-
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability	204,283	-
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows - pension	(5,535)	-
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows - OPEB	(614,499)	-
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	66,569	38,100
Increase (decrease) in OPEB liability	61,852	-
Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation pay	5,710	-
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 1,238,803	\$ 13,872

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2024**

	Custodial Funds
Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 51,302
Taxes receivable for other governments, net	<u>16,259</u>
Total assets	<u>67,561</u>
Liabilities:	
Unearned revenue	1,548
Due to other governments	<u>14,869</u>
Total	<u>16,417</u>
Net Position:	
Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations and other governments	<u>51,144</u>
Total net position	<u><u>\$ 51,144</u></u>

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Custodial Funds
Additions:	
Property taxes collected for other governments	\$ 3,042,236
Collections on behalf of individuals/organizations	<u>154,681</u>
Total additions	<u>3,196,917</u>
Deductions:	
Property taxes distributed to other governments	3,045,975
Payments on behalf of individuals/organizations	<u>126,027</u>
Total deductions	<u>3,172,002</u>
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position	24,915
Net Position:	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>26,229</u>
End of year - June 30	<u><u>\$ 51,144</u></u>

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of Macon County, North Carolina, (the “County”) and its discretely presented component unit conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The County, which is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners, is one of the 100 counties established in North Carolina under North Carolina General Statute 153A-10. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements present the County and its component units as legally separate entities for which the County is financially accountable. One component unit of the County has no financial transactions or account balances; therefore, it does not appear in the combined financial statements. One of the discretely presented component units presented below is reported in a separate column in the County’s combined financial statements in order to emphasize that it is legally separate from the County.

Discretely Presented Component Units

Macon County Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Financing Authority

Macon County Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Financing Authority (the “Authority”) exists to issue and service revenue bond debt of private businesses for economic development purposes. The Authority is governed by a seven-member Board of Commissioners, all of whom are appointed by the County Commissioners. The County can remove any Commissioner of the Authority with or without cause. The Authority has no financial transactions or account balances; therefore, it is not presented in the combined financial statements. The Authority does not issue separate financial statements.

Macon County Airport Authority

Macon County Airport Authority exists to purchase, construct, or acquire equipment to improve, maintain, or operate airports and landing fields within the limits of the County. The Authority is fiscally dependent on the County due to the County providing the costs and services of the administrative and finance function. The Authority is governed by five members, all of whom are appointed by the Macon County Commissioners; therefore, the County has significant influence over the operations of the Authority.

Complete financial statements for the individual component unit may be obtained at the administrative offices of the County at 5 West Main Street, Franklin, North Carolina 28734.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the primary government net position (the County) and its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the

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County. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the County and for each function of the County's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the Statement of Activities. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements. The fund financial statements provide information about the County's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary* – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each of which is displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Non-operating revenues, such as subsidies, result from non-exchange transactions. Other non-operating items, such as investment earnings, are ancillary activities.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The primary revenue sources are ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, federal and state grants, and various other taxes and licenses. The primary expenditures are for public safety, environmental protection, economic and physical development, human services, cultural and recreational projects, education, and general government services.

Debt Service Fund. The Debt Service Fund is used to account for all expenditures for principal and interest for all long-term debt payments. The other governmental fund types provide the resources to the Debt Service Fund to make the payments through transfers.

American Rescue Plan Fund. This special revenue fund is used to track the revenue and expenditures of funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act.

Opioid Settlement Fund. This special revenue fund is used to track the revenue and expenditures of funds received from opioid settlements and abatements.

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The County reports the following nonmajor governmental funds:

Special Revenue Funds. Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The County maintains several nonmajor special revenue funds: the Emergency Telephone System Fund, the Fire Districts Fund, the Occupancy Tax Fund, the Housing Grants Fund, the Western Carolina Industrial Partners Fund, the Deed of Trust Fund, the Representative Payee Fund, the Relief Fund, and the Fines and Forfeitures Fund.

Capital Project Funds. Capital project funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds or trust funds). The County has six nonmajor capital project funds within the governmental fund types: the Airport Improvements Fund, the County Buildings Project Fund, the Riverbend Estates Waterline Project Fund, the Little Tennessee River/Cartoogechaye Creek Sewer Trunk Project Fund, the Schools Capital Fund, the Consolidated Capital Project Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund.

The County reports the following major enterprise fund:

Solid Waste Fund. This fund accounts for the operation, maintenance, and development of various landfills and disposal sites. The Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Reserve Fund is a reserve established by the County to accumulate the funds necessary to cover the closure and post-closure care costs that will be incurred by the landfill in the future. The Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Reserve Fund and the Solid Waste Capital Project Fund are consolidated with the Solid Waste Fund (the operating fund) for financial reporting purposes.

The County reports the following fund types:

Internal Service Funds. Internal service funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department to other departments of the County on a cost-reimbursement basis. Macon County has one internal service fund: the Self-Insurance Fund.

Custodial Funds. Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, or private-purpose trust funds. Custodial funds are used to account for assets the County holds on behalf of others that meet certain criteria. The County maintains the following custodial funds: the Municipal Tax Fund, which accounts for motor vehicle property taxes that are billed and collected by the state for municipalities within the County and ad valorem taxes that are billed and collected by the County for municipalities within the County; and the Jail Inmate Pay Fund, which account for monies deposited with the jail for the benefit of certain individuals.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

In accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, all funds of the County are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Government-Wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the

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economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide, proprietary fund, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the County gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

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

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation and amortization on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under leases and IT subscriptions are reported as other financing sources.

The County considers all revenues available if they are collected within 90 days after year-end, except for property taxes. Ad valorem property taxes are not accrued as revenue, because the amount is not susceptible to accrual. At June 30, taxes receivable for property other than motor vehicles are materially past due and are not considered to be an available resource to finance the operations of the current year. Also, as of September 1, 2013, state law altered the procedures for the assessment and collection of property taxes on registered motor vehicles in North Carolina. Effective with this change in the law, the state of North Carolina is responsible for billing and collecting the property taxes on all registered motor vehicles on behalf of all municipalities and special tax districts. Property taxes are due when vehicles are registered. Motor vehicle property tax revenues are applicable to the fiscal year in which they are received. Uncollected taxes that were billed in periods prior to September 1, 2013, and for limited registration plates are shown as a receivable on these financial statements and are offset by deferred inflows of resources.

Sales taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, such as the utilities franchise tax, collected and held by the state at year-end on behalf of the County, are recognized as revenue.

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Intergovernmental revenues and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been satisfied.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there is both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general revenues.

D. Budgetary Data

The County's budgets are adopted as required by North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget ordinance is adopted for the General Fund, the Debt Service Fund, all special revenue funds, except for the Housing Grants Fund, the Capital Reserve Fund, the American Rescue Plan Act Fund, the Schools Capital Fund, the Enterprise Fund, and the Internal Service Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Project ordinances are adopted for the Housing Grants (Special Revenue) Fund, The American Rescue (Special Revenue) Fund, and all capital project funds except for the Schools Capital Fund and the Capital Reserve Fund. The enterprise capital projects funds are consolidated with the enterprise funds for operating purposes.

All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the departmental level for the General Fund, special revenue funds, Enterprise Fund, and Internal Service Fund, or at the object level for the capital projects funds. The Finance Director is authorized by the budget ordinance to transfer appropriations between objects of expenditure within a department. During the year, several amendments to the original budget were necessary, the effects of which increased revenues and expenditures by approximately \$17.87 million. The budget ordinance must be adopted by July 1 of the fiscal year, or the governing Board must adopt an interim budget that covers that time until the annual ordinance can be adopted.

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources, and Fund Equity

Deposits and Investments

All deposits of the County are made in Board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by G.S. 159-31. The County may designate, as an official depository, any bank or savings association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the County may establish time deposit accounts, such as NOW and SuperNOW accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit.

State law [G.S. 159-30] authorizes the County to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States, obligations of the state of North Carolina, bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority, obligations of certain non-guaranteed federal agencies, certain high-quality issues of

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commercial paper and bankers' acceptances, and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT).

The majority of the County's investments are carried at fair value. Non-participating interest earning investment contracts are accounted for at cost. The North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT), which consists of an SEC-registered money market mutual fund is reported at fair value. Government Portfolio is a 2a7 fund, which invests in treasuries and government agencies and is rated AAAm by S&P and AAA-mf by Moody Investor Services.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The County pools money from several funds to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are essentially demand deposits and are considered cash and cash equivalents.

Restricted Assets

The unexpended grant funds are classified as restricted assets in the General Fund, the Housing Grants Fund, the County Building Project Fund, and the American Rescue Plan Fund because their use is completely restricted to the purpose for which the funds were originally granted. The unexpended opioid settlement proceeds are classified as restricted assets because their use is restricted for opioid abatement. The unexpended bond proceeds of the Consolidated Capital Projects Fund's limited obligation bonds are classified as restricted assets because their use is completely restricted to the purpose for which the bonds were originally issued. The unexpended bond proceeds of the Solid Waste Fund's special obligation bonds are classified as restricted assets because their use is completely restricted to the purpose for which the bonds were originally issued. The unexpended interest earned in the Opioid Settlement Fund and the County Buildings Project Fund is restricted for the purpose of allowable costs.

Restricted Cash	Purpose	Amount
Governmental Activities:		
General Fund	Unexpended grant funds	\$ 1,106,619
Consolidated Capital Projects Fund	Unexpended bond proceeds	16,357
Opioid Settlement Fund	Unexpended settlement proceeds	1,226,531
Opioid Settlement Fund	Unexpended interest earned	39,558
American Rescue Plan Fund	Unexpended grant funds	1,371,755
County Buildings Project Fund	Unexpended grant funds	45,990
County Buildings Project Fund	Unexpended interest earned	4,969
Housing Grants Fund	Unexpended grant funds	106,288
		<u>3,918,067</u>
Business-Type Activities:		
Solid Waste Fund	Unexpended bond proceeds	<u>570,384</u>
Total restricted cash		<u>\$ 4,488,451</u>

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Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable

In accordance with state law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the County levies ad valorem taxes on property other than motor vehicles on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1 (lien date); however, penalties and interest do not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2023.

Lease Receivable

The County's lease receivable is measured at the present value of lease payments expected to be received during the lease term. There are no variable components under the lease agreement. A deferred inflow of resources is recorded for the lease. The deferred inflow of resources is recorded at the initiation of the lease in an amount equal to the initial recording of the lease receivable. The deferred inflow of resources is amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

All receivables that historically experience uncollectible accounts are shown net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. This amount is estimated by analyzing the percentage of receivables that were written off in prior years.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories are valued at cost (first-in, first-out method), which approximates market values. The inventory of the General Fund consists of expendable supplies and is recorded as an expenditure when consumed.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items, using the consumption method, in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets received prior to June 30, 2015, are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Donated capital assets received after June 30, 2015, are recorded at acquisition value. All other purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. The County has elected not to capitalize those interest costs, which are incurred during the construction period of capital assets. The County's capitalization threshold is \$5,000. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

The County holds title to certain Macon County Board of Education properties that have not been included in capital assets. The properties have been deeded to the County to permit installment purchase financing of acquisition and construction costs and to permit the County to receive refunds of sales tax paid for construction costs. Agreements between the County and the Board of Education give the Board of Education full use of the facilities, full responsibility for maintenance of the facilities, and provide that the County will convey title to the property back

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to the Board of Education after all restrictions of the financing agreements and all sales tax reimbursement requirements have been met. The properties are reflected as capital assets in the financial statements of the Macon County Board of Education.

The County's capital assets also include certain right to use assets. These right to use assets arise in association with agreements where the County reports a lease (only applies when the County is the lessee) or agreements where the County reports an Information Technology (IT) Subscription in accordance with the requirements of GASB 87 and GASB 96, respectively.

The right to use lease assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made at or prior to the start of the lease term, less lease incentives received from the lessor at or prior to the start of the lease term, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease asset into service. The right to use lease assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

The right to use IT subscription assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the subscription liability plus any subscription payments made at the start of the subscription term, if applicable, plus capitalizable initial implementation costs at the start of the subscription term, less any incentives received from the IT subscription vendor at the start of the subscription term. Subscription payments, as well as payments for capitalizable implementation costs made before the start of the subscription term should be reported as a prepayment (asset). Such prepayments should be reduced by any incentives received from the same vendor before the start of the subscription term if a right of offset exists. The net amount of the prepayments and incentives should be reported as an asset or liability, as appropriate, before the start of the subscription term at which time the amount should be included in the initial measurement of the subscription asset. The right to use subscription assets should be amortized on a straight-line basis over the subscription term.

Capital assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Buildings	15-20 years
Equipment	7 years
Vehicles	5 years

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred Outflows of Resources*, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The County has two items that meet the criteria – pension and OPEB related deferrals. In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position can also report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred Inflows of Resources*, represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The

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County has several items that meet the criteria for this category – prepaid taxes, property taxes receivable, miscellaneous receivables, leases, and pension and OPEB related deferrals.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and in the proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities on the Statement of Net Position.

In the fund financial statements for governmental fund types, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

Compensated Absences

The vacation policy of the County provides for the accumulation of up to thirty (30) days of earned vacation leave, with such leave being fully vested when earned. An expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are recorded as the leave is earned in the County's government-wide and proprietary funds' financial statements.

The County's sick leave policy provides for an unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. Sick leave does not vest, but any unused sick leave accumulated at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. Since the County has no obligation for the accumulated sick leave until it is actually taken, no accrual for sick leave has been made.

Net Position/Fund Balances

Net Position

Net position in the government-wide and proprietary funds financial statements are classified as net investment in capital assets: restricted and unrestricted. Restricted net position represents constraints on resources that are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (b) imposed by law through state statute.

Fund Balances

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is composed of five classifications designed to disclose the hierarchy of constraints placed on how fund balance can be spent.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

Non-Spendable Fund Balance. This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Inventories – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource because it represents the year-end balance of ending inventories, which are not spendable resources.

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Prepays – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource because it represents the year-end balance of ending prepaids, which are not spendable resources.

Notes Receivable, Long-Term – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource because it represents the year-end balance of ending long-term notes receivables, which are not spendable resources.

Leases – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource because it represents the year-end balance of the lease receivable in excess of the deferred inflow of resources for the lease receivable, which is not a spendable resource.

Restricted Fund Balance. This classification includes revenue sources that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed or imposed by law.

Restricted for Stabilization by State Statute – North Carolina G.S. 159-8 prohibits units of government from budgeting or spending a portion of their fund balance. This is one of several statutes enacted by the North Carolina State Legislature in the 1930's that were designed to improve and maintain the fiscal health of local government units. Restricted by state statute (RSS), is calculated at the end of each fiscal year for all annually budgeted funds. The calculation in G.S. 159-8(a) provides a formula for determining what portion of fund balance is available for appropriation. The amount of fund balance not available for appropriation is what is known as "restricted by state statute". Appropriated fund balance in any fund shall not exceed the sum of cash and investments minus the sum of liabilities, encumbrances, and deferred revenues arising from cash receipts, as those figures stand at the close of the fiscal year next preceding the budget. Per GASB guidance, RSS is considered a resource upon which a restriction is "imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation." RSS is reduced by inventories and prepaids as they are classified as non-spendable. Outstanding Encumbrances are included within RSS. RSS is included as a component of restricted net position and restricted fund balance on the face of the balance sheet.

Restricted for Public Safety – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for public safety related activities, such as police, fire, EMS, and E-911, including Title III timber receipts.

Restricted for Economic and Physical Development – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for advertising and promotions for western North Carolina industries in the Western Carolina Industrial Partners Fund.

Restricted for Human Services – portion of fund balance that can only be used to benefit beneficiaries under the Social Security's Representative Payee program and for opioid settlements.

Restricted for Cultural and Recreational – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for cultural and recreational activities.

Restricted for Education – portion of fund balance in the General Fund restricted by revenue source to be used to support public education, including timber receipts, which are restricted by the federal government for educational purposes. The Consolidated Capital Projects Fund had \$16,357 in unspent bond proceeds June 30, 2024.

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The difference in restricted fund balance on Exhibit C from restricted net position on Exhibit A is the unspent bond proceeds of \$16,357 and the net ROD pension plan of \$49,144.

Committed Fund Balance. This classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority. The Board of Commissioners is the highest level of decision-making authority for the government that can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the ordinance remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another ordinance) to remove or revise the limitation.

Committed for General Government – represents the portion of fund balance committed by the governing body for future governmental related capital projects.

Committed for Economic and Physical Development – represents the portion of fund balance committed by the governing body for economic and physical development related purposes.

Committed for Education – represents the portion of fund balance committed by the governing body for education related purposes.

Assigned Fund Balance. Assigned fund balance is the portion of fund balance that Macon County intends to use for specific purposes. The County's governing body has the authority to assign fund balance. The Manager and the Finance Officer, as granted in the officially adopted budget ordinance, have been granted limited authority to assign fund balance.

Assigned for Debt Service – portion of fund balance budgeted by the governing board to be used to service outstanding debt.

Unassigned Fund Balance. Unassigned fund balance represents the portion of fund balance that has not been assigned to another fund or is not restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes or other funds. Only the General Fund may report a positive unassigned fund balance. However, in governmental funds other than the General Fund, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceed the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative fund balance.

Macon County has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Officer will use resources in the following order: bond/debt proceeds, federal funds, state funds, local non-County funds, and County funds. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and, lastly, unassigned fund balance. The Finance Officer has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the County or when required by grant or other contractual agreements.

The County has not officially adopted a formal fund balance policy.

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The following schedule provides management and citizens with information on the portion of General Fund balance that is available for appropriation.

Total fund balance - General Fund	\$	55,006,221
Less:		
Inventories		15,373
Prepays		438,287
Notes receivable, long term		16,796
Leases		4,232
Stabilization by state statute		5,158,508
Total available fund balance	\$	<u>49,373,025</u>

F. Revenues, Expenditures, and Expenses

Other Resources

The General Fund provides the basis of local resources for other governmental funds. These transactions are recorded as “transfers out” in the General Fund and “transfers in” in the receiving fund.

G. Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant areas where estimates are made are allowances for doubtful accounts, depreciation lives, and landfill closure and post-closure care costs.

H. Defined Benefit Cost-Sharing Plans

The County participates in two cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plans that are administered by the state; the Local Governmental Employees’ Retirement System (LGERS); and the Register of Deeds’ Supplemental Pension Fund (RODSPF) (collectively, the “state-administered defined benefit pension plans”). For the purposes of measuring the net pension asset or liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense information about the fiduciary net positions of the state-administered defined benefit pension plans and additions to/deductions from the state-administered defined benefit pension plans’ fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the state-administered defined benefit pension plans. For this purpose, plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The County’s employer contributions are recognized when due, and the County has a legal requirement to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the state-administered defined benefit pension plans. Investments are reported at fair value.

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2. Detail Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

Deposits

All of the County's deposits are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits exceeding the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the County's agent in the County's name. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capacity for the County, these deposits are considered to be held by the County's agent in the entity's name. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest-bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the County or with the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amount of collateral pledged for the County under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for under collateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method.

The State Treasurer enforces standards of minimum capitalization for all Pooling Method financial institutions. The County relies on the State Treasurer to monitor those financial institutions. The County analyzes the financial soundness of any other financial institution used by the County. The County complies with the provisions of G.S. 159-31 when designating official depositories and verifying that deposits are properly secured. The County has no formal policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

At June 30, 2024, the deposits of Macon County had a carrying amount of \$24,758,080 and a bank balance of \$25,571,838. Of the bank balance, \$622,711 was covered by federal depository insurance and the remaining balance by collateral held under the Pooling Method. Cash on hand was \$3,200.

At June 30, 2024, the Airport Authority's deposits had a book balance of \$127,278 and a bank balance of \$127,278. Of the bank balance, \$127,278 was covered by federal depository insurance.

Investments

At June 30, 2024, the County had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Valuation Measurement Method</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less Than 6 Months</u>	<u>6-12 Months</u>
NC Capital Management				
Trust - Government Portfolio *	Fair Value - Level 1	<u>\$ 58,395,645</u>	<u>\$ 58,395,645</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

* Because the NCCMT Government Portfolio has a weighted average maturity of less than 90 days, it is presented as an investment with a maturity of less than 6 Months. The NCCMT Government Portfolio has an AAAM rating from S&P and AAA-mf by Moody's Investor Service.

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All investments are measured using the market approach: using prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or a group of assets.

Level of fair value hierarchy: Level 1: Debt securities valued using directly observable, quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets.

Interest Rate Risk. The County does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates.

Credit Risk. The County had no formal policy on managing credit risk. The County limits investments to the provisions of G.S. 159-30 and restricts the purchase of securities to the highest possible ratings. The County's investments in the NC Capital Management Trust Government Portfolio carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard & Poor's and AAA-mf by Moody's Investor Services as of June 30, 2024.

Property Tax – Use-Value Assessment on Certain Lands

In accordance with the General Statutes, agriculture, horticulture, and forestland may be taxed by the County at the present use-value as opposed to market value. When the property loses its eligibility for use-value taxation, the property tax is recomputed at market value for the current year and the three preceding fiscal years, along with the accrued interest from the original due date. This tax is immediately due and payable. The following are property taxes that could become due if present use-value eligibility is lost. These amounts have not been recorded in the financial statements.

Fiscal Year Levied	Tax	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 799,668	\$ 261,891	\$ 1,061,559
2022	847,749	201,340	1,049,089
2023	841,497	124,121	965,618
2024	764,998	43,987	808,985
Total	<u>\$ 3,253,912</u>	<u>\$ 631,339</u>	<u>\$ 3,885,251</u>

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Receivables

Receivables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	<u>Accounts</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Lease Receivable</u>	<u>Notes Receivable</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Due from Other Governments</u>	<u>Total</u>
Governmental Activities:							
General	\$ 2,384,012	\$ 1,096,255	\$ 132,462	\$ 16,796	\$ 9,831	\$ 5,097,348	\$ 8,736,704
Other governmental	3,692,942	206,792	-	-	-	1,499,262	5,398,996
Allowance for doubtful accounts	<u>(1,120,287)</u>	<u>(651,653)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,771,940)</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 4,956,667</u>	<u>\$ 651,394</u>	<u>\$ 132,462</u>	<u>\$ 16,796</u>	<u>\$ 9,831</u>	<u>\$ 6,596,610</u>	<u>\$ 12,363,760</u>
Not expected to be collected during the subsequent year	<u>\$ 2,634,003</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 114,490</u>	<u>\$ 16,796</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,765,289</u>
Business-Type Activities:							
Solid waste	\$ 622,021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 622,021
Allowance for doubtful accounts	<u>(233,254)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(233,254)</u>
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 388,767</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 388,767</u>

Due from other governments that is owed to the County consists of the following:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Local option sales and use tax/sales tax refund	\$ 4,865,592
Due from State DMV	151,955
Grants receivable	656,402
Others	<u>922,661</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,596,610</u>

At June 30, 2024, property taxes for other governments in the custodial fund is net of an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$5,861.

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Lease Receivable

On 1/01/2023, Macon County entered into a 120-month lease as lessor for the use of Communication Tower – Sutton Radiocasting Corporation 2023-2032. An initial lease receivable was recorded in the amount of \$73,171. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease receivable is \$64,780. The lessee is required to make monthly fixed payments of \$615. The lease has an interest rate of 0.28530%. The buildings estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the deferred inflow of resources as of 06/30/2024 was \$62,195, and Macon County recognized lease revenue of \$7,317 during the fiscal year.

On 01/01/2023, Macon County entered into a 120-month lease as lessor for the use of Communication Tower – Blue Ridge Broadcasting 2023-2032. An initial lease receivable was recorded in the amount of \$36,553. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease receivable is \$32,365. The lessee is required to make monthly fixed payments of \$307. The lease has an interest rate of 0.28350%. The buildings estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the deferred inflow of resources as of 06/30/2024 was \$31,070, and Macon County recognized lease revenue of \$3,655 during the fiscal year.

On 8/1/2023, Macon County entered into a 56-month lease as lessor for the use of the USDA Service Center – 189 Thomas Heights Rd. An initial lease receivable was recorded in the amount of \$43,512. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease receivable is \$35,317. The lessee is required to make monthly fixed payments of \$827. The lease has an interest rate of 0.27360%. The buildings estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the deferred inflow of resources as of 06/30/2024 was \$34,965, and Macon County recognized lease revenue of \$8,547 during the fiscal year.

The future minimum lease receivable payments as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Year Ending		
June 30	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 17,972	\$ 3,510
2026	18,833	2,997
2027	19,731	2,459
2028	18,181	1,901
2029	11,521	1,499
2030-2034	46,224	2,442
Total	<u>\$ 132,462</u>	<u>\$ 14,808</u>

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Governmental Capital Assets

A summary of changes in the County's governmental capital assets follows:

	<u>July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>June 30, 2024</u>
Non-Depreciable Assets:					
Land	\$ 10,939,142	\$ 290,677	\$ (60,025)	\$ -	\$ 11,169,794
Construction in progress	366,808	862,132	-	(363,657)	865,283
Total non-depreciable assets	<u>11,305,950</u>	<u>1,152,809</u>	<u>(60,025)</u>	<u>(363,657)</u>	<u>12,035,077</u>
Depreciable Assets:					
Buildings and improvements	33,642,237	1,389,848	(27,475)	341,317	35,345,927
Equipment	6,815,828	1,202,325	-	-	8,018,153
Vehicles	8,481,759	1,352,181	(928,421)	22,340	8,927,859
Leased equipment	245,586	-	(11,085)	-	234,501
Leased buildings and infrastructure	41,600	-	(16,107)	-	25,493
Subscriptions	457,678	31,409	(10,092)	-	478,995
Total depreciable assets	<u>49,684,688</u>	<u>3,975,763</u>	<u>(993,180)</u>	<u>363,657</u>	<u>53,030,928</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Buildings and improvements	26,365,590	905,852	(3,091)	-	27,268,351
Equipment	3,459,502	705,954	-	-	4,165,456
Vehicles	6,632,838	744,947	(913,955)	-	6,463,830
Leased equipment	51,858	52,367	(11,085)	-	93,140
Leased buildings and infrastructure	16,596	3,243	(16,107)	-	3,732
Subscriptions	97,148	152,626	(10,092)	-	239,682
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>36,623,532</u>	<u>2,564,989</u>	<u>(954,330)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,234,191</u>
 Total capital assets being depreciated, net	 <u>13,061,156</u>				 <u>14,796,737</u>
 Capital assets, net	 <u>\$ 24,367,106</u>				 <u>\$ 26,831,814</u>

Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities:

General government	\$ 546,144
Public safety	986,464
Economic and physical development	8,646
Transportation	202,832
Human services	200,558
Cultural and recreational	620,345
Total	<u>\$ 2,564,989</u>

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Proprietary Capital Assets

The capital assets of the Proprietary Fund at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

	<u>July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>June 30, 2024</u>
Non-Depreciable Assets:				
Construction in progress	\$ 132,592	\$ 108,798	\$ -	\$ 241,390
Land	<u>2,031,662</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,031,662</u>
Total non-depreciable assets	<u>2,164,254</u>	<u>108,798</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,273,052</u>
Depreciable Assets:				
Buildings and improvements	17,209,763	8,300	-	17,218,063
Equipment	5,316,811	714,696	-	6,031,507
Vehicles	<u>877,996</u>	<u>270,510</u>	<u>(29,361)</u>	<u>1,119,145</u>
Total depreciable assets	<u>23,404,570</u>	<u>993,506</u>	<u>(29,361)</u>	<u>24,368,715</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings and improvements	10,435,967	449,982	-	10,885,949
Equipment	4,269,744	402,506	-	4,672,250
Vehicles	<u>844,038</u>	<u>39,276</u>	<u>(29,361)</u>	<u>853,953</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>15,549,749</u>	<u>891,764</u>	<u>(29,361)</u>	<u>16,412,152</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>7,854,821</u>			<u>7,956,563</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 10,019,075</u>			<u>\$ 10,229,615</u>

Construction Commitments

The County has active construction projects as of June 30, 2024. At year-end, the government's commitments with contractors are as follows:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Spent-to-Date</u>	<u>Remaining Commitment</u>
Highlands School	\$ 234,833	\$ 300,499
Franklin High School	3,817,452	855,241
Landfill Phase 3 Cell 2	<u>29,175</u>	<u>50,125</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,081,460</u>	<u>\$ 1,205,865</u>

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B. Liabilities

Payables

Payables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	<u>Vendors</u>	<u>Salaries and Benefits</u>	<u>Accrued Interest</u>	<u>Insurance Claims Incurred But Not Reported</u>	<u>Total</u>
Governmental Activities	\$ 2,041,278	\$ 1,298,362	\$ 160,440	\$ 327,596	\$ 3,827,676
Business-Type Activities:					
Solid waste	\$ 331,215	\$ 83,293	\$ 11,399	\$ -	\$ 425,907

Pension Plan and Other Post-Employment Obligations

Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. The County is a participating employer in the statewide Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the state of North Carolina. LGERS membership is comprised of general employees and local law enforcement officers (LEO) of participating local government entities. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the State Senate, one appointed by the State House of Representatives, the State Treasurer, and the State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System is included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the state of North Carolina. The state's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454, or at www.osc.nc.gov.

Benefits Provided. LGERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.85% of the member's average final compensation times the member's years of creditable service. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. Plan members are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 65 with five years of creditable service, at age 60 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. Plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service.

Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of members who die while in active service, or within 180 days of their last day of service, and who have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age (15 years of credible service for firefighters and rescue

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squad members who are killed in the line of duty) or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions. The plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon actuarial gains of the plan.

LGERS plan members who are LEOs are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 55 with five years of creditable service as an officer, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. LEO plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 15 years of creditable service as an officer. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of LEO members who die while in active service, or within 180 days of their last day of service, and who also have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age or have completed 15 years of service as a LEO and have reached age 50 or have completed five years of creditable service as a LEO and have reached age 55 or have completed 15 years of creditable service as a LEO if killed in the line of duty. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions.

Contributions. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. County employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by the LGERS Board of Trustees. The County's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024 was 14.10% of compensation for law enforcement officers and 12.85% for general employees and firefighters, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$2,866,884 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Refunds of Contributions. County employees who have terminated service as a contributing member of LGERS may file an application for a refund of their contributions. By state law, refunds to members with at least five years of service include 4% interest. State law requires a 60-day waiting period after service termination before the refund may be paid. The acceptance of a refund payment cancels the individual's right to employer contributions, or any other benefit provided by LGERS.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the County reported a liability of \$15,881,302 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2023 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the County's long-term share of future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023 (measurement date) the County's proportion was 0.23979% which was an increase of 0.01863% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

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For the year ended June 30, 2024, the County recognized pension expense of \$4,635,219. At June 30, 2024, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,769,647	\$ 38,097
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	674,864	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	4,250,532	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	563,767	112,079
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,866,884	-
Total	<u>\$ 10,125,694</u>	<u>\$ 150,176</u>

\$2,866,884 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2025	\$ 2,539,124
2026	1,398,140
2027	2,991,635
2028	179,735
2029	-
Total	<u>\$ 7,108,634</u>

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	3.25 to 8.25 percent, including inflation and productivity factor
Investment rate of return	6.50 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

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The plan actuary currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e., general and law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e., disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. public plan population. The mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation, were based on the results of an actuarial experience study prepared as of December 31, 2019 and adopted by the Board of Trustees on January 28, 2021.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are, therefore, not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns, and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple-year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Fixed income	33.0%	0.9%
Global equity	38.0%	6.5%
Real estate	8.0%	5.9%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.2%
Opportunistic fixed income	7.0%	5.0%
Inflation sensitive	<u>6.0%</u>	2.7%
Total	<u>100%</u>	

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary as part of a study completed in early 2022, and is part of the asset, liability, and investment policy of the North Carolina Retirement Systems. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 2.25%. Return projections do not include any excess return expectations over benchmark averages. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

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Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.50%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset or net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.50%) or one percentage point higher (7.50%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.50%)	Discount Rate (6.50%)	1% Increase (7.50%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 27,513,731</u>	<u>\$ 15,881,302</u>	<u>\$ 6,304,396</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the state of North Carolina.

Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

Plan Description. Macon County administers a public employee retirement system (the "Separation Allowance"), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the County's qualified sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 62 who have completed at least 30 years of creditable service or have attained 55 years of age and have completed five or more years of creditable service. The Separation Allowance is equal to .85% of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. A separate report was not issued for the plan.

All full-time County law enforcement officers are covered by the Separation Allowance. At December 31, 2022, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of 6 retirees receiving benefits and 50 active members.

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Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting. The County has chosen to fund the Separation Allowance on a pay-as-you-go basis. Pension expenditures are made from the General Fund, which is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

The Separation Allowance has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria, which are outlined in GASB Statement 73.

Actuarial Assumptions

The Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method was used in the December 31, 2022 valuation. The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	3.25 to 7.75 percent, including inflation and productivity factor
Discount rate	4.00 percent

The discount rate used to measure the TPL is the S&P Municipal Bond 20-Year High Grade Rate Index.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an experience study completed by the Actuary for the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System for the five-year period ended December 31, 2019.

Mortality rates are based on the following:

Mortality Assumption: All mortality rates use Pub-2010 amount-weighted tables.

Mortality Projection: All mortality rates are projected from 2010 using generational improvement with Scale MP-2019.

Deaths After Retirement (Healthy): Mortality rates are based on the Safety Mortality Table for Retirees. Rates for all members are multiplied by 97% and Set Forward by 1 year.

Deaths After Retirement (Disabled Members at Retirement): Mortality rates are based on the Non-Safety Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees. Rates are Set Back 3 years for all ages.

Deaths After Retirement (Survivors of Deceased Members): Mortality rates are based on the Below-median Teachers Mortality Table for Contingent Survivors. Rates for male members are Set Forward 3 years. Rates for female members are Set Forward 1 year. Because the contingent survivor tables have no rates prior to age 45, the Below-median Teachers Mortality Table for Employees is used for ages less than 45.

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Deaths Prior To Retirement: Mortality rates are based on the Safety Mortality Table for Employees.

Contributions. The County is required by Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the amounts necessary to cover the benefits earned on a pay-as-you-go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operating budget. The County's obligation to contribute to this plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. There were no contributions made by employees. Administration costs of the Separation Allowance are financed through investment earnings. The County paid \$79,062 as benefits came due for the reporting period.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the County reported a total pension liability of \$2,259,035. The total pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2023, based on a December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation. The total pension liability was rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2023, utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the County recognized pension expense of \$260,839.

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 375,371	\$ 56,239
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	278,824	242,765
Benefit payments and administrative expenses paid subsequent to the measurement date	44,351	-
Total	<u>\$ 698,546</u>	<u>\$ 299,004</u>

\$44,351 paid as benefits came due subsequent to the measurement date have been reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows or deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2025	\$ 108,408
2026	112,773
2027	48,790
2028	26,948
2029	58,272
Thereafter	-
Total	<u>\$ 355,191</u>

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Sensitivity of the County's Total Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the County's total pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 4.00 percent, as well as what the County's total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (3.00 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (5.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (3.00%)	Discount Rate (4.00%)	1% Increase (5.00%)
Total pension liability	\$ 2,447,606	\$ 2,259,035	\$ 2,087,362

Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance

	2024
Beginning balance	\$ 1,709,071
Service cost	88,422
Interest on the total pension liability	71,957
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total pension liability	417,293
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	51,354
Benefit payments	(79,062)
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$ 2,259,035

Changes of Assumptions. Changes of assumption and other inputs reflect a change in the Municipal Bond Index Rate from 4.31% at December 31, 2022 (measurement date) to 4.00% at December 31, 2023 (measurement date).

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age and health status (i.e., disabled, and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

Supplemental Retirement Income Plan

Law Enforcement Officers

Plan Description. The County contributes to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan (Plan), a defined contribution pension plan administered by the Department of State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. The Plan provides retirement benefits to law enforcement officers employed by the County. Article 5 of G.S. Chapter 135 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers is included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the state of North Carolina. The state's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report includes Pension Trust Fund financial statements for the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) plan that includes the plan for law enforcement officers. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

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Funding Policy. Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the County to contribute each month an amount equal to 5.0% of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. The County contributed \$181,449 for the year ended June 30, 2024. No amounts were forfeited.

General Employees

The County has elected to contribute to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for general employees as well as for law enforcement officers. Participation begins immediately with full-time employment status. The County has elected to make contributions each month in an amount equal to 2% of each participating employee's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the employees may make additional voluntary contributions to the plan. The County contributed \$365,866 for the year ended June 30, 2024. No amounts were forfeited.

Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund

Plan Description. The County also contributes to the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund (RODSPF), a non-contributory, defined benefit plan administered by the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer. RODSPF provides supplemental pension benefits to any eligible county register of deeds who is retired under the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) or an equivalent locally sponsored plan. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 161 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the State Senate, one appointed by the State House of Representatives, the State Treasurer, and the State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund is included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the state of North Carolina. The state's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, by calling (919) 981-5454, or at www.osc.nc.gov.

Benefits Provided. An individual's benefits for the year are calculated as a share of accumulated contributions available for benefits for that year, subject to certain statutory limits. An individual's eligibility is based on at least ten years of service as a Register of Deeds, with the individual's share increasing with years of service. Because of the statutory limits noted above, not all contributions available for benefits are distributed.

Contributions. Benefits and administrative expenses are funded by investment income and 1.5% of the receipts collected by each County Commission under Article 1 of Chapter 161 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The statutory contribution currently has no relationship to the actuary's required contribution. The actuarially determined contribution this year, and for the foreseeable future, is zero. Registers of Deeds do not contribute. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 161-50 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$3,456 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the County reported an asset of \$49,144 for its proportionate share of the net pension asset. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2023 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension asset was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan, relative to contributions to the pension plan of all participating RODSPF employers. At June 30, 2023, the County's proportion was 0.4090%, which was an increase of 0.0304% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the County recognized pension expense of \$9,543. At June 30, 2024, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 2,176
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	24,962	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	3,430	3,910
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	3,456	-
Total	<u>\$ 31,848</u>	<u>\$ 6,086</u>

\$3,456 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as an increase of the net pension asset in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2025	\$ 7,203
2026	6,282
2027	7,247
2028	1,574
Total	<u>\$ 22,306</u>

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Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	3.25 to 8.25 percent, including inflation and productivity factor
Discount rate	3.00 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates are contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience review for LGERS for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are, therefore, not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple-year horizons. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The adopted asset allocation policy for the RODSPF is 99.8% in the fixed income asset class. The best estimate of arithmetic real rate of return for the fixed income asset class as of June 30, 2023 is 0.9%.

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary as part of a study conducted in early 2022, and is part of the asset, liability, and investment policy of the North Carolina Retirement Systems. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 2.25%. Return projections do not include any excess return expectations over benchmark averages. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.00%. The discount rate is in line with the long-term nominal expected return on pension plan investments. The calculation of the net pension liability is a present value calculation of the future net pension payments. These net pension payments assume that contributions from plan members will be made at the current statutory contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at the contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future

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benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 3.00%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (2.00%) or one-percentage-point higher (4.00%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (2.00%)	Discount Rate (3.00%)	1% Increase (4.00%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ (33,546)	\$ 49,144	\$ (62,295)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the state of North Carolina.

Pension Liabilities (Assets), Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability (asset) for LGERS and ROD was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. The total pension liability for LEOSSA was measured as of December 31, 2023, with an actuarial valuation date of December 31, 2022.

The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contribution of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	LGERS	LEOSSA	ROD	Total
Proportionate share of net pension liability (asset)	\$ 15,881,302	NA	\$ (49,144)	\$ 15,832,158
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.240%	NA	-0.409%	
Total pension liability	NA	2,259,035	NA	2,259,035
Pension expense	4,635,219	260,839	9,543	4,905,601

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At June 30, 2024, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred Outflows of Resources	LGERS	LEOSSA	ROD	Total
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,769,647	\$ 375,371	\$ -	\$ 2,145,018
Changes of assumptions	674,864	278,824	-	953,688
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	4,250,532	-	24,962	4,275,494
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions	563,767	-	3,430	567,197
County contributions (LGERS, ROD) and benefit payments and administration costs (LEOSSA) subsequent to the measurement date	2,866,884	44,351	3,456	2,914,691
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 10,125,694</u>	<u>\$ 698,546</u>	<u>\$ 31,848</u>	<u>\$ 10,856,088</u>

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 38,097	\$ 56,239	\$ 2,176	\$ 96,512
Changes of assumptions	-	242,765	-	242,765
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions	112,079	-	3,910	115,989
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 150,176</u>	<u>\$ 299,004</u>	<u>\$ 6,086</u>	<u>\$ 455,266</u>

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Other Post-Employment Benefits – Healthcare

Plan Description. In addition to providing pension benefits, the County has elected to provide post-retirement healthcare benefits to retirees of the County. Employees that retire from the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (NCLGERS), are actively employed with the County at the time of retirement and are members of the County's Group Health Insurance Plan will be eligible to continue as a member of the County's Group Health Insurance Plan according to the following schedule:

Years of Service at Retirement	Group Medical Insurance	Group Prescription Insurance	Medicare Supplement Coverage	Medicare Prescription Coverage	Spouse Coverage Available to Retiree
15 – 24 years hired prior to 7/1/2014*	Until Age 65	Until Age 65	No	No	No
25 – 29 years hired prior to 7/1/2014*	Until Age 65	Until Age 65	Yes	Yes	No
30 or more years hired prior to 7/1/2014*	Until Age 65	Until Age 65	Yes	Yes	Yes
30 or more years hired 7/1/2014 – 6/30/2019*	Until Age 65	Until Age 65	Yes	Yes	No
30 or more years hired on/after 7/1/2019^	Until Age 65	Until Age 65	Yes	Yes	No

*As determined by NCLGERS

^All service must be permanent service with Macon County

For pre-Medicare retirees, medical and prescription drug coverage are provided through the County's Group Health Insurance Plan. Medicare supplemental insurance is offered for Medicare eligible retirees. The County pays the full premium for all qualifying pre-Medicare retirees. The County pays the full Blue Cross Blue Shield Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) premium for qualifying Medicare eligible retirees. If hired prior to July 1, 2014, the retiree may continue spouse coverage if enrolled in spouse coverage at the time of retirement and if the retiree has at least 30 years of NCLGERS service upon retirement. The retiree must contribute the same amount that active employees contribute for spouse coverage, currently \$394 per month. Spouse coverage terminates upon the retiree's death. Spouse coverage is not available to retirees hired on or after July 1, 2014. Currently, 93 retirees are receiving post-retirement health benefits. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the County contributed \$838,138 for post-retirement medical claims, prescription drug claims, stop loss premiums, administrative fees, medical premiums, and prescription drug premiums. The plan is a single-employer defined benefit plan. A separate report was not issued for the plan. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

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Membership of the plan consisted of the following as of the June 30, 2023 valuation date:

Retirees and dependents receiving benefits	93
Active plan members	<u>375</u>
Total	<u><u>468</u></u>

Total OPEB Liability

The County's total OPEB liability of \$32,708,676 was measured as of June 30, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Real wage growth	0.75 percent
Wage inflation	3.25 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	
General employees	3.25 to 8.41 percent
Firefighters	3.25 to 8.15 percent
Law enforcement officers	3.25 to 7.90 percent
Municipal bond index rate	
Prior measurement date	3.54 percent
Measurement date	3.65 percent
Healthcare cost trend rates:	
Pre-Medicare medical and prescription drug	7.00 percent for 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50 percent by 2033
Medicare medical and prescription drug	5.125 percent for 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50 percent by 2026

The County selected a Municipal Bond Index Rate equal to the Bond Buyer 20-Year General Obligation Bond Index published at the last Thursday of June by The Bond Buyer, and the Municipal Bond Index Rate as of the measurement date as the discount rate used to measure the TOL.

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Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance at July 1, 2023	<u>\$ 31,739,215</u>
Changes for the Year:	
Service cost	954,731
Interest	1,142,660
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,149,950
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(1,439,742)
Benefit payments	<u>(838,138)</u>
Net changes	<u>969,461</u>
Balance at June 30, 2024	<u><u>\$ 32,708,676</u></u>

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.54% to 3.65%.

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 mortality tables, with adjustments for LGERS experience and generational mortality improvements using Scale MP-2019.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, and salary increases used in the June 30, 2023, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019, adopted by the LGERS Board.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, healthcare cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2023, valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2023, valuation.

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.65 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.65 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (2.65%)	Discount Rate (3.65%)	1% Increase (4.65%)
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ 38,334,072</u>	<u>\$ 32,708,676</u>	<u>\$ 28,256,769</u>

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Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease	Current	1% Increase
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ 27,837,646</u>	<u>\$ 32,708,676</u>	<u>\$ 38,975,555</u>

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$(3,788,378). At June 30, 2024, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 6,585,304	\$ 34,676,570
Changes of assumptions	12,482,197	10,131,537
Benefit payments and plan administrative expense made subsequent to the measurement date	<u>1,172,801</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 20,240,302</u>	<u>\$ 44,808,107</u>

\$1,172,801 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from benefit payments made and administrative expenses incurred subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the total OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Total
2025	\$ (5,895,937)
2026	(5,487,562)
2027	(4,961,397)
2028	(6,223,431)
2029	(2,836,202)
Thereafter	<u>(336,077)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (25,740,606)</u>

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Other Employment Benefits

The County has elected to provide death benefits to employees through the Death Benefit Plan for Members of the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (Death Benefit Plan), a multi-employer, state-administered, cost-sharing plan funded on a one-year term cost basis. The beneficiaries of those employees who die in active service after one year of contributing membership in the system, or who die within 180 days after retirement or termination of service and have at least one year of contributing membership service in the system at the time of death, are eligible for death benefits. Lump-sum death benefit payments to beneficiaries are equal to the employee's 12 highest months' salary in a row during the 24 months prior to his/her death, but the benefit will be a minimum of \$25,000 and will not exceed \$50,000. Because all death benefit payments are made from the Death Benefit Plan and not by the County, the County does not determine the number of eligible participants. The County has no liability beyond the payment of monthly contributions. The contributions to the Death Benefit Plan cannot be separated between the post-employment benefit amount and the other benefit amount. Contributions are determined as a percentage of monthly payroll, based upon rates established annually by the state. Separate rates are set for employees not engaged in law enforcement and for law enforcement officers. The County considers these contributions to be immaterial.

Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Care Costs

Federal and state laws and regulations require the County to place a final cover on its landfills when they stop accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for 30 years after closure. The County has operated three different landfills. The Old Franklin Landfill was opened in approximately 1962, stopped accepting waste on December 31, 1992, and has since been closed. The Highlands Landfill was opened in approximately 1985, stopped accepting waste on October 8, 1993, and was completely closed during the next year.

The old landfills continue to require monitoring and some remediation activities. Macon County opened the Macon County MSW Landfill in May 1992. During 1999, the County expanded the cell; and during 2020, the County added a new cell to the Macon County MSW Landfill.

Although the closure and post-closure care costs for these landfills are being paid near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the County reports a portion of these closure and post-closure care costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. The \$13,979,102 reported as landfill closure and post-closure care liability at June 30, 2024 represents the cumulative amount reported to date for the closure and post-closure care costs of all landfills noted above. Of the cumulative amount reported to date, \$13,848,252 reflects the closure and post-closure costs of the Macon County MSW Landfill, which is based on 88.47% capacity used. The County will recognize the remaining estimated cost of closure and post-closure care of \$1,805,315 as the remaining capacity is filled. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and post-closure care in 2024. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

The County has met the requirements of a local government financial test that is one option under state and federal laws and regulations that help determine if a unit is financially able to meet closure and post-closure care requirements. However, the County has also elected to establish a reserve fund to accumulate resources for the payment of closure and post-closure care costs. The County expects that future inflation costs will be paid from the interest earnings on these annual

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contributions. However, if interest earnings are inadequate or additional post-closure care requirements are determined (due to changes in technology or applicable laws or regulations, for example), these costs may need to be covered by charges to future landfill users or by future tax revenues.

Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources at year-end are comprised of the following:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Pension deferrals	\$ 10,856,088	\$ 455,266
OPEB deferrals	20,240,302	44,808,107
Prepaid taxes not yet earned (General)	-	52,938
Leases	-	128,230
Taxes receivable, net (General)	-	547,700
Taxes receivable, net (Fire District)	-	103,693
Ambulance receivable (General)	-	610,115
Public health receivable (General)	-	650,370
Total	<u>\$ 31,096,390</u>	<u>\$ 47,356,419</u>

Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County manages this exposure by purchasing Property and Casualty Insurance from several private insurance companies including Travelers and West Bend Mutual Insurance Company.

Through these companies, the County obtains property coverage equal to the replacement cost of owned property subject to total insured values, with sub-limits on coverage for specified perils; general, auto, professional, employment practices, and law enforcement liability coverage of \$1 million per occurrence; auto physical damage for owned autos at actual cash value; crime coverage of \$250,000 per occurrence; and workers' compensation employer liability limit of \$1 million. There is also a \$10,000,000 Excess Liability policy. All property coverage and some liability coverages are subject to per occurrence deductibles, as selected by the County. The insurance companies are audited annually by certified public accountants, and audited financial statements are available to the County upon request.

Travelers and West Bend Mutual Insurance Company are fully suited to pay claims without reinsurance support. They are also subject to the NC State Guarantee Fund should they ever become insolvent. Travelers has an A++ rating with assets greater than \$2 Billion. West Bend Mutual Insurance Company has an A rating with assets up to \$2 Billion.

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In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the County's employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the County's funds are performance bonded through commercial crime coverage with a \$250,000 occurrence limit. Individuals holding positions requiring statutory bonds are covered elsewhere. The Finance Director is individually bonded for \$1,000,000 and the Tax Collector is bonded for \$250,000. The Sheriff and the Register of Deeds are bonded for \$25,000 and \$50,000 each, respectively.

The County carries commercial coverage for all other risks of loss. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Macon County is a certified County participating under the National Flood Insurance Program applicable to FEMA flood zones A, AE, AH, and HO. The County has \$5,000,000 flood coverage through U.S. Specialty Insurance Company. This coverage is applicable in zones A, A1-A30, A99, AE, AH, AO, AR, AR/AE, AR/AO, AR/A1-A-30, AR/A, V, V1-V30, and VE. The policy does not cover zones B or X. Deductibles are \$50,000 per occurrence. Coverage limits are \$5,000,000 per occurrence.

Liabilities of the fund are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred, but not reported (IBNR). The County's claims incurred, but not reported, are considered a current liability, and are included in accounts payable of the Internal Service Fund.

Changes in the balances of claims liabilities during the past fiscal year are as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Unpaid claims - beginning	\$ 289,496	\$ 294,770
Incurred claims	5,036,538	4,982,388
Claim payments	(4,998,438)	(4,987,662)
Unpaid claims - ending	<u>\$ 327,596</u>	<u>\$ 289,496</u>

Contingent Liabilities

At June 30, 2024, the County was a defendant to various lawsuits. In the opinion of the County's management and the County attorneys, the ultimate effect of these legal matters will not have a material adverse effect on the County's financial position.

Long-Term Obligations

Leases

The County has entered into agreements to lease certain equipment, buildings, and infrastructure. The lease agreements qualify as other than short-term leases under GASB 87 and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception.

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On 12/01/2022, Macon County entered into a 60-month lease as lessee for the use of TSAChoice Mitel Phone Equipment. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$193,331. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$135,153. Macon County is required to make monthly fixed payments of \$3,491. The lease has an interest rate of 0.3305%. The equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$193,331 with accumulated amortization of \$61,222. Macon County has 1 extension option(s), each for 12 months.

On 07/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 42-month lease as lessee for the use of Postage Meter - Health. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$12,409. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$1,793. Macon County is required to make quarterly fixed payments of \$900. The lease has an interest rate of 0.8930%. The equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$12,409 with accumulated amortization of \$10,397.

On 07/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 39-month lease as lessee for the use of Postage Meter-DM475 - Administration. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$10,062. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$780. Macon County is required to make quarterly fixed payments of \$783. The lease has an interest rate of 0.7270%. The equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$10,062 with accumulated amortization of \$9,063.

On 07/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 246-month lease as lessee for the use of Cowee Bald Communication Site. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$25,493. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$22,133. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$1,601. The lease has an interest rate of 2.3980%. The infrastructure estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$25,493 with accumulated amortization of \$3,732.

On 07/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 67-month lease as lessee for the use of Pressure Tank & Non WL Cooler - DSS. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$6,996. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$3,294. Macon County is required to make monthly fixed payments of \$108. The lease has an interest rate of 1.2170%. The equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$6,996 with accumulated amortization of \$3,744. Macon County has 1 extension option(s), each for 60 months.

On 07/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 49-month lease as lessee for the use of Water Dispenser-B4 - Maintenance. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$2,647. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$711. Macon County is required to make monthly fixed payments of \$55. The lease has an interest rate of 0.8930%. The equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$2,647 with accumulated amortization of \$1,942. Macon County has 1 extension option(s), each for 12 months.

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On 07/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 39-month lease as lessee for the use of Water Purifier Dispenser-PC - Health. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$1,748. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$0. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$588.00. The lease has an interest rate of 0.7270%. The equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$1,748 with accumulated amortization of \$1,596.

On 09/01/2021, Macon County entered into a 48-month lease as lessee for the use of NCSU - Apple Computer Systems. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$7,308. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the lease liability is \$1,842. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$1,857. The lease has an interest rate of 0.8300%. The computer equipment estimated useful life was 0 months as of the contract commencement. The value of the right-to-use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$7,308 with accumulated amortization of \$5,176.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Governmental Activities	
	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 45,398	\$ 4,485
2026	41,694	3,143
2027	42,459	1,784
2028	18,458	595
2029	1,176	424
2030-2034	6,318	1,685
2035-2039	7,113	890
2040-2044	3,090	112
Total	<u>\$ 165,706</u>	<u>\$ 13,118</u>

Subscriptions

The County has entered into subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs). The SBITAs qualify as other than short-term SBITAs under GASB 96 and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum subscription payments as of the date of their inception.

On 03/07/2023, Macon County entered into a 36-month subscription for the use of Small Government Term Enterprise License Agreement. An initial subscription liability was recorded in the amount of \$112,537. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the subscription liability is \$37,503. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$38,500. The subscription has an interest rate of 2.6560%. The value of the right to use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$112,538 with accumulated amortization of \$49,392.

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On 10/20/2022, Macon County entered into a 24-month subscription for the use of Tyto Software. An initial subscription liability was recorded in the amount of \$85,680. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the subscription liability is \$0. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$85,680. The subscription has an interest rate of 3.1440%. The value of the right to use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$86,430 with accumulated amortization of \$73,346.

On 07/01/2022, Macon County entered into a 68-month subscription for the use of Public Health Billing Software. An initial subscription liability was recorded in the amount of \$185,512. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the subscription liability is \$113,131. Macon County is required to make annual variable principal and interest payments of \$18,084 based on a CPI index of 3.00%. Additionally, there are annual other reasonably certain payments of \$21,000. The subscription has an interest rate of 2.5200%. The value of the right to use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$185,512 with accumulated amortization of \$65,539. Macon County, NC has 1 extension option(s), each for 84 months.

On 03/01/2023, Macon County entered into a 24-month subscription for the use of DebtBook. An initial subscription liability was recorded in the amount of \$25,657. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the subscription liability is \$0. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$13,000. The subscription has an interest rate of 2.7070%. The value of the right to use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$27,657 with accumulated amortization of \$18,438. Macon County, NC had a termination period of 1 month as of the subscription commencement.

On 07/01/2022, Macon County entered into a 36-month subscription for the use of Transportation Software. An initial subscription liability was recorded in the amount of \$35,449. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the subscription liability is \$12,229. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$11,667. The subscription has an interest rate of 2.1840%. The value of the right to use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$35,449 with accumulated amortization of \$23,632.

On 11/27/2023, Macon County entered into a 24-month subscription for the use of Flock Safety Public Safety Operating System. An initial subscription liability was recorded in the amount of \$29,459. As of 06/30/2024, the value of the subscription liability is \$14,459. Macon County is required to make annual fixed payments of \$15,000. The subscription has an interest rate of 3.7420%. The value of the right to use asset as of 06/30/2024 is \$31,409 with accumulated amortization of \$9,335.

The future minimum subscription obligations and the net present value of the minimum subscription payments as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Year Ending		
June 30	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 100,968	\$ 4,655
2026	37,701	1,924
2027	38,653	974
Total	<u>\$ 177,322</u>	<u>\$ 7,553</u>

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Installment Purchase Contract

Serviced by Governmental Funds:

\$1,800,000 Nantahala School qualified zone academy bonds requiring 30 semi-annual deposits of \$60,000, plus interest into a Debt Service Fund; final payment of the bonds is December 18, 2024. \$ 120,000

\$12,889,667 Iotla Valley School project qualified school construction bonds requiring 34 semi-annual deposits of \$379,108, plus interest into a Debt Service Fund; final payment of the bonds is October 12, 2028. 2,653,755

\$2,985,878 Highlands School and Union Academy qualified zone academy bonds requiring 15 annual payments of \$199,058; final payment of the bonds is August 1, 2030. 1,393,415

Total installment contracts \$ 4,167,170

The County's outstanding note from direct placement related to governmental activities of \$120,000 is secured by a deed of trust on Nantahala School. The note contains provisions that upon the continuation of any event of default, BB&T may, without any further demand or notice, exercise any one or more of the following remedies: 1) declare the unpaid principal components of the installment payments immediately due and payable; 2) proceed by appropriate court action to enforce the County's performance of the applicable covenants of the agreement or to recover for the breach thereof; 3) as provided in the project fund agreement, pay over any balance remaining in the project fund to be applied against outstanding required payments in any manner BB&T may reasonably deem appropriate; 4) avail itself of all available remedies under the agreement, including execution and foreclosure, and recovery of attorneys' fees and other expenses.

The County's outstanding note from direct placement related to governmental activities of \$2,653,755 is secured by a deed of trust on Iotla Valley Elementary School. The note contains provisions that upon the continuation of any event of default, BB&T may, without any further demand or notice, exercise any one or more of the following remedies: 1) declare the unpaid principal components of the installment payments immediately due and payable; 2) proceed by appropriate court action to enforce the County's performance of the applicable covenants of the agreement or to recover for the breach thereof; 3) as provided in the project fund agreement, pay over any balance remaining in the project fund to be applied against outstanding required payments in any manner BB&T may reasonably deem appropriate; 4) avail itself of all available remedies under the agreement, including execution and foreclosure, and recovery of attorneys' fees and other expenses.

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The County's outstanding note from direct placement related to governmental activities of \$1,393,415 is secured by a deed of trust on Highlands School. The note contains provisions that upon the continuation of any event of default, BB&T may, without any further demand or notice, exercise any one or more of the following remedies: 1) declare the unpaid principal components of the installment payments immediately due and payable; 2) proceed by appropriate court action to enforce the County's performance of the applicable covenants of the agreement or to recover for the breach thereof; 3) as provided in the project fund agreement, pay over any balance remaining in the project fund to be applied against outstanding required payments in any manner BB&T may reasonably deem appropriate; 4) avail itself of all available remedies under the agreement, including execution and foreclosure, and recovery of reasonable attorneys' fees and other expenses.

Debt Service Requirements

The following tables summarize the annual requirements to amortize all direct placement long-term debt outstanding (excluding vacation pay and pension benefit obligation) as of June 30, 2024:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 1,077,274	\$ 141,180
2026	957,274	93,659
2027	957,274	52,033
2028	578,166	10,407
2029	199,058	-
2030-2031	398,124	-
Total	<u>\$ 4,167,170</u>	<u>\$ 297,279</u>

At June 30, 2024, the County had a legal debt margin of approximately \$1,015,275,000.

Limited Obligation Indebtedness

The County's limited obligation bonds, Series 2021 is serviced by the Debt Service Fund. They are collateralized by the full faith credit and taxing power of the County. Approximately 42% of the limited obligation bonds, Series 2021 were issued to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of the Macon Middle School project. These bonds, which are recorded in the Consolidated Capital Project Fund, are collateralized by the full faith credit and taxing power of the fund. The remaining 58% of the limited obligation bonds, Series 2021 were issued for the refunding of 2011 NCDEQ drinking water loan, the refunding of 2012 Truist installment purchase contract, the refunding of 2013 Truist installment purchase contract, and the refunding of 2018 First Citizens installment purchase contract. These bonds, which are recorded in the Debt Service Fund, are collateralized by full faith credit and taxing power of the County. Principal and interest payments are appropriated when due.

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The County's limited obligation bonds payable at June 30, 2024 are comprised of the following individual issues:

Serviced by Governmental Funds:

\$6,775,000 Series 2021 limited obligation bonds, due in annual principal payments ranging from \$210,000 to 495,000. Payment is due semi-annually on October 1st and April 1st at an interest rate ranging from 3.00 to 4.00%. Refunding of 2012 Truist installment purchase contract and 2013 Truist installment purchase contract. \$ 4,110,000

\$895,000 Series 2021 limited obligation bonds, due in annual principal payments ranging from \$85,000 to \$95,000. Payment is due semi-annually on October 1st and April 1st at an interest rate ranging from 3.00 to 4.00%. Refunding of 2011 NCDEQ Drinking Water loan. 640,000

\$2,150,000 Series 2021 limited obligation bonds, due in annual principal payments ranging from \$75,000 to \$175,000. Payment is due semi-annually on October 1st and April 1st at an interest rate ranging from 3.00 to 4.00%. Refunding of 2018 First Citizens installment purchase contract. 1,635,000

\$9,500,000 Series 2021 limited obligation bonds, due in annual principal payments of \$500,000. Payment is due semi-annually on October 1st and April 1st at an interest rate ranging from 2.125% to 4.000%. 8,500,000

Total limited obligation bonds \$ 14,885,000

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the County's limited obligation indebtedness are as follows:

Governmental Activities:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 1,665,000	\$ 523,525
2026	1,670,000	456,925
2027	1,680,000	390,125
2028	1,695,000	322,925
2029	1,210,000	255,125
2030-2034	3,465,000	743,775
2035-2039	2,500,000	279,375
2040-2044	1,000,000	33,750
Total	\$ 14,885,000	\$ 3,005,525

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Debt Related to Capital Activities

Of the total governmental activities' debt listed, only \$758,855 relates to assets the County holds title and \$343,028 relates to right-to-use assets. The unspent debt proceeds of \$16,357 are not related to the County. The business-type activities unspent debt proceeds of \$570,384 are related to assets for which the County holds title.

Special Obligation Bonds

On April 7, 2016, the County issued \$9,800,000 of special obligation bonds at 2.14% interest, for the purpose to expand the County's landfill capacity. The bond is secured by a first lien on net revenues of the Solid Waste Fund. The principal and interest on the bonds are payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1. The special obligation bonds, which mature through April 1, 2026, will be reported on the Solid Waste Fund's financial statements. \$ 2,130,556

The County's outstanding special obligation bond from direct placement related to business-type activities of \$2,130,556 is not secured by a pledge of the faith and credit of the County nor its taxing power, but is payable solely from the obligated revenues, except to the extent payable from the proceeds of bonds or investment earnings on such proceeds or on the obligated revenues. The note contains provisions that during the continuation of any event of default, the bondholders may, without any further demand or notice, exercise any one or more of the following remedies: 1) declare the unpaid principal of the bonds, and the accrued interest thereon, immediately due and payable; 2) incur and pay such reasonable expenses for the County's account as may be necessary to cure the cause of any default (with the County then being obligated to repay those amounts); 3) proceed by appropriate court action to protect and enforce their rights under the bonds and the agreement, or any supplemental agreement or proceeding, by an action at law or in equity, either for the specific performance of any covenant or agreement, or execution of any power, or to have or enforce any proper legal or equitable remedy as may be most effectual to protect and enforce such rights, including the fixing of service charges and the collection and application of the obligated revenues.

Special obligation bonds direct placements debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

Solid Waste Fund:

Special Obligation Bonds

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 1,054,572	\$ 40,557
2026	1,075,984	17,551
Total	<u>\$ 2,130,556</u>	<u>\$ 58,108</u>

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Long-Term Obligation Activity

The following is a summary of changes in the County's long-term obligations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

	<u>Balance July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Current Portion of Balance</u>
Governmental Activities:					
Limited obligation bonds	\$ 16,535,000	\$ -	\$ 1,650,000	\$ 14,885,000	\$ 1,665,000
Plus: Premium on issuance	2,111,585	-	119,068	1,992,517	119,068
Total limited obligation bonds	18,646,585	-	1,769,068	16,877,517	1,784,068
Direct placement installment purchases	5,244,444	-	1,077,274	4,167,170	1,077,274
Lease liabilities	219,094	-	53,388	165,706	45,398
Subscription liabilities	259,479	29,459	111,616	177,322	100,968
Compensated absences	1,282,496	1,097,657	996,662	1,383,491	138,349
Total OPEB liability	30,206,879	907,609	-	31,114,488	1,192,403
Net pension liability (LGERS)	11,766,099	3,200,437	-	14,966,536	-
Total pension liability (LEOSSA)	1,709,071	549,964	-	2,259,035	106,194
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 69,334,147</u>	<u>\$ 5,785,126</u>	<u>\$ 4,008,008</u>	<u>\$ 71,111,265</u>	<u>\$ 4,444,654</u>
Business-Type Activities:					
Direct placement special obligation bonds	\$ 3,162,552	\$ -	\$ 1,031,996	\$ 2,130,556	\$ 1,054,572
Accrued landfill closure and post-closure care cost	13,800,650	188,705	10,253	13,979,102	39,555
Total OPEB liability	1,532,336	61,852	-	1,594,188	81,260
Net pension liability (LGERS)	710,483	204,283	-	914,766	-
Compensated absences	91,211	70,199	64,489	96,921	9,692
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 19,297,232</u>	<u>\$ 525,039</u>	<u>\$ 1,106,738</u>	<u>\$ 18,715,533</u>	<u>\$ 1,185,079</u>

Compensated absences, pension liabilities, and other post-employment benefits for governmental activities typically have been liquidated in the General Fund and are accounted for on an FIFO basis.

Advance Refunding

On March 8, 2021, the County issued \$9,820,000 limited obligation bonds, Series 2021 to refund the 2011 NCDEQ drinking water loan, 2012 Truist installment purchase contract, 2013 Truist installment purchase contract, and 2018 First Citizens installment purchase contract. As a result, the refunded debt is considered defeased and the liability has been removed from the governmental activities column of the Statement of Net Position. The net proceeds of \$11,003,808 were deposited with an escrow agent to provide funds for the future debt service payment on the refunded bonds. The Series 2021 limited obligation bonds, with payment dates of October 1 and April 1, will mature April 1, 2034. The refunding was undertaken to reduce the total debt service payments by \$704,218 and resulted in an economic gain of \$709,992.

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C. Net Investment in Capital Assets

Net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2024 is computed as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
Capital assets & right to use assets	\$ 26,831,814	\$ 10,229,615
Less capital debt:		
Gross debt	21,387,715	2,130,556
Less school debt related to assets to which the County does not hold title	<u>(20,285,832)</u>	<u>-</u>
County related debt	1,101,883	2,130,556
Less unspent debt proceeds*	<u>-</u>	<u>(570,384)</u>
Total net debt	<u>1,101,883</u>	<u>1,560,172</u>
Net investment in capital assets	<u>\$ 25,729,931</u>	<u>\$ 8,669,443</u>

*Unexpended debt proceeds related to education debt in the amount of \$16,357 are not included in the calculation of governmental net investment in capital assets.

D. Interfund Balances and Activity

	<u>Transfers</u>		<u>Purpose</u>
	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	
Transfers From/To Other Funds:			
General Fund:			
General Fund	\$ 5,631,806	\$ -	
General Fund	-	350,000	Nantahala broadband
Debt Service Fund	-	2,077,634	Debt retirement
ARPA Fund	1,875,659	-	Fund ARPA Salaries/fringe and grant match
Nonmajor Governmental Funds:			
Housing Grants Fund	-	148,764	Salary/fringe & operating costs
Emergency Telephone System Fund	-	540	Payment of ineligible expenditures
Housing Grants Fund	-	24,847	Salaries/fringe - ARPA
County Building Fund	350,000	-	Nantahala broadband
Solid Waste	-	158,334	Salaries/fringe - ARPA
General Fund	-	1,692,478	Salaries/fringe, and grant match - ARPA
Health Insurance Fund	-	61,756	FSA & broker fees
Consolidated Capital Projects Fund	-	3,343,112	Fund capital projects
Schools Capital Fund	3,603,225	-	Debt retirement
Debt Service Fund	-	3,603,225	Debt retirement
Total	<u>\$11,460,690</u>	<u>\$11,460,690</u>	

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

3. Joint Venture

Fontana Regional Library

The County participates in a joint venture to operate the Fontana Regional Library (Library) with five other local governments. Each participating county may appoint three Board members to the nine-member Board of the Library. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the joint venture because the Library's continued existence depends on the participating governments' continued funding. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the Library, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2024. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$1,101,860 to the Library to supplement its activities. Complete financial statements for the Library may be obtained from the Library's offices at 33 Fryemont Street, Bryson City, North Carolina 28713.

Vaya Health

The County participates in a joint venture to operate the Vaya Health Local Management Entity (LME), which provides mental health, development disability, and substance abuse services to residents of the 22-county area: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey. The County Commissioners are responsible for appointing two members of the Board of Directors of Vaya Health. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the joint venture because the LME's continued existence depends on the participating governments' continued funding. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the LME, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County contributed \$106,623 to the LME to supplement its activities during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Complete financial statements for Vaya Health may be obtained from their offices at 200 Ridgefield Court, Suite 206, Asheville, NC 28806.

4. Jointly Governed Organizations

Southwestern North Carolina Planning and Economic Development Commission

The County, in conjunction with seven other counties and 16 municipalities, established the Southwestern North Carolina Planning and Economic Development Commission (Commission). The participating governments established the Commission to coordinate funding received from various federal and state agencies. Each participating government appoints one member to the Commission's 23-member governing Board.

Southwestern Community College

The County, in conjunction with the state of North Carolina, one other county, and two Boards of Education, participates in a joint venture to operate Southwestern Community College (Community College). The County appoints two members; the state, the other County, and the Boards of Education appoint 11 members of the 13-member Board of Trustees of the Community College.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

The Community College is included as a component unit of the state. The County has the basic responsibility for providing funding for the facilities of the Community College and also provides some financial support for the Community College's operations. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the Community College because of the statutory responsibilities to provide funding for the Community College's facilities. The County contributed \$484,283 to the Community College for operating and capital purposes during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The participating governments do not have any equity interest in the joint venture; therefore, no equity interest has been reflected in the County's financial statements at June 30, 2024. Complete financial statements for the Community College may be obtained from the Community College's administrative offices at 275 Webster Road, Franklin, North Carolina 28779.

5. Related Organizations

Macon County Airport Authority is a Component Unit of Macon County. Therefore Macon County Airport Authority and Macon County are related parties. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Authority received \$33,650 in appropriation from the County.

6. Summary Disclosure of Significant Commitments and Contingencies

Federal and State-Assisted Programs

The County has received proceeds from federal and state grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required, and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

7. Opioid Settlement Funds

In April 2022, drug manufacturer Johnson & Johnson, and three drug distributors, McKesson, AmerisourceBergen, and Cardinal Health, finalized a \$26 billion-dollar nationwide settlement related to multiple opioid lawsuits. These funds will be disbursed to each participating state over an 18-year period according to an allocation agreement reached with all participating states. The majority of these funds are intended for opioid abatement and the distribution of the funds will be front loaded.

North Carolina's Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the state and local governments for the settlement funds allocates the funds as follows:

- 15% directly to the state ("State Abatement Fund")
- 80% to abatement funds established by Local Governments ("Local Abatement Funds")
- 5% to County Incentive Fund

As of June 30, 2024 the County has received \$825,185 as part of this settlement in fiscal year 2024. Per the terms of the MOA, the County created a special revenue fund, the Opioid Settlement Fund, to account for these funds. All funds are to be used for opioid abatement and remediation activities. Funds are restricted until expended. No funds have been expended as of June 30, 2024. The MOA offered the County two options of expending the funds. The County has not selected an option yet.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

8. Reimbursement for Pandemic-Related Expenditures

In fiscal year 2020-2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to support urgent COVID-19 response efforts and replace lost revenue for eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments. The County was allocated \$6,964,996 of fiscal recovery funds to be paid in two equal installments. The first installment of \$3,482,498 was received in July 2021. The Second installment of \$3,482,498 was received in August 2022. County staff and the Board of Commissioners elected to use \$6,964,996 of the ARPA funds for revenue replacement in the 2022 fiscal year and these funds were transferred to the General Fund, Housing Grants Fund, and Solid Waste Fund for premium pay in the 2022 fiscal year. The County used \$1,841,923 and \$1,850,659 of the ARPA funds for premium pay in the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years, respectively, \$1,850,659 for salaries and benefits in the 2024 fiscal year, and \$25,000 for a GREAT grant match in both the 2023 and 2024 fiscal years. The remaining funds of \$1,371,755 are allocated accordingly: \$50,000 for GREAT grant match, \$396,425 for CAB grant match, and \$925,330 for salaries and benefits.

9. Subsequent Event

On September 26, 2024, Macon County issued Limited Obligation Bonds, Series 2024 for the construction of a new Franklin High School and Stadium. The par amount of the bonds is \$65,910,000 and the premium on the bonds is \$7,640,273.70. The bonds have a true interest cost of 3.46% and a final maturity of 10/1/2044.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

This section contains additional information required by generally accepted accounting principles.

- Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability for the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance
- Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll for the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance
- Schedules of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios – Other Post-Employment Benefits
- Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) – Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System
- Schedule of County's Contributions – Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System
- Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) – Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund
- Schedule of County's Contributions – Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE LAST EIGHT FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Beginning balance as reported	\$ 1,709,071	\$ 1,913,012	\$ 1,928,606	\$ 1,153,313
Service cost	88,422	111,288	116,852	69,819
Interest on the total pension liability	71,957	42,658	36,969	37,161
Difference between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total pension liability	417,293	(1,073)	(87,864)	82,875
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	51,354	(322,621)	(55,274)	612,250
Benefit payments	(79,062)	(34,193)	(26,277)	(26,812)
Ending balance of the total pension liability	<u>\$ 2,259,035</u>	<u>\$ 1,709,071</u>	<u>\$ 1,913,012</u>	<u>\$ 1,928,606</u>

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending December 31.

This statement will present ten years of data as information becomes available.

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**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE
LAST EIGHT FISCAL YEARS**

	2020	2019	2018	2017
Beginning balance as reported	\$ 1,113,115	\$ 1,107,728	\$ 1,044,146	\$ 1,010,346
Service cost	56,634	63,937	55,368	60,876
Interest on the total pension liability	39,886	34,445	39,537	35,480
Difference between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total pension liability	(59,281)	(6,940)	(73,031)	-
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	37,659	(50,680)	81,463	(29,536)
Benefit payments	(34,700)	(35,375)	(39,755)	(33,020)
Ending balance of the total pension liability	<u>\$ 1,153,313</u>	<u>\$ 1,113,115</u>	<u>\$ 1,107,728</u>	<u>\$ 1,044,146</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**SCHEDULE OF TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY AS A
 PERCENTAGE OF COVERED-EMPLOYEE PAYROLL
 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE
 LAST EIGHT FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 2,259,035	\$ 1,709,071	\$ 1,913,012	\$ 1,928,606
Covered-employee payroll*	3,226,282	2,828,788	2,677,580	2,720,056
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	70.0%	60.4%	71.4%	70.9%

Notes to Schedule:

Macon County has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 73 to pay related benefits.

This schedule will present ten years of data as information becomes available.

*Valuation payroll

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**SCHEDULE OF TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY AS A
 PERCENTAGE OF COVERED-EMPLOYEE PAYROLL
 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE
 LAST EIGHT FISCAL YEARS**

	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total pension liability	\$ 1,153,313	\$ 1,113,115	\$ 1,107,728	\$ 1,044,146
Covered-employee payroll*	2,423,278	2,506,335	2,429,891	2,333,739
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	47.6%	44.4%	45.6%	44.7%

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS LAST SEVEN FISCAL YEARS*

	Other Post-Employment Benefits			
	2024	2023	2022	2021
Service cost	\$ 954,731	\$ 1,439,358	\$ 3,672,188	\$ 2,236,587
Interest	1,142,660	864,736	2,079,949	2,339,212
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,149,950	195,744	(59,014,540)	(228,050)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(1,439,742)	(8,938,568)	2,131,943	22,166,655
Benefit payments	(838,138)	(829,136)	(607,908)	(727,731)
Net change in total OPEB liability	969,461	(7,267,866)	(51,738,368)	25,786,673
Total OPEB liability - beginning	31,739,215	39,007,081	90,745,449	64,958,776
Total OPEB liability - ending	<u>\$ 32,708,676</u>	<u>\$ 31,739,215</u>	<u>\$ 39,007,081</u>	<u>\$ 90,745,449</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 19,529,542	\$ 15,520,496	\$ 15,520,496	\$ 15,407,009
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	167.48%	204.50%	251.33%	588.99%

Notes to the Required Schedules:

Changes of Assumptions: Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate of each period. The following are the discount rates used in each period:

Fiscal Year	Rate
2024	3.65%
2023	3.54%
2022	2.16%
2021	2.21%
2020	3.50%
2019	3.89%
2018	3.56%

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

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria for GASB codification P22.101 or P52.101 to pay related benefits for the OPEB/pension fund.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS****REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION****SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS****LAST SEVEN FISCAL YEARS***

	Other Post-Employment Benefits		
	2020	2019	2018
Service cost	\$ 1,885,908	\$ 2,036,577	\$ 2,375,420
Interest	1,891,355	1,742,381	1,563,194
Differences between expected and actual experience	13,771,079	362,835	408,280
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(771,846)	(3,588,209)	(6,447,964)
Benefit payments	(869,036)	(883,376)	(895,699)
Net change in total OPEB liability	15,907,460	(329,792)	(2,996,769)
Total OPEB liability - beginning	49,051,316	49,381,108	52,377,877
Total OPEB liability - ending	<u>\$ 64,958,776</u>	<u>\$ 49,051,316</u>	<u>\$ 49,381,108</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 15,407,009	\$ 15,451,187	\$ 15,451,187
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	421.62%	317.46%	319.59%

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS***

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.240%	0.221%	0.225%	0.239%	0.245%
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ 15,881,302	\$ 12,476,582	\$ 3,450,898	\$ 8,536,557	\$ 6,679,835
Covered payroll	\$ 21,108,481	\$ 19,034,317	\$ 16,994,860	\$ 17,029,367	\$ 16,777,581
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	75.24%	65.55%	20.31%	50.13%	39.81%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**	82.49%	84.14%	95.51%	88.61%	90.86%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ended June 30.

** This will be the same percentage for all participant employers in the LGERS plan.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS***

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.263%	0.262%	0.266%	0.246%	-0.242%
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ 6,227,872	\$ 4,014,856	\$ 5,643,925	\$ 1,102,597	\$ (1,428,012)
Covered payroll	\$ 16,784,623	\$ 16,631,172	\$ 15,171,727	\$ 14,608,630	\$ 14,448,030
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	37.10%	24.14%	37.20%	7.55%	-9.88%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**	91.63%	94.18%	91.47%	98.09%	102.64%

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM****REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION****MACON COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS****LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 2,866,884	\$ 2,575,654	\$ 2,176,776	\$ 1,739,355	\$ 1,546,837
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>2,866,884</u>	<u>2,575,654</u>	<u>2,176,776</u>	<u>1,739,355</u>	<u>1,546,837</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Covered payroll	\$ 22,058,442	\$ 21,108,481	\$ 19,034,317	\$ 16,994,860	\$ 17,029,367
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	13.00%	12.20%	11.44%	10.23%	9.08%

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM****REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION****MACON COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS****LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,312,991	\$ 1,280,658	\$ 1,229,365	\$ 1,028,062	\$ 1,040,335
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>1,312,991</u>	<u>1,280,658</u>	<u>1,229,365</u>	<u>1,028,062</u>	<u>1,040,335</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Covered payroll	\$ 16,777,581	\$ 16,784,623	\$ 16,631,172	\$ 15,171,727	\$ 14,608,630
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	7.83%	7.63%	7.39%	6.78%	7.12%

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**REGISTER OF DEEDS' SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION FUND
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS***

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	-0.409%	-0.379%	-0.429%	-0.391%	-0.337%
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ (49,144)	\$ (50,123)	\$ (82,366)	\$ (89,515)	\$ (66,517)
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**	135.74%	139.04%	156.53%	173.62%	164.11%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ended June 30.

** This will be the same percentage for all participant employers in the LGERS plan.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**REGISTER OF DEEDS' SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION FUND
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS***

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	-0.436%	-0.426%	-0.430%	-0.424%	-0.387%
Proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ (72,138)	\$ (72,709)	\$ (80,342)	\$ (98,269)	\$ (87,744)
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**	153.31%	153.77%	160.17%	197.29%	193.88%

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**REGISTER OF DEEDS' SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION FUND
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
MACON COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 3,456	\$ 3,650	\$ 4,340	\$ 4,823	\$ 3,740
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>3,456</u>	<u>3,650</u>	<u>4,340</u>	<u>4,823</u>	<u>3,740</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**REGISTER OF DEEDS' SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION FUND
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
MACON COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 3,524	\$ 3,727	\$ 3,701	\$ 3,511	\$ 3,393
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>3,524</u>	<u>3,727</u>	<u>3,701</u>	<u>3,511</u>	<u>3,393</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**COMBINING AND INDIVIDUAL
FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SCHEDULES**

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THE GENERAL FUND

The General Fund accounts for resources traditionally associated with government that are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in other funds.

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Ad Valorem Taxes:				
Taxes - current	\$ 34,274,836	\$ 34,270,978	\$ (3,858)	\$ 33,411,498
Taxes - prior	420,000	824,093	404,093	738,692
Interest and advertising	170,000	206,278	36,278	213,149
Total	34,864,836	35,301,349	436,513	34,363,339
Local Option Sales Taxes:				
Medicaid hold harmless	-	-	-	152,509
Article 39 one percent	9,356,166	9,177,457	(178,709)	9,438,145
Article 40 one-half of one percent	2,657,554	2,695,043	37,489	2,642,361
Article 42 one-half of one percent	2,120,139	2,103,011	(17,128)	2,136,526
Article 44 one-half of one percent	-	18	18	(16)
Total	14,133,859	13,975,529	(158,330)	14,369,525
Unrestricted Intergovernmental Revenues:				
Payment in lieu of taxes	418,000	482,945	64,945	453,620
Gross receipts tax	42,000	40,950	(1,050)	42,372
Total	460,000	523,895	63,895	495,992
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues:				
Federal and state grants	10,547,852	8,057,092	(2,490,760)	8,441,006
Local grants	469,058	387,553	(81,505)	134,607
ABC revenues	17,000	16,419	(581)	16,629
Facility fees/CSC	56,000	43,252	(12,748)	51,457
Federal forfeiture and controlled substance	4,076	10,104	6,028	4,447
Local health and social services	523,000	528,327	5,327	554,279
Total	11,616,986	9,042,747	(2,574,239)	9,202,425
Permits and Fees:				
Inspection fees	424,700	580,331	155,631	532,038
Register of Deeds	700,000	872,526	172,526	925,554
Occupancy tax	189,781	185,318	(4,463)	184,424
Board of Elections fees	-	940	940	30
Civil license fees	3,000	3,044	44	2,778
Concealed handgun permits	68,000	57,565	(10,435)	67,460
Total	1,385,481	1,699,724	314,243	1,712,284
Sales and Services:				
Rents, concessions, and fees	294,400	335,171	40,771	325,402
Ambulance fees	1,900,000	1,843,282	(56,718)	1,984,097
Other public safety fees	336,225	273,546	(62,679)	318,878
Cable television franchise fees	75,000	63,173	(11,827)	69,477
Health fees	553,268	519,837	(33,431)	608,946
Aging program income	5,000	5,586	586	6,369
Total	3,163,893	3,040,595	(123,298)	3,313,169

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Investment Earnings	3,688,277	3,687,543	(734)	2,422,215
Miscellaneous:				
Other	190,585	332,300	141,715	309,419
Total revenues	69,503,917	67,603,682	(1,900,235)	66,188,368
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Governing Body:				
Salaries and employee benefits	130,030	127,790		122,160
Operating expenditures	442,000	429,325		367,087
Total	572,030	557,115	14,915	489,247
Administration:				
Salaries and employee benefits	521,398	510,014		495,833
Operating expenditures	72,636	38,959		37,402
Capital outlay	35,000	-		-
Total	629,034	548,973	80,061	533,235
Finance:				
Salaries and employee benefits	637,013	633,603		600,515
Operating expenditures	144,280	129,956		118,250
Total	781,293	763,559	17,734	718,765
Tax Office:				
Salaries and employee benefits	549,956	546,850		522,454
Operating expenditures	292,204	233,957		256,428
Capital outlay	-	-		33,326
Total	842,160	780,807	61,353	812,208
Legal:				
Contracted services	130,000	122,819	7,181	96,500
Mapping:				
Salaries and employee benefits	212,560	202,279		199,003
Operating expenditures	12,715	8,538		11,431
Total	225,275	210,817	14,458	210,434
Tax Assessment:				
Salaries and employee benefits	432,428	416,424		411,148
Operating expenditures	131,988	104,538		216,811
Total	564,416	520,962	43,454	627,959

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	2024		2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under
			Actual
Board of Elections:			
Salaries and employee benefits	301,034	282,187	231,648
Operating expenditures	113,188	98,121	72,688
Capital outlay	-	-	169,309
Total	414,222	380,308	473,645
Register of Deeds:			
Salaries and employee benefits	285,669	283,284	270,595
Operating expenditures	103,923	97,470	104,908
Total	389,592	380,754	375,503
Information Technology:			
Salaries and employee benefits	676,530	647,083	576,005
Operating expenditures	812,444	752,634	423,108
Capital outlay	3,564,142	797,581	514,957
Total	5,053,116	2,197,298	1,514,070
Garage:			
Salaries and employee benefits	376,299	375,559	356,326
Operating expenditures	91,745	67,708	71,267
Capital outlay	5,095	5,095	5,700
Total	473,139	448,362	433,293
Buildings and Grounds:			
Salaries and employee benefits	1,517,222	1,455,397	1,404,769
Operating expenditures	1,051,683	949,481	895,007
Capital outlay	294,484	289,905	31,785
Total	2,863,389	2,694,783	2,331,561
Human Resources:			
Salaries and employee benefits	378,321	351,395	371,386
Operating expenditures	27,480	14,352	19,681
Total	405,801	365,747	391,067
Non-Departmental:			
Operating expenditures	1,458,755	1,310,279	1,183,208
Capital outlay	60,000	-	-
Total	1,518,755	1,310,279	1,183,208
Total general government	14,862,222	11,282,583	3,579,639
Public Safety:			
Sheriff:			
Salaries and employee benefits	476,975	463,404	4,657,954
Operating expenditures	144,947	123,084	916,340
Capital outlay	568,198	491,708	44,340
Total	1,190,120	1,078,196	5,618,634

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	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Federal/State Forfeitures:				
Operating expenditures	5,009	5,009		4,961
Capital outlay	-	-		8,910
Total	5,009	5,009	-	13,871
Crime Prevention:				
Salaries and employee benefits	2,167,010	2,084,222		-
Operating expenditures	114,431	89,375		-
Total	2,281,441	2,173,597	107,844	-
Investigations:				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,071,427	1,025,937		-
Operating expenditures	50,738	38,982		-
Capital outlay	47,929	47,844		-
Total	1,170,094	1,112,763	57,331	-
School Resources:				
Salaries and employee benefits	949,324	906,886		-
Operating expenditures	54,224	44,702		-
Capital outlay	23,768	21,024		-
Total	1,027,316	972,612	54,704	-
Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Grants	146,382	146,359	23	146,377
Jail/Law Enforcement Center:				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,697,011	1,579,562		1,476,467
Operating expenditures	1,620,827	1,257,243		1,333,006
Capital outlay	237,252	233,233		64,078
Total	3,555,090	3,070,038	485,052	2,873,551
Courthouse Security:				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,438,108	1,365,154		778,533
Operating expenditures	686,010	645,023		45,074
Capital outlay	50,100	50,037		-
Total	2,174,218	2,060,214	114,004	823,607
Emergency Medical Service:				
Salaries and employee benefits	4,129,718	4,019,789		4,044,641
Operating expenditures	674,266	493,535		573,375
Capital outlay	550,759	214,365		451,790
Total	5,354,743	4,727,689	627,054	5,069,806

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under
			Actual
Emergency Management:			
Salaries and employee benefits	1,764,591	1,686,256	1,577,071
Operating expenditures	210,833	160,859	122,589
Capital outlay	69,974	19,974	25,946
Total	2,045,398	1,867,089	1,725,606
Fire Task Force:			
Salaries and employee benefits	298,153	174,774	260,666
Operating expenditures	35,832	24,054	30,076
Capital outlay	1,840	-	16,914
Total	335,825	198,828	307,656
Inspections:			
Salaries and employee benefits	715,784	639,971	619,511
Operating expenditures	104,013	92,531	98,882
Capital outlay	29,939	29,937	58,844
Total	849,736	762,439	777,237
Emergency 911:			
Salaries and employee benefits	152,924	124,868	129,670
Operating expenditures	29,015	14,954	22,290
Total	181,939	139,822	151,960
Animal Control:			
Salaries and employee benefits	323,394	305,492	282,968
Operating expenditures	108,320	91,179	84,176
Capital outlay	-	-	14,323
Total	431,714	396,671	381,467
Forest Service:			
Operating expenditures	90,820	90,820	85,136
Total public safety	20,839,845	18,802,146	17,974,908
Transit:			
Transit Services:			
Salaries and employee benefits	1,134,394	1,043,854	711,742
Operating expenditures	111,455	79,052	235,970
Capital outlay	1,763,687	1,309,186	670,298
Total	3,009,536	2,432,092	1,618,010
Transit CARES Act:			
Salaries and employee benefits	-	-	78,072
Operating expenditures	-	-	86,943
Total	-	-	165,015

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under
Contribution to Macon County Airport Authority	78,650	33,650	45,000
Total transit	3,088,186	2,465,742	622,444
Economic and Physical Development:			
Economic Development:			
Operating expenditures	1,312,036	88,780	1,223,256
Cooperative Extension:			
Salaries and employee benefits	274,519	245,846	244,892
Operating expenditures	24,617	21,309	17,294
Total	299,136	267,155	31,981
Soil Conservation:			
Salaries and employee benefits	179,967	171,417	164,443
Operating expenditures	600,885	186,452	74,188
Total	780,852	357,869	422,983
Special Appropriations:			
Cowee School - operating expenditures	48,375	35,724	12,651
Total economic and physical development	2,440,399	749,528	1,690,871
Human Services:			
Health:			
Administration:			
Salaries and employee benefits	304,822	259,286	270,370
Operating expenditures	276,804	217,878	188,392
Capital outlay	400,000	-	271,943
Total	981,626	477,164	504,462
Management Support:			
Salaries and employee benefits	356,226	352,163	316,037
Operating expenditures	118,589	115,064	101,445
Total	474,815	467,227	7,588
EPI Lab Capacity Inf Disease:			
Salaries and employee benefits	319	316	19,940
Operating expenditures	13,119	13,115	49,727
Capital outlay	-	-	22,223
Total	13,438	13,431	7
CDC COVID Vaccine Program:			
Salaries and employee benefits	11,400	533	-
Operating expenditures	150,783	66,133	13,319
Capital outlay	19,557	19,555	-
Total	181,740	86,221	95,519

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under
			Actual
ELC Reopening Schools:			
Salaries and employee benefits	59,914	22,203	9,756
Total	59,914	22,203	37,711
Testing School Health:			
Salaries and employee benefits	26,545	24,466	2,079
			-
School Health Nurse:			
Salaries and employee benefits	352,775	114,963	227,550
Operating expenditures	20,938	16,416	11,849
Total	373,713	131,379	242,334
Advancing Equity:			
Salaries and employee benefits	-	-	-
			12,028
Communicable Disease Pandemic Recovery:			
Salaries and employee benefits	29,557	28,393	-
Operating expenditures	126,792	60,885	99,457
Total	156,349	89,278	67,071
ARPA COVID-19 School Health Team Workforce:			
Operating expenditures	-	-	11,010
Capital outlay	-	-	41,496
Total	-	-	52,506
NC Tobacco Settlement Funds:			
Operating expenditures	87,480	87,326	88,306
Total	87,480	87,326	154
Women, Infants, and Children:			
Salaries and employee benefits	191,514	99,330	122,246
Operating expenditures	74,448	61,047	15,033
Total	265,962	160,377	105,585
Nutrition Education:			
Salaries and employee benefits	67,482	65,688	13,208
Operating expenditures	1,786	-	137,097
Total	69,268	65,688	3,580
Maternal and Childcare:			
Salaries and employee benefits	133,608	104,237	93,411
Operating expenditures	40,294	23,837	27,564
Total	173,902	128,074	45,828

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under
			Actual
Child Health:			
Salaries and employee benefits	49,252	39,579	46,549
Operating expenditures	7,061	5,668	6,376
Total	56,313	45,247	52,925
Family Planning:			
Salaries and employee benefits	121,737	88,308	59,755
Operating expenditures	27,118	24,887	22,951
Total	148,855	113,195	82,706
Dental Health Program:			
Salaries and employee benefits	514,202	483,536	486,756
Operating expenditures	61,724	56,631	53,437
Capital outlay	865,194	175,381	7,701
Total	1,441,120	715,548	547,894
Adult Health:			
Salaries and employee benefits	251,773	186,155	154,453
Operating expenditures	91,690	90,481	132,594
Total	343,463	276,636	287,047
NC Wisewoman Program:			
Salaries and employee benefits	18,486	17,540	17,520
Breast and Cervical Cancer:			
Salaries and employee benefits	33,477	32,020	31,099
Operating expenditures	17,685	15,033	19,054
Total	51,162	47,053	50,153
Laboratory Services:			
Salaries and employee benefits	162,661	162,096	153,822
Operating expenditures	82,609	67,320	53,749
Total	245,270	229,416	207,571
Communicable Disease:			
Salaries and employee benefits	104,002	80,956	96,501
Operating expenditures	7,982	6,923	5,834
Total	111,984	87,879	102,335
On-Site Wastewater:			
Salaries and employee benefits	378,534	318,088	325,796
Operating expenditures	47,532	26,101	46,005
Capital outlay	-	-	61,796
Total	426,066	344,189	433,597

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Private Drinking Water Wells:				
Salaries and employee benefits	302,547	246,035		231,687
Operating expenditures	26,269	21,064		30,533
Capital outlay	-	-		30,823
Total	328,816	267,099	61,717	293,043
Food and Lodging:				
Salaries and employee benefits	243,814	210,045		200,941
Operating expenditures	36,416	31,055		21,391
Total	280,230	241,100	39,130	222,332
Health Promotion:				
Salaries and employee benefits	173,978	165,305		119,775
Operating expenditures	22,597	18,866		13,509
Total	196,575	184,171	12,404	133,284
General Nursing:				
Salaries and employee benefits	224,006	184,901		141,828
Operating expenditures	165,917	161,192		162,565
Total	389,923	346,093	43,830	304,393
Child Service Coordination:				
Salaries and employee benefits	78,354	76,933		73,189
Operating expenditures	1,449	1,117		962
Total	79,803	78,050	1,753	74,151
Regional Chronic Disease 1422 Grant:				
Operating expenditures	795,674	585,922	209,752	344,635
Community Health Grant:				
Salaries and employee benefits	-	-		93,850
Operating expenditures	-	-		16,005
Total	-	-	-	109,855
OB Care Management Program:				
Salaries and employee benefits	83,161	8,297		7,519
Operating expenditures	2,902	959		449
Total	86,063	9,256	76,807	7,968
Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program:				
Salaries and employee benefits	19,061	17,050		-
Operating expenditures	2,483	1,398		-
Total	21,544	18,448	3,096	-

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Employee and Family Health:				
Salaries and employee benefits	147,741	127,334		100,213
Operating expenditures	29,495	28,720		38,991
Total	177,236	156,054	21,182	139,204
Total health	8,063,335	5,515,730	2,547,605	5,574,020
Social Services:				
Administration:				
Salaries and employee benefits	468,771	445,628		474,860
Operating expenditures	736,016	498,198		495,305
Total	1,204,787	943,826	260,961	970,165
Social Work Services/Special Programs:				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,515,118	1,416,129		1,334,516
Operating expenditures	1,368,910	925,901		1,015,648
Total	2,884,028	2,342,030	541,998	2,350,164
Child Daycare:				
Salaries and employee benefits	70,037	69,406	631	65,924
Child Support:				
Salaries and employee benefits	248,854	189,338		232,826
Operating expenditures	38,000	17,317		17,965
Total	286,854	206,655	80,199	250,791
Medicaid:				
County participation only	281,089	203,969	77,120	204,943
WorkFirst:				
Operating expenditures	3,000	150	2,850	-
Program Integrity:				
Salaries and employee benefits	82,488	79,733		78,318
Total	82,488	79,733	2,755	78,318
Medicaid/FS Administration:				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,869,070	1,685,422	183,648	1,487,374
Total social services	6,681,353	5,531,191	1,150,162	5,407,679
Department On Aging:				
Administration:				
Salaries and employee benefits	460,404	449,767		414,185
Operating expenditures	67,413	52,132		51,385
Total	527,817	501,899	25,918	465,570

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Home-Delivered Meals:				
Salaries and employee benefits	69,828	69,597		66,470
Operating expenditures	135,257	102,884		90,682
Total	205,085	172,481	32,604	157,152
Congregate Meals:				
Salaries and employee benefits	85,909	70,467		78,854
Operating expenditures	73,054	64,622		103,090
Total	158,963	135,089	23,874	181,944
Adult Daycare:				
Salaries and employee benefits	174,249	148,280		128,215
Operating expenditures	44,456	20,339		14,281
Total	218,705	168,619	50,086	142,496
NCOA Vaccine Uptake Grant:				
Salaries and employee benefits	16,431	-		1,322
Operating expenditures	27,375	18,047		5,091
Total	43,806	18,047	25,759	6,413
Total department on aging	1,154,376	996,135	158,241	953,575
Miscellaneous Human Services:				
Veterans' Service:				
Salaries and employee benefits	160,381	159,338		150,399
Operating expenditures	8,550	6,414		8,014
Total	168,931	165,752	3,179	158,413
Contributions to Organizations:				
Smoky Mountain Mental Health	106,623	106,623		106,623
Macon County Citizens for Handicapped	62,370	62,370		62,370
Macon Program for Progress	12,000	-		-
Total	180,993	168,993	12,000	168,993
Special Appropriations:				
State of Franklin	14,000	14,000		14,000
Other special appropriations	155,000	149,297		225,575
Total	169,000	163,297	5,703	239,575
Total miscellaneous human services	518,924	498,042	20,882	566,981
Total human services	16,417,988	12,541,098	3,876,890	12,502,255

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	2024		2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under
			Actual
Cultural and Recreational:			
Salaries and employee benefits	900,975	881,370	946,902
Operating expenditures	1,016,028	976,523	928,444
Capital outlay	440,605	189,275	-
Total	2,357,608	2,047,168	1,875,346
Library and Cultural:			
Macon County Library	1,131,310	1,117,026	1,101,860
Macon County Historical Society	10,000	10,000	10,000
Total	1,141,310	1,127,026	1,111,860
Total cultural and recreational	3,498,918	3,174,194	2,987,206
Education:			
Public schools - current expenditures	9,724,619	9,678,520	8,819,056
Public schools - capital outlay	1,244,000	1,243,837	2,501,819
Timber sales pass-through	167,000	141,433	134,515
Southwestern Community College	3,538,583	484,283	289,177
Total education	14,674,202	11,548,073	11,744,567
Debt Service:			
Principal	165,008	165,004	252,208
Interest	12,436	12,425	7,217
Total debt service	177,444	177,429	259,425
Total expenditures	75,999,204	60,740,793	58,122,315
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(6,495,287)	6,862,889	8,066,053
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers In:			
From ARPA Fund	2,113,903	1,692,478	1,692,478
From Capital Reserve Fund	-	-	295,000
From County Building Fund	350,000	350,000	-
Total	2,463,903	2,042,478	1,987,478
Transfers Out:			
To Consolidated Capital Project Fund	(3,343,112)	(3,343,112)	(1,561,666)
To E911 Fund	(540)	(540)	-
To Community Development Block Grant Fund	(148,764)	(148,764)	(154,175)
To Debt Service Fund	(2,077,634)	(2,077,634)	(1,266,351)
To Health Insurance Fund	(61,756)	(61,756)	(61,756)
Total	(5,631,806)	(5,631,806)	(3,043,948)

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	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Lease liabilities issued	660,000	-	(660,000)	193,331
Subscription liabilities issued	2,700,000	29,459	(2,670,541)	454,928
Appropriated fund balance	6,303,190	-	(6,303,190)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	6,495,287	(3,559,869)	(10,055,156)	(408,211)
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	3,303,020	<u>\$ 3,303,020</u>	7,657,842
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>51,703,201</u>		<u>44,045,359</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 55,006,221</u>		<u>\$ 51,703,201</u>

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DEBT SERVICE FUND

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for all expenditures for principal and interest for all long-term debt payments. The other governmental fund types provide the resources to the Debt Service Fund to make the payments through transfers.

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	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance from Final Budget Over/Under</u>
Revenues:			
NC Lottery funds	\$ 300,000	\$ 313,760	\$ 13,760
Federal subsidy rebate	163,034	164,786	1,752
Town of Franklin	35,796	35,796	-
Interest earned	-	3,468	3,468
Total revenues	<u>498,830</u>	<u>517,810</u>	<u>18,980</u>
Expenditures:			
Debt service:			
Principal repayments	2,727,274	2,727,274	-
Interest	783,411	783,411	-
Debt service reserve	<u>2,716,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,716,039</u>
Total expenditures	<u>6,226,724</u>	<u>3,510,685</u>	<u>2,716,039</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(5,727,894)	(2,992,875)	2,735,019
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in (out)	<u>5,727,894</u>	<u>5,680,859</u>	<u>(47,035)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>2,687,984</u>	<u>\$ 2,687,984</u>
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>4,739,100</u>	
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 7,427,084</u>	

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AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND

The American Rescue Plan Fund is used to track the revenue and expenditures of funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act.

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND - MAJOR
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Project Authorization</u>	<u>Prior Years</u>	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Total to Date</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>
Revenues:					
ARPA Funds	\$ 6,964,996	\$ 3,717,582	\$ 1,875,659	\$ 5,593,241	\$ (1,371,755)
Total revenues	<u>6,964,996</u>	<u>3,717,582</u>	<u>1,875,659</u>	<u>5,593,241</u>	<u>(1,371,755)</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>6,964,996</u>	<u>3,717,582</u>	<u>1,875,659</u>	<u>5,593,241</u>	<u>(1,371,755)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers out - Housing Grants Fund	(85,326)	(48,055)	(24,847)	(72,902)	12,424
Transfer out - General Fund	(6,324,140)	(3,351,498)	(1,692,478)	(5,043,976)	1,280,164
Transfer out - Solid Waste	<u>(555,530)</u>	<u>(318,029)</u>	<u>(158,334)</u>	<u>(476,363)</u>	<u>79,167</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(6,964,996)</u>	<u>(3,717,582)</u>	<u>(1,875,659)</u>	<u>(5,593,241)</u>	<u>1,371,755</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	-	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund Balance:					
Beginning of year - July 1			<u>-</u>		
End of year - June 30			<u>\$ -</u>		

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OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND

Opioid Settlement Fund – accounts for opioid settlement funds that are required to be used for opioid abatement

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND - MAJOR
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Opioid Settlement funds	\$ -	\$ 825,185	\$ 825,185	\$ 389,719
Investment earnings	-	39,558	39,558	11,597
Total revenues	-	864,743	864,743	401,316
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	864,743	\$ 864,743	401,316
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		401,346		30
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 1,266,089</u>		<u>\$ 401,346</u>

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2024

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Nonmajor Capital Project Funds	Total
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 992,131	\$ 3,845,623	\$ 4,837,754
Taxes receivable, net	103,693	-	103,693
Accounts receivable, net	316,092	-	316,092
Due from other governmental agencies	516,321	899,512	1,415,833
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted	106,288	67,316	173,604
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,034,525</u>	<u>\$ 4,812,451</u>	<u>\$ 6,846,976</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 787,890	\$ 123,411	\$ 911,301
Due to other funds	48,399	-	48,399
Grants received in advance	106,288	62,347	168,635
Total liabilities	<u>942,577</u>	<u>185,758</u>	<u>1,128,335</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Property taxes receivable	<u>103,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,693</u>
Fund Balances:			
Restricted:			
Stabilization by state statute	832,413	899,512	1,731,925
Restricted for public safety	505,264	-	505,264
Restricted for economic and physical development	17,113	-	17,113
Restricted for human services	13,650	-	13,650
Restricted for cultural and recreational	-	4,969	4,969
Restricted for education	-	16,357	16,357
Committed:			
Committed for general government	-	776,093	776,093
Committed for education	-	2,522,197	2,522,197
Committed for economic and physical development	2,704	407,565	410,269
Unassigned	(382,889)	-	(382,889)
Total fund balances	<u>988,255</u>	<u>4,626,693</u>	<u>5,614,948</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 2,034,525</u>	<u>\$ 4,812,451</u>	<u>\$ 6,846,976</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Nonmajor Capital Project Funds	Total
Revenues:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 5,142,527	\$ -	\$ 5,142,527
Local option sales taxes	-	3,507,869	3,507,869
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	1,717,520	496,660	2,214,180
Occupancy taxes	2,316,479	-	2,316,479
Permits and fees	33,282	-	33,282
Sales and services	350,615	-	350,615
Miscellaneous revenues	-	113,260	113,260
Interest earned on investments	13,789	155,197	168,986
Total revenues	<u>9,574,212</u>	<u>4,272,986</u>	<u>13,847,198</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	383,897	15,093	398,990
Public safety	5,764,742	-	5,764,742
Education	-	4,482,400	4,482,400
Economic and physical development	3,659,859	-	3,659,859
Human services	172,306	-	172,306
Cultural and recreational	-	496,527	496,527
Total expenditures	<u>9,980,804</u>	<u>4,994,020</u>	<u>14,974,824</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(406,592)</u>	<u>(721,034)</u>	<u>(1,127,626)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in	174,151	3,343,112	3,517,263
Transfers out	-	(3,953,225)	(3,953,225)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>174,151</u>	<u>(610,113)</u>	<u>(435,962)</u>
Net change in fund balances	(232,441)	(1,331,147)	(1,563,588)
Fund Balances:			
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>1,220,696</u>	<u>5,957,840</u>	<u>7,178,536</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 988,255</u>	<u>\$ 4,626,693</u>	<u>\$ 5,614,948</u>

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special revenue funds account for the proceeds of special revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditure for specific purposes.

Individual Fund Descriptions:

Emergency Telephone System Fund – accounts for the accumulation of funds used to operate the 911 emergency service operations.

Fire Districts Fund – accounts for the ad valorem tax levies of the eleven fire districts in Macon County.

Occupancy Tax Fund – accounts for the Occupancy Tax Fund in Macon County.

Housing Grants Fund – accounts for federal grants received and expended for community development.

Western Carolina Industrial Partners Fund – accounts for monies held by the County as agent for advertising and promotions for western North Carolina industries.

Deed of Trust Fund – accounts for the \$6.20 of each fee collected by the Register of Deeds for registering or filing a deed of trust mortgage that the County is required to remit to the State Treasurer on a monthly basis.

Representative Payee Fund – account for assets held by the County as agent for individuals served by these departments.

Relief Fund – accounts for assets held by the County as agent for individuals who were impacted by natural disasters.

Fines and Forfeitures Fund – accounts for fines and forfeitures collected by the County that are required to be remitted to the Macon County Board of Education.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2024

	Emergency Telephone System Fund	Fire Districts Fund	Occupancy Tax Fund	Housing Grants Fund	Western Carolina Industrial Partners Fund
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 506,284	\$ 30,094	\$ 416,905	\$ -	\$ 17,113
Taxes receivable, net	-	103,693	-	-	-
Accounts receivable, net	-	-	-	307,200	-
Due from government agencies	241,644	22,451	252,226	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted	-	-	-	106,288	-
Total assets	<u>\$ 747,928</u>	<u>\$ 156,238</u>	<u>\$ 669,131</u>	<u>\$ 413,488</u>	<u>\$ 17,113</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,020	\$ 52,545	\$ 669,131	\$ 50,921	\$ -
Due to other funds	-	-	-	48,399	-
Grants received in advance	-	-	-	106,288	-
Total liabilities	<u>1,020</u>	<u>52,545</u>	<u>669,131</u>	<u>205,608</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Property taxes receivable	-	103,693	-	-	-
Fund Balances:					
Restricted:					
Stabilization by state statute	241,644	22,451	252,226	307,200	-
Restricted for public safety	505,264	-	-	-	-
Restricted for economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	17,113
Restricted for human services	-	-	-	-	-
Committed for economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	(22,451)	(252,226)	(99,320)	-
Total fund balances	<u>746,908</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207,880</u>	<u>17,113</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 747,928</u>	<u>\$ 156,238</u>	<u>\$ 669,131</u>	<u>\$ 413,488</u>	<u>\$ 17,113</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2024**

	Deed of Trust Fund	Representative Payee Fund	Relief Fund	Fines and Forfeitures Fund	Total
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,716	\$ 16,290	\$ 2,704	\$ 25	\$ 992,131
Taxes receivable, net	-	-	-	-	103,693
Accounts receivable, net	-	-	-	8,892	316,092
Due from government agencies	-	-	-	-	516,321
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted	-	-	-	-	106,288
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,716</u>	<u>\$ 16,290</u>	<u>\$ 2,704</u>	<u>\$ 8,917</u>	<u>\$ 2,034,525</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,716	\$ 2,640	\$ -	\$ 8,917	\$ 787,890
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	48,399
Grants received in advance	-	-	-	-	106,288
Total liabilities	<u>2,716</u>	<u>2,640</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,917</u>	<u>942,577</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Property taxes receivable	-	-	-	-	103,693
Fund Balances:					
Restricted:					
Stabilization by state statute	-	-	-	8,892	832,413
Restricted for public safety	-	-	-	-	505,264
Restricted for economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	17,113
Restricted for human services	-	13,650	-	-	13,650
Committed for economic and physical development	-	-	2,704	-	2,704
Unassigned	-	-	-	(8,892)	(382,889)
Total fund balances	<u>-</u>	<u>13,650</u>	<u>2,704</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>988,255</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 2,716</u>	<u>\$ 16,290</u>	<u>\$ 2,704</u>	<u>\$ 8,917</u>	<u>\$ 2,034,525</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Emergency Telephone System Fund	Fire Districts Fund	Occupancy Tax Fund	Housing Grants Fund	Western Carolina Industrial Partners Fund
Revenues:					
Ad valorem taxes	\$ -	\$ 5,142,527	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	457,093	-	-	1,096,291	-
Occupancy taxes	-	-	2,316,479	-	-
Permits and fees	-	-	-	-	-
Sales and services	-	-	-	-	-
Investment earnings	13,789	-	-	-	-
Total revenues	<u>470,882</u>	<u>5,142,527</u>	<u>2,316,479</u>	<u>1,096,291</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditures:					
General government	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	622,215	5,142,527	-	-	-
Economic and physical development	-	-	2,316,479	1,343,380	-
Human services	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>622,215</u>	<u>5,142,527</u>	<u>2,316,479</u>	<u>1,343,380</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(151,333)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(247,089)</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in:					
From ARPA Fund	-	-	-	24,847	-
From General Fund	540	-	-	148,764	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>540</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,611</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(150,793)	-	-	(73,478)	-
Fund Balances:					
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>897,701</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>281,358</u>	<u>17,113</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 746,908</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 207,880</u>	<u>\$ 17,113</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Deed of Trust Fund	Representative Payee Fund	Relief Fund	Fines and Forfeitures Fund	Total
Revenues:					
Ad valorem taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,142,527
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	-	164,136	-	-	1,717,520
Occupancy taxes	-	-	-	-	2,316,479
Permits and fees	33,282	-	-	-	33,282
Sales and services	-	-	-	350,615	350,615
Investment earnings	-	-	-	-	13,789
Total revenues	<u>33,282</u>	<u>164,136</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350,615</u>	<u>9,574,212</u>
Expenditures:					
General government	33,282	-	-	350,615	383,897
Public safety	-	-	-	-	5,764,742
Economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	3,659,859
Human services	-	172,306	-	-	172,306
Total expenditures	<u>33,282</u>	<u>172,306</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350,615</u>	<u>9,980,804</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,170)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(406,592)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in:					
From ARPA Fund	-	-	-	-	24,847
From General Fund	-	-	-	-	149,304
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>174,151</u>
Net change in fund balances	-	(8,170)	-	-	(232,441)
Fund Balances:					
Beginning of year - July 1	-	21,820	2,704	-	1,220,696
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 13,650</u>	<u>\$ 2,704</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 988,255</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES

IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	\$ 595,598	\$ 457,093	\$ (138,505)	\$ 161,975
Investment earnings	6,000	13,789	7,789	9,319
Total revenues	<u>601,598</u>	<u>470,882</u>	<u>(130,716)</u>	<u>171,294</u>
Expenditures:				
Wireless 911:				
Telephone	33,252	13,078	20,174	23,863
Furniture	102,877	101,324	1,553	10,247
Software and software maintenance	81,398	81,031	367	55,889
Hardware and hardware maintenance	66,625	46,252	20,373	56,184
Training	6,000	3,678	2,322	3,715
Capital outlay	602,022	376,852	225,170	-
Total expenditures	<u>892,174</u>	<u>622,215</u>	<u>269,959</u>	<u>149,898</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(290,576)</u>	<u>(151,333)</u>	<u>139,243</u>	<u>21,396</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Appropriated fund balance	290,576	-	(290,576)	-
Transfers in from General Fund	-	540	540	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>290,576</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>(290,036)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(150,793)</u>	<u>\$ (150,793)</u>	<u>21,396</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>897,701</u>		<u>876,305</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 746,908</u>		<u>\$ 897,701</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**FIRE DISTRICTS FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes - fire:				
Current year	\$ 5,038,852	\$ 4,990,514	\$ (48,338)	\$ 4,856,574
Prior years	177,000	152,013	(24,987)	137,855
Total revenues	<u>5,215,852</u>	<u>5,142,527</u>	<u>(73,325)</u>	<u>4,994,429</u>
Expenditures:				
Public safety:				
Franklin Fire District		1,252,853		1,190,348
Clark's Chapel Fire District		372,966		357,347
Otto Fire District		530,368		517,846
Cullasaja Fire District		352,139		345,891
West Macon Fire District		339,166		332,222
Scaly Mountain Fire District		162,264		156,029
Burningtown/Iotla Fire District		274,124		267,768
Cowee Fire District		356,085		339,943
Highlands Fire District		1,118,009		1,104,010
Mountain Valley Fire District		144,100		141,918
Nantahala Fire District		240,453		241,107
Total expenditures	<u>5,215,852</u>	<u>5,142,527</u>	<u>73,325</u>	<u>4,994,429</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		-		-
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ -</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**OCCUPANCY TAX FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Occupancy tax:				
Highlands	\$ 1,504,199	\$ 1,502,490	\$ (1,709)	\$ 1,466,455
Nantahala	162,154	161,957	(197)	156,681
Franklin	516,132	466,714	(49,418)	497,744
Administrative fee	189,781	185,318	(4,463)	184,424
Total revenues	<u>2,372,266</u>	<u>2,316,479</u>	<u>(55,787)</u>	<u>2,305,304</u>
Expenditures:				
Economic and physical development:				
Highlands Chamber	1,504,199	1,502,490	1,709	1,466,455
Nantahala District	162,154	161,957	197	156,681
Franklin Chamber	516,132	466,714	49,418	497,744
Administrative fees	189,781	185,318	4,463	184,424
Total expenditures	<u>2,372,266</u>	<u>2,316,479</u>	<u>55,787</u>	<u>2,305,304</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ -</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

HOUSING GRANTS FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Actual						
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Closed Projects	Total to Date	Variance Over/Under	
Revenues:							
Restricted intergovernmental revenues:							
Community Development Block Grant #07-C-1662	\$	-	\$ 353,250	\$	-	\$ (353,250)	\$ -
Weatherization #1161	-	47,122	-	(47,122)	-	-	-
Urgent repair 1014	-	75,000	-	(75,000)	-	-	-
ARRA Weatherization 18WA	-	605,388	-	(605,388)	-	-	-
Community Development Block Grant #10-C-2124	-	275,815	-	(275,815)	-	-	-
Weatherization #1261	-	181,887	-	(181,887)	-	-	-
SFR 11	-	122,208	-	(122,208)	-	-	-
Urgent repair 1115	-	75,000	-	(75,000)	-	-	-
Urgent repair URP-13	-	75,000	-	(75,000)	-	-	-
Weatherization #1361	-	123,180	-	(123,180)	-	-	-
Weatherization #1461	-	234,892	-	(234,892)	-	-	-
Weatherization #6054	-	258,443	-	(258,443)	-	-	-
SFR 14	-	118,453	-	(118,453)	-	-	-
Duke HHP - Health and Safety	-	138,769	-	(138,769)	-	-	-
Duke HHP - HVAC	-	253,317	-	(253,317)	-	-	-
Duke Weatherization	-	98,200	-	(98,200)	-	-	-
Urgent Repair - URP 15	-	100,092	-	(100,092)	-	-	-
Weatherization #6508	-	168,648	-	(168,648)	-	-	-
Urgent Repair #1619	-	100,089	-	(100,089)	-	-	-
Weatherization #6940	-	98,669	-	(98,669)	-	-	-
Duke Weatherization Direct Reimbursement	400,394	210,058	11,336	-	221,394	(179,000)	
PNC Healthy Housing Energy & Neighborhood						-	
Beautification Improvement Program	-	39,214	-	(39,214)	-	-	
ESFRLP-17 Grant	-	166,457	-	(166,457)	-	-	
Weatherization DOE 2018 #7305	-	65,305	-	(65,305)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP 18 #7305	-	78,105	-	(78,105)	-	-	
Weatherization HARRP 18 #7305	-	37,203	-	(37,203)	-	-	
Duke Energy 2017 HHF#2017-2200	316,603	146,523	34,338	-	180,861	(135,742)	
Urgent Repair Program 18	-	100,206	-	(100,206)	-	-	
Weatherization DOE 2019 #7604	-	79,018	-	(79,018)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP 19 #7604	-	62,928	-	(62,928)	-	-	
Weatherization HARRP 19 #7604	-	8,680	-	(8,680)	-	-	
Urgent Repair Program 19	-	100,003	-	(100,003)	-	-	
Weatherization DOE 2020 #8000	-	75,717	-	(75,717)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP 20 #8000	-	53,950	-	(53,950)	-	-	
Weatherization HARRP 20 #8000	-	13,001	-	(13,001)	-	-	
ESFRLP-2020 Grant	-	109,409	-	(109,409)	-	-	
Urgent Repair Program 20	-	100,105	-	(100,105)	-	-	
Weatherization DOE 2021 #8217	-	170,510	-	(170,510)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP 21 #8217	-	44,347	-	(44,347)	-	-	
Weatherization HARRP 21 #8217	-	51,480	-	(51,480)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP COVID 21	-	2,271	-	(2,271)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP #22619	-	94,935	-	(94,935)	-	-	
Weatherization HARRP #22619	-	33,396	-	(33,396)	-	-	
Urgent Repair Program 21	-	100,120	-	(100,120)	-	-	
Dogwood Grant #1452	-	50,000	-	(50,000)	-	-	
Highlands Cashiers Health	-	50,000	-	(50,000)	-	-	
NCWAP- ARPA Covid	-	93,238	-	(93,238)	-	-	
NCWAP- ARPA HARRP	-	85,716	-	(85,716)	-	-	
Weatherization DOE #CW29746	-	118,497	-	(118,497)	-	-	
Weatherization HARRP #29746	-	88,296	-	(88,296)	-	-	
Weatherization LIHEAP #29746	-	134,743	-	(134,743)	-	-	
Urgent Repair Program 22	132,000	124,005	249	-	124,254	(7,746)	
Dogwood Affordable Housing	130,000	180	17,631	-	17,811	(112,189)	

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HOUSING GRANTS FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Actual					
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Closed Projects	Total to Date	Variance Over/Under
Healthy Homes HCHF/NHF	60,000	56,535	3,465	-	60,000	-
Dogwood ESFRLP & UPR Support	50,000	12,787	37,210	-	49,997	(3)
Weatherization DOE 24 #9920	172,947	-	163,219	-	163,219	(9,728)
Weatherization LIHEAP 24 #9920	429,707	-	402,397	-	402,397	(27,310)
Weatherization HARRP 24 #9920	241,608	-	239,771	-	239,771	(1,837)
URP 23	132,000	-	115,182	-	115,182	(16,818)
ESFRLP 23	162,000	-	71,493	-	71,493	(90,507)
Miscellaneous revenues	11,222	11,469	-	-	11,469	247
Total revenues	2,238,481	6,271,829	1,096,291	(5,710,272)	1,657,848	(580,633)
Expenditures:						
Economic and physical development:						
Administrative - County	1,800,130	1,393,065	148,084	(48,090)	1,493,059	307,071
Community Development Block Grant:						
Grant #07-C-1662 - administrative	-	40,965	-	(40,965)	-	-
Grant #07-C-1662 - rehabilitation	-	313,058	-	(313,058)	-	-
Weatherization #1161	-	47,124	-	(47,124)	-	-
Urgent repair 1014	-	74,998	-	(74,998)	-	-
ARRA weatherization 18WA	-	605,401	-	(605,401)	-	-
Community Development Block:						
Grant #10-C-2124 - administrative	-	30,978	-	(30,978)	-	-
Grant #10-C-2124 - rehabilitation	-	244,856	-	(244,856)	-	-
SFR-11 Grant	-	122,211	-	(122,211)	-	-
Weatherization #1261	-	181,802	-	(181,802)	-	-
Urgent Repair Grant 1115	-	74,943	-	(74,943)	-	-
Weatherization #1361	-	123,450	-	(123,450)	-	-
Urgent Repair Grant - URP-13	-	75,000	-	(75,000)	-	-
Weatherization #1461	-	234,894	-	(234,894)	-	-
Weatherization #6054	-	258,441	-	(258,441)	-	-
SFR 14	-	117,577	-	(117,577)	-	-
Duke HHP - Health and Safety	-	114,105	-	(114,105)	-	-
Duke HHP - HVAC	-	235,409	-	(235,409)	-	-
Duke Weatherization	-	97,616	-	(97,616)	-	-
Urgent Repair - URP 15	-	98,363	-	(98,363)	-	-
Weatherization #6508	-	168,649	-	(168,649)	-	-
Urgent Repair #1619	-	97,430	-	(97,430)	-	-
Weatherization #6940	-	98,667	-	(98,667)	-	-
Duke Weatherization Direct Reimbursement	400,394	188,638	76,055	-	264,693	135,701
PNC Healthy Housing Energy & Neighborhood						
Beautification Improvement Program	-	38,493	-	(38,493)	-	-
ESFRLP-17 - rehabilitation	-	135,018	-	(135,018)	-	-
ESFRLP-17 - program support	-	31,440	-	(31,440)	-	-
Weatherization DOE 2018 #7305	-	65,303	-	(65,303)	-	-
Weatherization LIHEAP 18 #7305	-	78,104	-	(78,104)	-	-
Weatherization HARRP 18 #7305	-	37,202	-	(37,202)	-	-
Duke Energy 2017 HHF#2017-2200	316,603	173,372	68,624	-	241,996	74,607
Urgent Repair- URP 19	-	99,668	-	(99,668)	-	-
Weatherization DOE 19 #7604	-	79,615	-	(79,615)	-	-
Weatherization LIHEAP 19 #7604	-	62,931	-	(62,931)	-	-
Weatherization HARRP 2019 #7604	-	8,679	-	(8,679)	-	-
Urgent Repair Program 20	-	100,003	-	(100,003)	-	-
Weatherization HARRP 2020 #8000	-	12,999	-	(12,999)	-	-
Weatherization DOE 20 #8000	-	75,777	-	(75,777)	-	-
Weatherization LIHEAP 20 #8000	-	53,950	-	(53,950)	-	-
ESFRLP-2020 Grant	-	109,409	-	(109,409)	-	-
Urgent Repair Program 20	-	100,105	-	(100,105)	-	-
Weatherization DOE 2021 #8217	-	170,510	-	(170,510)	-	-

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HOUSING GRANTS FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Project Authorization	Actual				Variance Over/Under
	Prior Years	Current Year	Closed Projects	Total to Date	
Weatherization LIHEAP 21 #8217	-	44,347	-	(44,347)	-
Weatherization HARRP 21 #8217	-	51,480	-	(51,480)	-
Weatherization LIHEAP COVID 21	-	2,271	-	(2,271)	-
Weatherization LIHEAP #22619 (5914)	-	94,935	-	(94,935)	-
Weatherization HARRP #22619 (5915)	-	33,396	-	(33,396)	-
Urgent Repair Program 2021(5916)	-	100,120	-	(100,120)	-
Dogwood Health Grant(5917)	-	50,000	-	(50,000)	-
Highlands Cashiers Health Foun(5918)	-	50,000	-	(50,000)	-
NCWAP ARPA COVID (5920)	-	93,238	-	(93,238)	-
NCWAP ARPA HARRP (5921)	-	85,716	-	(85,716)	-
Weatherization DOE 23 (5922)	-	118,497	-	(118,497)	-
Weatherization LIHEAP 23 (5923)	-	134,743	-	(134,743)	-
Weatherization HARRP (5924)	-	88,296	-	(88,296)	-
Urgent Repair Program 22	132,000	124,005	249	124,254	7,746
Healthy Homes HCHF/NHF (5927)	60,000	56,535	3,465	60,000	-
Dogwood Affordable Housing (5926)	130,000	180	17,631	17,811	112,189
Dogwood ESFLRP & URP Support (5928)	50,000	12,787	37,210	49,997	3
Weatherization DOE24 (5929)	172,947	-	163,219	163,219	9,728
Weatherization LIEAP 24 (5930)	429,707	-	402,397	402,397	27,310
Weatherization HARRP 24(5931)	241,608	-	239,771	239,771	1,837
URP 2023 (5932)	132,000	-	115,182	115,182	16,818
ESFLRP 2023 (5933, 5934, 5935)	162,000	-	71,493	71,493	90,507
Total expenditures	4,027,389	7,610,764	1,343,380	3,243,872	783,517
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,788,908)	(1,338,935)	(247,089)	(1,586,024)	202,884
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in:					
From General Fund	1,716,005	1,572,238	148,764	1,721,002	4,997
From ARPA Fund	72,903	48,055	24,847	72,902	(1)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,788,908	1,620,293	173,611	1,793,904	4,996
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ 281,358	\$ (73,478)	\$ 207,880	\$ 207,880

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

WESTERN CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>17,113</u>		<u>17,113</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 17,113</u>		<u>\$ 17,113</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**DEED OF TRUST FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues:				
Permits and fees:				
Register of Deeds	\$ 70,000	\$ 33,282	\$ (36,718)	\$ 37,212
Expenditures:				
General government:				
Payments of fees collected to the state of North Carolina	<u>70,000</u>	<u>33,282</u>	<u>36,718</u>	<u>37,212</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
End of year - June 30		<u><u>\$ -</u></u>		<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES

IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues:				
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	\$ 282,000	\$ 164,136	\$ (117,864)	\$ 181,341
Expenditures:				
Human services:				
Payments made for the benefit of beneficiaries	<u>282,000</u>	<u>172,306</u>	<u>109,694</u>	<u>191,835</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(8,170)</u>	<u>\$ (8,170)</u>	<u>(10,494)</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>21,820</u>		<u>32,314</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 13,650</u>		<u>\$ 21,820</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

RELIEF FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES

IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	-	\$ -	-
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		2,704		2,704
End of year - June 30		\$ 2,704		\$ 2,704

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**FINES AND FORFEITURES FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues:				
Sales and services:				
Penalties, fines and forfeitures	\$ 600,000	\$ 350,615	\$ (249,385)	\$ 156,979
Expenditures:				
General government:				
Payments to Board of Education	<u>600,000</u>	<u>350,615</u>	<u>249,385</u>	<u>156,979</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ -</u>

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

Capital project funds are used to account for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities other than those financed by the proprietary funds and trust funds.

Individual Fund Descriptions:

Nonmajor Funds:

Airport Improvements Fund – accounts for the construction costs of various airport improvements.

County Buildings Project Fund – accounts for the development and construction costs of County buildings.

Riverbend Estates Waterline Project Fund – accounts for the costs and construction of sewer lines in Riverbend Estates.

Little Tennessee River/Cartoogechaye Creek Sewer Trunk Project Fund – accounts for the construction costs of replacing sewer lines along the Little Tennessee River and the Cartoogechaye River.

Schools Capital Fund – accounts for the accumulation of dedicated local option sales tax used for school debt service and future school capital projects.

Capital Reserve Fund – accounts for the accumulation of undedicated resources to fund future projects of the County.

Consolidated Capital Projects Fund - is used to account for all expenditures for projects related to education facilities.

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2024

	Airport Improvements Fund	County Buildings Project Fund	Riverbend Estates Waterline Project Fund	Consolidated Capital Projects Fund
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 205,089	\$ 263,585	\$ 40,685	\$ 2,629,681
Due from governmental agencies	-	-	-	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	-	50,959	-	16,357
Total assets	<u>\$ 205,089</u>	<u>\$ 314,544</u>	<u>\$ 40,685</u>	<u>\$ 2,646,038</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances:				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 32,284	\$ -	\$ 91,127
Unearned revenue	-	45,990	-	16,357
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>78,274</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>107,484</u>
Fund Balances:				
Restricted:				
Stabilization by state statute	-	-	-	-
Restricted for cultural and recreational	-	4,969	-	-
Restricted for education	-	-	-	16,357
Committed for general government	-	231,301	-	-
Committed for economic and physical development	205,089	-	40,685	-
Committed for education	-	-	-	2,522,197
Total fund balances	<u>205,089</u>	<u>236,270</u>	<u>40,685</u>	<u>2,538,554</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 205,089</u>	<u>\$ 314,544</u>	<u>\$ 40,685</u>	<u>\$ 2,646,038</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2024

	Little Tennessee River/ Cartoogechaye Creek Sewer Trunk Project Fund	Schools Capital Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Total
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 161,791	\$ -	\$ 544,792	\$ 3,845,623
Due from governmental agencies	-	899,512	-	899,512
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-	67,316
Total assets	<u>\$ 161,791</u>	<u>\$ 899,512</u>	<u>\$ 544,792</u>	<u>\$ 4,812,451</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances:				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 123,411
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	62,347
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>185,758</u>
Fund Balances:				
Restricted:				
Stabilization by state statute	-	899,512	-	899,512
Restricted for cultural and recreational	-	-	-	4,969
Restricted for education	-	-	-	16,357
Committed for general government	-	-	544,792	776,093
Committed for economic and physical development	161,791	-	-	407,565
Committed for education	-	-	-	2,522,197
Total fund balances	<u>161,791</u>	<u>899,512</u>	<u>544,792</u>	<u>4,626,693</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 161,791</u>	<u>\$ 899,512</u>	<u>\$ 544,792</u>	<u>\$ 4,812,451</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Airport Improvements Fund	County Buildings Project Fund	Riverbend Estates Waterline Project Fund	Consolidated Capital Projects Fund
Revenues:				
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	\$ -	\$ 496,527	\$ -	\$ 133
Local option sales tax	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous revenues	125	-	-	113,135
Interest earned on investments	-	4,969	-	32,905
Total revenues	<u>125</u>	<u>501,496</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,173</u>
Expenditures:				
General government	-	15,093	-	-
Education	-	-	-	4,482,400
Cultural and recreational	-	496,527	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>511,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,482,400</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>125</u>	<u>(10,124)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,336,227)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers in:				
From General Fund	-	-	-	3,343,112
Transfers out:				
To Debt Service Fund	-	-	-	-
To General Fund	-	(350,000)	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>(350,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,343,112</u>
Net change in fund balances	125	(360,124)	-	(993,115)
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>204,964</u>	<u>596,394</u>	<u>40,685</u>	<u>3,531,669</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 205,089</u>	<u>\$ 236,270</u>	<u>\$ 40,685</u>	<u>\$ 2,538,554</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Little Tennessee River/ Cartoogechaye Creek Sewer Trunk Project Fund	Schools Capital Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Total
Revenues:				
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 496,660
Local option sales tax	-	3,507,869	-	3,507,869
Miscellaneous revenues	-	-	-	113,260
Interest earned on investments	-	88,827	28,496	155,197
Total revenues	-	3,596,696	28,496	4,272,986
Expenditures:				
General government	-	-	-	15,093
Education	-	-	-	4,482,400
Cultural and recreational	-	-	-	496,527
Total expenditures	-	-	-	4,994,020
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	3,596,696	28,496	(721,034)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers in:				
From General Fund	-	-	-	3,343,112
Transfers out:				
To Debt Service Fund	-	(3,603,225)	-	(3,603,225)
To General Fund	-	-	-	(350,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	(3,603,225)	-	(610,113)
Net change in fund balances	-	(6,529)	28,496	(1,331,147)
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of year - July 1	161,791	906,041	516,296	5,957,840
End of year - June 30	\$ 161,791	\$ 899,512	\$ 544,792	\$ 4,626,693

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Actual		
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Revenues:				
Restricted intergovernmental revenues:				
State aid to airports	\$ 8,323,967	\$ 7,064,875	\$ -	\$ 7,064,875
Airport Improvements Program	2,618,609	2,283,474	-	2,283,474
2013 NPE 36237.1.14.1	150,000	150,001	-	150,001
2014 NPE 36237.1.NPE.14	150,000	149,999	-	149,999
2015 NPE 36237.1.NPE.15	150,000	150,000	-	150,000
Taxiway/Lighting 36237.1.14.2	2,250,000	2,225,451	-	2,225,451
Miscellaneous revenues	61,167	88,051	125	88,176
Total revenues	13,703,743	12,111,851	125	12,111,976
Expenditures:				
Capital outlay:				
Runway extension phase II - site improvements	3,147,244	2,832,984	-	2,832,984
Phase I EA - runway extension	1,000,000	369,694	-	369,694
2004 Vision 100	166,667	152,571	-	152,571
Runway improvements	792,000	635,301	-	635,301
2008 Vision 100	166,667	-	-	-
SWPPP/SPCC & AWOS	131,602	31,775	-	31,775
Runway rehabilitation design	222,223	220,800	-	220,800
Runway rehabilitation construction	2,687,343	2,500,951	-	2,500,951
Apron improvements	2,511,340	2,601,454	-	2,601,454
2013 NPE 36237.1.141	166,667	126,644	-	126,644
2014 NPE 36237.1.NPE.14	166,667	166,666	-	166,666
2015 NPE 36237.1.NPE.15	166,667	166,667	-	166,667
2016 NPE 36237.1.NPE.16	166,667	118,606	-	118,606
2017 NPE 36237.1.NPE.17	166,667	-	-	-
New Fuel Farm	1,000,000	889,732	-	889,732
Taxiway/Lighting 36237.1.14.2	2,500,000	2,484,562	-	2,484,562
Total expenditures	15,158,421	13,298,407	-	13,298,407
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,454,678)	(1,186,556)	125	(1,186,431)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers in from General Fund	1,454,678	1,391,520	-	1,391,520
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ 204,964	\$ 125	\$ 205,089

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY BUILDING PROJECTS

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Actual		
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Revenues:				
PARTF Grant	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000
NC Grant-In-Aid 2017.51.0	100,000	100,000	-	100,000
State Capital Infrastructure	550,000	7,482	496,527	504,009
Investment earnings	-	3,900	4,969	8,869
Miscellaneous	-	20,360	-	20,360
Total revenues	<u>1,150,000</u>	<u>631,742</u>	<u>501,496</u>	<u>1,133,238</u>
Expenditures:				
General government:				
Animal shelter	500,000	498,905	-	498,905
Old library renovations	300,000	299,928	-	299,928
Renovations - Barrett Building	458,303	445,581	12,597	458,178
Renovations - Old Senior Services Building	118,550	118,531	-	118,531
Renovations - Patton Avenue Building	200,000	175,205	-	175,205
Garage construction	120,000	119,080	-	119,080
Radio communication upgrade	1,395,360	1,392,864	2,496	1,395,360
Dog park construction	115,957	112,820	-	112,820
Cultural and recreational:				
Nantahala Library renovation	450,000	3,151	273,229	276,380
Parker Meadows Recreation Complex	3,774,801	3,747,923	-	3,747,923
Greenway improvements	250,000	4,331	223,298	227,629
Carpenter building renovations	899,965	899,965	-	899,965
Total expenditures	<u>8,582,936</u>	<u>7,818,284</u>	<u>511,620</u>	<u>8,329,904</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(7,432,936)</u>	<u>(7,186,542)</u>	<u>(10,124)</u>	<u>(7,196,666)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Debt issued	1,800,000	1,800,000	-	1,800,000
Transfers in:				
From General Fund	5,610,867	5,610,867	-	5,610,867
From Emergency Telephone System Fund	326,095	326,095	-	326,095
From Little Tennessee River/Cartoogechaye Creek Sewer Trunk Project Fund	303,216	303,216	-	303,216
Transfers out:				
(To) General Fund	(350,000)	-	(350,000)	(350,000)
(To) Emergency Telephone System Fund	(257,242)	(257,242)	-	(257,242)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>7,432,936</u>	<u>7,782,936</u>	<u>(350,000)</u>	<u>7,432,936</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 596,394</u>	<u>\$ (360,124)</u>	<u>\$ 236,270</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**RIVERBEND ESTATES WATERLINE PROJECT FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -****BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

		Actual		
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Revenues:				
DENR DWSRF grant	\$ 2,618,518	\$ 2,531,090	\$ -	\$ 2,531,090
Investment earnings	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous revenue	-	113,592	-	113,592
Total revenues	<u>2,618,518</u>	<u>2,644,682</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,644,682</u>
Expenditures:				
Sewer project expense:				
Administration	71,800	58,500	-	58,500
Engineering	216,221	215,000	-	215,000
Construction	<u>2,330,497</u>	<u>2,330,497</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,330,497</u>
Total expenditures	<u>2,618,518</u>	<u>2,603,997</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,603,997</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 40,685</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 40,685</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL PROJECTS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Actual		
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Revenues:				
Investment earnings	\$ 149,860	\$ 326,829	\$ 32,905	\$ 359,734
Repair Renovation Fund - Lottery	697,730	29,411	133	29,544
NC Department of Transportation	50,000	50,000	-	50,000
Contribution from Board of Education	15,000	15,000	-	15,000
Miscellaneous revenues	650,890	537,756	113,135	650,891
Total revenues	<u>1,563,480</u>	<u>958,996</u>	<u>146,173</u>	<u>1,105,169</u>
Expenditures:				
Iotla Valley K-5	14,683,260	14,581,604	-	14,581,604
East Franklin Elementary School/QZAB	1,995,000	1,995,000	-	1,995,000
Southwestern Community Early College	878,899	878,899	-	878,899
Nantahala renovations/QZAB	1,804,651	1,804,652	-	1,804,652
School technology expenses	1,800,000	1,800,000	-	1,800,000
Highlands QZAB	1,583,720	1,583,719	-	1,583,719
Union/Highlands QZAB	3,035,757	3,035,756	-	3,035,756
South Macon Elementary School expansion	3,291,022	3,266,689	-	3,266,689
Franklin High School	4,834,425	1,745,463	2,181,644	3,927,107
Macon Middle School renovation	13,424,364	10,311,156	2,122,827	12,433,983
Highlands School Pre-K	492,299	35,262	177,796	213,058
Highlands Middle School renovation	697,730	29,411	133	29,544
Debt service:				
Issuance costs	217,872	192,123	-	192,123
Total expenditures	<u>48,738,999</u>	<u>41,259,734</u>	<u>4,482,400</u>	<u>45,742,134</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(47,175,519)</u>	<u>(40,300,738)</u>	<u>(4,336,227)</u>	<u>(44,636,965)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Issuance of long-term debt	35,449,539	35,449,539	-	35,449,539
Premium on long-term debt issued	996,435	996,435	-	996,435
Transfer from the General Fund	10,729,545	7,386,433	3,343,112	10,729,545
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>47,175,519</u>	<u>43,832,407</u>	<u>3,343,112</u>	<u>47,175,519</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,531,669</u>	<u>\$ (993,115)</u>	<u>\$ 2,538,554</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**LITTLE TENNESSEE RIVER/CARTOOGEC HAYE CREEK
SEWER TRUNK PROJECT****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

		Actual		
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Revenues:				
NC High Unit Cost grant	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000
NC Rural Center grant	750,000	712,092	-	712,092
Town of Franklin contribution	16,970	16,970	-	16,970
Investment earnings	-	87	-	87
Miscellaneous revenue	-	91,584	-	91,584
Total revenues	<u>3,766,970</u>	<u>3,820,733</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,820,733</u>
Expenditures:				
Sewer project expense:				
Legal fees	25,688	25,688	-	25,688
Issuance cost	11,986	11,986	-	11,986
Engineering	760,088	760,088	-	760,088
Surveying	6,445	6,445	-	6,445
General contract	5,010,742	4,902,715	-	4,902,715
Land	208,637	208,636	-	208,636
Total expenditures	<u>6,023,586</u>	<u>5,915,558</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,915,558</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(2,256,616)</u>	<u>(2,094,825)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,094,825)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Debt issued	2,043,250	2,043,250	-	2,043,250
Transfer to County Building Projects Fund	(303,216)	(303,216)	-	(303,216)
Transfer from General Fund	516,582	516,582	-	516,582
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>2,256,616</u>	<u>2,256,616</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,256,616</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 161,791</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 161,791</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**SCHOOLS CAPITAL FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Interest	\$ 75,000	\$ 88,827	\$ 13,827	\$ 68,746
Local option sales tax	3,575,260	3,507,869	(67,391)	3,584,910
Total revenues	3,650,260	3,596,696	(53,564)	3,653,656
Revenues over (under) expenditures	3,650,260	3,596,696	(53,564)	3,653,656
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers out:				
(To) Debt Service Fund	(3,650,260)	(3,603,225)	47,035	(3,174,602)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	(6,529)	\$ (6,529)	479,054
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		906,041		426,987
End of year - June 30		\$ 899,512		\$ 906,041

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**CAPITAL RESERVE FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Interest	\$ -	\$ 28,496	\$ 28,496	\$ 21,039
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	28,496	28,496	21,039
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers out:				
(To) General Fund	-	-	-	(295,000)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	28,496	\$ 28,496	(273,961)
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		516,296		790,257
End of year - June 30		\$ 544,792		\$ 516,296

ENTERPRISE FUND

The Enterprise Fund is used to account for solid waste collection and disposal operations in Macon County that are financed through solid waste fees.

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SOLID WASTE FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	2024			2023
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Operating revenues:				
Landfill fees	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 2,962,072		\$ 2,957,919
Tipping fees	2,035,750	2,062,898		1,855,666
Recycling revenue	300,000	264,348		312,349
Collection fees	-	-		-
Other operating revenue	4,428	5,522		355,192
Scrap tire disposal fee	72,000	72,243		70,469
Solid waste disposal fees	-	-		-
Restricted intergovernmental revenue	26,400	28,489		26,756
Total operating revenues	5,438,578	5,395,572	\$ (43,006)	5,578,351
Non-operating revenues:				
Solid waste disposal tax	34,000	33,895		34,539
Investment earnings	98,000	430,179		289,809
Total non-operating revenues	132,000	464,074	332,074	324,348
Total revenues	5,570,578	5,859,646	289,068	5,902,699
Expenditures:				
Operating expenditures:				
Salaries	1,703,471	1,660,486		1,590,636
Employee benefits	585,794	576,173		549,776
Operating expenditures	2,229,313	1,897,810		1,728,872
Interest and fees	63,133	63,133		85,082
Debt principal	1,031,996	1,031,996		1,014,172
Landfill closure and post-closure costs	482,459	31,610		118,107
Capital outlay	1,681,212	1,015,791		75,292
Solid waste disposal tax remittance	86,000	83,760		79,418
Total expenditures	7,863,378	6,360,759	1,502,619	5,241,355
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,292,800)	(501,113)	1,791,687	661,344

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SOLID WASTE FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	<u>2024</u>			<u>2023</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfer from ARPA Fund	158,334	158,334	-	158,334
Appropriated fund balance	<u>2,134,466</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,134,466)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>2,292,800</u>	<u>158,334</u>	<u>(2,134,466)</u>	<u>158,334</u>
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (342,779)</u>	<u>\$ (342,779)</u>	<u>\$ 819,678</u>

**Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis
(Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:**

Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ (342,779)
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Reconciling items:

Payment of debt principal	1,031,996
Solid waste capital project fund interest income	2,854
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest payable	5,521
Capital outlay	1,015,791
Increase (decrease) in deferred outflows - pension	92,648
(Increase) decrease in net pension liability LGERS	(204,283)
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows - pension LGERS	5,535
(Increase) decrease in post-closure care costs	(178,452)
(Increase) decrease in OPEB liability	(61,852)
Increase (decrease) in deferred outflows - OPEB	(229,829)
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows - OPEB	614,499
(Increase) decrease in compensated absences	(5,710)
Depreciation	<u>(891,764)</u>

Change in net position - Exhibit I	<u>\$ 854,175</u>
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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SOLID WASTE CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

LANDFILL EXPANSION PROJECT

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -

BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)

FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Actual		
	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Revenues:				
Investment earnings	\$ -	\$ 48,898	\$ 2,854	\$ 51,752
Sales tax refund	-	30,613	-	30,613
Total revenues	-	79,511	2,854	82,365
Expenditures:				
Construction	201,541	8,197	-	8,197
Capital equipment	77	-	-	-
Construction administration	1,635	-	-	-
Water line installation/relocation	240,000	14,000	-	14,000
Building renovations	182,775	5,757	-	5,757
Professional fees	34,700	75,527	86,513	162,040
Contingency	17,285	-	-	-
Total expenditures	678,013	103,481	86,513	189,994
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(678,013)	(23,970)	(83,659)	(107,629)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Proceeds from issuance of debt	2,429,558	2,429,558	-	2,429,558
Transfer to Solid Waste Fund	(1,751,545)	(1,751,545)	-	(1,751,545)
Total other financing sources (uses)	678,013	678,013	-	678,013
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ -	\$ 654,043	\$ (83,659)	\$ 570,384

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INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

Internal service funds are used to account for the County's activities, which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The measurement focus is on the flow of economic resources.

Individual Fund Description:

Self-Insurance Fund – accounts for the financing of health insurance coverage for all County employees.

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**SELF-INSURANCE FUND
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets:		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 777,387	\$ 671,780
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>327,596</u>	<u>289,496</u>
Net Position:		
Unrestricted net position	<u>\$ 449,791</u>	<u>\$ 382,284</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**SELF-INSURANCE FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN****FUND NET POSITION - FINANCIAL PLAN AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	2024			2023
	Financial Plan	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Operating Revenues:				
Charges for services:				
Employee and employer contributions	\$ 5,052,993	\$ 5,054,835	\$ 1,842	\$ 5,037,319
Operating Expenses:				
Insurance premiums	5,094,782	5,013,840	80,942	5,002,453
Benefit payments	50,000	65,223	(15,223)	13,783
Total operating expenses	5,144,782	5,079,063	65,719	5,016,236
Operating income (loss)	(91,789)	(24,228)	67,561	21,083
Non-Operating Revenues:				
Investment earnings	30,033	29,979	(54)	18,635
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfer from General Fund	61,756	61,756	-	61,756
Change in net position	\$ -	67,507	\$ 67,507	101,474
Net Position:				
Beginning of year - July 1		382,284		280,810
End of year - June 30		\$ 449,791		\$ 382,284

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**SELF-INSURANCE FUND****STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024****WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Cash received from customers	\$ 5,054,835	\$ 5,037,319
Cash paid for goods and services	<u>(5,040,963)</u>	<u>(5,021,510)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>13,872</u>	<u>15,809</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Interest on investments	<u>29,979</u>	<u>18,635</u>
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:		
Transfer from other funds	<u>61,756</u>	<u>61,756</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	105,607	96,200
Cash and Cash Equivalents:		
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>671,780</u>	<u>575,580</u>
End of year - June 30	<u><u>\$ 777,387</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 671,780</u></u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to		
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (24,228)	\$ 21,083
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to		
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>38,100</u>	<u>(5,274)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u><u>\$ 13,872</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,809</u></u>

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CUSTODIAL FUNDS

Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, or private-purpose trust funds. Custodial funds are used to account for assets the County holds on behalf of others that meet certain criteria.

Individual Fund Descriptions:

Municipal Tax Fund – accounts for the proceeds of the motor vehicle taxes that are billed and collected by the state on behalf of the municipalities within the County and the proceeds of ad valorem taxes that are billed and collected by the County on behalf of the municipalities within the County.

Jail Inmate Pay Fund – accounts for jail for the benefit of certain individuals.

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

CUSTODIAL FUNDS

COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2024

	Municipal Tax Fund	Jail Inmate Pay Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 14,870	\$ 36,432	\$ 51,302
Taxes receivable for other governments, net	16,259	-	16,259
Total assets	<u>31,129</u>	<u>36,432</u>	<u>67,561</u>
Liabilities:			
Unearned revenue	1,548	-	1,548
Due to other governments	14,869	-	14,869
Total liabilities	<u>16,417</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,417</u>
Net Position:			
Restricted for:			
Individuals, organizations and other governments	14,712	36,432	51,144
Total net position	<u>\$ 14,712</u>	<u>\$ 36,432</u>	<u>\$ 51,144</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

CUSTODIAL FUNDS

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Municipal Tax Fund	Jail Inmate Pay Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Additions:			
Property taxes collected for other governments	\$ 3,042,236	\$ -	\$ 3,042,236
Collections on behalf of individuals/organizations	-	154,681	154,681
Total additions	<u>3,042,236</u>	<u>154,681</u>	<u>3,196,917</u>
Deductions:			
Property taxes distributed to other governments	3,045,975	-	3,045,975
Payments on behalf of individuals/organizations	-	126,027	126,027
Total deductions	<u>3,045,975</u>	<u>126,027</u>	<u>3,172,002</u>
Change in fiduciary net position	(3,739)	28,654	24,915
Net Position:			
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>18,451</u>	<u>7,778</u>	<u>26,229</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 14,712</u>	<u>\$ 36,432</u>	<u>\$ 51,144</u>

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL DATA

This section contains additional information on taxes receivable and the tax levy as of June 30, 2024.

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MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SCHEDULE OF AD VALOREM TAXES RECEIVABLE - GENERAL FUND
JUNE 30, 2024

Fiscal Year	Uncollected Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Collections and Credits	Uncollected Balance June 30, 2024
2023-2024	\$ -	\$ 35,187,528	\$ 34,705,421	\$ 482,107
2022-2023	407,816	742	236,687	171,871
2021-2022	174,258	-	59,823	114,435
2020-2021	105,897	-	28,213	77,684
2019-2020	80,679	-	19,777	60,902
2018-2019	71,174	-	14,526	56,648
2017-2018	57,430	-	18,594	38,836
2016-2017	42,141	-	10,631	31,510
2015-2016	38,364	-	8,515	29,849
2014-2015	37,566	-	5,153	32,413
2013-2014	32,118	-	32,118	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,047,443</u>	<u>\$ 35,188,270</u>	<u>\$ 35,139,458</u>	1,096,255
Less allowance for uncollectible ad valorem taxes receivable				<u>(548,554)</u>
Ad valorem taxes receivable - net				<u>\$ 547,701</u>
Reconciliation with Revenues:				
Taxes - ad valorem - General Fund			\$ 35,301,349	
Reconciling items:				
Advertising/attorney fees				(36,419)
Interest collected				(169,859)
Refunds and other adjustments				17,482
Amounts written off per Statute of Limitations				<u>26,905</u>
Total collections and credits			<u>\$ 35,139,458</u>	

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

ANALYSIS OF CURRENT TAX LEVY - COUNTY-WIDE LEVY FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	County-Wide			Total Levy	
	Property Valuation	Rate	Amount of Levy	Property Excluding Registered Motor Vehicles	Registered Motor Vehicles
Original Levy:					
Property taxed at current year's rate	\$ 12,213,729,259	\$ 0.2700	\$ 32,977,069	\$ 32,977,069	\$ -
Motor vehicles taxed at current year's rate	435,624,437	0.2700	1,176,186	-	1,176,186
Motor vehicles taxed at prior year's rate	107,357,573	0.4000	429,430	-	429,430
Motor vehicles taxed at prior year's rate	251,462	0.3747	942	-	942
Motor vehicles taxed at prior year's rate	6,799	0.3490	24	-	24
Total	12,756,969,530		34,583,651	32,977,069	1,606,582
Discoveries:					
Current year taxes	15,074,815	0.2700	40,702	40,702	-
Utilities	229,942,222	0.2700	620,844	620,844	-
Less releases and adjustments	(21,358,889)	0.2700	(57,669)	(57,669)	-
Total property valuation	<u>\$ 12,980,627,678</u>				
Net Levy			35,187,528	33,580,946	1,606,582
Uncollected taxes at June 30, 2024			(482,107)	(482,107)	-
Current Year's Taxes Collected			<u>\$ 34,705,421</u>	<u>\$ 33,098,839</u>	<u>\$ 1,606,582</u>
Current Levy Collection Percentage			<u>98.63%</u>	<u>98.56%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Secondary Market Disclosures:					
Assessed valuation:					
Assessment ratio					<u>100.00%</u>
Real property					\$ 12,030,639,524
Personal property					720,045,932
Public service companies					229,942,222
Total assessed valuation					<u>\$ 12,980,627,678</u>
Tax rate per \$100					<u>0.2700</u>
Levy (includes discoveries, releases, and abatements)					<u>\$ 35,187,528</u>
In addition to the County-wide rate, the County had the following levy on behalf of fire-protection districts for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.					<u>\$ 5,145,189</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

SCHEDULE OF AD VALOREM TAXES RECEIVABLE - FIRE DISTRICTS
JUNE 30, 2024

Fiscal Year	Uncollected Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Collections and Credits	Uncollected Balance June 30, 2024
2023-2024	\$ -	\$ 5,145,189	\$ 5,055,460	\$ 89,729
2022-2023	74,761	-	40,197	34,564
2021-2022	30,046	-	9,100	20,946
2020-2021	19,159	-	4,641	14,518
2019-2020	14,836	-	3,309	11,527
2018-2019	12,659	-	2,033	10,626
2017-2018	10,676	-	2,894	7,782
2016-2017	6,848	-	1,273	5,575
2015-2016	6,587	-	1,216	5,371
2014-2015	6,951	-	797	6,154
2013-2014	5,669	-	5,669	-
Total	<u>\$ 188,192</u>	<u>\$ 5,145,189</u>	<u>\$ 5,126,589</u>	<u>206,792</u>
Less allowance for uncollectible ad valorem taxes receivable:				
Fire Districts Fund				<u>(103,099)</u>
Fire districts taxes receivable - net				<u>\$ 103,693</u>
Reconciliation of Revenues with Collections and Credits:				
Taxes - ad valorem - Fire Districts Fund				\$ 5,142,527
Taxes written off				4,927
Interest collected				(26,623)
Miscellaneous adjustments				<u>5,758</u>
Total collections and credits				<u>\$ 5,126,589</u>

MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**ANALYSIS OF CURRENT TAX LEVY - FIRE DISTRICTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Amount of Levy</u>
Original Levy:	
Franklin Fire District	\$ 1,252,081
Clarks Chapel Fire District	372,959
Otto Fire District	531,171
Cullasaja Fire District	354,888
West Macon Fire District	339,814
Scaly Mountain Fire District	160,542
Burningtown / Iotla Fire District	276,645
Cowee Fire District	354,194
Nantahala Fire District	243,309
Highlands Fire District	1,115,204
Mountain Valley Fire District	<u>144,382</u>
Net Levy	5,145,189
Less uncollected taxes at June 30, 2024	<u>(89,729)</u>
Current Year's Taxes Collected	<u>\$ 5,055,460</u>
Current Levy Collection Percentage	<u>98.26%</u>

STATISTICAL SECTION

The Statistical Section includes data extracted from prior years' financial reports and various other sources.

The information presented in this section does not provide full and adequate disclosure of financial information for prior years required by generally accepted accounting principles. Such information is provided for supplementary analysis purposes and should be relied on only for the purpose specified.

Contents

Financial Trends

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the County's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity

These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the County's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.

Debt Capacity

These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the County's current levels of outstanding debt and the County's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Demographic and Economic Information

These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the County's financial activities take place.

Operating Information

These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the County's financial report relates to the services the government provides and the activities it performs.

Sources: *Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the relevant year.*

Macon County
Net Position by Components
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Governmental activities					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 21,124,267	\$ 21,305,117	\$ 22,606,474	\$ 22,973,499	\$ 22,785,923
Restricted	5,769,063	5,278,492	5,828,677	5,767,882	6,425,776
Unrestricted	<u>(21,627,391)</u>	<u>(19,083,032)</u>	<u>(19,517,194)</u>	<u>(47,699,311)</u>	<u>(48,719,428)</u>
Total governmental activities net position	<u>\$ 5,265,939</u>	<u>\$ 7,500,577</u>	<u>\$ 8,917,957</u>	<u>\$ (18,957,930)</u>	<u>\$ (19,507,729)</u>
Business-type activities					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 3,599,088	\$ 3,434,779	\$ 3,522,725	\$ 4,292,729	\$ 5,099,569
Unrestricted	<u>(288,998)</u>	<u>634,732</u>	<u>1,925,721</u>	<u>(279,241)</u>	<u>(1,697,225)</u>
Total business-type activities net position	<u>\$ 3,310,090</u>	<u>\$ 4,069,511</u>	<u>\$ 5,448,446</u>	<u>\$ 4,013,488</u>	<u>\$ 3,402,344</u>
Primary government					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 24,723,355	\$ 24,739,896	\$ 26,129,199	\$ 27,266,228	\$ 27,885,492
Restricted	5,769,063	5,278,492	5,828,677	5,767,882	6,425,776
Unrestricted	<u>(21,916,389)</u>	<u>(18,448,300)</u>	<u>(17,591,473)</u>	<u>(47,978,552)</u>	<u>(50,416,653)</u>
Total primary government net position	<u>\$ 8,576,029</u>	<u>\$ 11,570,088</u>	<u>\$ 14,366,403</u>	<u>\$ (14,944,442)</u>	<u>\$ (16,105,385)</u>

Macon County
Net Position by Components
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Governmental activities					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 23,024,724	\$ 22,424,684	\$ 21,530,233	\$ 23,037,582	\$ 25,729,931
Restricted	6,470,552	7,519,573	8,437,616	8,944,299	9,391,806
Unrestricted	<u>(50,571,560)</u>	<u>(51,044,893)</u>	<u>(46,379,410)</u>	<u>(27,371,999)</u>	<u>(21,016,748)</u>
Total governmental activities net position	<u><u>\$ (21,076,284)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (21,100,636)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (16,411,561)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,609,882</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 14,104,989</u></u>
Business-type activities					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 6,191,482	\$ 7,204,226	\$ 7,357,451	\$ 7,510,566	\$ 8,669,443
Unrestricted	<u>1,443,970</u>	<u>411,206</u>	<u>(18,850)</u>	<u>(3,509,545)</u>	<u>(3,814,247)</u>
Total business-type activities net position	<u><u>\$ 7,635,452</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,615,432</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,338,601</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,001,021</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,855,196</u></u>
Primary government					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 29,216,206	\$ 29,628,910	\$ 28,887,684	\$ 30,548,148	\$ 34,399,374
Restricted	6,470,552	7,519,573	8,437,616	8,944,299	9,391,806
Unrestricted	<u>(49,127,590)</u>	<u>(50,633,687)</u>	<u>(46,398,260)</u>	<u>(30,881,544)</u>	<u>(24,830,995)</u>
Total primary government net position	<u><u>\$ (13,440,832)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (13,485,204)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (9,072,960)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,610,903</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 18,960,185</u></u>

Macon County
Changes in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Expenses					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 11,201,551	\$ 10,966,331	\$ 12,736,757	\$ 12,811,722	\$ 15,128,363
Public safety	13,880,745	14,726,992	16,582,492	16,774,121	16,494,724
Transportation	1,222,986	881,675	974,256	968,563	1,209,095
Economic development	3,426,980	2,345,645	3,531,296	3,210,161	2,335,493
Human Services	10,118,181	10,933,958	11,807,685	10,447,531	10,632,450
Culture and recreation	2,486,997	2,751,655	3,269,138	3,484,859	2,045,243
Education	8,939,212	11,416,007	8,596,489	8,875,771	12,005,306
Interest on long-term debt	1,178,604	1,084,429	990,217	867,224	826,607
Total governmental activities expenses	<u>52,455,256</u>	<u>55,106,692</u>	<u>58,488,330</u>	<u>57,439,952</u>	<u>60,677,281</u>
Business-type activities:					
Solid Waste	3,491,676	2,851,060	3,095,465	4,103,556	5,213,081
Total business-type activities expenses	<u>3,491,676</u>	<u>2,851,060</u>	<u>3,095,465</u>	<u>4,103,556</u>	<u>5,213,081</u>
Total primary government expenses	<u>\$ 55,946,932</u>	<u>\$ 57,957,752</u>	<u>\$ 61,583,795</u>	<u>\$ 61,543,508</u>	<u>\$ 65,890,362</u>
Program Revenues					
Governmental activities:					
Charges for services:					
General government	\$ 1,366,746	\$ 1,466,218	\$ 1,551,834	\$ 1,963,765	\$ 1,346,353
Public Safety	1,835,759	2,233,562	2,435,643	2,334,702	2,453,626
Transportation	-	-	-	125,210	159,903
Economic Development	65,941	62,232	69,766	77,491	90,552
Human Services	1,072,805	1,167,074	1,168,345	890,230	1,121,223
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	60,137	53,126
Education	-	-	49,695	-	-
Operating grants and contributions	9,674,198	10,591,738	11,564,903	10,206,890	9,893,267
Capital grants and contributions	1,688,310	863,822	1,303,437	1,469,947	263,163
Total governmental activities program revenues	<u>15,703,759</u>	<u>16,384,646</u>	<u>18,143,623</u>	<u>17,128,372</u>	<u>15,381,213</u>
Business-type activities:					
Charges for services:					
Solid Waste	3,489,389	3,577,947	4,410,967	4,517,245	4,444,973
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Total business-type activities program revenues	<u>3,489,389</u>	<u>3,577,947</u>	<u>4,410,967</u>	<u>4,517,245</u>	<u>4,444,973</u>
Total primary government program revenues	<u>\$ 19,193,148</u>	<u>\$ 19,962,593</u>	<u>\$ 22,554,590</u>	<u>\$ 21,645,617</u>	<u>\$ 19,826,186</u>
Net (expense)/revenue					
Governmental activities	\$ (36,751,497)	\$ (38,722,046)	\$ (40,344,707)	\$ (40,311,580)	\$ (45,296,068)
Business-type activities	<u>(2,287)</u>	<u>726,887</u>	<u>1,315,502</u>	<u>413,689</u>	<u>(768,108)</u>
Total primary government net (expense)	<u>\$ (36,753,784)</u>	<u>\$ (37,995,159)</u>	<u>\$ (39,029,205)</u>	<u>\$ (39,897,891)</u>	<u>\$ (46,064,176)</u>
Governmental activities:					
Taxes					
Property taxes	\$ 29,532,608	\$ 31,114,435	\$ 31,449,572	\$ 31,761,629	\$ 31,967,564
Sales taxes	8,196,063	8,628,868	9,358,857	9,892,943	10,506,182
Occupancy taxes	654,427	731,629	825,345	905,223	1,011,827
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	330,950	393,453	380,677	417,271	431,018
Investment earnings	47,358	88,299	174,298	433,676	829,678
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>38,761,406</u>	<u>40,956,684</u>	<u>42,188,749</u>	<u>43,410,742</u>	<u>44,746,269</u>
Business-type activities:					
Investment earnings	9,110	32,534	63,433	95,295	156,964
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-
Special Item	-	-	-	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>9,110</u>	<u>32,534</u>	<u>63,433</u>	<u>95,295</u>	<u>156,964</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 38,770,516</u>	<u>\$ 40,989,218</u>	<u>\$ 42,252,182</u>	<u>\$ 43,506,037</u>	<u>\$ 44,903,233</u>
Change in Net Position					
Governmental activities	\$ 2,009,909	\$ 2,234,638	\$ 1,844,042	\$ 3,099,162	\$ (549,799)
Business-type activities	<u>6,823</u>	<u>759,421</u>	<u>1,378,935</u>	<u>508,984</u>	<u>(611,144)</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 2,016,732</u>	<u>\$ 2,994,059</u>	<u>\$ 3,222,977</u>	<u>\$ 3,608,146</u>	<u>\$ (1,160,943)</u>

Macon County
Changes in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Expenses					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 14,294,811	\$ 16,345,979	\$ 13,345,895	\$ 12,366,566	\$ 13,773,359
Public safety	20,316,737	20,773,669	19,234,772	19,553,169	21,375,761
Transportation	1,014,124	1,118,357	1,060,591	1,072,755	798,304
Economic development	2,529,161	3,208,328	3,574,303	4,676,727	4,284,899
Human Services	11,021,630	12,046,235	10,520,367	10,158,686	10,650,492
Culture and recreation	2,983,597	3,283,056	3,364,946	3,381,145	3,883,844
Education	12,025,506	11,698,340	18,666,457	13,969,994	16,030,473
Interest on long-term debt	780,972	744,342	823,020	753,707	649,724
Total governmental activities expenses	<u>64,966,538</u>	<u>69,218,306</u>	<u>70,590,351</u>	<u>65,932,749</u>	<u>71,446,856</u>
Business-type activities:					
Solid Waste	4,236,713	5,523,433	6,010,083	9,339,633	5,166,659
Total business-type activities expenses	<u>4,236,713</u>	<u>5,523,433</u>	<u>6,010,083</u>	<u>9,339,633</u>	<u>5,166,659</u>
Total primary government expenses	<u>\$ 69,203,251</u>	<u>\$ 74,741,739</u>	<u>\$ 76,600,434</u>	<u>\$ 75,272,382</u>	<u>\$ 76,613,515</u>
Program Revenues					
Governmental activities:					
Charges for services:					
General government	\$ 1,422,557	\$ 2,396,275	\$ 2,177,953	\$ 1,888,329	\$ 2,028,041
Public Safety	2,673,219	2,725,508	2,855,284	2,978,554	2,813,435
Transportation	130,192	85,638	98,778	145,555	230,254
Economic Development	110,782	168,802	189,418	196,124	185,318
Human Services	700,901	973,479	728,606	658,595	495,857
Culture and recreation	36,266	40,789	55,046	50,907	60,854
Education	-	-	3,766	-	113,135
Operating grants and contributions	9,969,610	10,501,362	12,112,974	14,317,916	8,786,486
Capital grants and contributions	235,664	175,563	30,023	1,369,491	1,616,028
Total governmental activities program revenues	<u>15,279,191</u>	<u>17,067,416</u>	<u>18,251,848</u>	<u>21,605,471</u>	<u>16,329,408</u>
Business-type activities:					
Charges for services:					
Solid Waste	4,468,721	5,171,154	5,560,226	5,551,531	5,429,467
Capital grants and contributions	-	320,000	-	-	-
Total business-type activities program revenues	<u>4,468,721</u>	<u>5,491,154</u>	<u>5,560,226</u>	<u>5,551,531</u>	<u>5,429,467</u>
Total primary government program revenues	<u>\$ 19,747,912</u>	<u>\$ 22,558,570</u>	<u>\$ 23,812,074</u>	<u>\$ 27,157,002</u>	<u>\$ 21,758,875</u>
Net (expense)/revenue					
Governmental activities	\$ (49,687,347)	\$ (52,150,890)	\$ (52,338,503)	\$ (44,327,278)	\$ (55,117,448)
Business-type activities	232,008	(32,279)	(449,857)	(3,788,102)	262,808
Total primary government net (expense)	<u>\$ (49,455,339)</u>	<u>\$ (52,183,169)</u>	<u>\$ (52,788,360)</u>	<u>\$ (48,115,380)</u>	<u>\$ (54,854,640)</u>
Governmental activities:					
Taxes					
Property taxes	\$ 34,760,708	\$ 35,465,402	\$ 38,345,888	\$ 39,420,977	\$ 40,517,583
Sales taxes	11,062,077	13,915,746	15,890,574	17,954,435	17,483,398
Occupancy taxes	1,272,597	2,110,021	2,367,722	2,305,304	2,316,479
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	445,277	452,144	468,586	495,992	523,895
Investment earnings	578,133	90,657	114,503	3,017,892	3,929,534
Transfers	-	-	(159,695)	(158,334)	(158,334)
Total governmental activities	<u>48,118,792</u>	<u>52,033,970</u>	<u>57,027,578</u>	<u>63,036,266</u>	<u>64,612,555</u>
Business-type activities:					
Investment earnings	111,642	12,259	13,331	292,188	433,033
Transfers	-	-	159,695	158,334	158,334
Special Item	3,889,458	-	-	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>4,001,100</u>	<u>12,259</u>	<u>173,026</u>	<u>450,522</u>	<u>591,367</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 52,119,892</u>	<u>\$ 52,046,229</u>	<u>\$ 57,200,604</u>	<u>\$ 63,486,788</u>	<u>\$ 65,203,922</u>
Change in Net Position					
Governmental activities	\$ (1,568,555)	\$ (116,920)	\$ 4,689,075	\$ 18,708,988	\$ 9,495,107
Business-type activities	4,233,108	(20,020)	(276,831)	(3,337,580)	854,175
Total primary government	<u>\$ 2,664,553</u>	<u>\$ (136,940)</u>	<u>\$ 4,412,244</u>	<u>\$ 15,371,408</u>	<u>\$ 10,349,282</u>

Table 3

**Macon County
General Fund Tax Revenues By Source
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Fiscal Year	Property Tax	Sales Tax	Franchise Tax	Alcoholic Beverage Tax	Total
2015	\$ 26,754,756	\$ 6,546,506	\$ 90,362	\$ 11,239	\$ 33,402,863
2016	28,070,448	6,869,814	87,137	11,367	35,038,766
2017	28,339,871	7,475,131	85,943	11,715	35,912,660
2018	28,337,614	7,904,155	82,001	12,166	36,335,936
2019	28,456,704	8,383,227	77,870	12,786	36,930,587
2020	30,504,822	8,825,877	75,888	13,813	39,420,400
2021	31,216,927	11,125,535	75,210	15,805	42,433,477
2022	33,855,016	12,673,177	75,377	16,914	46,620,484
2023	34,363,339	14,369,525	69,477	16,629	48,818,970
2024	35,301,349	13,975,529	63,173	16,419	49,356,470

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Macon County
Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
General Fund					
Non Spendable	\$ 327,791	\$ 276,961	\$ 313,233	\$ 263,820	\$ 397,881
Restricted	3,867,071	3,673,688	4,085,994	3,964,853	4,695,531
Assigned	-	-	-	1,050,000	250,000
Unassigned	17,800,369	21,487,698	21,811,244	23,382,076	23,951,465
Total General Fund	<u>\$ 21,995,231</u>	<u>\$ 25,438,347</u>	<u>\$ 26,210,471</u>	<u>\$ 28,660,749</u>	<u>\$ 29,294,877</u>
All other governmental funds					
Non Spendable in Other Governmental Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted in Debt Service Fund	598,000	395,347	328,238	338,417	349,223
Restricted in Consolidated Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted in Opioid Settlement Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted in Other Governmental Funds	1,303,992	1,209,457	1,363,601	1,419,558	2,190,056
Committed in Consolidated Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-
Committed in Other Governmental Funds	2,263,753	2,768,506	3,402,254	2,920,606	2,723,933
Assigned in Debt Service Fund	13,355	262,427	335,334	443,117	659,532
Unassigned in Other Governmental Funds	(460,100)	(451,610)	(435,642)	(458,451)	(478,827)
Total all other governmental funds	<u>\$ 3,719,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,184,127</u>	<u>\$ 4,993,785</u>	<u>\$ 4,663,247</u>	<u>\$ 5,443,917</u>

Macon County
Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General Fund					
Non Spendable	\$ 680,502	\$ 615,606	\$ 459,088	\$ 419,062	\$ 474,688
Restricted	4,638,471	5,130,375	5,741,639	6,177,326	5,720,223
Assigned	702,312	8,490	-	-	-
Unassigned	25,475,900	32,122,385	37,844,632	45,106,813	48,811,310
Total General Fund	<u>\$ 31,497,185</u>	<u>\$ 37,876,856</u>	<u>\$ 44,045,359</u>	<u>\$ 51,703,201</u>	<u>\$ 55,006,221</u>
All other governmental funds					
Non Spendable in Other Governmental Funds	\$ -	\$ 8,171	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted in Debt Service Fund	296,988	404,995	468,188	98,073	83,429
Restricted in Consolidated Capital Projects	-	9,555,733	1,000,193	-	-
Restricted in Opioid Settlement Fund	-	-	-	401,346	1,266,089
Restricted in Other Governmental Funds	1,453,726	1,919,831	2,139,276	2,253,091	2,289,278
Committed in Consolidated Capital Projects	-	441,925	3,122,177	-	-
Committed in Other Governmental Funds	2,484,905	1,279,033	2,089,356	5,203,697	3,708,559
Assigned in Debt Service Fund	928,423	1,826,667	3,285,024	4,641,027	7,343,655
Unassigned in Other Governmental Funds	(455,060)	(616,438)	(748,163)	(278,252)	(382,889)
Total all other governmental funds	<u>\$ 4,708,982</u>	<u>\$ 14,819,917</u>	<u>\$ 11,356,051</u>	<u>\$ 12,318,982</u>	<u>\$ 14,308,121</u>

Macon County
Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Revenues					
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 29,705,026	\$ 31,257,153	\$ 31,597,799	\$ 31,782,244	\$ 31,918,809
Sales Taxes	8,196,063	8,628,868	9,358,857	9,892,943	10,506,182
Intergovernmental revenues	11,693,458	11,849,013	13,249,017	11,865,783	10,564,828
Sales & Services	2,619,721	3,031,340	3,177,950	2,895,491	2,953,579
Permits & Fees	1,036,576	1,161,104	1,302,607	1,245,734	1,285,649
Investment earnings	47,116	86,955	172,914	430,777	824,308
Occupancy taxes	654,427	731,629	825,345	905,223	1,011,827
Miscellaneous	246,020	178,396	259,707	580,114	288,176
Total revenues	<u>54,198,407</u>	<u>56,924,458</u>	<u>59,944,196</u>	<u>59,598,309</u>	<u>59,353,358</u>
Expenditures					
General government	6,339,866	6,990,415	7,480,097	8,669,443	9,123,663
Public safety	14,970,769	15,052,945	16,195,258	17,308,314	17,437,977
Transportation	1,228,966	1,073,513	1,262,628	895,088	1,325,908
Economic and physical development	3,488,428	2,354,367	3,518,186	3,218,492	2,354,295
Human Services	10,839,675	11,521,443	11,860,281	10,828,367	11,283,006
Culture and recreation	8,939,212	3,209,470	2,905,152	2,935,178	2,363,042
Education	4,880,360	11,416,007	8,596,489	8,875,771	12,005,306
Debt service					
Principal repayments	3,864,040	3,299,504	4,854,106	3,018,890	3,039,148
Issuance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	1,178,604	1,084,429	990,217	867,224	826,607
Total expenditures	<u>55,729,920</u>	<u>56,002,093</u>	<u>57,662,414</u>	<u>56,616,767</u>	<u>59,758,952</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(1,531,513)</u>	<u>922,365</u>	<u>2,281,782</u>	<u>2,981,542</u>	<u>(405,594)</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Issuance of long-term debt	1,800,000	2,985,878	-	-	2,923,674
Premium on long-term debt issued	-	-	-	-	-
Payments to escrow agent for refunded debt	-	-	-	-	-
Lease liabilities issued	-	-	-	-	-
Subscription liabilities issued	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	4,688,283	4,212,245	6,268,528	4,087,227	3,842,108
Transfers (out)	<u>(4,688,283)</u>	<u>(4,212,245)</u>	<u>(6,968,528)</u>	<u>(4,949,029)</u>	<u>(4,945,390)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>2,985,878</u>	<u>(700,000)</u>	<u>(861,802)</u>	<u>1,820,392</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>\$ 268,487</u>	<u>\$ 3,908,243</u>	<u>\$ 1,581,782</u>	<u>\$ 2,119,740</u>	<u>\$ 1,414,798</u>
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	9.7%	8.0%	10.4%	7.1%	6.7%

Macon County
Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Revenues					
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 34,731,989	\$ 35,563,771	\$ 38,436,592	\$ 39,357,768	\$ 40,443,876
Sales Taxes	11,062,077	13,915,746	15,890,574	17,954,435	17,483,398
Intergovernmental revenues	10,650,551	11,122,955	12,611,583	14,462,051	14,960,212
Sales & Services	2,880,918	3,209,117	3,287,251	3,470,148	3,391,210
Permits & Fees	1,344,832	2,130,509	1,977,296	1,749,496	1,733,006
Investment earnings	571,945	90,573	113,721	2,999,257	3,899,555
Occupancy taxes	1,272,597	2,110,021	2,367,722	2,305,304	2,316,479
Miscellaneous	505,620	505,332	401,105	346,016	481,356
Total revenues	<u>63,020,529</u>	<u>68,648,024</u>	<u>75,085,844</u>	<u>82,644,475</u>	<u>84,709,092</u>
Expenditures					
General government	9,199,381	10,708,064	8,857,399	10,393,381	11,681,573
Public safety	19,524,167	18,681,740	21,654,256	23,119,235	24,566,888
Transportation	967,961	943,651	1,033,084	1,816,675	2,465,742
Economic and physical development	2,534,701	3,136,733	3,652,596	4,794,539	4,409,387
Human Services	10,885,159	10,999,647	11,816,984	12,694,090	12,713,404
Culture and recreation	2,436,949	2,712,926	2,929,473	2,994,688	3,670,721
Education	12,025,506	11,698,340	18,666,457	13,969,994	16,030,473
Debt service					
Principal repayments	3,136,604	2,924,149	2,728,227	3,776,768	2,892,278
Issuance costs	-	349,959	-	-	-
Interest	780,972	730,577	995,833	892,501	795,836
Total expenditures	<u>61,491,400</u>	<u>62,885,786</u>	<u>72,334,309</u>	<u>74,451,871</u>	<u>79,226,302</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>1,529,129</u>	<u>5,762,238</u>	<u>2,751,535</u>	<u>8,192,604</u>	<u>5,482,790</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Issuance of long-term debt	-	19,320,000	-	-	-
Premium on long-term debt issued	-	2,381,364	-	-	-
Payments to escrow agent for refunded debt	-	(11,003,808)	-	-	-
Lease liabilities issued	-	-	174,553	193,331	-
Subscription liabilities issued	-	-	-	454,928	29,459
Transfers in	5,144,874	4,392,285	9,474,640	8,169,119	11,240,600
Transfers (out)	(5,206,630)	(4,454,041)	(9,696,091)	(8,389,209)	(11,460,690)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(61,756)</u>	<u>10,635,800</u>	<u>(46,898)</u>	<u>428,169</u>	<u>(190,631)</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>\$ 1,467,373</u>	<u>\$ 16,398,038</u>	<u>\$ 2,704,637</u>	<u>\$ 8,620,773</u>	<u>\$ 5,292,159</u>
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	6.6%	5.9%	5.2%	6.6%	5.0%

Macon County
Assessed Value and Estimated Actual Value of Taxable Property
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended	Real Property		Personal Property	
	Residential Property	Commercial Property	Personal Property	Public Svc Co. Property
2015	\$ 8,276,107,442	\$ 640,810,350	\$ 425,711,597	\$ 130,015,771
2016	6,598,718,966	774,012,560	424,445,265	148,232,092
2017	6,684,131,480	710,955,810	452,221,880	156,087,966
2018	6,734,166,797	703,158,560	457,449,715	158,978,797
2019	6,737,815,936	749,821,559	483,978,551	162,970,201
2020	6,734,571,033	728,008,990	488,645,357	169,344,809
2021	6,448,116,725	1,071,450,830	561,673,699	173,065,385
2022	6,531,028,746	1,086,592,590	596,507,750	183,348,500
2023	6,594,463,940	1,111,504,471	643,793,715	203,491,559
2024	10,570,452,083	1,460,187,441	720,045,932	229,942,222

Source: Macon County Tax Department

Note: The County underwent revaluation in 2015 which impacted fiscal year 2016, in 2019 which impacted fiscal year 2020, and in 2023 which impacted fiscal year 2024.
Tax rates are per \$100 of assessed value.

Macon County
Assessed Value and Estimated Actual Value of Taxable Property
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended	Total Taxable Assessed Value	Total Direct Tax Rate	Estimated Actual Taxable Value	Assessed Value as a Percentage of Actual Value
2015	\$ 9,472,645,160	\$ 0.2790	\$ 7,253,364,986	130.60%
2016	7,945,408,883	0.3490	7,699,693,479	103.19%
2017	8,003,397,136	0.3490	7,721,724,498	103.65%
2018	8,053,753,869	0.3490	7,683,414,581	104.82%
2019	8,134,586,247	0.3490	7,795,451,607	104.35%
2020	8,120,570,189	0.3747	8,107,502,402	100.16%
2021	8,254,306,639	0.3747	8,546,600,372	96.58%
2022	8,397,477,586	0.4000	8,687,644,927	96.66%
2023	8,553,253,685	0.4000	9,569,538,694	89.38%
2024	12,980,627,678	0.2700	12,875,052,250	100.82%

Table 7

**Macon County
Property Tax Rates
Direct and Overlapping Governments
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Year	<i>County Direct Rate</i>	<i>Overlapping Rates</i>	
	MACON	FRANKLIN	HIGHLANDS
	Total Millage	Total Millage	Total Millage
2015	0.2790	0.2700	0.1500
2016	0.3490	0.2800	0.1640
2017	0.3490	0.2800	0.1640
2018	0.3490	0.3200	0.1640
2019	0.3490	0.3200	0.1640
2020	0.3747	0.3200	0.1565
2021	0.3747	0.3200	0.1565
2022	0.4000	0.3200	0.1565
2023	0.4000	0.3500	0.1565
2024	0.2700	0.3300	0.1022

Source: County and Municipal Tax Departments

Note: The County direct rate doesn't contain components for special purposes.

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**Macon County
Principal Property Taxpayers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

Taxpayer	2024		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value
Duke Energy Corporation	\$ 194,442,413	1	1.50%
Old Edwards Inn & Spa LLC	94,357,153	2	0.73%
MH Angel Medical Center LLP	69,955,611	3	0.54%
Drake Enterprises	36,846,658	4	0.28%
Highlands Golf/Country Club	30,241,540	5	0.23%
Rockwood Lodge, LLC	26,459,980	6	0.20%
Ingles Markets Inc.	26,458,831	7	0.20%
Cullasaja Club Inc.	23,538,597	8	0.18%
Sagee Property Investments	21,806,980	9	0.17%
John R Lupoli, Jr	20,746,755	10	0.16%
Totals	<u>\$ 544,854,518</u>		<u>4.19%</u>
Total Taxable Assessed Value	12,980,627,678		

Source: Macon County Tax Department

**Macon County
Principal Property Taxpayers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

Taxpayer	2015		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value
Duke Energy Corporation	\$ 102,125,948	1	1.08%
Old Edwards Inn & Spa LLC	60,983,610	2	0.64%
Drake Enterprises	54,532,907	3	0.58%
Shaw Industries Group	25,402,200	4	0.27%
Macon Bank	23,320,975	5	0.25%
Highlands Golf Club	21,684,212	6	0.23%
Cullasaja Club Inc.	17,877,636	7	0.19%
Rainbow Springs Partnership	17,044,960	8	0.18%
Rockwood Lodge LLC	16,152,470	9	0.17%
Wildcat Cliffs Country Club	15,827,498	10	0.17%
	<u>\$ 354,952,416</u>		<u>3.76%</u>
Total Taxable Assessed Value	<u>\$ 9,472,645,160</u>		

Table 9

Macon County
Property Tax Levies and Collections
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Total Levy for Fiscal Year	Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Collections in Subsequent Years	Total Collections to Date	
		Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Levy
2015	\$ 26,428,680	\$ 25,818,391	97.69%	577,876	\$ 26,396,267	99.88%
2016	27,729,477	27,244,243	98.25%	455,385	27,699,628	99.89%
2017	27,931,856	27,506,161	98.48%	394,185	27,900,346	99.89%
2018	28,107,601	27,656,763	98.40%	412,002	28,068,765	99.86%
2019	28,389,706	27,927,674	98.37%	405,384	28,333,058	99.80%
2020	30,407,062	29,927,608	98.42%	418,552	30,346,160	99.80%
2021	30,928,764	30,510,957	98.65%	340,123	30,851,080	99.75%
2022	33,566,407	33,229,757	99.00%	222,215	33,451,972	99.66%
2023	34,212,857	33,805,041	98.81%	235,945	34,040,986	99.50%
2024	35,187,528	34,705,421	98.63%	-	34,705,421	98.63%

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Macon County
Ratio of Outstanding Debt by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities					Business- type Activities
	Limited Obligation Bonds	Unamortized Premium	Installment Contracts	Lease Liabilities	Subscription Liabilities	Special Obligation Bonds
2015	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,986,857	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2016	-	-	33,673,231	-	-	9,800,000
2017	-	-	28,819,125	-	-	8,902,964
2018	-	-	25,800,235	-	-	7,996,638
2019	-	-	25,684,761	-	-	7,070,470
2020	-	-	22,548,157	-	-	6,124,471
2021	19,320,000	2,349,721	8,620,200	-	-	5,161,073
2022	18,190,000	2,230,653	7,114,004	82,522	-	4,172,609
2023	16,535,000	2,111,585	5,244,444	219,094	259,479	3,162,552
2024	14,885,000	1,992,517	4,167,170	165,706	177,322	2,130,556

Note: Details regarding the county's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.
Personal income for 2023 & 2024 is not available.

Macon County
Ratio of Outstanding Debt by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Business-type Activities				Percentage of Personal Income	Per Capita
	Installment Contracts	Lease Liabilities	Subscription Liabilities	Total Primary Government		
2015	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,986,857	2.85%	985
2016	-	-	-	43,473,231	3.44%	1,247
2017	-	-	-	37,722,089	2.82%	1,076
2018	-	-	-	33,796,873	2.42%	949
2019	-	-	-	32,755,231	2.24%	907
2020	-	-	-	28,672,628	1.79%	785
2021	-	-	-	35,450,994	1.93%	956
2022	-	4,115	-	31,793,903	1.73%	851
2023	-	-	-	27,532,154	N/A	732
2024	-	-	-	23,518,271	N/A	616

Macon County
Ratios of General Bonded Debt Outstanding
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Assessed Value	Gross General Obligation Bonded Debt	Net General Obligation Bonded Debt	Ratio Net General Obligation Bonded Debt to Assessed Value	Population	Net General Obligation Bonded Debt Per Capita
2015	\$ 9,472,645,160	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	34,494	-
2016	7,945,408,883	-	-	0.00%	34,851	-
2017	8,003,397,136	-	-	0.00%	35,047	-
2018	8,053,753,869	-	-	0.00%	35,596	-
2019	8,134,586,247	-	-	0.00%	36,101	-
2020	8,120,570,189	-	-	0.00%	36,544	-
2021	8,254,306,639	-	-	0.00%	37,102	-
2022	8,397,477,586	-	-	0.00%	37,347	-
2023	8,553,253,685	-	-	0.00%	37,636	-
2024	12,980,627,678	-	-	0.00%	38,152	-

Source: Population Estimate from LINC for years 2015-2016 and from NC Office of State Budget and Management for 2017-2024.
Assessed Value from Macon County Tax Department.

Macon County
Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt
As of June 30, 2024

<u>Governmental Unit</u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Estimated Percentage Applicable</u>	<u>Estimated Share of Direct and Overlapping Debt</u>
Direct Debt:			
Macon County	\$ 21,387,715	100.00%	\$ 21,387,715
Total Direct Debt	<u>21,387,715</u>		<u>21,387,715</u>
Overlapping Debt:			
Town of Franklin	393,503	11.26%	44,320
Town of Highlands	<u>10,277,866</u>	2.91%	<u>298,756</u>
Total Overlapping Debt	<u>10,671,369</u>		<u>343,076</u>
Total direct and overlapping debt	<u>\$ 32,059,084</u>		<u>\$ 21,730,791</u>

Source: Macon County and municipal finance departments.

Note: The estimated percentage applicable for the overlapping debt was calculated by taking each town's population divided by Macon County's population.

**Macon County
Legal Debt Margin Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Debt limit	\$ 757,811,613	\$ 635,632,711	\$ 640,271,771	\$ 644,300,310	\$ 650,766,900
Total net debt applicable to limit	<u>33,986,857</u>	<u>43,473,231</u>	<u>37,722,089</u>	<u>33,796,873</u>	<u>32,755,231</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 723,824,756</u>	<u>\$ 592,159,480</u>	<u>\$ 602,549,682</u>	<u>\$ 610,503,437</u>	<u>\$ 618,011,669</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	4.48%	6.84%	5.89%	5.25%	5.03%

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2024

Assessed value	\$ 12,980,627,678
Add back: exempt real property	-
Total assessed value	<u>\$ 12,980,627,678</u>
Debt Limit (8% of total assessed value)	\$ 1,038,450,214
Debt applicable to limit:	
Installment Contracts	4,167,170
Limited Obligation Bonds	14,885,000
Special Obligation Bonds	2,130,556
Unamortized Premium	<u>1,992,517</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 1,015,274,971</u>

**Macon County
Legal Debt Margin Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Debt limit	\$ 649,645,615	\$ 660,344,531	\$ 671,798,207	\$ 684,260,295	\$ 1,038,450,214
Total net debt applicable to limit	<u>28,672,628</u>	<u>35,450,994</u>	<u>31,707,266</u>	<u>27,053,581</u>	<u>23,175,243</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 620,972,987</u>	<u>\$ 624,893,537</u>	<u>\$ 640,090,941</u>	<u>\$ 657,206,714</u>	<u>\$ 1,015,274,971</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	4.41%	5.37%	4.72%	3.95%	2.23%

Macon County
Demographic and Economic Statistics
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Population	Personal Income	Per Capita Personal Income	Median Age	School Enrollment	Unemployment Rate
2015	34,494	\$ 1,193,465,000	\$ 34,599	48.7	4,475	6.3
2016	34,851	1,263,179,000	36,245	48.7	4,475	5.3
2017	35,047	1,337,726,000	38,169	48.8	4,379	4.2
2018	35,596	1,396,257,000	39,225	48.8	4,436	4.2
2019	36,101	1,464,730,000	40,573	49.0	4,416	4.4
2020	36,544	1,604,020,000	43,893	49.0	4,507	6.6
2021	37,102	1,835,954,000	49,484	49.2	4,312	4.2
2022	37,347	1,838,864,000	49,237	49.6	4,412	3.8
2023	37,636	N/A	N/A	51.4	4,410	3.2
2024	38,152	N/A	N/A	49.6	4,445	3.7

Note: Population for 2017-2024 and median age for 2015-2024 is from N C Office of State Budget and Management.
 Personal income from 2015-2022 obtained from Bureau of Economic Analysis.
 Personal income for 2023 & 2024 is not available.
 Per capital personal income is calculated by dividing personal income by population.
 Unemployment rate for 2015-2024 and population for 2015-2016 is from LINC.
 School enrollment is provided by the local school system and reflects the enrollment at the end of the school year.

**Macon County
Principal Employers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

Employer	2024			2015		
	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment
Macon County Public Schools	697	1	4.20%	650	2	4.18%
Drake Software, Inc.*	505	2	3.04%			
Macon County	501	3	3.02%	597	3	3.84%
Ingles Markets, Inc.	427	4	2.57%	209	7	1.34%
Mission Health (formerly Angel Medical Center)	235	5	1.42%	398	4	2.56%
Wal-Mart Associates Inc.	234	6	1.41%	246	6	1.58%
Madison's	198	7	1.19%			
Lowe's Home Centers Inc.	153	8	0.92%	140	8	0.90%
Beasley Flooring Products, Inc. **	104	9	0.63%			
Highlands-Cashiers Hospital	99	10	0.60%	248	5	1.59%
Drake Enterprises LTD (A Corp)				743	1	4.77%
Entegra Bank (formerly Macon Bank)				132	9	0.85%
Caterpillar Inc.				117	10	0.75%
Total	3,153		19.00%	3,480		22.36%
Total Labor Force estimate	16,590			15,563		

Source: Employers' Human Resource Departments

* Formerly part of Drake Enterprises LTD (A Corp)

** Formerly Shaw Industries Group Inc. (Formally Zickgraf)

Macon County
Full-time Equivalent County Government Employees by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Function	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
General Government	98.5	97.0	98.0	97.0	95.0
Public Safety	162.4	163.0	172.0	181.0	180.0
Human Services	115.0	121.0	123.0	123.0	124.0
Culture and Recreation	12.0	12.0	12.0	11.0	11.0
Economic and Physical Development	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	16.8	16.0	17.0	18.0	18.0
Landfill	<u>35.0</u>	<u>35.0</u>	<u>36.0</u>	<u>37.0</u>	<u>36.0</u>
Total	<u><u>440</u></u>	<u><u>444</u></u>	<u><u>458</u></u>	<u><u>467</u></u>	<u><u>464</u></u>

Source: Macon County Human Resource Department

Macon County
Full-time Equivalent County Government Employees by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Function					
General Government	99.0	95.0	86.0	85.0	89.0
Public Safety	180.0	185.0	185.0	192.0	187.0
Human Services	124.0	114.0	105.0	111.0	116.0
Culture and Recreation	12.0	15.0	16.0	17.0	14.0
Economic and Physical Development	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	16.0	15.0	17.0	18.0	18.0
Landfill	<u>36.0</u>	<u>36.0</u>	<u>37.0</u>	<u>37.0</u>	<u>38.0</u>
Total	<u>467</u>	<u>460</u>	<u>446</u>	<u>460</u>	<u>462</u>

**Macon County
Operating Indicators by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Function					
Law Enforcement					
Physical arrests	1,278	1,442	1,917	1,926	1,842
Traffic violations	1,054	447	374	394	405
Fire					
Number of calls answered	4,571	4,626	5,068	5,873	5,161
Inspections	450	452	560	525	550
Economic Development					
Number of industrial parks	1	1	1	1	1
Human Services					
Dept. of Social Services					
Number of CHIP cases eligible	278	321	457	272	317
Number of Food & Nutrition cases eligible	2,763	2,622	2,410	2,075	2,038
Number of Medicaid eligible cases	5,885	5,675	7,397	5,577	5,432
Health					
Number of WIC cases	1,064	1,117	1,076	971	942
Number of family planning cases	558	737	648	442	421
Solid Waste					
Number of landfills	1	1	1	1	1
Culture and recreation					
Number of recreation parks	7	7	7	7	7
Number of libraries	3	3	3	3	3

Source: Various county departments.

Note: Indicators are not available for the general government function. Firefighters are a mix of paid staff and volunteers.

** CHIP program was discontinued as of April 2023

Macon County
Operating Indicators by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Function					
Law Enforcement					
Physical arrests	2,048	1,563	1,462	717	512
Traffic violations	245	161	174	458	400
Fire					
Number of calls answered	4,549	4,737	4,906	5,222	6,450
Inspections	500	300	350	300	320
Economic Development					
Number of industrial parks	1	1	1	1	1
Human Services					
Dept. of Social Services					
Number of CHIP cases eligible **	323	311	238	1,078	-
Number of Food & Nutrition cases eligible	2,099	2,362	2,432	2,329	2,068
Number of Medicaid eligible cases	5,590	6,088	6,377	10,087	9,783
Health					
Number of WIC cases	959	939	970	904	966
Number of family planning cases	583	535	260	369	345
Solid Waste					
Number of landfills	1	1	1	1	1
Culture and recreation					
Number of recreation parks	8	8	10	10	10
Number of libraries	3	3	3	3	3

Macon County
Capital Asset Statistics by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Function					
Public safety					
Police:					
Stations	4	6	6	5	5
Patrol units	57	56	56	55	55
Fire stations	17	18	20	20	20
Culture and recreation					
Parks acreage	401	401	401	401	401
Parks	7	7	7	7	7
Swimming pools	3	3	3	3	3
Tennis courts	6	6	6	6	6
Community centers	2	2	2	2	2
Landfill					
Number of municipal solid waste sites	2	2	2	2	2
Number of construction and demolition sites	-	-	-	-	-
Number of convenience centers	11	11	11	11	11

Source: Various county departments.

Note: No capital asset indicators are available for the general government function.

Macon County
Capital Asset Statistics by Function
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Function					
Public safety					
Police:					
Stations	5	6	6	6	6
Patrol units	55	55	56	58	61
Fire stations	20	20	22	21	21
Culture and recreation					
Parks acreage	407	407	407	407	407
Parks	8	8	10	10	10
Swimming pools	3	3	2	2	2
Tennis courts	6	6	7	7	7
Community centers	2	2	2	2	2
Landfill					
Number of municipal solid waste sites	2	2	2	2	2
Number of construction and demolition sites	-	-	-	-	-
Number of convenience centers	11	11	11	11	11

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