# DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

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#### LIST OF PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

#### **DOUGHERTY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Jeff Sinyard, Chairman

Jack Stone, Vice Chairman

Lamar Hudgins

John Hayes

Clinton Johnson

**Ewell Lyle** 

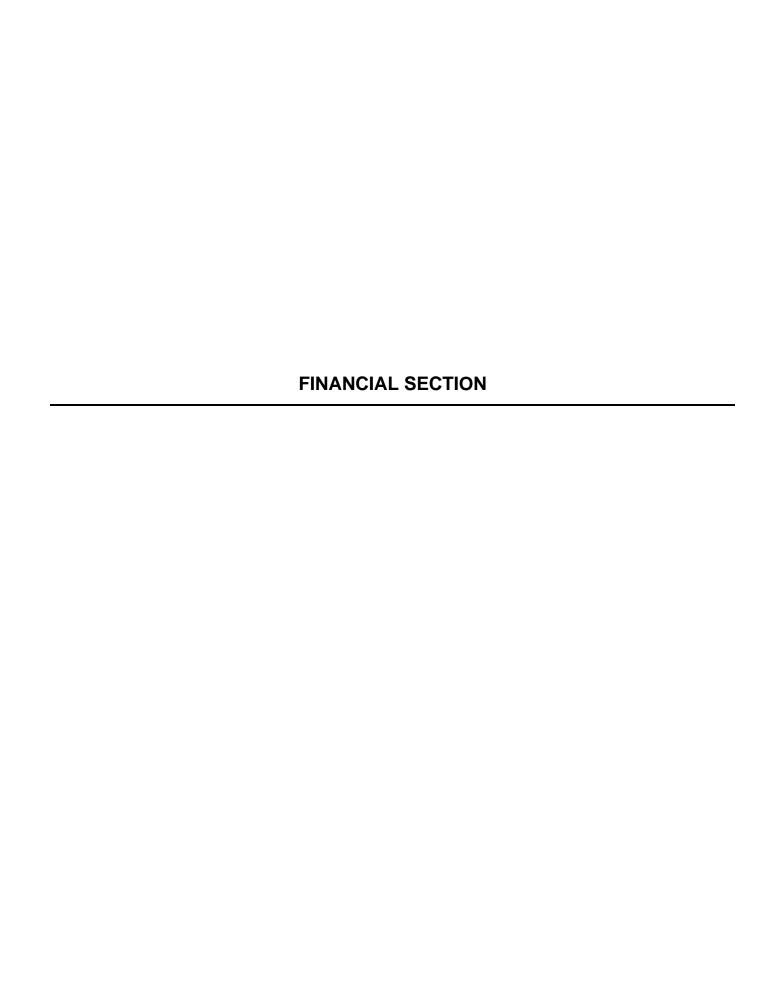
Harry James

#### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

Richard Crowdis

#### **FINANCE DIRECTOR**

Martha B. Hendley





#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners of Dougherty County, Georgia Albany, Georgia

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying 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 **Dougherty County, Georgia (the "County")**, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Dougherty County, Georgia's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Dougherty County Board of Health, which represents 100% of the assets, net position, and revenues of the discretely presented component unit. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Dougherty County Board of Health, is based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the 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 Dougherty County, Georgia as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and Special Services District Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans* for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis (on pages 4 through 13) and the schedule of changes in net pension liability, schedule of employer contributions, schedule of investment returns, and schedule of funding progress (on page 71) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Dougherty County, Georgia's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of special purpose local option sales tax proceeds, as required by the Official Code of Georgia 48-8-121, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of special purpose local option sales tax proceeds are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of special purpose local option sales tax proceeds are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 15, 2014 on our consideration of Dougherty County, Georgia'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 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 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 Dougherty County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

Albany, Georgia December 15, 2014

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2014

As management of Dougherty County, Georgia, (the County) we offer readers of the County's financial statements this overview and analysis of the County's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The County's statement of net position on page 14 shows an increase of \$2,240,867 compared to the prior fiscal year for governmental activities. This statement is a combined view of all the County's financial activities, except any enterprise funds, including SPLOST funds. The County's liabilities increased \$346,299 while assets increased \$2,587,571.
- The statement of activities (page 16) reports revenue collected through service charges and grants. These revenues are 20% of the total revenue required to provide primary government services. The remaining 80% of the required revenues comes from property tax, sales tax and other tax.
- The 2013 county-wide tax digest assessed values increased \$9.5 million dollars or 0.4% compared to an increase of 2.2% in 2012. The State moratorium, HB233 which froze property values at the 2008 Digest value was lifted in 2012. The County-wide millage rate remained the same at 11.894 mils.
- The General Fund (the operating fund) total fund balance increased \$2,068,179. The Board of Commissioners approved a re-apportionment of fund balance for approximately \$1.2 million so that the millage rate would remain the same, 11.894 mils, as in the prior year. The use of fund balance was not required. Revenues were over \$669 thousand more than budgeted and expenditures were under budget approximately \$2.8 million.
- The Special Services District Fund is used to record services to the unincorporated area of the county. The Special Services District Fund showed an increase in fund balance for the second consecutive year. The fund balance at June 30, 2014 is \$549,172.
- The Solid Waste Fund, an Enterprise Fund, records the activity of the County's Landfill. The net position in this fund increased \$903,244.
- 2005 One Percent Sales Tax Fund Collections ceased March 31, 2012 but this is still classified as a major fund with approximately \$13.6 million in projects to complete. The total expended on projects in this fiscal year total over \$2.7 million. A project level detail is shown in the "Schedule of Expenditures of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Proceeds" and is referenced as "2005 Referendum."
- 2010 One Percent Sales Tax Fund Collections began April 1, 2012 and will continue until March 31, 2017. The City of Albany receives 64% and Dougherty County receives 36% of the total collected. Dougherty County expenditures for this period total \$6,975,115. 47% of the total expenditures was for the renovation and improvements to the Dougherty County Library. A project level detail is shown in the "Schedule of Expenditures of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Proceeds" and is referenced as "2010 Referendum."

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This Management Discussion and Analysis document introduces the County's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include: (1) *government-wide financial statements*, (2) *fund financial statements*, and (3) *notes* to the basic financial statements.

(1) The *government-wide financial statements* include two statements, the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities (pages 14-17). These statements provide information about the activities of the County as a whole and present both long-term and short-term views of the County's financial status.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, we divide the County into three kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities Most of the County's basic services are reported here, including courts, libraries, public works and public safety. The majority of these activities are financed through property taxes, fees and fines. Dougherty County receives very little State and Federal funds for its governmental activities. Also included in this category are the County's special local option tax funds which are used for capital projects.
- Business-Type Activities Dougherty County charges a fee to customers to cover the cost of operations for
  its enterprise fund. No tax dollars are used to operate the landfill. The Solid Waste Landfill is the only
  enterprise fund that the County maintains. Tipping fees are set to sufficiently operate facility.
- Component Units Dougherty County includes the Dougherty County Health Department as a Component
  Unit. The Health Department legally is a separate entity but the County is required by GAAP to include its
  financial statements.
- (2) Fund financial statements begin on page 18. A fund is an accountability unit used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund financial statements focus on individual sections of the County, reporting the County's operations in more detail than the panoramic picture presented by the government-wide statements. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Non-major fund statements begin on page 72.
- (3) The *Notes* section of the basic financial statements explains some of the information contained in the financial statements in greater detail. This section begins on page 34.

#### **Analysis of Government-Wide Statements**

One of the most important questions asked about the County's finances is, "Is the County, as a whole, better off or worse off as a result of this year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities report information about the County as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting basis used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenditures are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the County's net position and changes in them. You can think of the County's net position – the difference between assets and liabilities/deferred inflow of resources – as one way to measure the County's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. Other non-financial factors that must be considered include changes in the County's property tax base and the conditions of the County's infrastructure, to assess the overall health of the County.

The net position for Governmental Activities increased between fiscal years 2013 and 2014. Business-Type Activities net position increased between fiscal years 2013 and 2014. Our analysis below focuses on the net position (Table 1) and changes in net position (Table 2) of the County's governmental and business-type activities.

Table 1 Net Position (in Millions)

	Governm Activiti		Business Activiti			
_	2013	2014	2013	2014		
Current and other assets	59.1	57.3	12.4	13.9		
Capital assets	147.8	152.2	9.4	9.1		
Total assets	206.9	209.5	21.8	23.0		
Current liabilities	16.7	19.2	-	-		
Long-term liabilities	6.7	4.6	5.4	5.7		
Total liabilities	23.4	23.8	5.4	5.7		
Deferred inflows of resources	0.2	0.1	<u> </u>			
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	143.1	149.1	9.4	9.1		
Restricted	31.7	27.1	-	-		
Unrestricted	8.5	9.4	7.0	8.2		
Total net position	183.3	185.6	16.4	17.3		

#### Table 2 Changes in Net Position (In Millions)

	Governmental Activities						ss-Type ⁄ities		
		2013	:	2014	2	013	2014		
Revenues									
Program revenues:									
Charges for services	\$	13.0	\$	12.4	\$	7.0	\$	4.0	
Operating grants and contributions		0.5		1.0		-		-	
Capital grants and contributions		0.1		0.2		-		-	
General revenues:									
Property taxes		30.6		30.5		-		-	
Sales tax		22.9		21.9		-		-	
Insurance premium taxes		0.8		0.8		-		-	
Other taxes		3.0		2.8		-		-	
Investment income		0.1		0.1		-		-	
Gain on sale of assets		0.1		0.1		-		-	
Total revenues		71.1		69.8		7.0		4.0	
Program Expenses									
General government		9.3		8.9		-		-	
Judicial		7.5		7.7		-		-	
Public safety		31.3		30.4		-		-	
Public works		9.6		10.1		-		-	
Health and welfare		3.7		3.5		-		-	
Culture and recreation		4.7		4.1		_		-	
Economic development		2.8		2.7		-		-	
Interest on long-term debt		0.5		0.1		-		-	
Solid waste operating expenses		-		-		3.2		3.1	
Total expenses		69.4		67.5		3.2		3.1	
Increase (decrease) in net position		1.7		2.3		3.8		0.9	
Net position, beginning of year, restated		181.6		183.3		12.6		16.4	
Net position, end of year	\$	183.3	\$	185.6	\$	16.4	\$	17.3	

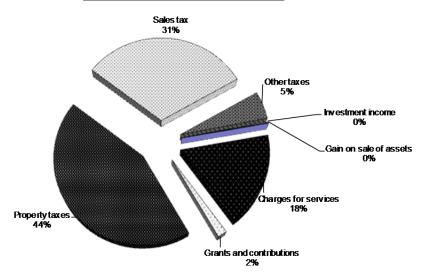
#### **Governmental Activities**

Compared to FY2013, General and Program revenues decreased \$1.3 million in FY2014. The largest decrease in revenues was in sales taxes accounting for 76% or \$1 million of the \$1.4 million. Net expenditures in FY2014 decreased approximately \$1.9 million compared to net expenditures in FY2013.

The County relies heavily on property taxes and sales taxes to support governmental operations. Property taxes provided \$30.5 million in revenue or 44% of the County's total governmental activities revenues. The county-wide millage rate set by the Board of Commissioners for the 2013 Tax Digest remained at 11.894 mils. The special services district (unincorporated portion of the county) millage rate for the 2013 Tax Digest remained at 9.272 mils.

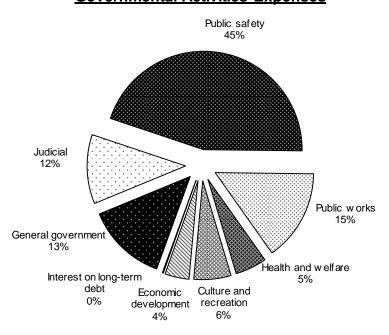
Local Option Sales Tax and Special Local Option Sales Tax revenue combined provided approximately \$21.9 million in revenue or 31% of the County's total governmental activities revenues in FY 2014.

#### **Governmental Activities Revenues**



The primary government expenses decreased approximately \$1.9 million in FY2014. Expenses decreased from \$69.4 million in 2013 to \$67.5 million in 2014. Governmental activities include the functions of general government, judicial system, public safety, public works, health and welfare, culture and recreation, and economic development operating expenses as well as SPLOST capital projects. The chart below shows the percentages of expenses for each function or service.

#### **Governmental Activities Expenses**



The Public Safety activities make up approximately 45% of the total governmental activities expenses. General Government activities, which include Facilities Management, Tax and Tag Collections and County Administration, Finance, Human Resources, and Legal counsel, make up approximately 13%. The Judicial System activities, includes Clerk of Courts, Superior, State, Magistrate and Probate Court, make up approximately 11%. Public Works activities makes up15%.

Table 3 presents the cost of services by category as well as the net cost (total cost less revenues generated by that activity). The Net Cost of Services shows the financial burden that is placed on the County's taxpayers through taxes by function or service provided. Public Safety, includes the Jail Facility and Dougherty County Police, generates only a small fraction of the revenue needed to operate.

Table 3
Governmental Activities
(In Millions)

		Total	Cost		Net	Cost			
	of Services					of Sei	rvices		
	2013			2014		2013		2014	
General government	\$	9.3	\$	8.9	\$	(4.9)	\$	(4.4)	
Judicial		7.5		7.7		(7.0)		(6.9)	
Public safety		31.3		30.4		(23.5)		(23.3)	
Public works		9.6		10.1		(9.0)		(9.2)	
Health and welfare		3.7		3.5		(3.7)		(3.5)	
Culture and recreation		4.7		4.1		(4.4)		(3.9)	
Housing and development		2.8		2.7		(2.8)		(2.7)	
Interest on long-term debt		0.5		0.1		(0.5)		(0.1)	
Total governmental activities	\$	69.4	\$	67.5	\$	(55.8)	\$	(54.0)	

#### **Business-type Activities**

The Dougherty County Solid Waste Landfill is the County's only business-type activity. This enterprise is primarily funded through tipping fees. Each year liabilities and expenses are recorded for estimated closure and post-closure care as required by law. No revenue is received from taxes for this activity. The Solid Waste net position increased \$900 thousand. Charges for services revenue was 43% less than last year and expenses decreased 5%. The decrease in revenues was expected because of the prior year's higher than usual tonnage that was attributed to the demolition of the Merck chemical plant.

#### **Analysis of the Fund Level Statements**

The fund financial statements begin on page 18 and provide detailed information about the County's most significant funds. Fund level statements provide a narrower more focused view of financial activity. Fund level statements focus on a more *current* rather than *long-term* financial position. The establishment of some funds is required by State law; however, the County Commission establishes many other funds to help control and manage money for particular purposes and provide transparency in financial management. The County's *governmental and proprietary funds* use different accounting approaches.

#### Governmental funds

Most of the County's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of these funds and the remaining spendable balances. The County Governmental Funds include the General Fund, Special Tax District Fund, DHR Building Lease Fund, Confiscated Assets Fund, Grant Fund, Lease Commercial Property Fund, Law Library Fund, 2005 and 2010 One Percent Sales Tax Fund. The Balance Sheets for the following funds (Non-major governmental funds-page 72) are consolidated and shown as "Other Governmental Funds" on page 18: 1995 One Percent Sales Tax Fund, One Percent Sales Tax – Road Projects Fund, 1990 One Percent Sales Tax Fund, 2000 One Percent Sales Tax Fund, Capital Improvement Program Fund, Confiscated Assets, Grant, Lease Commercial Property and Law Library. The General Fund, Special Services District, DHR Building Lease Fund, 2005 and 2010 One Percent Sales Tax Fund are categorized as major funds. (page18) The County's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$48.1 million, a decrease of 5.5% from the prior year.

The <u>General Fund</u> fund balance increased by \$2,068,179. The County Commission budgeted to use \$1.2 million from reserves instead of raising property taxes in the budget for FY2014. Due to controlled, efficient monitoring of budgets by department managers, unfilled vacant positions and the retirement of long time employees the fund balance was not used. Actual expenditures were approximately \$2.9 million less than budgeted expenditures. To control spending, no cost-of-living or merit increases were budgeted. Employees continue to contribute 3% of their gross salaries toward the annual required contribution for the pension plan thereby reducing the annual minimum required minimum contribution to the County's defined benefit pension plan approximately \$600 thousand. An interfund transfer of \$265,935 to the Special Services District Fund was made to align revenue generated by traffic fines with the expenses of County Police traffic enforcement.

The <u>DHR Building Lease Fund</u> was established to record the lease transactions between the State of Georgia, acting by and through the Georgia Department of Human Services, and Dougherty County, the leasing agent for a building located at 200 West Oglethorpe Boulevard, Albany, Georgia. The DHR Building houses the Department of Family & Children Services (DFACS). The lease agreement went into effect December, 2000. A general obligation bond for \$14.7 million was sold in 1999 through Albany-Dougherty Inner City Authority to facilitate the construction of the building. Bond and interest payments due by the County are secured by the full faith and credit of the State of Georgia. In FY 2010, the 2000 GO bond was repaid and a new revenue refunding bonds were sold in March 2010. It is projected to save the County \$693,000 in principal and interest payments. The County received a bond rating of AA- from Standard & Poor's. The County received a \$250,000 deposit from the sale to be used for HVAC and roof capital items.

In the <u>2005 One Percent Sales Tax Fund</u> (SPLOST V) the collection period of this one cent ended March 31, 2012. Total sales tax revenues collected over a six-year period totaled \$102 million of which the City of Albany received \$63.2 million (62%) for City projects. Current County projects include but not limited to Public Health Building Improvements, Mental Health Building Improvements, Public Works Administrative Building construction and Radium Springs Improvement.

In the <u>2010 One Percent Sales Tax Fund</u> (SPLOST VI) the collection period started 4/1/11 and will go through March 31, 2017. As of the date of this statement, \$53.7 million has been received. The City of Albany receives 64% compared to the County's 36% of the collections. For a list of the projects and total expenditures as of the date of this report, see the "Schedule of Expenditures of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Proceeds – 2010 Referendum" in this report.

#### **Proprietary funds**

The County's Solid Waste Landfill is reported as an enterprise fund. The level of fees charged for services at the Landfill is based on the operational cost of running the Landfill. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way all other activities are reported in the Statement of Net position and the Statement of Activities. The County's enterprise fund (proprietary fund) reporting (pages 28-31) is the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The tipping fee charged for Landfill services for this fiscal year is \$36.98 per ton. Revenues from tipping fees decreased 43% compared to an increase of 118.8%% in the prior year. The increase in the prior year was due to demolition of the Merck Chemical plant. The projected life, at 6/30/14, of the Landfill is 45.5 years for solid waste and 150 years for construction and demolition. The successful methane gas project had revenues of \$126,238 in this fiscal year. This project supplies methane gas to the Marine Corp Logistics Base.

#### Internal Service Funds

<u>Group Health Plan</u> - Self-insured health care plan for County employees. This fund has a board made up of the County Administrator, Chairman and five members that serve at the pleasure of the County Administrator. The board meets quarterly or as needed to review and monitor the costs associated with the plan. The County employs the services of an insurance broker to advise on cost containment and negotiate service and coverage contracts.

<u>Risk Management Fund</u> – Self-insured property and casualty – New fund created in FY2014 to account for general liability and property and casualty claims internally. It is funded from other funds of the County. The net position for this fund at June 30, 2014 is \$111,375. A consultant and broker were hired to advise the County and negotiate stop loss contracts.

<u>Workers' Compensation Fund</u> – Self-insured fund to account for workers' compensation claims under \$325,000. Claims above \$325,000 are covered by a third party insurance company.

#### **Fiduciary Funds**

Dougherty County is the trustee for its employees' pension fund. <u>The Dougherty County Pension Fund</u> is overseen by an appointed Board which chooses a third-party investment manager through an RFP process. The County is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. The funds are in a protected trust fund. The County reviews, reconciles and records the statements from the investment manager on a quarterly basis. The total net position increased \$6.8 million from last year. The County's required annual contribution had a minimal increase from \$2,169,886 to \$2,191,969. Per the actuarial valuation report, the plan's accrued benefits are 84.33% funded which is in a high percentile for government plans.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The General Fund Budget is developed to cover the costs of services and the tax millage is set to generate enough revenue to cover costs. Budget figures are not calculated on the modified-accrual basis whereas the actual expenditures listed on page 23 are on the modified-accrual basis. As seen on page 47 in Note 3, several departments exceeded their budgets. Other departments came in under their approved budgets and compensated for those departments that went over budget. Revenues were budgeted at \$43 million with an actual of \$43.7 million, a difference \$0.7 million.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

#### Capital Assets

At the end of FY 2014, the County's governmental activities shows \$152.2 million net capital assets (costs less accumulated depreciation) invested in a broad range of capital assets, including police and fire equipment, public works heavy equipment, buildings, roads, and bridges. This is an increase of \$4.4 million from the prior year. The Business-type activity (Solid Waste Landfill) has \$9.1 million net capital assets (costs less accumulated depreciation), a decrease of \$2.8 thousand. Table 4 is summary data of capital assets. More details can be found on pages 50-52, Note 6 of the financial statements.

Table 4
Capital Assets at Year-end
(Net of Depreciation, in Millions)

	GovernmentalActivities					Busine Activ	ss-type vities					
		2013		2014	2013		2014					
Land	\$	35.6	\$	35.6	\$	2.1	\$	2.1				
Intangible Assets		5.6		5.6		-		-				
Construction in Progress		1.9		7.6		-		-				
Building & Improvements		70.9		69.4		5.0		4.5				
Infrastructure		29.2		28.7		-		-				
Vehicles		2.2		2.1		-		-				
Equipment		2.4		3.2		3.2		3.2		2.3		2.5
Totals	\$	147.8	\$	152.2	\$	9.4	\$	9.1				

#### Debt

At year-end the County had no outstanding debt for bonds or notes payable. The bonds payable listed on page 52 of the financial statements are bonds issued through the Albany-Dougherty Intercity Authority (ADICA) for the purpose of building construction of a building on 200 Oglethorpe Boulevard. The bond principal and interest payments are funded through a lease agreement with the State of Georgia, acting by and through the Georgia Department of Human Resources, and the County, the leasing agent for a building which houses the Department of Family & Children Services. The County is obligated until 2016.

The certificates of participation included in the debt section of the financial statements are for the lease pool agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA). The purpose of the pool is to finance capital purchases. The County currently does not have any outstanding principal due before the end of the bond period. The County's capacity to drawdown funds from the pool remained at \$627,000 for the current year. The County retains the capacity to use these funds for capital purchases approved by the bond insurer. Information for the lease pool is shown on pages 52 and 53 Note 7.

Post-employment benefits (OPEB) obligation is required for governmental agencies in accordance with GASB statement 45. These benefits include the cost of health prescription drug, dental and life insurance provided to retired employees and their dependents. Currently, the health premiums split; 50% paid by the County and 50% paid by the retiree for retirees not greater than 65 years old. An actuarial valuation report is conducted every two years to determine this obligation. The most recent report indicated an annual required contribution of \$1.2 million. GASB Statement 45 does not require advance funding but rather accrual accounting of the obligations associated with other post-employee benefits plans. The County has decided to continue on a pay-as-you-go basis and pay the actual costs per year. More details of OPEB obligations can be found on pages 66-68.

The business-type activity that the County operates is the Landfill. The County has been able to maintain and run a state of the art landfill without ever having to borrow money for capital projects or maintenance. The County is required by law to set aside funding for the closure and post-closure of the landfill. These costs include a final cover over the landfill and maintenance and monitoring for 30 years after closure. These laws ensure against negative environmental impact from garbage gases and leachate. Calculations are made each year to estimate these costs. See page 55 Note 7.

None of the County's debt payments are currently funded through ad valorem taxes. See Note 7 pages 52-55.

Table 5
Outstanding Debt at Year-end
(in millions)

	Governmental Activities					Busine Activ	ss-type ⁄ities	•
	2013		2014		2013		2	014
Bonds payable	\$	4.7	\$	3.1	\$	-	\$	-
Certificates of participation		0.6		0.6		-		-
Compensated absences		3.9		3.4		0.1		0.1
Net pension obligation		0.1		0.1		-		-
Net OPEB obligation		9.0		10.1		-		-
Landfill closure/postclosure		-		-		5.3		5.6
Totals	\$	18.3	\$	17.3	\$	5.4	\$	5.7

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The County is impacted by the same economic conditions impacting the State of Georgia and the nation as a whole. Economic conditions were taken into account in developing the County's 2014 budget. Some of the issues impacting the County's future are:

- ♦ County-wide tax digest minimal growth
- Reduced sales tax collections State of Georgia exemptions
- Increase in healthcare costs affecting the County's self-insured health care plan

#### **Contacting the County's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the County Finance Office at 222 Pine Avenue, Suite 430, Albany, Georgia 31702.

Complete financial statements for the Dougherty County Health Department (a component unit) may be requested from its administrative office at (229) 430-6324.

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

**JUNE 30, 2014** 

	Primary Government								
ASSETS	G	overnmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,613,745	\$	514,621	\$	5,128,366			
Investments	*	47,729,307	Ψ	12,732,821	*	60,462,128			
Taxes receivable		2,273,216				2,273,216			
Accounts receivable		1,539,508		546,267		2,085,775			
Internal balances		87,504		(87,504)		2,000,770			
Due from other governments		698,509		(01,001)		698,509			
Inventories		167,012		157,271		324,283			
Fair value of interest rate swap agreement		147,206		-		147,206			
Capital assets, non-depreciable		48,822,180		2,114,357		50,936,537			
Capital assets, depreciable, net of accumulated		10,022,100		2,114,007		00,000,007			
depreciation		103,391,513		7,008,984		110,400,497			
Total assets	-	209,469,700		22,986,817		232,456,517			
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LIABILITIES									
Accounts payable		1,849,131		-		1,849,131			
Accrued liabilities		2,354,775		-		2,354,775			
Due to other governments		2,197,714		-		2,197,714			
Unearned revenues		28,600		-		28,600			
Other liabilities		10,210,241		-		10,210,241			
Bonds payable due within one year		1,560,000		-		1,560,000			
Bonds payable due in more than one year		1,575,869		-		1,575,869			
Compensated absences due within one year		954,331		29,791		984,122			
Compensated absences due in more than one year		2,392,702		62,984		2,455,686			
Closure and postclosure care costs		-		5,609,193		5,609,193			
Certificates of participation due in more than one year		627,000		-		627,000			
Total liabilities		23,750,363		5,701,968		29,452,331			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES									
Accumulated increase in fair value of hedging activities		147,206		-		147,206			
Total deferred inflows of resources		147,206		-		147,206			
NET POSITION									
Net investment in capital assets		149,077,824		9,123,341		158,201,165			
Restricted for:		67 270				67 270			
Drug treatment education		67,378		-		67,378			
Juvenile court Judicial		90,858		-		90,858			
		361,451		-		361,451			
Public safety		1,276,563		-		1,276,563			
Capital outlay		25,304,900		-		25,304,900			
Special use Unrestricted		0 202 457		- 0 161 E00		- 17 EE 1 GGE			
	Φ.	9,393,157	ď	8,161,508	•	17,554,665			
Total net position	\$	185,572,131	\$	17,284,849	\$	202,856,980			

Con	nponent Unit
	Board of Health
\$	2,377,353
	-
	_
	393,135
	1,067,752
	-
	-
	-
	126,879
	3,965,119
	326,696
	332
	294,193
	-
	-
	-
	50,522
	454,695
	-
	1,126,438
	-
	-
	400.070
	126,879
	-
	-
	-
	-
	1,764,542
	947,260
\$	2,838,681

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

			Program Revenues							
Functions/Programs	Expenses		C	charges for Services	(	Operating Grants and ontributions	Gr	Capital ants and atributions		
Primary government:										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$	8,924,376	\$	4,529,033	\$	-	\$	153		
Judicial		7,673,654		230,790		501,561		458		
Public safety		30,404,492		7,058,770		66,383		3,510		
Public works		10,140,071		332,994		384,030		181,315		
Health and welfare		3,490,023		-		-		610		
Culture and recreation		4,097,539		201,548		-		6,104		
Housing and development		2,661,529		13,145		-		610		
Interest on long-term debt		109,884		-		-		-		
Total governmental activities		67,501,568		12,366,280		951,974		192,760		
Business-type activities:										
Solid waste		3,093,280		3,948,349		-		-		
Total business-type activities		3,093,280		3,948,349		_	-	-		
Total primary government	\$	70,594,848	\$	16,314,629	\$	951,974	\$	192,760		
Component unit:										
Board of Health	\$	13,460,513	\$	3,376,815	\$	10,413,429	\$	_		
Total component unit	\$	13,460,513	\$	3,376,815	\$	10,413,429	\$	-		

General revenues:

Property taxes

Sales taxes

Insurance premium taxes

Other taxes

Unrestricted investment earnings

Gain on sale of assets

Transfers

Total general revenues and transfers

Change in net position

Net position, beginning of year

Net position, end of year

### Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

			- OSITION	Con	ponent Unit				
G	Governmental Activities		usiness-type Activities		Total	Board of Health			
\$	(4,395,190) (6,940,845) (23,275,829) (9,241,732) (3,489,413) (3,889,887) (2,647,774) (109,884)	(3,489,413) - (3,889,887) (2,647,774) - (109,884) -		\$	(4,395,190) (6,940,845) (23,275,829) (9,241,732) (3,489,413) (3,889,887) (2,647,774) (109,884)	\$	- - - - -		
\$	(53,990,554) - (53,990,554)	\$	855,069 855,069 855,069	\$	(53,990,554) 855,069 855,069 (53,135,485)	\$	- - -		
\$ \$	<u>-</u>	\$ \$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	329,731 329,731		
\$	30,512,329 21,894,234 795,596 2,831,402 108,379 65,781 23,700	\$	- - - - 14,802 57,073 (23,700)	\$	30,512,329 21,894,234 795,596 2,831,402 123,181 122,854	\$	- - - - -		
\$	56,231,421 2,240,867 183,331,264 185,572,131	\$	48,175 903,244 16,381,605 17,284,849	\$	56,279,596 3,144,111 199,712,869 202,856,980	\$	329,731 2,508,950 2,838,681		

### BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### **JUNE 30, 2014**

ASSETS		General	Spe	cial Services District	DI	HR Building Lease Fund	<u> </u>	2005 One Percent Sales Tax	<u>•</u> (	2010 One Percent Sales Tax
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,252,531	\$	-	\$	195,279	\$	_	\$	_
Investments		12,491,519		570,459		1,608,778		13,964,135		9,813,808
Taxes receivable		867,072		79,946		-		-		1,326,198
Accounts receivable		1,538,286		-		-		-		-
Notes receivable		-		-		2,294,451		-		-
Due from other funds		1,468,452		16,102		-		-		-
Due from other governments		559,140		-		-		-		-
Inventory	Φ.	167,012	Φ.	- 666 507	Φ.	4 000 500	Φ.	12.064.125	Φ.	11 110 006
Total assets	\$	21,344,012	\$	666,507	\$	4,098,508	\$	13,964,135	\$	11,140,006
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES										
LIABILITIES										
Accounts payable	\$	1,736,924	\$	-	\$	-	\$	76,256	\$	22,534
Accrued expenses		1,113,657		-		-		1,382		-
Due to other funds		662,277		-		915		305,068		683,874
Due to other governments		461,192		84,065		-		-		1,650,438
Unearned revenue		28,600								
Total liabilities		4,002,650		84,065		915		382,706		2,356,846
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES										
Unavailable revenue - notes receivable		-		-		2,294,451		-		-
Unavailable revenue - property taxes		601,132		33,270				-		-
Total deferred inflow of resources		601,132		33,270		2,294,451		-		-
FUND BALANCES										
Nonspendable:										
Inventory		167,012		-		-		-		-
Restricted for:										
Drug treatment education		67,378		-		-		-		-
Juvenile court		90,858		-		-		-		-
Judicial		-		-		-		-		-
Public safety		-		549,172		-		-		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		13,581,429		8,783,160
Committed for:		00.570								
Development authority		69,572		-		4 000 440		-		-
Debt service and building maintenance		-		-		1,803,142		-		-
Parking deck maintenance Budgetary stabilization		1,622,208		-		-		-		-
<b>5</b> ,		1,022,200		-		-		-		-
Capital outlay Unassigned		14,723,202		-		-		-		-
Total fund balances	_	16,740,230		549.172		1,803,142	_	13,581,429		8,783,160
Total liabilities, deferred inflow of		10,170,200		070,172		1,000,142		10,001,720		0,700,100
resources, and fund balances	\$	21,344,012	\$	666,507	\$	4,098,508	\$	13,964,135	\$	11,140,006

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of risk management to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in governmental activities.

The net pension obligation is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported in governmental funds.

The net OPEB obligation is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported in governmental funds.

Net position of governmental activities

Go	Other evernmental Funds		Total
\$	125,271	\$	4,573,081
Ψ	6,408,721	Ψ	44,857,420
	-		2,273,216
	118		1,538,404
	-		2,294,451
	339,324		1,823,878
	139,369		698,509
	7,012,803	Φ	167,012 58,225,971
\$	7,012,603	\$	36,223,971
\$	13,417	\$	1,849,131
	-		1,115,039
	391,091		2,043,225
	2,019		2,197,714 28,600
. —	406,527		7,233,709
		_	,,
	_		2,294,451
	_		634,402
. —			2,928,853
			_,,,
	-		167,012
	-		67,378
	-		90,858
	361,451		361,451
	727,391		1,276,563
	2,940,311		25,304,900
	-		69,572
	-		1,803,142
	29,898		29,898
	-		1,622,208
	2,547,225		2,547,225
	- 0.000.070		14,723,202
. —	6,606,276		48,063,409
\$	7,012,803		
			152,213,693 634,402 (7,163,302)
			2,034,170 (97,587) (10,112,654)
		\$	185,572,131

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	General	Spe	ecial Services District	D	HR Building Lease Fund	2005 One Percent Sales Tax	_	2010 One Percent Sales Tax
Revenues:								
Property taxes	\$ 25,504,707	\$	4,986,042	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Sales taxes	6,256,236		-		-	-		15,637,998
Other taxes	1,946,484		1,680,514		-	-		-
Licenses and permits	-		211,532		-	-		-
Intergovernmental	-		-		-	-		-
Charges for services	8,868,912		4,720		73,566	-		-
Fines and forfeitures	911,540		-		-	-		-
Interest	2,030		1,499		1,803	18,332		11,848
Other revenues	238,627		10,044		1,679,652	-		-
Total revenues	43,728,536		6,894,351		1,755,021	18,332	_	15,649,846
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government	6,601,005		50,801		82,944	-		-
Judicial	6,714,775		-		-	-		-
Public safety	21,095,805		6,184,768		-	-		-
Public works	2,292,647		168,542		-	-		-
Health and welfare	2,385,563		-		-	-		-
Culture and recreation	1,821,416		161,498		-	-		-
Housing and development	485,841		346,200		-	-		-
Intergovernmental payments	-		-		-	-		10,008,319
Capital outlay	-		-		-	2,740,398		6,975,115
Debt service:								
Principal	-		-		1,470,000	-		-
Interest	-		-		168,350	-		-
Total expenditures	41,397,052		6,911,809		1,721,294	2,740,398	_	16,983,434
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over (under) expenditures	 2,331,484		(17,458)		33,727	 (2,722,066)	_	(1,333,588)
Other financing sources (uses):								
Proceeds from sale of assets	2,630		-		-	-		-
Transfers in	-		289,635		-	-		-
Transfers out	 (265,935)		<u>-</u>			 		-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(263,305)		289,635		-	-		-
Net change in fund balances	 2,068,179		272,177		33,727	(2,722,066)		(1,333,588)
Fund balances, beginning of year	 14,672,051		276,995		1,769,415	 16,303,495	_	10,116,748
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 16,740,230	\$	549,172	\$	1,803,142	\$ 13,581,429	\$	8,783,160

Go	Other evernmental Funds	 Total
\$	- - -	\$ 30,490,749 21,894,234 3,626,998 211,532
	951,974 -	951,974 8,947,198
	304,107 88,127 63,580	1,215,647 123,639 1,991,903
. —	1,407,788	 69,453,874
	765,237 253,642	6,734,750 7,480,012 27,534,215
	367,392	2,828,581 2,385,563
	- 52,212	1,982,914 884,253
	1,295,143	10,008,319 11,010,656
	- 46,258	1,470,000 214,608
. —	2,779,884	 72,533,871
	(1,372,096)	(3,079,997)
	247,640	250,270 289,635 (265,935)
	247,640	273,970
	(1,124,456)	(2,806,027)
	7,730,732	50,869,436
\$	6,606,276	\$ 48,063,409

## RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	 
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (2,806,027)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the difference between depreciation expense and capital outlay in the current	
period.	4,435,018
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net assets.	(6,989)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. Deferred revenues increased during the year by this amount.	21,580
The issuance of long-term debt (i.e., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these	
differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	1,545,324
The internal service fund is used by management to charge the cost of workers' compensation insurance and health insurance to individual funds.  The net revenue of the internal service fund is reported with governmental	
activities.	(437,603)
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.	(510,436)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 2,240,867
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.	

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		d Amounts		Variance with Final
B	Original	Final	Actual	Budget
Revenues:	\$ 24,706,729	\$ 24,706,729	\$ 25,504,707	¢ 707.079
Property taxes Sales taxes	6,700,000	\$ 24,706,729 6,700,000	6,256,236	\$ 797,978 (443,764)
Other taxes	1,705,357	1,705,357	1,946,484	241,127
	8,815,003	8,815,003	8,868,912	53,909
Charges for services Fines and forfeitures	957,500	957,500	911,540	(45,960)
Interest income	1,000	1,000	2,030	1,030
Miscellaneous	173,753	173,753	238,627	64,874
Total revenues	43,059,342	43,059,342	43,728,536	669,194
Total revenues	43,039,342	43,039,342	43,720,330	009, 194
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government:				
Administrative and legislative	642,299	644,959	610,745	34,214
Auditing	71,000	71,000	57,650	13,350
Finance	358,510	369,745	319,247	50,498
Computer information	760,500	760,500	522,777	237,723
Contingency	100,000	54,164	-	54,164
Facilities management	2,234,754	2,246,596	2,131,113	115,483
Human resources	442,687	446,993	444,949	2,044
Legal services	171,580	179,280	178,837	443
Mail and security system	252,543	254,696	257,659	(2,963)
Registration and elections	283,597	285,212	287,233	(2,021)
Tax and tag collections	2,027,313	2,062,799	1,790,795	272,004
Total general government	7,344,783	7,375,944	6,601,005	774,939
Judicial:				
Clerk of courts	1,040,781	1,048,317	1,051,368	(3,051)
District attorney	1,847,534	1,874,577	1,754,679	119,898
Juvenile court	808,407	817,019	792,062	24,957
Magistrate court	862,582	869,041	869,593	(552)
Probate court	372,223	375,453	370,933	4,520
Public defender	819,562	821,177	813,359	7,818
State court	538,714	540,836	529,689	11,147
Superior court	627,588	628,664	533,092	95,572
Total judicial	6,917,391	6,975,084	6,714,775	260,309

(Continued)

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		Budgeted	d Am	ounts		,	Variance with Final
		Original		Final	Actual		Budget
Expenditures: (Continued)					 		
Current: (Continued)							
Public safety:							
Coroner	\$	107,790	\$	107,790	\$ 113,390	\$	(5,600)
Drug squad		879,397		885,856	837,942		47,914
S.W.A.T.		20,736		20,736	15,554		5,182
Emergency medical services		4,093,720		4,120,094	3,692,785		427,309
Emergency management		58,525		58,525	58,025		500
Environmental control		459,837		473,605	453,857		19,748
Jail		13,392,201		13,485,318	12,793,989		691,329
Sheriff's department		3,151,564		3,177,938	3,130,263		47,675
Total public safety		22,163,770		22,329,862	21,095,805		1,234,057
Public works:							
Engineering		298,460		301,931	296,218		5.713
Public works		1,547,176		1,561,654	1,408,116		153,538
Vehicle maintenance		253,984		256,675	360,717		(104,042)
Park maintenance		217,482		220,173	227,596		(7,423)
Total public works		2,317,102		2,340,433	 2,292,647		47,786
Health and welfare:							
Department of Family and							
Children Services		98,335		98,335	100,835		(2,500)
Health services		2,351,153		2,351,153	2,284,728		(2,300) 66,425
Total health and welfare		2,449,488		2,449,488	 2,385,563		63,925
Total Health and Wellare	-	2,773,700		2,443,400	 2,303,303		03,323
Culture and recreation:							
Library		2,236,293		2,247,596	 1,821,416		426,180
Total culture and recreation		2,236,293		2,247,596	 1,821,416		426,180
Housing and development:							
Agricultural services		92,003		92,003	81,149		10,854
Community development		396,377		396,377	392,476		3,901
Natural resources		12,216		12,216	12,216		-
Total housing and development		500,596		500,596	485,841		14,755
Total expenditures		43,929,423		44,219,003	41,397,052		2,821,951
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures		(870,081)		(1,159,661)	 2,331,484		3,491,145

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## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Budgeted Original	I Amo	ounts Final	 Actual	Variance with Final Budget
Other financing sources (uses):					
Proceeds from sale of assets	\$ 15,000	\$	15,000	\$ 2,630	\$ (12,370)
Transfers in	1,205,081		1,494,661	-	(1,494,661)
Transfers out	(350,000)		(350,000)	(265, 935)	84,065
Total other financing sources (uses)	870,081		1,159,661	(263,305)	(1,422,966)
Net change in fund balances	-		-	 2,068,179	2,068,179
Fund balance, beginning of year	 14,672,051		14,672,051	 14,672,051	 
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 14,672,051	\$	14,672,051	\$ 16,740,230	\$ 2,068,179

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		Budgeted	d Amo	ounts		=	ariance
	_	Original		Final	Actual		Budget
Revenues:							
Property taxes	\$	5,078,700	\$	5,022,129	\$ 4,986,042	\$	(36,087)
Other taxes		1,609,000		1,665,571	1,680,514		14,943
Licenses and permits		127,800		127,800	211,532		83,732
Charges for services		5,000		5,000	4,720		(280)
Interest income		1,000		1,000	1,499		499
Miscellaneous		1,000		1,000	10,044		9,044
Total revenues		6,822,500		6,822,500	6,894,351		71,851
Expenditures:							
Current:							
General government:							
Administrative		65,502		54,350	 50,801		3,549
Total general government		65,502		54,350	50,801		3,549
Public safety:							
County police		3,074,607		3,097,768	2,820,626		277,142
Fire protection		3,217,734		3,217,734	3,217,734		-
Animal control		95,133		98,939	95,868		3,071
Code enforcement		57,276		57,276	50,540		6,736
Total public safety		6,444,750		6,471,717	6,184,768		286,949
Public works:							
Street lighting and utilities		153,800		161,685	166,456		(4,771)
Stormwater		4,750		4,750	2,086		2,664
Total public works		158,550		166,435	168,542		(2,107)
Culture and recreation:							
Recreation		161,498		161,498	161,498		-
Total culture and recreation		161,498		161,498	161,498		-
Housing and development:							
Planning and development services		346,200		346,200	346,200		-
Total housing and development		346,200		346,200	346,200		-
Total expenditures		7,176,500		7,200,200	 6,911,809		288,391
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures		(354,000)		(377,700)	 (17,458)		360,242

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## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	 Budgetee Original	d Amo	unts Final	Actual	w	ariance ith Final Budget
Other financing sources: Proceeds from sale of assets Transfers in Total other financing sources	\$ 4,000 350,000 354,000	\$	4,000 373,700 377,700	\$ 289,635 289,635	\$	(4,000) (84,065) (88,065)
Net change in fund balances	-		-	272,177		272,177
Fund balance, beginning of year	 276,995		276,995	 276,995		
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 276,995	\$	276,995	\$ 549,172	\$	272,177

### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS

#### **JUNE 30, 2014**

ACCETC	Major Enterprise Fund Solid Waste Fund	Governmental Activities- Internal Service Funds
ASSETS	runa	Service runds
CURRENT ASSETS	<b>*</b> 54.4.004	<b>f</b> 40.004
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 514,621	\$ 40,664
Investments	12,732,821	2,871,887
Accounts receivable, net of allowances  Due from other funds	546,267	1,104 306,851
	157 071	300,031
Inventory	157,271	0.000.500
Total current assets	13,950,980	3,220,506
NONCURRENT ASSETS		
Capital assets:		
Nondepreciable	2,114,357	-
Depreciable, net of accumulated depreciation	7,008,984	-
Total noncurrent assets	9,123,341	-
Total assets	23,074,321	3,220,506
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LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued expenses	-	1,186,336
Due to other funds	87,504	-
Current portion - compensated absences	29,791	-
Total current liabilities	117,295	1,186,336
LONG TERM LIABILITIES		
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	62.004	
Compensated absences, net of current portion	62,984	-
Accrued landfill closure/postclosure care costs	5,609,193	
Total long-term liabilities	5,672,177	·
Total liabilities	5,789,472	1,186,336
NET POSITION		
Investment in capital assets	9,123,341	-
Unrestricted	8,161,508	2,034,170
Total net position	\$ 17,284,849	\$ 2,034,170
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## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	s	Governmental Activities- Internal Service Funds			
OPERATING REVENUES					
Charges for services	\$	3,755,345	\$	6,627,790	
Rental income		24,240		-	
Miscellaneous		168,764		112,841	
Total operating revenues		3,948,349		6,740,631	
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Salaries and benefits		776,740		-	
Cost of sales and services		774,589		145,868	
Supplies		620,904		-	
Claims		-		4,847,107	
Insurance		-		2,189,042	
Closure/post closure care costs		281,729		-	
Depreciation		639,318		-	
Total operating expenses		3,093,280		7,182,017	
Operating income (loss)		855,069		(441,386)	
NONOPERATING INCOME					
Interest income		14,802		3,783	
Gain on sale of assets		57,073		-	
Total nonoperating income		71,875		3,783	
Income (loss) before transfers		926,944		(437,603)	
TRANSFERS OUT		(23,700)			
Change in net position		903,244		(437,603)	
NET POSITION, beginning of year		16,381,605		2,471,773	
NET POSITION, end of year	\$	17,284,849	\$	2,034,170	

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Major Enterprise Fund Solid Waste Fund	Governmental Activities- Internal Service Funds
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Receipts from customers and users  Payments to suppliers  Payments for insurance claims  Payments to employees	\$ 5,295,786 (1,450,595) - (779,261)	(5,144,529)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	3,065,930	(893,338)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Transfers to other funds	(23,700)	<u>-</u>
Net cash used in noncapital financing activities	(23,700)	
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(361,522)	-
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	57,073	
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(304,449)	<u> </u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES  Purchase of investments  Sale of investments	(3,530,016)	983,326
Interest on investments	14,802	3,783
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(3,515,214)	816,008
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(777,433)	(77,330)
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Beginning of year	1,292,054	117,994
End of year	\$ 514,621	\$ 40,664

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### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Major Enterprise Fund Solid Waste Fund		Governmental Activities- Internal Service Funds	
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash				
provided by (used in) operating activities  Operating income (loss)  Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	855,069	\$	(441,386)
Depreciation expense		639,318		-
Landfill closure/postclosure care expense		281,729		(1,104)
Decrease in accounts receivable		1,487,021		-
Increase in due from other funds		-		(153,426)
Increase in inventory		(55,102)		-
Decrease in accrued expenses		-		(297,422)
Decrease in due to other funds		(139,584)		-
Decrease in compensated absences		(2,521)		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	3,065,930	\$	(893,338)

# **DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA**

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# **JUNE 30, 2014**

ASSETS		Employee Retirement Plan		
Cash	\$	2,642,076	\$	1,520,624
Investments, at fair value:				
Pooled, common and collective funds		-		27,897,978
Mutual funds		-		20,969,098
Local government investment pool		1,875		-
Accrued dividends		-		170
Taxes receivable		3,000,850		-
Prepaid expenses		-		46,054
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	5,644,801	\$	50,433,924
LIABILITIES				
Due to others	\$	2,643,951	\$	-
Uncollected taxes		3,000,850		-
Total liabilities		5,644,801		
NET POSITION Restricted for pension benefits	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	\$	50,433,924

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

# **DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA**

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

ADDITIONS	Employee Retirement Plan
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ 2,191,969
Employee	579,204
Other receipts	3,559
Total contributions	2,774,732
Investment earnings:	
Dividend income	33,689
Net increase in fair value of investments	6,824,394
Less investment expenses	(213,190)
Net investment earnings	6,644,893
Total additions	9,419,625
DEDUCTIONS	
Benefits	2,497,124
Administrative expenses	88,905
Total deductions	2,586,029
Change in net position	6,833,596
NET POSITION, beginning of year	43,600,328
NET POSITION, end of year	\$ 50,433,924

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

# **DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA**

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## **JUNE 30, 2014**

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Dougherty County, Georgia (the "County") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the County's accounting policies are described below.

# A. Reporting Entity

Dougherty County was incorporated in 1853 under the laws of the State of Georgia. The County operates under a commission-administrator form of government, and provides the following services: public safety (police and fire), highways and streets, landfill, courts and sheriff's department, health and social services, public improvements, planning and zoning, and general administrative services.

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of Dougherty County, Georgia (the "primary government") and its component unit. The component unit discussed below is included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of its operational or financial relationship with the County.

### **Discretely Presented Component Unit**

The Dougherty County Board of Health (the "Board of Health") is governed by a seven-member board consisting of four members appointed by the County Commissioners. The County has the authority to modify and approve the Board of Health's budget and the ability to approve environmental health service fees. The Board of Health has a June 30<sup>th</sup> year end.

The Board of Health's financial statements can be obtained by writing to the Dougherty County Board of Health, P.O. Box 3048, Albany, Georgia 31706.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the *primary government* is reported separately from certain legally separate *component units* for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources* measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and the fiduciary fund financial statements, although the agency funds have no measurement focus. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, intergovernmental income, licenses, and investment income associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The **General Fund** is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The **Special Services District Fund** is a special revenue fund used to account for the receipt of taxes assessed to a special district that are restricted for expenditures for the district.

The **DHR Building Lease Fund** is a capital projects fund used to account for the receipt of rental funds from the Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR) that are used to amortize debt incurred in the construction of a DHR building in Albany, Georgia.

The **2005 One Percent Sales Tax Fund** is a capital projects fund used to account for the County's receipt and expenditure of special purpose sales tax from the 2005 sales tax referendum.

The **2010 One Percent Sales Tax Fund** is a capital projects fund used to account for the County's receipt and expenditure of special purpose sales tax from the 2010 sales tax referendum.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

The County reports the following major proprietary fund:

The **Solid Waste Fund** is used to account for the operation, maintenance, and development of the County landfill and disposal sites.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

The **special revenue funds** account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to expenditure for particular purposes.

The *internal service funds* account for self-insured programs for health insurance and workers' compensation. These funds were created to accommodate the payment of claims and administrative expenses for the self-insured programs.

The *employee retirement plan trust fund* accounts for all activities of the County's defined benefit pension plan.

The **agency funds** are used to account for the collection and disbursement of monies by the County on behalf of other governments and individuals, such as cash bonds, traffic fines, support payments and ad valorem and property taxes.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges between the County's solid waste function and various other functions of the County. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

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. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* 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 enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services provided.

Operating expenses for the enterprise funds and internal service funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

# D. Deposits and Investments

The County considers highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

State statutes authorize the County to invest in obligations of the State of Georgia or other states, obligations issued by the U.S. Government, obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the U.S. Government or by a government agency of the United States, prime bankers' acceptances, the local government investment pool established by state law, repurchase agreements, and obligations of other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia. The Defined Benefit Pension Plan may also invest in equities, corporate bonds and U.S. government securities.

Cash in excess of current requirements is invested in the State of Georgia's Local Government Investment Pool (Georgia Fund 1). Georgia Fund 1, created by OCGA 36-83-8, is a stable net asset value investment pool which follows Standard & Poor's criteria for AAAm rated money market funds and is regulated by the Georgia Office of State Treasurer. However, Georgia Fund 1 operates in a manner consistent with Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and is considered to be a 2a-7 like pool. The pool is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. The pool's primary objectives are safety of capital, investment income, liquidity and diversification while maintaining principal (\$1.00 per share value). Net asset value is calculated weekly to ensure stability. The pool distributes earnings net of management fees on a monthly basis and determines participants' shares sold and redeemed based on \$1.00 per share.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## E. Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the government-wide statement of net position.

Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide statement of net position as "internal balances." In the major fund balance sheets, these receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" and "due to other funds."

# F. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories consist of supplies. Inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. The consumption method is used to account for inventories. Under the consumption method, inventory items are recognized as expenditures when used. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

## G. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, intangible assets, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. In accordance with GASB 34, infrastructure assets acquired prior to June 30, 1980 have been capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend useful lives are expensed as incurred.

Major outlays for capital improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction period of capital assets is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. No interest expense was capitalized during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## G. Capital Assets (Continued)

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following useful lives:

Asset Category	Years
Infrastructure	30
Buildings	50
Building improvements	20
Vehicles	2 - 15
Equipment	3 - 15

# H. Compensated Absences

County employees are entitled to certain compensated absences based on their length of employment. It is the County's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. Only employees with 15 or more years of service may be paid for sick leave benefits. All compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations or retirements.

# I. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as expenses in the year the debt is issued.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued and premiums on the issue are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### J. 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 position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The County does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the balance sheet and statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of fund balance that applies to future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has two types of items, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Unavailable revenue is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet.

The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from property taxes and other receivables, and these amounts are deferred and will be recognized as an inflow of resources in the period in which the amounts become available. An *effective hedge* is reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The effective hedge results from the change in market value of a swap agreement related to the certificates of participation. The amount is deferred and will mature on June 1, 2028, at the same time as the certificates of participation.

# K. Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as "fund balance." Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net position."

**Fund Balance** – Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the assets and liabilities under the current financial resources measurement focus of accounting. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Fund balances are classified as follows:

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# K. Fund Equity (Continued)

- **Nonspendable** Fund balances are reported as nonspendable when amounts cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form (i.e., items that are not expected to be converted to cash) or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted Fund balances are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed
  on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the County or through
  external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other
  governments.
- Committed Fund balances are reported as committed when they can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the County Commission through the adoption of a resolution. Only the County Commission may modify or rescind the commitment.
- Assigned Fund balances are reported as assigned when amounts are constrained by the County's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Through resolution, the County Commission has authorized the County Administrator to assign fund balances.
- Unassigned Fund balances are reported as unassigned as the residual amount when the balances do not meet any of the above criterion. The County reports positive unassigned fund balance only in the general fund. Negative unassigned fund balances may be reported in all funds.

**Flow Assumptions** – When both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balance are available for use for expenditures incurred, it is the County's policy to use restricted amounts first and then unrestricted amounts as they are needed. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is the County's policy to use fund balance in the following order:

- Committed
- Assigned
- Unassigned

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# K. Fund Equity (Continued)

**Net Position** – Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities in reporting which utilizes the economic resources measurement focus. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used (i.e., the amount that the County has spent) for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted using the same definition as used for restricted fund balance as described in the section above. All other net position is reported as unrestricted.

The County applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

## L. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

# NOTE 2. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# A. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net position

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between *fund balance – total* governmental funds and net position – governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. One element of that reconciliation explains that "long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds." The details of this \$7,163,302 difference are as follows:

Bonds payable	\$ (3,060,000)
Unamortized bond premium	(75,869)
Accrued interest	(53,400)
Certificates of participation	(627,000)
Compensated absences	(3,347,033)
Net adjustment to reduce fund balance - total governmental funds	
to arrive at net position - governmental activities	\$ (7,163,302)

# B. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between *net changes in fund balances – total governmental funds* and *changes in net position of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation explains that "Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their useful lives and reported as depreciation expense." The details of this \$4,435,018 difference are as follows:

Capital outlay	\$ 8,188,065
Depreciation expense	(3,753,047)
Net adjustment to increase net changes in fund balances - total	
governmental funds to arrive at changes in net position of	
governmental activities	\$ 4,435,018

# NOTE 2. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities (Continued)

Another element of that reconciliation states that "The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net assets." The details of this \$6,989 difference are as follows:

Donations of capital assets	\$ 177,500
Disposals of capital assets	 (184,489)
Net adjustment to decrease net changes in fund balances -	 
total governmental funds to arrive at changes in net position	
of governmental activities	\$ (6,989)

Another element of that reconciliation explains that "the issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities." The details of this \$1,545,324 difference are as follows:

Principal repayment - general obligation bonds	\$ 1,470,000
Amortization of bond premium	75,324
Net adjustment to increase net changes in fund balances - total	 
governmental funds to arrive at changes in net position of	
governmental activities	\$ 1,545,324

Another element of that reconciliation explains that "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." The details of this \$510,436 difference are as follows:

Compensated absences	\$ 524,688
Net pension obligation	4,421
Net OPEB obligation	(1,068,945)
Accrued interest	29,400
Net adjustment to decrease net changes in fund balances - total	
governmental funds to arrive at changes in net position of	
governmental activities	\$ (510,436)

#### NOTE 3. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

#### **Budget Policies**

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control device for all funds of the County. Annual operating budgets are adopted each fiscal year through passage of an annual budget ordinance and amended as required for all governmental funds. The GAAP basis of accounting is used in preparing the budgets of all budgeted funds. The GAAP basis of accounting is used to reflect actual revenues and expenditures/expenses recognized which is not consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Budgets for Capital Project Funds are adopted on a project basis, spanning more than one fiscal year. Budgetary control is exercised at the departmental level or by projects.

### **Budget Process**

The County distributes budget forms to all department managers for their preparation and the requests are submitted to the Finance Director. The department budgets are formed during the various work sessions that include the department managers, elected officials, the Finance Director, and the County Administrator. The budget is next presented to the Finance Committee of the County Commission and work sessions are held where a formal budget is prepared. The formal budget is presented to the County Commission and a public hearing is conducted. One week after the public hearing, the final budget is adopted by the County Commission. All annual budget appropriations, except project budgets, lapse at the end of the year.

### **Encumbrances**

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed by Dougherty County. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported as restricted, committed, or assigned fund balance, as appropriate, and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be reappropriated and honored during the subsequent year.

# NOTE 3. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

### **Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, expenditures exceeded budget as follows:

Department	Excess
General Fund:	 
Mail and security system	\$ 2,963
Registration and elections	2,021
Clerk of courts	3,051
Magistrate court	552
Coroner	5,600
Vehicle maintenance	104,042
Park maintenance	7,423
Department of Family and Children Services	2,500
Special Services District Fund:	
Street lighting and utilities	4,771

Excess expenditures over budget in the General Fund were funded by under-expenditures in other departments. Excess expenditures over budget in the Special Services District Fund were funded by under-expenditures of the Dougherty County Police department.

# NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

At June 30, 2014, the County had the following investments:

Investments	Maturities	Rating	Fair Value			
Georgia Fund 1	62 days weighted average	AAAf	\$	59,532,253		
Certificates of deposit	15 month weighted average	N/A		264,056		
Guaranteed Investment Contract	15 year weighted average	AA-		667,694		
Pooled, common and collective funds	N/A	N/A		27,897,978		
Mutual funds	N/A	N/A		20,969,098		
			\$	109,331,079		

Of the investments listed above, the certificates of deposit, guaranteed investment contract and \$59,530,378 of Georgia Fund 1, total \$60,462,128 and are included as investments on the Statement of Net Position. Additionally, investments in Georgia Fund 1 of \$1,875 are included as investments related to Agency Funds in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. All other investments are included in the Employee Retirement Plan Fund.

# NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

**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 increasing interest rates.

**Credit Risk.** State statutes authorize the County to invest in obligations of the State of Georgia or other states; obligations issued by the U.S. government; obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the U.S. government or by a government agency of the United States; obligations of any corporation of the U.S. government; prime bankers' acceptances; the local government investment pool established by state law; repurchase agreements; and obligations of other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits. The County does not have a formal policy related to custodial credit risk. Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the County will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes require all deposits and investments (other than federal or state government instruments) to be collateralized by depository insurance, obligations of the U.S. government, or bonds of public authorities, counties, or municipalities. As of June 30, 2014, the County had no uncollateralized deposits.

**Custodial Credit Risk – Investments.** Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the County will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes require all investments (other than federal or state government instruments) to be collateralized by depository insurance, obligations of the U.S. government, or bonds of public authorities, counties, or municipalities.

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

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits – Dougherty County Board of Health. The Board of Health does not have a formal policy related to custodial credit risk. Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Board of Health will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes require all deposits and investments (other than federal or state government instruments) to be collateralized by depository insurance, obligations of the U.S. government, or bonds of public authorities, counties, or municipalities. As of June 30, 2014, the Health Department did not have any balances exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured and uncollateralized as defined by GASB pronouncements.

### NOTE 5. RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2014, for the County's individual major and nonmajor funds in the aggregate are as follows:

		General	Spe	cial Services		IR Building ease Fund	2010 One Percent Sales Tax		
Receivables:									
Taxes	\$	1,294,138	\$	119,322	\$	-	\$	1,326,198	
Accounts		2,535,528		-		-		-	
Notes		-	_	-		2,294,451		<u>-</u>	
Gross receivables Less allowance		3,829,666		119,322		2,294,451		1,326,198	
for uncollectibles		(1,424,308)		(39,376)		-		-	
Net receivables	\$	2,405,358	\$	79,946	\$	2,294,451	\$	1,326,198	
		Nonmajor and Other Funds		Solid Waste	Se	Internal ervice Fund		Total	
Receivables:	•		•		•		•	0.700.050	
Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,739,658	
Accounts		118		711,820		1,104		3,248,570	
Notes		-		-		<u>-</u>		2,294,451	
Gross receivables Less allowance		118		711,820		1,104		8,282,679	
for uncollectibles				(165,553)				(1,629,237)	
Net receivables	\$	118	\$	546,267	\$	1,104	\$	6,653,442	

Property taxes were levied on July 16, 2013. Bills are payable on or before December 20, 2013, after which the applicable property is subject to lien and penalties and interest as assessed. The County bills and collects its own property taxes. Property taxes levied for 2013 are recorded as receivables, net of estimated uncollectibles. The net receivables collected during the year ended June 30, 2014, and collected by August 31, 2014, are recognized as revenues in the year ended June 30, 2014.

Notes receivable of \$2,294,451 represents the amount due from the Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR) for the lease of the Albany Department of Human Resources building. Rental payments received are used to repay the County's debt obligation for this building.

# NOTE 6. CAPITAL ASSETS

# A. Primary Government

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, was as follows:

		Beginning		_	Danisana Transfera			Ending		
On the second of the second		Balance		Increases	Decreases Transfers		Balance			
Governmental Activities:										
Capital assets, not being										
depreciated:  Land and improvements	\$	35,644,779	\$	10,500	\$		\$	(27,296)	\$	35,627,983
Intangible assets	φ	5,573,000	φ	10,500	Ψ	_	Φ	(27,290)	φ	5,573,000
Construction in progress		1,895,563		5,774,118		(48,484)		_		7,621,197
Total capital assets, not		1,090,000	_	3,774,110		(40,404)	_		_	7,021,197
being depreciated		43,113,342		5,784,618		(48,484)		(27,296)		48,822,180
Capital assets, being depreciated:										
Buildings		93,110,886		160,000		-		-		93,270,886
Infrastructure		79,402,317		499,742		-		27,296		79,929,355
Vehicles		6,571,116		429,017		(7,075)		32,276		7,025,334
Equipment		7,228,313		1,492,188		(694,291)		(32,276)		7,993,934
Total capital assets,										
being depreciated		186,312,632		2,580,947		(701,366)		27,296	_	188,219,509
Less accumulated depreciation for										
Buildings		(22, 232, 408)		(1,584,163)		-		-		(23,816,571)
Infrastructure		(50,186,064)		(1,092,300)		-		-		(51,278,364)
Vehicles		(4,348,155)		(570,989)		7,075		(28,831)		(4,940,900)
Equipment		(4,873,683)		(505, 595)		558,286		28,831		(4,792,161)
Total accumulated depreciation		(81,640,310)		(3,753,047)		565,361		-		(84,827,996)
Total capital assets, being				·		_		_		
depreciated, net	_	104,672,322		(1,172,100)		(136,005)		27,296		103,391,513
Governmental activities capital										
assets, net	\$	147,785,664	\$	4,612,518	\$	(184,489)	\$	-	\$	152,213,693

# NOTE 6. CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

# A. Primary Government (Continued)

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

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 363,745
Judicial	62,939
Public safety	1,175,992
Public works	1,343,523
Health and welfare	387,673
Culture and recreation	414,776
Housing and development	 4,399
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 3,753,047

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
Business-type Activities: Capital assets, not being depreciat	ed:				
Land	\$ 2,064,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,064,045
Construction in progress	-	50,312	-	-	50,312
Total capital assets,					
not being depreciated	2,064,045	50,312	-	-	2,114,357
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Building and improvements	11,732,729	11,743	-	-	11,744,472
Equipment and vehicles	6,425,099	299,467	(766,257)	-	5,958,309
Total	18,157,828	311,210	(766,257)	_	17,702,781
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Building and improvements	(6,758,721)	(445,038)	-	-	(7,203,759)
Equipment and vehicles	(4,062,015)	(194,280)	766,257	-	(3,490,038)
Total	(10,820,736)	(639,318)	766,257		(10,693,797)
Total capital assets,					
being depreciated, net	7,337,092	(328,108)			7,008,984
Business-type activities					
capital assets, net	\$ 9,401,137	\$ (277,796)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$</u> -	\$ 9,123,341

# NOTE 6. CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

# B. Discretely Presented Component Unit – Board of Health

	eginning Balance	ln	creases	De	ecreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets, being depreciated:  Machinery and equipment  Total capital assets,	\$ 386,605	\$	73,859	\$	(26,046)	\$ 434,418
being depreciated	 386,605		73,859		(26,046)	 434,418
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Machinery and equipment	(320,500)		(13,085)		26,046	(307,539)
Total accumulated depreciation	(320,500)		(13,085)		26,046	(307,539)
Total capital assets, net	\$ 66,105	\$	60,774	\$	_	\$ 126,879

# NOTE 7. LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of long-term debt activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014:

	 Beginning Balance	 Additions	 Reductions	Ending Balance	_	Oue Within One Year
Governmental activities:						
Bonds payable	\$ 4,530,000	\$ -	\$ (1,470,000)	\$ 3,060,000	\$	1,560,000
Unamortized premium	151,193	-	(75,324)	75,869		-
Net bonds payable	 4,681,193	 -	(1,545,324)	3,135,869		1,560,000
Certificates of participation	627,000	-	-	627,000		-
Compensated absences	3,871,721	1,028,024	(1,552,712)	3,347,033		954,331
Net pension obligation	102,008	2,187,548	(2,191,969)	97,587		-
Net OPEB obligation	9,043,709	1,201,721	(132,776)	10,112,654		-
Governmental activities						
long-term liabilities	\$ 18,325,631	\$ 4,417,293	\$ (5,422,781)	\$ 17,320,143	\$	2,514,331
Business-type activities: Landfill closure/						
postclosure costs	\$ 5,327,464	\$ 281,729	\$ -	\$ 5,609,193	\$	-
Compensated absences	95,296	26,353	(28,874)	92,775		29,791
Business-type activities long-term liabilities	\$ 5,422,760	\$ 308,082	\$ (28,874)	\$ 5,701,968	\$	29,791

## NOTE 7. LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

For governmental funds, compensated absences are liquidated by the General Fund. The capital lease debt is normally paid by the Building Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. For business-type activities, compensated absences are liquidated by the Solid Waste Fund.

**Bonds payable.** During the year ended June 30, 2010, the County issued tax-exempt Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 (Series 2010 Bonds). The proceeds from the bonds were used to prepay the County's capital lease related to the DHR building, provide funds to finance certain improvements to the building, and pay certain costs incurred in connection with the execution and delivery of the bonds. The bonds are limited obligations of the County and are payable solely from the rent received on the building. The outstanding balance of the Series 2010 Bond was \$3,060,000 at June 30, 2014.

The Series 2010 Bonds maturing on January 1, 2016 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on or after January 1, 2015, in whole or in part (in any order of maturity and by lot within a maturity) at any time, at a price of par plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

A summary of debt service requirements of bonds payable, Series 2010 is as follows:

Fiscal year ending June 30,	Principal		 Interest	Total		
2015	\$	1,560,000	\$ 106,800	\$	1,666,800	
2016		1,500,000	60,000		1,560,000	
	\$	3,060,000	\$ 166,800	\$	3,226,800	

**Certificates of participation.** In June 1998, the County entered into a lease pool agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association (the "Association"). The funding of the lease pool was provided by the issuance of \$150,126,000 Certificates of Participation by the Association. The Association passed the net proceeds through to the participating municipalities with the County's participation totaling \$4,333,000. The lease pool agreement with the Association provides that the County owns their portion of the assets invested by the pool and is responsible for the payment of their portion of the principal and interest of the Certificates of Participation. In prior years, the County repaid \$3,706,000 of the principal amount due on these bonds. No principal payments were made during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The principal balance of \$627,000 is due in a lump sum payment on June 1, 2028. Interest is payable at a rate of 4.75% each year. The County draws from the investment to lease equipment from the Association. The lease pool agreement requires the County to make lease payments back into its investment account to fund the principal and interest requirements of the 1998 GMA Certificates of Participation.

## NOTE 7. LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

### **Certificates of participation (Continued)**

As part of the issuance of the certificates of participation, the County entered into an interest rate swap agreement. Under the swap agreement, the County is required to pay (1) a semiannual (and beginning July 1, 2003, a monthly) floating rate of interest based on the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) Municipal Swap Index (plus a 31 basis points spread) to, or on behalf of, the Swap Counterparty (the "Swap Payment"); and the Swap Counterparty will pay to, or on behalf of, the County a semi-annual payment based on a rate equal to the fixed rate on the certificates of participation (4.75%) times a notional amount specified in the swap agreement, but generally equal to the outstanding unpaid principal portion of such contract, less the amount originally deposited in the Reserve Fund relating to the contract, and (ii) a one-time swap premium to be paid on the effective date of the swap agreement. The semiannual payments from the swap counterparty with respect to the County are structured, and expected, to be sufficient to make all interest payments due under the contract, and related distributions of interest on the certificates. Monthly interest payments between the County, the holders of the Certificates of Participation, and the swap counterparty can be made in net settlement form as part of this agreement. Under the swap agreement, the County's obligation to pay floating payments to the swap counterparty in any calendar year may not exceed an amount equal to the SIFMA Municipal Swap Index plus 5% to be determined on the first business day of December in the preceding year. This agreement matures on June 1, 2028, at the same time of the certificates of participation. This derivative qualifies as a fair market hedge.

In the unlikely event that the swap counterparty becomes insolvent, or fails to make payments as specified in the swap agreement, the County would be exposed to credit risk in the amount of the swap's fair value. To minimize this risk, the County executed this agreement with counterparties of appropriate credit strength, with the counterparty being rated Aa1 by Moody's. At June 30, 2014, the floating rate being paid by the County is 0.35% and the market value of this agreement is \$147,206, an increase of \$405 from the market value at the end of the previous fiscal year. The market value of the hedge was determined using settlement prices at the end of the day on June 30, 2014 based on the derivative contract. This market value is reported as an asset in the statement of net position. As this derivative is an effective hedge, qualifying for hedge accounting, the inflow from the hedge (any change in fair value from inception until fiscal year end) is deferred and reported as deferred revenue in the statement of net position.

## NOTE 7. LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Annual debt service requirements for the certificates of participation are as follows:

Fiscal year ending June 30,	Principal		rincipal Interest		 Total	
2015	\$	-	\$	41,277	\$ 41,277	
2016		-		41,277	41,277	
2017		-		41,278	41,278	
2018		-		41,278	41,278	
2019		-		41,278	41,278	
2020-2024		-		206,388	206,388	
2025-2028		627,000		165,110	792,110	
	\$	627,000	\$	577,886	\$ 1,204,886	

Landfill closure and postclosure care costs. State and federal laws and regulations require that Dougherty County, Georgia place a final cover on its landfill when closed and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site for 30 years after closure. The amount of costs recognized in each period is based on the relative amount of waste received during the period, even though some of the closure and postclosure care costs will be paid after the landfill is closed. The \$5,609,193 reported as an estimated liability for closure and postclosure care costs represents the estimated cost for landfill closure and postclosure care based upon the capacity of the landfill used to date. The amount of the remaining estimated cost for landfill closure and postclosure care of \$16,761,216 will be recognized on a pro rata basis as the remaining estimated capacity of 8,477,0783 cubic yards of useable space is filled. Approximately 33% of the landfill's capacity has been used to date, and the County expects the landfill to close the Municipal Solid Waste area in 2070 and the Construction and Demolition area in 2068.

All amounts recognized are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and postclosure care in 2014. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations. It is anticipated that future inflation costs will be in part financed from earnings on investments. The remaining portion of anticipated future inflation costs (including inadequate earning on investments, if any) and additional costs that might arise from changes in postclosure requirements (due to changes in technology or more rigorous environmental regulations, for example), may need to be covered by charges to future landfill users, taxpayers, or both. The financial assurance requirements are being met through the proper maintenance of cash balances and financial ratios.

# NOTE 8. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2014, is as follows:

### Due to/from other funds:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund		Amount
General Fund	2005 One Percent Sales Tax Fund	\$	305,068
General Fund	2010 One Percent Sales Tax Fund		683,874
General Fund	Solid Waste Fund		87,504
General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds		391,091
General Fund	DHR Building Fund		915
Special Services District Fund	General Fund		16,102
Internal Service Fund - Self Insurance	General Fund		274,348
Internal Service Fund - Risk Management	General Fund		32,503
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	General Fund		339,324
		\$	2,130,729

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

#### Interfund transfers:

	Transfers In							
Transfers Out	Spec	Total						
Translers Out		District		IOlai				
General Fund	\$	265,935	\$	265,935				
Solid Waste Fund		23,700		23,700				
Total	\$	289,635	\$	289,635				

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that the statute or budget requires to expend them and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

#### NOTE 9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

## **Plan Description**

The Dougherty County Retirement Plan (the DCRP) is a single employer defined benefit pension plan administered by Silverstone Group, Inc. The DCRP provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries.

Section 9.01 of the DCRP adopted by the Dougherty County Board of Commissioners gives the Board the right to amend the provisions of the plan. The Dougherty County Board of County Commissioners established and appointed the Dougherty County Pension Committee with responsibility to manage the DCRP.

The DCRP's obligations to funding are provided within the Georgia State Code. Separate publicly available financial statements are not issued for the DCRP.

All employees who are employed on a basis to work 2,000 hours or more per year, excluding overtime hours, and who, as of the plan anniversary date have been employed for six months or longer, are eligible to participate in the plan. Participants' normal retirement date is the first day of the month coinciding with or following the later of attainment of age 65 or completion of five years of plan participation. Early retirement can be elected by participants on the first day of the month coinciding with or next following age 55 with 15 years of service. Special early retirement is available to participants on the first day of the month coinciding with or next following age 55 with 25 years of service. A participant who retires under the normal retirement criteria will receive a monthly annuity equal to one-twelfth of the participant's years of benefit accrual service multiplied by 1.5% of average compensation, plus .25% of average compensation for each year of service prior to January 1, 1985. A participant that elects to retire under the early retirement criteria will receive a monthly annuity equal to the accrued benefit reduced by 5/12 of 1% per month for each of the first 120 months by which the early retirement date precedes the normal retirement date. Under the special early retirement criteria, the participant will receive a monthly annuity equal to the unreduced accrued benefit on the special early retirement date.

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The County's contributions are recognized when due and a formal commitment to provide the contributions has been made. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. All plan investments are reported at fair market value. Securities traded on a national exchange are valued at the last reported sales price on the County's balance sheet date. Securities without an established market value are reported at estimated fair market value. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitation, if applicable.

## NOTE 9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

### **Participant Data**

At July 1, 2014, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation, there were 932 participants as follows:

Inactive plan members (or beneficiary) currently receiving benefits	199
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	143
Active plan members	590
	932

### **Funding Policy**

The County is required to contribute an actuarially determined amount annually to the DCRP. The 5-year average contribution rate for plan year beginning 2009-2013 is 11.11% of annual payroll. The contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the Dougherty County Board of Commissioners. Plan participants are required to contribute 3% of compensation, excluding overtime pay, to the plan.

### **Plan Disclosures**

Effective July 1, 2013, the DCRP implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*, which significantly changed the disclosures required related to the DCRP. The information disclosed below is presented in accordance with this new standard. The DCRP does not issue separate financial statements.

### **Net Pension Liability of the County**

The components of the net pension liability at June 30, 2014 were as follows:

Net Pension Liability	Ju	June 30, 2014				
Total Pension Liability	\$	54,942,537				
Plan Fiduciary Net Position		(50,433,924)				
Annual Pension Cost	\$	4,508,613				

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total Pension Liability

91.71%

# NOTE 9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

### Plan Disclosures (Continued)

### **Net Pension Liability of the County (Continued)**

The required schedule of changes in the County's net pension liability and related ratios immediately following the notes to the financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the total pension liability.

**Actuarial assumptions**. The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014. The following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.50% Salary increases, including inflation 3.00%

Investment rate of return 7.75%, including inflation, net of investment  $\epsilon$ 

Mortality rates were based upon the IRS 2007 Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014 valuation were based on the results of the most recent experience study which was completed in December 2007 taking into account 7 years of data experience.

For the year ended June 30, 2014, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expenses, was 15.81%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested. The cash flows used as inputs in the calculation are determined on a monthly basis.

**Discount rate.** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at 14.11% (11.11% from the employer and 3.0% from the employees) of the covered payroll of the current plan members for each year in the future. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of 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.

## NOTE 9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

**Plan Disclosures (Continued)** 

**Net Pension Liability of the County (Continued)** 

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 7.75%, as well as what the County's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.75%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.75%) than the current rate:

				Current			
	1% Decrease 6.75%		Discount			1%	
				Rate	Increase		
				7.75%	8.75%		
County's Net Pension Liability	\$	10,405,744	\$	4,554,667	\$	(409,087)	

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. Calculations are based on the substantive plan in effect as of June 30, 2014 and the current sharing pattern of costs between employer and employee.

### **Employer Disclosures**

Until the County implements the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, effective July 1, 2014, the provisions of GASB Statement No. 27 continue to be followed in the financial statements from the employer perspective. The information disclosed below is presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. 27 and these measures and disclosed amounts differ from those used by the Plan under GASB Statement No. 67 as previously discussed.

# NOTE 9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

# **Employer Disclosures (Continued)**

## **Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation**

The annual required contribution, annual pension cost, and net pension asset for fiscal year 2014 was determined as part of the July 1, 2014 actuarial valuation. The chart below shows the components of the annual pension cost for the current year along with the percentage actually contributed by the County.

Annual Required Contribution	\$ 2,191,381
Interest on Net Pension Obligation	7,906
Amortization of Net Pension Obligation	(11,739)
Annual Pension Cost	2,187,548
Actual Contributions to Plan for Fiscal Year	2,191,969
Decrease in Net Pension Obligation	(4,421)
Net Pension Obligation as of June 30, 2013	102,008
Net Pension Obligation as of June 30, 2014	\$ 97,587

The annual pension cost, percentage actually contributed by the County, and the net pension asset for the current and previous two years are presented in the table below.

Fiscal Year Beginning	Annual Pension Cost (APC)		Actual Contributions		Percentage of APC Contributed		Net Pension Obligation Beginning of Year	
07/01/11 07/01/12	\$	2,313,763 2,165,903	\$	2,317,815 2,169,866	100 100	%	\$	105,991 102,008
07/01/13		2,187,548		2,191,969	100			97,587

As of the most recent valuation date, July 1, 2014, the funded status of the Plan was as follows:

						Onfunded Actuarial
			Unfunded			Accrued Liability as
Actuarial	Actuarial	Actuarial	Actuarial			a Percentage
Valuation	Value of	Accrued	Accrued	Funded	Covered	of Covered
Date	 Assets	 Liability	 Liability	Ratio	 Payroll	Payroll
7/1/2014	\$ 44.413.094	\$ 52.666.565	\$ 8.253.471	84.33 %	\$ 21.297.585	38.75 %

# NOTE 9. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

### **Employer Disclosures (Continued)**

### **Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation (Continued)**

The required schedule of funding progress immediately following the notes to the financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability.

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. Calculations are based on the substantive plan in effect as of July 1, 2014 and the current sharing pattern of cost between employer and employee.

The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the July 1, 2014 actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions include the following:

Annual Return on Invested Plan Assets
Projected Annual Salary Increases
Expected Annual Inflation
Actuarial Value of Assets
Actuarial Funding Method
Amortization Method
Remaining Amortization Period

7.75% 3.0% 3.0% Market Value Entry Age Normal Level Dollar Amount (Closed) 15

### NOTE 10. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

The County's defined contribution plans include the (1) Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc. Plan, administered by Nationwide, and (2) the ACCG Deferred Compensation Program, administered by the Government Employee Benefits Corporation of Georgia. Both plans are 457 deferred compensation agreements. The Plans were adopted by the Dougherty County Board of Commissioner's passing of resolutions. Amendments to the Plans are also under the control of the Board of Commissioners. Employer contributions are established by the County Commissioners and the allowable employee contributions are established by the Internal Revenue Service limits. The County contributes 5% of the gross wages to a 457 plan for all managers hired prior to January 1, 2011. All employees may contribute amounts up to the annual ceiling established by the Internal Revenue Service. All contributions vest at the time they are made. All employees are eligible to participate in the Plans. The fiscal year contributions made under the Plans were as follows:

457 Plan Name	En	nployer	Er	Employee		
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	\$	13,961	\$	318,867		
ACCG Deferred Compensation Program		6,231		150,332		

### NOTE 11. RISK MANAGEMENT

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. The General Fund is used to account for the employee life, property and liability, unemployment and disability insurance programs of the County. The County retains the risk of loss for workers' compensation up to the reinsurance amount of \$325,000, and maintains an internal service fund (the Workers' Compensation Fund) to account for these activities.

There have been no significant reductions of insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year, and settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

The County records an estimated liability for indemnity workers' compensation claims against the County. Claim liabilities are based on estimates of the ultimate cost of reported claims (including future claim adjustment expenses). Claims liabilities include specific, incremental claim adjustment expenses and allocated loss adjustment expenses. Because all workers' compensation claims are expected to be settled within one year, the related unpaid claims liability is not discounted and the entire liability is classified as current.

# NOTE 11. RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Changes in the balances of claims liabilities during the last two fiscal years ended June 30, are as follows:

	_Jur	ne 30, 2014	June 30, 2013		
Unpaid claims, beginning of year	\$	733,758	\$	732,289	
Incurred claims and changes in estimates		265,777		276,073	
Claim payments		(347,400)		(274,604)	
Unpaid claims, end of year	\$	652,135	\$	733,758	

The County maintains a self-insured medical benefit plan for their employees. The plan is accounted for as an internal service fund of the County, is funded according to plan experience, and serves to reduce overall healthcare costs of the County and their employees. The County purchases specific and aggregate stop loss insurance coverage to protect itself in unusual circumstances. Claims payable at June 30, 2014 were estimated based on the loss analysis report provided by a third-party administrator and pending specific stop loss reimbursements. Because all self-insurance claims are expected to be settled within one year, the unpaid claim liability is classified as current.

Changes in medical claims payable for the two fiscal years ended June 30 are as follows:

	_Ju	ne 30, 2014	June 30, 2013		
Unpaid claims, beginning of year	\$	750,000	\$	445,000	
Incurred claims and changes in estimates		4,457,296		3,830,217	
Claim payments		(4,782,296)		(3,525,217)	
Unpaid claims, end of year	\$	425,000	\$	750,000	

The County established the Risk Management Fund during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 which services general liability and property and casualty claims and payments of premiums. This fund allocates the cost of providing claim servicing and claim payments by charging a "premium" to each fund. Claims payable at June 30, 2014 were estimated based on the loss analysis report provided by a third-party administrator. Because all property claims are expected to be settled within one year, the unpaid claim liability is classified as current.

# NOTE 11. RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Changes in property and casualty claims payable for the fiscal year ended June 30 are as follows:

	_ Jun	e 30, 2014
Unpaid claims, beginning of year	\$	-
Incurred claims and changes in estimates		124,034
Claim payments		(14,833)
Unpaid claims, end of year	\$	109,201

## NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### Litigation:

The County is involved in several pending lawsuits. Liability, if any, which might result from these proceedings, would not, in the opinion of management and legal counsel, have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the County.

### **Grant Contingencies:**

The County has received Federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to the disallowance of certain expenditures previously reimbursed by those agencies. Based upon prior experience, County management believes such disallowances, if any, will not be significant.

### NOTE 13. JOINT VENTURES

Under Georgia law, the County, in conjunction with other cities and counties in the Southwest Georgia area, is a member of the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission (RC) and is required to pay annual dues thereto. During the year ended June 30, 2014, the County paid \$57,347 in such dues. Membership in the RC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34 which provides for the organizational structure of regional development commissions in Georgia.

The RC Board membership includes the chief elected official of each county and municipality of the area. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of a Regional Commission. Separate financial statements may be obtained from Southwest Georgia Regional Commission, 30 West Broad Street, Camilla, Georgia 31730.

### NOTE 14. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

### **Plan Description**

The County maintains a single employer defined benefit other post employment benefit plan which was required by GASB 45 and implemented prospectively. The Dougherty County Other Post Employment Benefits Plan ("the OPEB Plan"), includes retirees from Dougherty County. The County offers post employment benefits other than pension benefits as follows: (1) health insurance, (2) dental insurance, and (3) life insurance. Employee groups that are covered include:

- Classified Employees that work a minimum of 40 hours per week
- Classified part-time Employees that work a minimum of 30 hours per week
- Unclassified Elected or appointed officials

An individual must be 55 with at least 15 years or 65 with at least five years of service in order to be eligible for these benefits. As of January 1, 2010, retirees over age 65 are no longer eligible for County health insurance benefits. Employer and employee obligations to contribute are as follows:

	County	Retiree
Health insurance	50%	50%
Dental insurance	-	100%
Life insurance	75%	25%

The County Commissioners adopted, by resolution, a health plan document (known as the Dougherty County Group Health Plan). The dental and life insurance benefits are offered by motion of the Dougherty County Board of Commissioners. Funding for these benefits is annually appropriated in the County's budget. Separate publicly available financial statements are not issued for the OPEB Plan.

### **Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation**

The County contributed \$55,884 and retirees contributed \$76,892 to the OPEB Plan in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The annual required contribution amount is determined using actuarial methods and assumptions approved by the Commission. The Commission establishes and may amend the funding policy for the OPEB Plan. The calculations are based on the types of benefits provided under the terms of the OPEB Plan at the time of each valuation and on the pattern of sharing of cost between the employer and plan members to that point.

# NOTE 14. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the employer and plan members in the future.

The County contributed \$132,776 to the OPEB Plan in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The annual required contribution amount was determined using actuarial methods.

Annual required employer contribution	\$ 1,150,110
Interest on net OPEB obligation	452,185
Adjustment to annual required contribution	(400,574)
Annual OPEB cost	1,201,721
Employer and retiree contributions for period ended June 30, 2014	132,776
Increase in net OPEB obligation	1,068,945
Net OPEB obligation beginning of year	9,043,709
Net OPEB obligation end of year	\$ 10,112,654

### **Trend Information**

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost (APC)	Actual Employer Contribution	Percentage of APC Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
06/30/09	\$ 2,706,554	\$ 344,931	12.7 %	\$ 2,361,623
06/30/10	2,037,873	226,754	11.1	4,172,742
06/30/11	2,058,645	126,524	6.1	6,104,863
06/30/12	1,623,625	157,168	9.7	7,571,320
06/30/13	1,640,444	168,055	10.2	9,043,709
06/30/14	1,201,721	132,776	11.0	10,112,654

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### NOTE 14. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

As of the most recent valuation date, July 1, 2013, the funded status of the OPEB Plan is as follows:

#### **Schedule of Funding Progress**

						Unfunded
						Actuarial
						Accrued
			Unfunded			Liability as
Actuarial	Actuarial	Actuarial	Actuarial		Annual	a Percentage
Valuation	Value of	Accrued	Accrued	Funded	Covered	of Covered
Date	Assets	Liability	Liability	Ratio	Payroll	Payroll
			·			
7/1/2013	\$ -	\$ 11,721,708	\$ 11,721,708	- %	\$ 21,297,583	55.0 %

The required schedule of funding progress immediately following the notes to the financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan net position is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability.

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continued revision as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. Calculations are based on the plan in effect at July 1, 2013. The assumptions used in the July 1, 2013 actuarial valuation are as follows:

Valuation date	July 1, 2013
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Percent of Pay (Closed)
Amortization period	30 years
Asset valuation method	Market Value
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return (includes inflation)	5.00%
Projected salary increases (includes inflation)	3.00%
Inflation	3.00%
Healthcare cost trend rates:	
Health rate	8.00%
Dental rate	5.00%
Expensed rate	5.00%

#### **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

## DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE COUNTY'S NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

	-	2014
Total Pension Liability - Beginning of Year	\$	52,666,565
Service Cost		985,660
Interest on the Total Pension Liability		4,158,047
Changes of Benefit Terms		-
Difference between Expected and Actual Experience		(374,170)
Changes of Assumptions		<u>-</u>
Benefit Payments	-	(2,493,565)
Net Change in Total Pension Liability		2,275,972
(a) Total Pension Liability - End of Year	54,942,537	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning of Year		43,600,328
Contributions - Employer		2,191,969
Contributions - Employee		579,204
Other receipts		3,559
Net Investment Income		6,644,893
Benefit Payments		(2,497,124)
Administrative Expenses	_	(88,905)
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position		6,833,596
(b) Plan Fiduciary Net Position - End of Year		50,433,924
County's Net Pension Liability (a) - (b)		4,508,613
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		91.79%
Covered-Employee Payroll		21,297,585
Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of the Covered- Employee Payroll	21.39%	

<sup>\*</sup>Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED) SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

	_	2014
Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$	2,191,381
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution Contribution Deficiency/(Excess)	_	2,191,969 (588)
Covered-Employee Payroll		21,297,585

#### **Notes to the Schedule of Employer Contributions**

#### Methods and Assumptions for Actuarially Determined Contribution:

Valuation Date

July 1, 2014

Actuarial Cost Method

Entry Age Normal

Actuarial Asset Valuation Method Actuarial value as used for funding Amortization Method Level Dollar Amount (Closed)

Remaining Amortization Period 15 Year Closed Period, or other closed

period in accordance with Georgia State Code

Projected Salary Increases 3.00% Investment Rate of Return 7.75%

#### SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS

	Annual
Fiscal	Money-Weighted
Year	Rate of Return
2014	15.81%

<sup>\*</sup>Schedules above are intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED) SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets		Actuarial Accrued Liability		Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability		Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		
7/1/2013	\$	44,413,094	\$	52,666,565	\$	8,253,471	84.33 %	\$ 21,297,585	38.75	%	
7/1/2012		41,599,358		50,354,905		8,755,547	82.61	21,910,767	39.96		
7/1/2011		39,208,171		47,095,531		7,887,360	83.25	20,552,647	38.38		

## OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS

Actuarial Valuation Date	V	ctuarial alue of Assets	 Actuarial Accrued Liability	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability		Funded Ratio		Covered Payroll		Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	
7/1/2007	\$	-	\$ 27,627,658	\$	27,627,658	-	%	\$	20,767,537	133.03	%
7/1/2009		-	20,841,786		20,841,786	-			22,347,825	93.26	
7/1/2011		-	16,998,714		16,998,714	-			20,552,647	82.71	
7/1/2013		-	11,721,708		11,721,708	-			21,297,583	55.04	

The assumptions used in preparation of the above schedule are disclosed in Note 14 to the financial statements.

#### NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### **SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**Confiscated Assets Fund** is used to account for confiscated assets awarded to the County that are restricted for law enforcement expenditures at the discretion of the Sheriff.

Grant Fund is used to account for grant revenues and expenditures related to various short-term projects.

Lease Commercial Property Fund is used to account for receipt of rent revenues from the East and West parking decks and five tenant retail spaces. Revenues are committed for the upkeep and maintenance of both parking decks and tenant retail spaces as needed.

**Law Library Fund** is used to account for revenues generated through special filing charges in the County court system which are restricted for acquisition and maintenance of library materials.

#### **CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS**

Capital Improvement Fund is used to account for the receipt of property taxes and other funds committed for capital projects of the County.

**1995 One Percent Sales Tax Fund** is used to account for the County's receipt and expenditure of special purpose sales tax from the 1995 sales tax referendum.

**1990 One Percent Sales Tax Fund** is used to account for the County's receipt and expenditure of special purpose sales tax from the 1990 sales tax referendum.

**2000 One Percent Sales Tax Fund** is used to account for the County's receipt and expenditure of special purpose sales tax from the 2000 sales tax referendum.

## COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

**JUNE 30, 2014** 

				Special Re	venue	Funds		
ASSETS	Co	onfiscated Assets	Grant		Lease Commercial Property		Law Library	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	125,271
Investments		263,997		-		56,773		247,013
Accounts receivable		-		-		-		118
Due from other funds		-		339,324		-		-
Due from other governments		-		139,369		-		-
Total assets	\$	263,997	\$	478,693	\$	56,773	\$	372,402
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	12,464	\$	-	\$	953
Due to other funds		816		-		26,875		9,998
Due to other governments		-		2,019		-		-
Total liabilities		816		14,483		26,875		10,951
FUND BALANCES								
Restricted for:								
Judicial		-		-		-		361,451
Public safety		263,181		464,210		-		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-
Committed for:								
Parking deck maintenance		-		-		29,898		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-
Total fund balances		263,181		464,210		29,898		361,451
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	263,997	\$	478,693	\$	56,773	\$	372,402

_ <u>Im</u>	Capital Improvement		1995 One Percent Sales Tax		1990 Ine Percent Sales Tax	2000 ne Percent sales Tax	Total		
\$	\$ - 3,265,082 -		- 1,305,574 - -	\$	- 604,147 - -	\$ - 666,135 - -	\$	125,271 6,408,721 118 339,324	
\$	3,265,082	\$	1,305,574	\$	604,147	\$ 666,135	\$	7,012,803	
\$	- 50,163	\$	- -	\$	- 285,985	\$ - 17,254	\$	13,417 391,091	
	50,163		-		285,985	17,254		2,019	
	- - 667,694		- - 1,305,574		- - 318,162	- - 648,881		361,451 727,391 2,940,311	
	2,547,225 3,214,919		1,305,574		318,162	- 648,881		29,898 2,547,225 6,606,276	
\$	3,265,082	\$	1,305,574	\$	604,147	\$ 666,135	\$	7,012,803	

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

				Special Re	venue	Funds		
	Confiscated Assets Grant			Grant	Lease Commercial Property			Law Library
Revenues:								
Intergovernmental	\$	-	\$	951,974	\$	-	\$	-
Fines and forfeitures		77,720		95,247		-		131,140
Interest income		523		-		34		2,200
Other revenues		-		-		59,177		4,403
Total revenues		78,243		1,047,221		59,211		137,743
Expenditures:								
Current:								
Judicial		-		629,338		-		135,899
Public safety		224,227		29,415		-		-
Public works		-		367,392		-		-
Housing and development		-		-		52,212		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		_
Debt service:								
Interest		-		-		-		-
Total expenditures		224,227	_	1,026,145		52,212		135,899
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over (under) expenditures		(145,984)		21,076		6,999		1,844
Other financing sources:								
Proceeds from sale of assets		7,787		-		-		-
Total other financing sources		7,787		-		-		-
Net change in fund balances		(138,197)		21,076		6,999		1,844
Fund balances, beginning of year		401,378		443,134		22,899	· <u></u>	359,607
Fund balances, end of year	\$	263,181	\$	464,210	\$	29,898	\$	361,451

		Capital Pro	Capital Projects Funds								
<u>In</u>	1995 Capital One Percent Improvement Sales Tax		One P	990 ercent s Tax	2000 One Percent Sales Tax	Total					
\$	_	\$ -	\$	_	\$ -	\$	951,974				
•	_	-	•	_	-	•	304,107				
	81,957	1,567		720	1,126		88,127				
	, -	, -		_	, -		63,580				
	81,957	1,567		720	1,126		1,407,788				
	-	-		-	-		765,237				
	-	-		-	-		253,642				
	-	-		-	-		367,392				
	-	-		-	-		52,212				
	559,471	12,742		285,985	436,945		1,295,143				
	46,258			_			46,258				
	605,729	12,742		285,985	436,945		2,779,884				
	(523,772)	(11,175)	(	(285,265)	(435,819)		(1,372,096)				
	239,853	-		_	-		247,640				
	239,853						247,640				
	(283,919)	(11,175)	(	(285,265)	(435,819)		(1,124,456)				
	3,498,838	1,316,749		603,427	1,084,700		7,730,732				
\$	3,214,919	\$ 1,305,574	\$	318,162	\$ 648,881	\$	6,606,276				

#### **INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**

**Workers' Compensation Fund** is used to account for the accumulation of resources for future workers' compensation claims.

**Self-Insurance Fund** is used to account for the funding of self-insurance and payment of claims and judgments against the County.

**Risk Management Fund** is used to account for the funding of property insurance and payment of claims and judgments against the County.

## COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

#### **JUNE 30, 2014**

ASSETS	Workers' Compensation Fund		Self- Insurance Fund		Risk Management Fund			Total
CURRENT ASSETS	æ	2.007	φ		œ.	20,007	ф	40.004
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,997	\$		\$	36,667	\$	40,664
Investments		1,304,560		1,417,025		150,302		2,871,887
Accounts receivable, net of allowances		-		-		1,104		1,104
Due from other funds		-		274,348		32,503		306,851
Total assets		1,308,557		1,691,373		220,576		3,220,506
LIABILITIES								
CURRENT LIABILITIES								
Accrued expenses		652,135		425,000		109,201		1,186,336
Total current liabilities		652,135		425,000		109,201		1,186,336
NET POSITION								
Unrestricted		656,422		1,266,373		111,375		2,034,170
Total net position	\$	656,422	\$	1,266,373	\$	111,375	\$	2,034,170

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		Workers' Compensation Fund		Self- Insurance Fund	M	Risk anagement Fund		Total	
OPERATING REVENUES	•	0.7.4.000	•	<b>5</b> 4 <b>7</b> 0 040	•	4 400 074	•	0.007.700	
Charges for services	\$	354,000	\$	5,170,919	\$	1,102,871	\$	6,627,790	
Miscellaneous		53,985		58,856		-		112,841	
Total operating revenues		407,985		5,229,775		1,102,871		6,740,631	
OPERATING EXPENSES									
Cost of sales and services		97,232		7,366		41,270		145,868	
Claims		265,777		4,457,296		124,034		4,847,107	
Insurance		53,337		1,309,509		826,196		2,189,042	
Total operating expenses		416,346		5,774,171		991,500		7,182,017	
Operating income (loss)		(8,361)		(544,396)		111,371		(441,386)	
NONOPERATING INCOME									
Interest income		1,484		2,295		4		3,783	
Total nonoperating income		1,484		2,295		4	_	3,783	
Change in net position		(6,877)		(542,101)		111,375		(437,603)	
NET POSITION, beginning of year		663,299		1,808,474		-		2,471,773	
NET POSITION, end of year	\$	656,422	\$	1,266,373	\$	111,375	\$	2,034,170	

## COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Workers' mpensation Fund		Self- Insurance Fund	Ma	Risk anagement Fund	Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 403,287	\$	5,113,550	\$	1,069,264	\$ 6,586,101
Payments to suppliers	(150,569)		(1,316,875)		(867,466)	(2,334,910)
Payments for insurance claims	 (347,400)	_	(4,782,296)		(14,833)	 (5,144,529)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating						
activities	 (94,682)	_	(985,621)		186,965	 (893,338)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Purchase of investments	(20,799)		_		(150,302)	(171,101)
Sale of investments	(20,700)		983,326		(100,002)	983,326
Interest on investments	1,484		2,295		4	3,783
interest on investmente	 1,101		2,200		<u>.</u>	 0,700
Net cash provided by (used in) investing						
activities	(19,315)		985,621		(150,298)	816,008
	 (10,010)				(100,00)	 
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash						
equivalents	(113,997)		-		36,667	(77,330)
Cash and cash equivalents:						
Beginning of year	117,994					 117,994
End of year	\$ 3,997	\$	-	\$	36,667	\$ 40,664
•	 ·	_			·	•
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (8,361)	\$	(544,396)	\$	111,371	\$ (441,386)
Increase in accounts receivable	_		_		(1,104)	(1,104)
Increase in due from other funds	(4,698)		(116,225)		(32,503)	(153,426)
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses	(81,623)		(325,000)		109,201	(297,422)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating	 (01,020)		(020,000)		100,201	 (201,122)
activities	\$ (94,682)	\$	(985,621)	\$	186,965	\$ (893,338)

## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROCEEDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

					Expenditures					
Project Description		Original Estimated Costs Costs		P	Prior Years	Cur	rent Year		Total	
		<u>1985 R</u>	EFE	RENDUM						
Road Projects		***		***	\$	56,117,769	\$		\$	56,117,769
1990 REFERENDUM										
County Jail	\$	31,379,437	\$	31,285,885	\$	31,397,864	\$	-	\$	31,397,864
County Mental Health		3,892,487		3,892,483		3,892,483		-		3,892,483
County Public Health		5,225,205		5,225,202		5,225,202		-		5,225,202
Industrial Parks		5,000,000		5,000,000		5,000,000		-		5,000,000
Central Square Building		3,750,530		3,750,530		3,750,530		-		3,750,530
Chehaw Park		6,000,000		6,000,000		6,000,000		-		6,000,000
Albany Street Lighting		2,500,000		2,500,000		1,899,680		285,985		2,185,665
Conference Center		4,700,000		5,157,565		5,155,391		-		5,155,391
Administrative		4,338,498		4,338,495		4,338,498		-		4,338,498
Totals	\$	66,786,157	\$	67,150,160	\$	66,659,648	\$	285,985	\$	66,945,633
		1995 R	EFE	RENDUM						
City Street & Road Projects	\$	10,000,000	\$	10,075,000	\$	10,074,999	\$	-	\$	10,074,999
County Street & Road Projects		5,000,000		5,652,343		5,652,343		-		5,652,343
Water & Sewer Extensions		8,000,000		10,698,078		10,728,483		12,742		10,741,225
Storm Drainage Improvements		15,200,000		15,123,948		15,019,085		-		15,019,085
Recycling Program		1,500,000		500,000		417,761		-		417,761
Geographic Information System		1,000,000		1,063,717		1,063,717		=		1,063,717
City Fire Stations & Equipment		2,500,000		2,500,000		2,499,876		-		2,499,876
County Fire Stations & Equipment		1,000,000		1,070,574		1,071,538		-		1,071,538
West EMS Station		1,000,000		980,439		980,439		-		980,439
Community Policing Centers		1,500,000		1,543,054		1,539,140		-		1,539,140
Courtroom Addition		3,500,000		4,101,338		4,101,339		-		4,101,339
Emergency Operations Center		3,000,000		2,956,946		2,956,947		-		2,956,947
Downtown Improvements		2,500,000		8,213,104		8,033,651		=		8,033,651
Recreation Improvements		10,500,000		10,500,000		9,888,277		-		9,888,277
Agricultural Service Center		2,000,000		2,064,056		2,064,057		-		2,064,057
Industrial Speculative Building		750,000		750,000		350,313		=		350,313
Thronateeska Heritage Center		750,000		900,000		900,000		=		900,000
Third Floor Renovation		-		-		21,137		-		21,137
Mt. Zion Civil Rights Museum		750,000		793,839		793,839		-		793,839
Government Center Debt		3,500,000		4,088,662		4,088,662		-		4,088,662
Administration/Disparity Study		500,000		1,084,298		1,084,298		-		1,084,298
Contingency				2,333						-
Totals	\$	74,450,000	\$	84,661,729	\$	83,329,901	\$	12,742	\$	83,342,643

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Estimated costs are not budgeted by project or in total. Projects are approved according to need at least annually.

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## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROCEEDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

Project Description						Expenditures					
		Original Costs		Estimated Costs		Prior Years		Current Year		Total	
2000 REFERENDUM											
Administrative	\$	1,175,227	\$ 8,6	12,153	\$	8,234,991	\$	_	\$	8,234,991	
Albany River Walk		6,000,000	6,40	05,000		6,531,843		-		6,531,843	
Chehaw Park Improvements		700,000	70	00,000		680,611		-		680,611	
City Debt Retirement		8,611,094	7,02	23,979		7,023,979		-		7,023,979	
City Street Improvements		6,500,000	6,52	25,000		6,509,309		-		6,509,309	
City Traffic Safety		725,000	72	25,000		724,999		-		724,999	
County Water Extensions		600,000	6	55,548		655,548		-		655,548	
County EMS Station		500,000	5	14,811		514,811		-		514,811	
Hugh Mills Stadium		1,170,000	1,20	04,434		1,204,434		-		1,204,434	
Thronateeska Heritage		500,000	50	00,000		500,000		-		500,000	
Central Square		15,300,000	15,30	06,177		15,306,178		-		15,306,178	
Economic Development		8,013,679	6,46	3,679		5,999,321		444,745		6,444,066	
County Animal Shelter		700,000	78	30,000		835,298		-		835,298	
City Law Enforcement Center		14,500,000	14,50	00,000		14,339,208		-		14,339,208	
Storm Drainage Improvements		11,000,000	4,18	37,173		4,073,955		-		4,073,955	
County Road Improvements		2,000,000	4,80	00,000		4,595,248		(7,800)		4,587,448	
Public Safety GSP Building		500,000	53	36,179		536,179		-		536,179	
City Fire Station		2,000,000	2,00	00,000		2,000,422		-		2,000,422	
County Fire Equipment		500,000	50	00,000		529,728		-		529,728	
Recreation Improvements		9,130,000	3,28	35,000		3,287,663		-		3,287,663	
Albany First Tee Program		875,000	98	38,540		988,471		-		988,471	
County Debt Retirement		30,000,000	30,00	00,000	;	30,131,767		-		30,131,767	
Contingency		-	;	31,544		(31,766)				(31,766)	
Totals	\$	121,000,000	\$ 116,24	14,217	\$ 1	15,172,197	\$	436,945	\$	115,609,142	

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## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROCEEDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

Project Description		Oniminal			Expenditures						
		Original Costs		Estimated Costs		Prior Years		Current Year		Total	
2005 REFERENDUM											
Government Center Improvements	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000	\$	892,705	\$	12,331	\$	905,036	
Judicial Building Improvements		2,000,000		2,185,000		2,030,117		125,405		2,155,522	
Mental Health Building Improvements		1,400,000		1,115,000		1,321,173		234,083		1,555,256	
Public Health Building Improvements		700,000		800,000		269,748		-		269,748	
DOCO Jail Facility Improvements		3,825,000		3,825,000		2,209,462		569,674		2,779,136	
EMS Headquarter Improvements		2,000,000		2,086,553		2,086,553		=		2,086,553	
New Library and Library Improvements		6,000,000		6,400,000		5,437,031		435,056		5,872,087	
County Police Building Improvements		140,000		140,000		136,437		=		136,437	
County Fire Station Improvements		100,000		100,000		87,101		98,899		186,000	
S.R. 133 Road Widening Project		400,000		-		-		-		-	
County Roads, Streets and Bridges		1,186,800		2,294,872		1,671,419		392,845		2,064,264	
County Sewer Extensions		1,000,000		1,150,000		-		24,124		24,124	
New Public Works Facility		700,000		1,000,000		998,675		=		998,675	
Election Equipment		100,000		160,000		132,486		=		132,486	
Radium Springs Improvements		2,500,000		2,500,000		1,139,391		=		1,139,391	
Tennis Court Facility		2,700,000		2,700,000		-		-		-	
Gillionville Road Widening		1,800,000		500,000		209,199		2,011		211,210	
Criminal Justice Information System		4,000,000		4,000,000		1,141,216		845,970		1,987,186	
I.T. Equipment and Software		2,440,000		2,440,000		1,687,499		-		1,687,499	
Greenspace Acquisition		535,000		535,000		465,606		-		465,606	
Mule Barn Presentation		500,000		500,000		76,035		=		76,035	
Museum of Art Relocation		3,000,000		9,773		9,773		=		9,773	
Flint Rivercenter		1,000,000		1,030,312		1,030,312		-		1,030,312	
Albany-Dougherty Payroll Development		3,000,000		3,000,000		597,488		-		597,488	
Riverfront Projects		100,000		100,000		100,000		-		100,000	
Administrative		300,000		300,000		175,637		-		175,637	
City of Albany Projects		65,873,200		63,259,242		63,259,242				63,259,242	
Totals	\$	108,300,000	\$	103,130,752	\$	87,164,305	\$	2,740,398	\$	89,904,703	

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## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROCEEDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

					Expenditures						
Project Description		Original Costs		Estimated Costs		Prior Years		Current Year		Total	
2010 REFERENDUM											
Government Center Improvements	\$	535,000	\$	535,000	\$	189,247	\$	18,249	\$	207,496	
Judicial Building Improvements		960,000		960,000		91,759		207,782		299,541	
Central Square Complex Improvements		860,000		860,000		125,892		13,135		139,027	
Mental Health Building Improvements		300,000		300,000		-		20,224		20,224	
Public Health Building Improvements		450,000		450,000		24,749		141,239		165,988	
DOCO Jail Facility Improvements		2,225,000		2,225,000		20,224		169,542		189,766	
Library Buildings Improvements		5,785,000		5,785,000		693,733		3,295,240		3,988,973	
EMS Stations Improvements		1,760,000		1,760,000		462,079		268,379		730,458	
County Police Building Improvements		1,555,000		1,555,000		744,454		143,434		887,888	
County Fire Stations Improvements		795,000		795,000		176,403		325,312		501,715	
County Parks Improvements		810,000		810,000		50,777		253,090		303,867	
Storm Drainage Improvements		4,300,000		4,300,000		144,651		1,140,945		1,285,596	
County Road Improvements		6,000,000		6,000,000		188,022		756,424		944,446	
Public Works Maintenance Shop Improvements		1,650,000		1,650,000		-		-		-	
Landfill Improvements		1,000,000		1,000,000		-		-		-	
Facilities Warehouse Improvements		240,000		240,000		21,630		14,251		35,881	
Information Technology Equipment		985,000		985,000		-		-		-	
Economic Development Improvements		2,350,000		2,350,000		-		-		-	
Flint RiverQuarium Improvements		505,000		505,000		59,635		121,722		181,357	
Hugh Mills Stadium Improvements		1,175,000		1,175,000		143,792		-		143,792	
Thronateeska Heritage Center Improvements		640,000		640,000		468,452		85,547		553,999	
Greenspace Acquisitions		400,000		400,000		-		600		600	
City of Albany Projects		62,720,000		62,720,000		24,364,719		10,008,319		34,373,038	
Totals	\$	98,000,000	\$	98,000,000	\$	27,970,218	\$	16,983,434	\$	44,953,652	

#### **AGENCY FUNDS**

**Tax Commissioner – Tax and Tag Department** – This fund is used to account for all personal property and real property taxes collected and forwarded to the County and other government units.

The following agency funds are used to account for fines, fees and other moneys collected by the courts and remitted to other parties in accordance with court orders and state law:

Clerk of Courts
Probate Court
Magistrate Court
Juvenile Court

**Sheriff** – This fund is used to account for collection of fees, proceeds from judicial sales, and cash bonds, which are disbursed to other agencies, the County, and individuals.

**Drug Squad Fund** – This fund is used to account for funds received from drug related arrests, which are disbursed to the County.

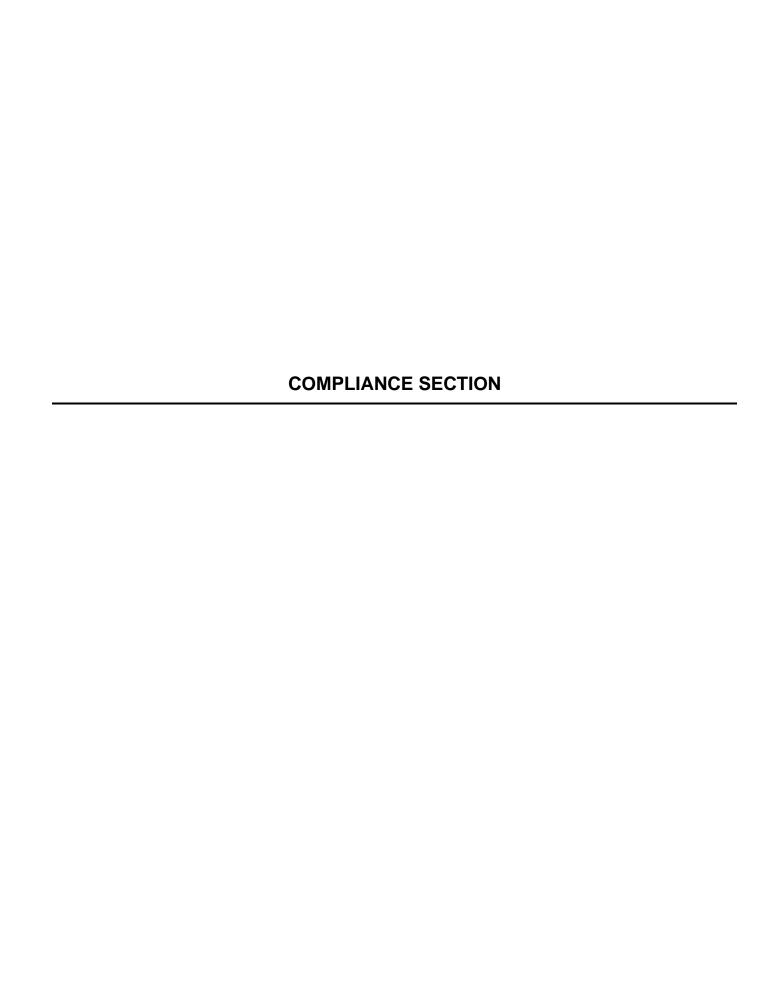
**Escrow Fund** – This fund is used to account for funds received on open cases. These funds will be disbursed as the cases are settled.

## COMBINING BALANCE SHEET AGENCY FUNDS

#### JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS	Tax & Tag  Department		Clerk of Courts		Probate Court		Magistrate Court		Juvenile Court	
Cash Investments Taxes receivable	\$	1,474,091 - 3,000,850	\$	551,849 - -	\$	63,763 - -	\$	58,267 - -	\$	875 - -
Total assets	\$	4,474,941	\$	551,849	\$	63,763	\$	58,267	\$	875
LIABILITIES										
Due to others Uncollected taxes	\$	1,474,091 3,000,850	\$	551,849 -	\$	63,763 -	\$	58,267 -	\$	875
Total liabilities	\$	4,474,941	\$	551,849	\$	63,763	\$	58,267	\$	875

	Sheriff	eriff Drug Squad			Scrow	Total			
\$	424,111	\$	69,120	\$	-	\$	2,642,076		
	-		-		1,875		1,875		
	-		-		<u>-</u>		3,000,850		
\$	424,111	\$	69,120	\$	1,875	\$	5,644,801		
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\$	424,111	\$	69,120	\$	1,875	\$	2,643,951		
							3,000,850		
\$	424,111	\$	69,120	\$	1,875	\$	5,644,801		





## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners of Dougherty County, Georgia Albany, Georgia

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, 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 Dougherty County, Georgia (the "County") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Dougherty County, Georgia's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 15, 2014. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Dougherty County Board of Health, as described in our report on Dougherty County, Georgia's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described as item 2014-001 in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Dougherty County, Georgia's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Dougherty County, Georgia's Responses to Findings**

Dougherty County, Georgia's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Dougherty County, Georgia's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### Purpose of this Report

December 15, 2014

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Mauldin & Jenkins LLC

Albany, Georgia

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

## SECTION I SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weaknesses identified?	yes _	X_no
Significant deficiencies identified not considered		
to be material weaknesses?	X_yes	none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes	X_no

#### Federal Awards

Financial Statements

There was not an audit of major federal award programs as of June 30, 2014 due to the total amount expended being less than \$500,000

### SECTION II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

#### 2014 - 001. Segregation of Duties

**Criteria:** Internal controls should be in place to provide reasonable assurance that an individual cannot misappropriate funds without such actions being detected during the normal course of business.

**Condition:** For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, we noted a lack of proper segregation of duties within several areas of Dougherty County, Georgia's operations, including the Clerk of Court, Probate Court, Sheriff's Office, and County Finance Department. Examples of segregation of duties issues include:

- Cash receipts are handled by the same individual(s) who also opens the incoming mail, makes bank deposits, reconciles the bank accounts, and posts activity to the general ledger.
- Authorized check signers are not independent of voucher preparation and approval.
- NSF and similar cash items are investigated by employees that also maintain the chart of accounts, post journal entries, monitor suspense or clearing accounts, prepare deposits, and post receipts.
- Custody of checks after signature and before mailing is handled by an employee that is not independent of all payable, disbursing and receiving of cash, and other general ledger functions.
- Reconciliations are not made by someone who is independent of the cash receipt and disbursement functions.

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

## SECTION II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND RESPONSES (CONTINUED)

#### 2014 - 001. Segregation of Duties (Continued)

- The billing department is not completely separate from the accounts receivable and collection functions.
- There is not a clear separation of duties between all receivable ledger clerks and the cash/cashier function.
- Recording and approval of credit adjustments and refunds is performed by individuals not independent of the cash handling, and other accounts receivable bookkeeping functions.
- The payroll is not subject to final approval before payment by someone who is independent of the payroll preparation function.
- Unclaimed paychecks are not returned to an employee that is not associated with the payroll function.
- Personnel in the payable function are not independent of the general ledger function.

**Context:** Several instances of overlapping duties were noted during interviews regarding internal control procedures.

**Effect:** Failure to properly segregate duties between recording, distribution, and reconciliation of accounts can lead to misappropriation of funds that is not detected during the normal course of business.

**Recommendation:** The duties of recording, distribution, and reconciliation of accounts should be segregated among employees.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action: We concur. We will work with staff to segregate duties and apply compensating controls to the extent possible.

### SECTION III FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Not Applicable.

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### 2013 - 001. Segregation of Duties

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- Reconciliations are not made by someone who is independent of the cash receipt and disbursement functions.
- The billing department is not completely separate from the accounts receivable and collection functions.
- There is not a clear separation of duties between all receivable ledger clerks and the cash/cashier function.
- Recording and approval of credit adjustments and refunds is performed by individuals not independent of the cash handling, and other accounts receivable bookkeeping functions.
- The payroll is not subject to final approval before payment by someone who is independent of the payroll preparation function.
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- Personnel in the payable function are not independent from the general ledger function.

Auditee Response/Status: Unresolved – See current year finding 2014-001.

#### 2013 - 002. Management of Accounts Receivable Accounts

**Criteria:** Generally accepted accounting principles require revenues to be recognized in the accounting period in which they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. As a part of these processes, the County should review all revenue transactions to determine reporting in the proper period.

**Condition:** We noted the County did not properly adjust accounts receivable in the Non-Major funds.

Auditee Response/Status: The above finding was corrected for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

## DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### 2013 - 003. Undercollateralization of County Deposits

**Criteria:** The Official Code of Georgia (OCGA) Section 45-8-12 (c) requires all depositories of public funds to pledge securities of not less than 110% of the deposited public funds.

**Condition:** For the year ended June 30, 2013, the County's deposits held at one financial institution were undercollateralized.

Auditee Response/Status: The above finding was corrected for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

December 31, 2014

Ms. Martha B. Hendley Dougherty County Board of Commissioner 222 Pine Avenue Albany, Georgia 31702

Dear Martha:

We are enclosing fifteen (15) copies of the Financial Report of Dougherty County, Georgia for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

Sincerely,

MAULDIN & JENKINS, LLC

Craig Moye

CM:kh Enclosures