

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2023

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FINANCIAL SECTION



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the County Commission of
St. Francois County, Missouri

Report on the Audit of Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of St. Francois County (County), Missouri, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise St. Francois County, Missouri's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of St. Francois County, Missouri, as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note I.

Basis for Opinions

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the County, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note I of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note I and for determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements as a whole that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The supplementary information on pages 30 through 37 and schedule of expenditures of federal awards on pages 49-50, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information on pages 30-37 and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards on pages 49-50 are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole on the basis of accounting described in Note I.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, and Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedules on page 38-42 but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 28, 2024, on our consideration of St. Francois County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering St. Francois County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel Jones & Associates".

DANIEL JONES & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
ARNOLD, MISSOURI

June 28, 2024

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,612,461
Investments	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 17,612,461</u>
LIABILITIES	
Payroll liabilities	\$ -
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assests	\$ -
Restricted for:	
Special revenue funds restricted by state statute	10,508,743
Unrestricted	<u>7,103,718</u>
Total net position	<u>17,612,461</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	<u>\$ 17,612,461</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Function/Program	Expenses	Program revenues			Net (expense) revenue and changes in net position
		Charges for services	Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and contributions	Total governmental activities
Governmental activities					
General and administration	\$ 4,258,718	\$ 2,162,389	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,096,329)
Mental Health	328	-	-	-	(328)
Property valuation and recording	1,992,765	1,472,448	-	-	(520,317)
Health and welfare	-	-	-	-	-
Administration of justice and law enforcement	16,808,890	2,261,617	-	-	(14,547,273)
Road and bridges	5,864,382	-	-	-	(5,864,382)
Miscellaneous	451,320	-	-	-	(451,320)
Coronavirus Relief	4,514,580	-	50,000	-	(4,464,580)
Capital outlay	337,099	-	-	-	(337,099)
Total governmental activities	\$ 34,228,082	\$ 5,896,454	\$ 50,000	\$ -	(28,281,628)
General revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property taxes, levied for:					
General purposes					374,057
Road and bridge					2,114,743
Senior Services					428,368
Sales tax					15,553,402
Interest					835,807
Intergovernmental					1,442,262
Miscellaneous					3,882,221
Total general revenues					24,630,860
Change in net position					(3,650,768)
Net position, beginning of year					21,263,229
Net position, end of year					\$ 17,612,461

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
BALANCE SHEET - MODIFIED CASH BASIS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Major Funds				Non-Major	Total
	General	Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Sales Tax	American Rescue Plan Act	Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,100,112	\$ 1,510,762	\$ 203,480	\$ 4,061,945	\$ 4,736,162	\$ 17,612,461
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 7,100,112	\$ 1,510,762	\$ 203,480	\$ 4,061,945	\$ 4,736,162	\$ 17,612,461
LIABILITIES						
Payroll Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES						
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted	-	1,510,762	203,480	4,061,945	4,732,556	10,508,743
Committed	-	-	-	-	3,606	3,606
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	7,100,112	-	-	-	-	7,100,112
Total fund balances	7,100,112	1,510,762	203,480	4,061,945	4,736,162	17,612,461
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 7,100,112	\$ 1,510,762	\$ 203,480	\$ 4,061,945	\$ 4,736,162	\$ 17,612,461

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Major Funds				Non-Major	Total
	General	Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Sale Tax	American Rescue Plan Act	Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
Revenues						
Property taxes	\$ 374,057	\$ 2,114,743	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 428,368	\$ 2,917,168
Sales taxes	5,145,072	316,886	4,814,026	-	5,277,418	15,553,402
Intergovernmental revenue	127,590	1,148,344	24,093	50,000	142,235	1,492,262
Charges for services	1,906,805	-	1,518,722	-	2,470,927	5,896,454
Interest	314,232	94,930	8,081	231,481	187,083	835,807
Other	747,485	142,657	2,627,567	-	364,512	3,882,221
Total revenues	8,615,241	3,817,560	8,992,489	281,481	8,870,543	30,577,314
Expenditures						
Administration	2,962,117	-	-	-	1,296,601	4,258,718
Mental Health	-	-	-	-	328	328
Property valuation and recording	443,156	-	-	-	1,549,609	1,992,765
Administration of justice and law	5,065,330	-	11,028,918	-	714,642	16,808,890
Road and bridge	-	3,636,557	-	-	2,227,825	5,864,382
Miscellaneous	285,289	-	-	-	166,031	451,320
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	337,099	337,099
Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	4,514,580	-	4,514,580
Total expenditures	8,755,892	3,636,557	11,028,918	4,514,580	6,292,135	34,228,082
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(140,651)	181,003	(2,036,429)	(4,233,099)	2,578,408	(3,650,768)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Transfers in	66,024	-	2,117,438	-	40,951	2,224,413
Transfers out	-	-	(8,977)	-	(2,215,436)	(2,224,413)
Total other financing sources (uses)	66,024	-	2,108,461	-	(2,174,485)	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(74,627)	181,003	72,032	(4,233,099)	403,923	(3,650,768)
Fund balances, beginning of year	7,174,739	1,329,759	131,448	8,295,044	4,332,239	21,263,229
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 7,100,112	\$ 1,510,762	\$ 203,480	\$ 4,061,945	\$ 4,736,162	\$ 17,612,461

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
MODIFIED CASH BASIS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Custodial Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 46,294,363
Investments	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 46,294,363
LIABILITIES	
Due to various taxing authorities and others	\$ -
Protested taxes	-
Funds held for bankruptcy	-
Funds held for state agency	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -
NET POSITION	
Net investments in capital assets	\$ -
Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations and other governments	46,294,363
Unrestricted	-
Total net position	\$ 46,294,363

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
MODIFIED CASH BASIS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Custodial Funds
Additions	
Property taxes	\$ 50,658,607
Sales taxes	-
Intergovernmental revenue	421,973
Charges for services	9,302,517
Interest	238,954
Other	1,290,232
Total additions	61,912,283
Deductions	
Administration	50,896,773
Property valuation and recording	-
Administration of justice and law	3,239,114
Road and bridge	-
Miscellaneous	1,640,713
Capital outlay	-
Coronavirus Relief	-
Debt service:	
Principal payments	-
Interest payments	-
Fiscal agent fees	-
Total deductions	55,776,600
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position	6,135,683
Net position beginning of year	40,158,680
Net position end of year	\$ 46,294,363

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

St. Francois County, Missouri became a first-class county on January 1, 2013. It is a political subdivision, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri. The County is approximately 451 square miles in area. St. Francois County is governed by a three-member board of commissioners. In addition to the three County Commissioners, there are eleven (11) elected Constitutional Officers: Assessor, County Clerk, Circuit Clerk, Recorder of Deeds, Collector, Treasurer, Auditor, Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, Public Administrator, and Sheriff.

As discussed further in Note I, these financial statements are presented on the modified cash basis of accounting. This modified basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

A. Reporting Entity

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to the modified cash basis of accounting, these financial statements present the County and its component units, legally separate entities for which the County is financially accountable.

The County's operations include tax assessments and collections, state/county courts administration, county recorder, public safety and 911, road and bridge maintenance, public welfare, and social and human services. The funds presented are established under statutory or administrative authority, and their operations are under the control of the County Commission or an elected county official. The financial statements referred to above include the primary government of St. Francois County, Missouri, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that are considered to comprise the County's legal entity.

Component units are organizations for which the County is financially accountable and all other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the County are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Financial accountability exists if the County appoints a voting majority of the Component Unit's governing board and is either able to impose its will on that Component Unit or there is a potential for the Component Unit to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the County. The County may be financially accountable for governmental organizations with a separately elected governing board, a governing board appointed by another government, or a jointly appointed board that is fiscally dependent on the County.

The decision to include a potential component unit in the County's reporting entity is based on the criteria set forth in governmental accounting standards. Criteria for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity includes the governing body's ability to exercise financial accountability as the primary, but not the only, criteria for inclusion. Financial accountability includes control or dependence over budget adoption, taxing authority, funding and appointment of the respective board.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

A. Reporting Entity (concluded)

The juvenile office and detention center, located in St. Francois County, is an entity separate and distinct from St. Francois County. It is an entity operating at the circuit level to provide services to four counties: St. Francois, Madison, Washington, and Ste. Genevieve. The budgeting process for the office includes all four county commissions and the circuit court judge. Based upon budget adoption, tax authority and funding, the juvenile office is not controlled by or dependent upon St. Francois County. Missouri Statutes do not provide for cash management by juvenile offices. Accordingly, St. Francois County acts in a fiduciary capacity to maintain a depository account and disburse funds for the office as directed and authorized by the circuit court judge. The County has established a separate agency fund, the juvenile fund, to account for these cash inflows and outflows. This fund is custodial in nature and does not purport to represent a measurement of the results of operations of the juvenile office. The County also acts in a fiduciary capacity with the Circuit Court.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present financial information about the County as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government and distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The County does not have any such activities.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the County at year-end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the County's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Amounts reported as *program revenues* include (a) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Taxes, unrestricted interest earnings, gains, and other miscellaneous revenue not properly included among *program revenues* are presented instead as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

Fund Financial Statements:

Following the government-wide financial statements are separate financial statements for governmental funds and fiduciary funds. Presently, the County has no proprietary funds. Fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The County has determined that the General, Road and Bridge, Law Enforcement Sales Tax, and American Rescue Plan Act are major governmental funds. All other governmental funds are reported in one column labeled "Non-major Governmental Funds."

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (continued)

Fund Financial Statements: (concluded)

If applicable, the total fund balances for all governmental funds are reconciled to total net position for governmental activities as shown on the statement of net position. The net change in fund balance for all governmental funds, if applicable, is reconciled to the total change in net position as shown on the statement of activities in the government-wide financial statements.

The fund financial statements of the County are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity with self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance/net position, revenues and expenditures or expenses. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are summarized by type in the basic financial statements. The following fund types are used by the County:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The County's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is upon determination of and changes in financial position rather than upon net income.

The following are the County's governmental major funds:

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Road and Bridge Fund – A Special Revenue Fund used to account for receipts of the County-wide \$0.2418 property tax levy and related expenditures for road maintenance and improvement projects.

Law Enforcement Sales Tax Fund – A Special Revenue Fund used to record the County-wide revenue of two, one-fourth (1/4) percent sales tax receipts and related expenditures to support law enforcement.

American Rescue Plan Act Fund – A Special Revenue Fund was created to account for funds from the American Rescue Plan Act used to provide additional relief to address the continued impact of the Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19).

The other governmental funds of the County are considered non-major funds. They include special revenue funds, which account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that generally are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (concluded)

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary Funds – Fiduciary funds consist of Custodial funds. Custodial funds are resources held by the County for the benefit of individuals, private organizations, or other governmental units. Fiduciary funds are not reported in the government-wide financial statements because they are not available to support the County's own programs. These funds account for activities of collections for other taxing units by the Collector of Revenue, Circuit Court, and other custodial operations.

C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes assets, liabilities, net position/fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses when they result from cash transactions except that the purchase of investments are recorded as assets; funds collected through the agency funds, not yet remitted, are recorded as liabilities and as receivables and revenue in the fund statements as applicable; and as applicable, the receipts of proceeds of tax anticipation notes are recorded as liabilities. This is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets (such as accounts receivable and capital assets), certain revenues (such as sales and property taxes due and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected), certain liabilities (such as accounts payable, accrued expenses, certificates of participation and neighborhood improvement district bonds and obligations under capital leases) and certain expenses (such as expenditures for goods or services received but not yet paid) are not recorded in these financial statements.

If the County utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting, while the fund financial statements for proprietary fund types, if applicable, would use the accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financials would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

D. Property Taxes

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied on October 1 and tax bills are mailed to taxpayers in November, at which time they are payable. All unpaid property taxes become delinquent as of January 1, of the following year.

The assessed valuation of the tangible taxable property, included within the County's boundaries for the calendar year 2023, for purposes of taxation, was:

Real Estate	\$ 737,870,418
Personal Property	245,266,388
	<u>\$ 983,136,806</u>

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Property Taxes (concluded)

During 2023, the County Commission approved a \$0.4061 tax levy per \$100 of assessed valuation of tangible taxable property for the calendar year 2023, for purposes of County taxation, as follows:

General revenue	\$	0.0295
Road and bridge		0.2418
Senior services		0.0473
Handicapped Services		0.0875
	\$	<u>0.4061</u>

E. Cash Deposits and Investments

Deposits and investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. Cash balances for all the County Treasurer funds are pooled and invested to the extent possible. Interest earned from such investments is allocated to each of the funds based on the funds' average daily cash balance.

State law authorizes the deposit of funds in banks and trust companies or the investment of funds in bonds or treasury certificates of the United States, other interest-bearing obligations guaranteed as to both principal and interest by the United States, bonds of the State of Missouri or other government bonds, or time certificates of deposit, provided, however, that no such investment shall be purchased at a price in excess of par. Funds in the form of cash on deposit or time certificates of deposit are required to be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or collateralized by authorized investments held in the County's name at third-party banking institutions. Details of these cash and investment balances are presented in Note II.

F. Interfund Transactions

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables, if applicable, are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the Balance Sheet – Modified Cash Basis – Governmental Funds.

Legally required transfers are reported as "transfers in" by the recipient fund and as "transfers out" by the disbursing fund.

Elimination of interfund activity has been made for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
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G. Governmental Fund Balances

In the Governmental fund financial statements, the following classifications are used to define the governmental fund balances:

Nonspendable – This consists of the governmental fund balances that are not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The County has no nonspendable fund balance as of December 31, 2023.

Restricted – This consists of the governmental fund balances that are legally restricted by outside parties or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The County's restricted funds consist of various taxes approved by voters for specific purposes, special revenue funds restricted by state statute and debt obligations. Details of these balances are presented in Note XII.

Committed – This consists of the governmental fund balances that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action (resolution) of the Board of County Commission, the County's highest level of decision-making authority. Details of these balances are presented in Note XIII.

Assigned – This consists of the governmental fund balances that are intended to be used for specific purposes by the County Commission, but are neither restricted nor committed. Assigned fund balances include (a) all remaining amounts that are reported in governmental funds (other than the General Fund) that are not classified as nonspendable, restricted, or committed and (b) amounts in the General Fund that are intended to be used for specific purpose. The assignment of a fund balance is set by a 2/3 vote of the governing authority (County Commission). Details of these balances are presented in Note XIII.

Unassigned – This consists of the governmental funds that do not meet the definition of "nonspendable," "restricted," "committed," or "assigned."

Unless specifically identified, expenditures act to reduce restricted balances first, then committed balances, next assigned balances, and finally unassigned balances. Expenditures for a specifically identified purpose will act to reduce the specific classifications of fund balance that is identified.

Included in the General Fund unassigned fund balance is a contingency reserve of \$2,345,166 established by the County Auditor during the budget process. It is to be used to supplement the General Fund up to that amount for any reason.

H. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position is 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. All remaining 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 is available. The following net position was reported as restricted:

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H. Net Position (concluded)

Special revenue funds restricted by state statute:

Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 1,510,762
Law Enforcement Sales Tax	203,480
American Rescue Plan Act	4,061,945
Road Improvement Tax Fund	361,807
Insurance Maintenance Fund/Flex Spend Fund	15,776
Assessment Fund	526,578
Senior Citizens Service Fund	102,727
Emergency Fund	396,282
Local Use Tax Fund	27
Sheriff's Revolving Fund	283,912
County Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	322,798
Law Enforcement Training Fund	16,836
Recorder's User Fee Fund	34,011
Surplus Tax Sale Fund	375,021
Collector's Tax Maintenance Fund	306,901
Fines Fund	190,822
Prosecuting Attorney Training Fund	15,488
Prosecuting Attorney Handling Cost Fund	52,523
Victims Violence Fund	7,632
Opioid Settlement Fund	496,015
Inmate Security Fund	60,128
Sheriff's Civil Fees Fund	156,120
Tax Increment Financing Fund	669,329
Election Services Fund	80,870
D.S.S.S.F. Fund	1,420
Recorder Fund	33,704
County Clerk Fund	50
Sheriff Inmate Commissary Fund	41,578
Equitable Sharing Fund	90,219
Circuit Court Fund	23,074
SFC Community Mental Health Board	2,986
MADTF Equitable Sharing Fund	67,352
Sheriff Petty Cash Fund	570
Total Restricted Net Position	<u>\$ 10,508,743</u>

I. Use of Estimates in Financial Statements

Preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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J. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the County Commission and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. No extraordinary items or special items occurred during the year ended December 31, 2023.

II. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The County is governed by the deposit and investment limitations of state law which authorize the types of investments as described in Note I. The deposits and investments held at December 31, 2023, and reported at cost, are as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Deposits:	
Demand deposits	\$ 48,211,371
Cash on hand	1,720
Certificates of Deposit	<u>15,693,733</u>
Total deposits	\$ <u>63,906,824</u>
Reconciliation to financial statements:	
Statement of Net Position	
Cash and investments	\$ 17,612,461
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position	
Cash and investments	<u>46,294,363</u>
	\$ <u>63,906,824</u>

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

For a deposit, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The County does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2023, none of the County's bank balance of \$45,856,885 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments

Investment securities are exposed to custodial risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by the party who sold the security to the County or its agent but not in the government's name. The County has no formal investment policy for custodial credit risk. The County has no investments at December 31, 2023.

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Investment Interest Rate Risk

The County's investment policy limits investment maturities to securities with a maturity of less than sixty (60) months as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The County's investments earn interest based on variable interest rates. The County has no investments at December 31, 2023.

Investment Credit Risk

The County's investment policy does not address investment credit risk, the risk of loss due to the failure of the security issuer. As of December 31, 2023, the County had no investments.

Concentration of Investment Credit Risk

Concentration of investment credit risk is required to be disclosed for any single investment that represents 5% or more of total investments (excluding investments issued by or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government, investments in mutual funds, investments in external investment pools and investments in other pooled investments). The County has no policy in place to minimize the risk of loss resulting from over-concentration of investments. The County had no investments at December 31, 2023.

III. DEBT

Capital Lease

In September 2020, the County entered into a capital lease with First State Community Bank to purchase a 2021 Chevrolet Colorado LT for \$35,185 for the Mineral Area Drug Task Force (MADTF). The lease calls for 3 annual payments of \$12,292, with an interest rate of 2.35%. The MADTF will make all of the payments directly to First State Community Bank on behalf of the County. When the lease is paid off in full, the County will transfer the title of the vehicle to the MADTF. In the event the MADTF does not make the required payments per the agreement, then the County will retain the vehicle. This lease was paid in full during the year.

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IV. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Transfers between funds for the year ended December 31, 2023, are as follows:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
<u>Major Funds:</u>		
General Fund	\$ 66,024	\$ -
Law Enforcement Sales Tax Fund	2,117,438	8,977
<u>Non-Major Funds:</u>		
Fees Due Other Funds	8,977	-
Local Use Tax Fund	-	2,117,438
Surplus Tax Sale Fund	-	31,974
Collector's Tax Maintenance Fund	-	66,000
Fines Fund	31,974	-
Prosecuting Attorney Del. Tax Fund	-	24
Total	<u>\$ 2,224,413</u>	<u>\$ 2,224,413</u>

Interfund transfers were used to move revenues from the fund that ordinance or budget requires to collect them to the fund that ordinance or budget requires to expend them.

V. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS)

Plan Description

The St. Francois County's defined benefit pension plan provides certain retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. St. Francois County participates in the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS). LAGERS is an agent multiple-employer, statewide public employee pension plan established in 1967 and administered in accordance with RSMo. 70.600-70.755. As such, it is LAGERS responsibility to administer the law in accordance with the expressed intent of the General Assembly. The plan is qualified under the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a) and is tax exempt. The responsibility for the operations and administration of LAGERS is vested in the LAGERS Board of Trustees consisting of seven persons. LAGERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. This report may be obtained by accessing the LAGERS website at www.molagers.org.

Benefits Provided

LAGERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. Benefit provisions are adopted by the governing body of the employer within the options available in the state statutes governing LAGERS. All benefits vest after 5 years of credited service. Employees who retire on or after age 60 (55 for police, fire and public safety groups) with 5 or more years of service are entitled to an allowance for life based upon the benefit program provided below. Employees may retire with an early retirement benefit with a minimum of 5 years of credited service and after attaining age 55 (50 for police, fire and public safety groups) and receive a reduced allowance.

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V. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS) (continued)

Benefits Provided (concluded)

	<u>2023 Valuation</u>
Benefit Multiplier:	2.00%
Final Average Salary:	3 Years
Member Contributions:	4.00%

Benefit terms provide for annual post retirement adjustments to each member's retirement allowance subsequent to the member's retirement date. The annual adjustment is based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index and is limited to 4% per year.

Employees Covered By Benefit Terms

At June 30, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Police</u>
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	105	37
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	24	35
Active employees	125	55
	<u>254</u>	<u>127</u>

Contributions

The employer is required to contribute amounts at least equal to the actuarially determined rate, as established by LAGERS. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance an unfunded accrued liability. Full-time employees of the employer contribute 4% of their gross pay to the pension plan. Employer contribution rates are 9.3% (General) and 8.6% (Police) of annual covered payroll.

Net Pension Liability

The employer's net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of February 28, 2023.

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the February 28, 2023, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75% wage inflation; 2.25% price inflation
Salary Increases	2.75% to 6.75% (general) and 6.55% (police) including wage inflation
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of investment expenses

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Actuarial Assumptions (concluded)

The healthy retiree mortality tables, for post-retirement mortality, were 115% of the PubG-2010 retiree mortality table for males and females. The disabled retiree mortality tables, for post-retirement mortality, were 115% of the PubNS-2010 disabled retiree mortality table for males and females. The pre-retirement mortality tables used were 75% of the PubG-2010 employees mortality table for males and females.

Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scale to the above described tables.

The actuarial assumptions used in the February 28, 2023, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period March 1, 2015, through February 28, 2020.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a model method in which the best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Alpha	15.00%	3.67%
Equity	35.00%	4.78%
Fixed Income	31.00%	1.41%
Real Assets	36.00%	3.29%
Strategic Assets	8.00%	5.25%
Cash/Leverage	-25.00%	-0.29%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability is 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that employer and employee contributions will be made at the rates agreed upon for employees and the actuarially determined rates for employers. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to pay all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability.

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V. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS) (continued)

Changes in the Net Pension Liability

Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios

	General Division	Police Division
A. Total Pension Liability		
1 Service Cost	\$ 627,039	\$ 363,895
2 Interest on Total Pension Liability	1,785,665	885,025
3 Changes of Benefit Terms	-	-
4 Difference between expected and actual experience of the Total Pension Liability	973,353	902,428
5 Changes of Assumptions	-	-
6 Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,453,086)	(582,580)
7 Net change in total pension liability	1,932,971	1,568,768
8 Total pension liability - beginning	25,915,532	12,750,707
9 Total pension liability - ending	<u>\$ 27,848,503</u>	<u>\$ 14,319,475</u>
B. Plan Fiduciary Net Position		
1 Contributions - employer	\$ 540,183	\$ 272,020
2 Contributions - employee	235,572	125,109
3 Net investment income	1,078,092	526,625
4 Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,453,086)	(582,580)
5 Pension plan administrative expense	(36,530)	(16,746)
6 Other (net transfer)	274,348	28,071
7 Net change in plan fiduciary net position	638,579	352,499
8 Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	29,950,104	14,860,405
9 Plan fiduciary net position - ending	<u>\$ 30,588,683</u>	<u>\$ 15,212,904</u>
C. Net Pension Liability / (Asset)	<u>\$ (2,740,180)</u>	<u>\$ (893,429)</u>
D. Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	109.84%	106.24%
E. Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 5,468,259	\$ 2,814,489
F. Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll	-50.11%	-31.74%

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V. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS) (continued)

Sensitivity of the Net Position Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Net Pension Liability of the employer, calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the employer's Net Pension Liability would be using a discount rate that is 1% lower (6.00%) or 1% higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability to the Single Discount Rate

	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Single Discount Rate Assumption 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
General Division:			
Total Pension Liability (TPL)	\$ 31,640,326	\$ 27,848,503	\$ 24,712,043
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	30,588,683	30,588,683	30,588,683
Net Pension Liability / (Asset) (NPL)	<u>\$ 1,051,643</u>	<u>\$ (2,740,180)</u>	<u>\$ (5,876,640)</u>
Police Division:			
Total Pension Liability (TPL)	\$ 16,611,452	\$ 14,319,475	\$ 12,456,074
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	15,212,904	15,212,904	15,212,904
Net Pension Liability / (Asset) (NPL)	<u>\$ 1,398,548</u>	<u>\$ (893,429)</u>	<u>\$ (2,756,830)</u>

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

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the employer would have recognized pension expense of \$(259,135) for the General Division and \$177,460 for the Police Division under the GAAP financial reporting standards. The employer reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	General		Police	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,011,969	\$ (230,802)	\$ 751,742	\$ (38,338)
Changes in assumptions	-	(295,729)	-	(39,980)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	308,192	-	156,903	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,320,161</u>	<u>\$ (526,531)</u>	<u>\$ 908,645</u>	<u>\$ (78,318)</u>

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Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (concluded)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Net Deferred Outflows of Resources - General	Net Deferred Outflows of Resources - Police
2024	\$ (97,185)	\$ 94,781
2025	(358,412)	(27,194)
2026	836,829	488,080
2027	401,235	274,660
2028	11,163	-
Thereafter	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 793,630</u>	<u>\$ 830,327</u>

VI. COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND (CERF)

The County Employees' Retirement Fund was established by an act of the Missouri General Assembly effective August 28, 1994. Laws governing the retirement fund are found in Sections 50.1000-50.1300 of the Missouri Revised Statutes (RSMo). The Board of Directors consists of eleven members, nine of whom are county employee or retiree participants. Two members, who have no beneficiary interest in CERF, are appointed by the Governor of Missouri. The Board of Directors has the authority to adopt rules and regulations for administering the system.

A. Plan Description

CERF is a mandatory cost-sharing multiple employer retirement system for each County in the state of Missouri, except any city not within a County (which excludes the City of St. Louis) and counties of the first classification with a charter form of government. CERF covers county elective or appointive officers or employees whose position requires the actual performance of duties not less than 1,000 hours per year; including employees of circuit courts located in a first class, non-charter county which is not participating in the Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS); and does not cover circuit clerks, deputy circuit clerks, county prosecuting attorneys, and county sheriffs. Until January 1, 2000, employees hired before January 1, 2000, could opt out of the system.

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VI. COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND (CERF) (concluded)

B. Pension Benefits

CERF is a defined benefit plan providing retirement and death benefits to its members. All benefits vest after 8 years of creditable service. Employees who retire on or after age 62 are entitled to a retirement allowance for life based on the form of payment selected. The normal form of payment is a single life annuity. Optional joint and survivor annuity and 10-year certain and life annuity payments are also offered to members in order to provide benefits to a named survivor annuitant after their death. Employees who have a minimum of 8 years of creditable service and who terminated employment after December 31, 1999, may retire with an early retirement benefit and receive a reduced allowance after attaining age 55. Annual cost-of-living adjustments, not to exceed 1%, are provided for eligible retirees and survivor annuitants, up to a lifetime maximum of 50% of the initial benefit which the member received upon retirement. Benefit provisions are fixed by state statute and may be amended only by action of the Missouri Legislature. Administrative expenses for the operation of CERF are paid out of the funds of the system.

The County Employees' Retirement Fund issues audited financial statements. Copies of these statements may be obtained from the Board of Directors of CERF by writing to CERF, 2121 Schotthill Woods Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65101, or by calling 1-573-632-9203.

C. Funding Policy

Prior to January 1, 2003, participating County employees, except for those who participated in LAGERS, were required to make contributions equal to 2% of gross compensation. Effective January 1, 2003, participating county employees hired on or after February 25, 2002, are required to make contributions of 4% if they are in a LAGERS county and contributions of 6% if they are in a non-LAGERS county. If an employee leaves covered employment before attaining 8 years of creditable service, accumulated employee contributions are refunded to the employee. The contribution rate is set by state statute and may be amended only by action of the Missouri Legislature. Counties may elect to make all or a portion of the required 4% contribution on behalf of employees. The County collected and remitted to CERF employee contributions of \$257,322.28.

VII. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY RETIREMENT FUND

In accordance with state statute Chapter 56.807 RSMo, the County contributes monthly to the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services for deposit to the credit of the Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorney Retirement System Fund. Once remitted, the State of Missouri is responsible for administration of this plan. The County has contributed \$6,124.95 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

VIII. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

In addition to the pension benefits described in Note V and VI, the County allows employees who retire from the County to participate in the County's health and dental insurance plans. Upon meeting the retirement requirements per County guidelines, the employees can elect to participate in the County's plans. The retirees must pay for 100% of their coverage for each plan in which they elect to participate. The premiums are based on a single-blended rate used for both active employees and retirees. The County has not established an irrevocable trust fund for the accumulation of resources for the future payment of benefits under the plan; benefits are paid on a pay-as-you go basis. A standalone financial report is not

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VIII. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (concluded)

available for the plan. During the year, 5 retirees participated in the County's health insurance plan, and paid premiums totaling approximately \$44,128.00.

The requirements established by Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) are fully funded by employees who elect coverage under the Act, and no direct costs are incurred by the County. The County had 1 COBRA participant for the year ended December 31, 2023, paying premiums totaling \$1,628.60.

IX. CLAIMS COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

A. Litigation

The County is a defendant in various claims and lawsuits regarding protested taxes or civil cases. The cases are being fully appealed. The outcome of these claims and lawsuits are not presently determinable or are not expected to have a material adverse effect on the financial statements; therefore, no amount has been provided in the December 31, 2023, financial statements for any such claims and lawsuits.

B. Compensated Absences

St. Francois County has adopted the compensated leave policies of the Teamsters Local Union No. 600, an agreement between the County Commission of St. Francois County for its Road and Bridge employees. This contract is valid for periods January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2025. All elected official offices, departments, and the Commission of the County follow this contract.

Sick Leave

Employees earn sick leave at the rate of eighteen (18) days per year, cumulative to one hundred (100) days. Upon retirement, an employee with ten (10) or more years of seniority shall be entitled to a payout of 90% of his accumulated unused sick days. Upon separation of employment (voluntary quit) an employee with ten (10) or more years of seniority shall be entitled to a payout of 55% of his accumulated unused sick days. If an employee with ten (10) or more years of service dies prior to retiring, the County shall issue pay equal to 85% of his accumulated unused sick days to his beneficiary.

Vacation

Employees shall earn annual vacation time and pay at their regular rate of pay from the date of employment, as follows:

- Employees shall not be eligible to use vacation hours for the first ninety (90) days of employment, as that is their probationary period, but will still accrue vacation time to be used once the probationary period ends.

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IX. CLAIMS COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (concluded)

B. Compensated Absences (concluded)

Vacation (concluded)

- Employees shall earn vacation pay from the date of employment at the rate of two (2) week per year, to be earned biweekly on a pro-rated basis. (Employees after one year of service are entitled to two weeks of vacation).
- On the fourth (4th) anniversary date of employment, employees shall earn vacation pay at the rate of three (3) weeks per year to be accrued biweekly on a pro-rated basis. (Employees after five years of service are entitled to three weeks of vacation).
- On the ninth (9th) anniversary date of employment, employees shall earn vacation pay at the rate of four (4) weeks per year to be accrued biweekly on a pro-rated basis (Employees after ten years of service are entitled to 4 weeks of vacation). On the fourteenth (14th) anniversary date of employment, employees shall earn vacation pay at the rate of five (5) weeks per year to be accrued biweekly on a pro-rated basis (Employees after fifteen years of service are entitled to 5 weeks of vacation).
- On the twenty-fourth (24th) anniversary date of employment, employees shall earn vacation pay of an additional one (1) day to be earned biweekly on a pro-rated basis, plus one (1) day more for each subsequent year of service to be earned biweekly on a pro-rated bases, to a maximum of five (5) additional days.

Road and Bridge department employee's vacation schedule is addressed in the current union agreement. The Juvenile Department employees will receive ten (10) hours of vacation per month.

At December 31, 2023, the accrued leave liability totaled \$8,668,297.15. The liability consisted of \$1,491,941.22 for the Sheriff's Department and \$7,176,355.93 for all other offices and departments. This includes vacation leave, sick leave, holiday, and compensatory time. These amounts are not recorded in the financial statements.

C. Contracts

In the normal course of operations, the County has contracted for various services such as an outsourcing arrangement for information technology, law enforcement system data, computer hardware and software maintenance, road construction, maintenance and repair, etc. Each agreement contains clauses for continuation or termination.

D. Federal and State Assisted Programs

The County has received proceeds from several federal and state grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as inappropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds, if necessary, will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the potential refund of grant monies.

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X. RISK MANAGEMENT

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters, and has established a risk management strategy that attempts to minimize losses and the carrying costs of insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

The County is a member participant in a public entity risk pool which is a corporate and political body created pursuant to state statute (Chapter 537.70 RSMo. 1986). The purpose of the risk pool is to provide liability protection to participating public entities, their officials, and employees. Annual contributions are collected based on actuarial projections to produce sufficient funds to pay losses and expenses. Should contributions not produce sufficient funds to meet its obligations, the risk pool is empowered with the ability to make special assessments. Members are jointly and severally liable for all claims against the risk pool.

The County is also a member of the Missouri Association of Counties Self-Insured Workers' Compensation and Insurance Fund. The County purchases workers' compensation insurance through this Fund, a non-profit corporation established for the purpose of providing insurance coverage for Missouri counties. The Fund is self-insured up to \$250,000 per occurrence and is reinsured up to the statutory limit through excess insurance.

The County has also purchased commercial insurance for other areas of risk that are not covered by the public entity risk pool or self-insurance fund. These policies include reasonable deductible amounts. The only exception is in regard to the County's vehicle fleet, which is covered for liability only. In a cost-benefit analysis, the County determined it is cost effective to forego the premiums and pay for repairs and replacement as needed. The portion of uninsured loss is not expected to be material with respect to the financial position of the County.

XI. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

Previously, the "General Stabilization" fund was reported as a special revenue fund. During the year, the County determined that the criteria of a special revenue fund was not met. Therefore, the beginning fund balance of the "General Stabilization" fund was moved to the "General Fund" in the amount of \$2,246,740 and all activity beginning January 1, 2023 will be reported in that fund.

XII. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There are no subsequent events to report as of the audit report date for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
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XIII. FUND BALANCE CONSTRAINTS

The constraints on fund balance are listed in aggregate in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances. The following table provides detail on fund balance constraints according to balance classification and fund.

	Major Funds				Non-Major	
	General	Road and Bridge	Law Enforcement Sales Tax	American Rescue Plan Act	Governmental Funds	Total
Fund Balances:						
Restricted for:						
Road and Bridge	\$ -	\$ 1,510,762	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,510,762
Law Enforcement Sales Tax	-	-	203,480	-	-	203,480
American Rescue Plan Act	-	-	-	4,061,945	-	4,061,945
Road Improvement Tax	-	-	-	-	361,807	361,807
Insurance Maintenance/Flex Spend	-	-	-	-	15,776	15,776
Assessment	-	-	-	-	526,578	526,578
Senior Citizens Service	-	-	-	-	102,727	102,727
Emergency	-	-	-	-	396,282	396,282
Local Use Tax	-	-	-	-	27	27
Sheriff's Revolving	-	-	-	-	283,912	283,912
County Law Enforcement Restitution	-	-	-	-	322,798	322,798
Law Enforcement Training	-	-	-	-	16,836	16,836
Recorder's User Fee	-	-	-	-	34,011	34,011
Surplus Tax Sale	-	-	-	-	375,021	375,021
Collector's Tax Maintenance	-	-	-	-	306,901	306,901
Fines	-	-	-	-	190,822	190,822
Prosecuting Attorney Training	-	-	-	-	15,488	15,488
Prosecuting Attorney Handling Cost	-	-	-	-	52,523	52,523
Victims Violence	-	-	-	-	7,632	7,632
Opioid Settlement	-	-	-	-	496,015	496,015
Inmate Security	-	-	-	-	60,128	60,128
Sheriff's Civil Fees	-	-	-	-	156,120	156,120
Tax Increment Financing	-	-	-	-	669,329	669,329
Election Services	-	-	-	-	80,870	80,870
D.S.S.F.	-	-	-	-	1,420	1,420
Recorder	-	-	-	-	33,704	33,704
County Clerk	-	-	-	-	50	50
Sheriff Inmate Commissary	-	-	-	-	41,578	41,578
Equitable Sharing	-	-	-	-	90,219	90,219
Circuit Court	-	-	-	-	23,074	23,074
SFC Comm. Mental Health Bd.	-	-	-	-	2,986	2,986
MADTF Equitable Sharing	-	-	-	-	67,352	67,352
Sheriff Petty Cash	-	-	-	-	570	570
Total Restricted	-	1,510,762	203,480	4,061,945	4,732,556	10,508,743
Committed for:						
Fees Due Others	-	-	-	-	3,606	3,606
Total Committed	-	-	-	-	3,606	3,606
Unassigned	7,100,112	-	-	-	-	7,100,112
	<u>\$ 7,100,112</u>	<u>\$ 1,510,762</u>	<u>\$ 203,480</u>	<u>\$ 4,061,945</u>	<u>\$ 4,736,162</u>	<u>\$ 17,612,461</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - MODIFIED CASH BASIS - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
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	Road Improvement Tax Fund	Insurance Maintenance Fund/Flex Spend Fund	Assessment Fund	Fees Due Other Funds	Senior Citizens Service Fund	Emergency Fund	Local Use Tax Fund	Sheriff's Revolving Fund	County Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	Law Enforcement Training Fund	Recorder's User Fee Fund
ASSETS											
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 361,807	\$ 15,776	\$ 526,578	\$ 3,606	\$ 102,727	\$ 396,282	\$ 27	\$ 283,912	\$ 322,798	\$ 16,836	\$ 34,011
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 361,807	\$ 15,776	\$ 526,578	\$ 3,606	\$ 102,727	\$ 396,282	\$ 27	\$ 283,912	\$ 322,798	\$ 16,836	\$ 34,011
LIABILITIES											
Bank Overdraft	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to various taxing authorities and others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES											
Restricted	361,807	15,776	526,578	-	102,727	396,282	27	283,912	322,798	16,836	34,011
Committed	-	-	-	3,606	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total fund balances	361,807	15,776	526,578	3,606	102,727	396,282	27	283,912	322,798	16,836	34,011
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 361,807	\$ 15,776	\$ 526,578	\$ 3,606	\$ 102,727	\$ 396,282	\$ 27	\$ 283,912	\$ 322,798	\$ 16,836	\$ 34,011

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - MODIFIED CASH BASIS - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Surplus Tax Sale Fund	Collector's Tax Maintenance Fund	Fines Fund	Election Cost Special Fund	Prosecuting Attorney Training Fund	Prosecuting Attorney Handling Cost Fund	Victims Violence Fund	Prosecuting Attorney Delinquent Tax Fund	Opioid Settlement Fund	SFC Community Mental Health Board	Inmate Security Fund	Sheriff's Civil Fees Fund
ASSETS												
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 375,021	\$ 306,901	\$ 190,822	\$ -	\$ 15,488	\$ 52,523	\$ 7,632	\$ -	\$ 496,015	\$ 2,986	\$ 60,128	\$ 156,120
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 375,021	\$ 306,901	\$ 190,822	\$ -	\$ 15,488	\$ 52,523	\$ 7,632	\$ -	\$ 496,015	\$ 2,986	\$ 60,128	\$ 156,120
LIABILITIES												
Bank Overdraft	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to various taxing authorities and others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES												
Restricted	375,021	306,901	190,822	-	15,488	52,523	7,632	-	496,015	2,986	60,128	156,120
Committed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total fund balances	375,021	306,901	190,822	-	15,488	52,523	7,632	-	496,015	2,986	60,128	156,120
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 375,021	\$ 306,901	\$ 190,822	\$ -	\$ 15,488	\$ 52,523	\$ 7,632	\$ -	\$ 496,015	\$ 2,986	\$ 60,128	\$ 156,120

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - MODIFIED CASH BASIS - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Tax Increment Financing Fund	Election Services Fund	D.S.S.S.F. Fund	MADTF Equitable Sharing Fund	Sheriff Petty Cash Fund	Recorder Fund	County Clerk Fund	Sheriff Inmate Commissary Fund	Equitable Sharing Fund	Circuit Court Fund	Total
ASSETS											
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 669,329	\$ 80,870	\$ 1,420	\$ 67,352	\$ 570	\$ 33,704	\$ 50	\$ 41,578	\$ 90,219	\$ 23,074	\$ 4,736,162
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 669,329	\$ 80,870	\$ 1,420	\$ 67,352	\$ 570	\$ 33,704	\$ 50	\$ 41,578	\$ 90,219	\$ 23,074	\$ 4,736,162
LIABILITIES											
Bank Overdraft	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to various taxing authorities and others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES											
Restricted	669,329	80,870	1,420	67,352	570	33,704	50	41,578	90,219	23,074	4,732,556
Committed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,606
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total fund balances	669,329	80,870	1,420	67,352	570	33,704	50	41,578	90,219	23,074	4,736,162
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 669,329	\$ 80,870	\$ 1,420	\$ 67,352	\$ 570	\$ 33,704	\$ 50	\$ 41,578	\$ 90,219	\$ 23,074	\$ 4,736,162

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY

FARMINGTON, MISSOURI

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
MODIFIED CASH BASIS - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	Road Improvement Tax Fund	Insurance Maintenance Fund/Flex Spend Fund	Assessment Fund	Fees Due Other Funds	Senior Citizens Service Fund	Emergency Fund	Local Use Tax Fund	Sheriff's Revolving Fund	County Law Enforcement Restitution Fund	Law Enforcement Training Fund	Recorder's User Fee Fund
REVENUES:											
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 428,368	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales taxes	2,426,164	-	-	-	-	-	2,059,254	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	135,597	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	10,821	817,568	-	-	130,000	-	17,083	90,224	5,042	40,387
Interest	22,979	446	29,780	-	6,272	12,875	27	12,349	11,547	705	1,371
Other	5,921	-	37,766	764	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total revenues	\$ 2,455,064	\$ 11,267	\$ 1,020,711	\$ 764	\$ 434,640	\$ 142,875	\$ 2,059,281	\$ 29,432	\$ 101,771	\$ 5,747	\$ 41,758
EXPENDITURES:											
Administration	-	-	-	-	459,065	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mental Health	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property assessments	-	-	951,337	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety and judicial	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,411	28,000	5,327	-
Road and bridge	2,227,825	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	10,947	-	15,842	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,986
Capital outlay	337,099	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	2,564,924	10,947	951,337	15,842	459,065	-	-	43,411	28,000	5,327	46,986
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(109,860)	320	69,374	(15,078)	(24,425)	142,875	2,059,281	(13,979)	73,771	420	(5,228)
Other financing sources (uses)											
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	8,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,117,438)	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	8,977	-	-	(2,117,438)	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(109,860)	320	69,374	(6,101)	(24,425)	142,875	(58,157)	(13,979)	73,771	420	(5,228)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	471,667	15,456	457,204	9,707	127,152	253,407	58,184	297,891	249,027	16,416	39,239
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 361,807	\$ 15,776	\$ 526,578	\$ 3,606	\$ 102,727	\$ 396,282	\$ 27	\$ 283,912	\$ 322,798	\$ 16,836	\$ 34,011

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FARMINGTON, MISSOURI

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
MODIFIED CASH BASIS - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	Surplus Tax Sale Fund	Collector's Tax Maintenance Fund	Fines Fund	Election Cost Special Fund	Prosecuting Attorney Training Fund	Prosecuting Attorney Handling Cost Fund	Victims Violence Fund	Prosecuting Attorney Delinquent Tax Fund	Opioid Settlement Fund	SFC Community Mental Health Board	Inmate Security Fund	Sheriff's Civil Fees Fund
REVENUES:												
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	2,965	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	137,472	252,007	83,951	4,625	3,921	13,891	-	-	-	49,170	48,175
Interest	-	13,493	19,276	-	757	2,131	166	53	16,277	-	2,313	6,855
Other	178,116	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	139,689	1,745	-	510
Total revenues	\$ 178,116	\$ 150,965	\$ 274,248	\$ 83,951	\$ 5,382	\$ 6,052	\$ 14,057	\$ 53	\$ 155,966	\$ 1,745	\$ 51,483	\$ 55,540
EXPENDITURES:												
Administration	76,133	-	-	-	-	-	13,160	-	-	-	-	-
Mental Health	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	328	-	-
Property assessments	-	121,068	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety and judicial	-	-	244,574	-	-	-	-	7,761	-	-	39,321	42,502
Road and bridge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	83,951	8,305	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	76,133	121,068	244,574	83,951	8,305	-	13,160	7,761.00	-	328	39,321	42,502
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	101,983	29,897	29,674	-	(2,923)	6,052	897	(7,708)	155,966	1,417	12,162	13,038
Other financing sources (uses)												
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	31,974	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	(31,974)	(66,000)	-	-	-	-	-	(24)	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(31,974)	(66,000)	31,974	-	-	-	-	(24)	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	70,009	(36,103)	61,648	-	(2,923)	6,052	897	(7,732)	155,966	1,417	12,162	13,038
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	305,012	343,004	129,174	-	18,411	46,471	6,735	7,732	340,049	1,569	47,966	143,082
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 375,021	\$ 306,901	\$ 190,822	\$ -	\$ 15,488	\$ 52,523	\$ 7,632	\$ -	\$ 496,015	\$ 2,986	\$ 60,128	\$ 156,120

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FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
MODIFIED CASH BASIS - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Tax Increment Financing Fund	Election Services Fund	D.S.S.S.F. Fund	MADTF Equitable Sharing Fund	Sheriff Petty Cash Fund	Recorder Fund	County Clerk Fund	Sheriff Inmate Commissary Fund	Equitable Sharing Fund	Circuit Court Fund	Total
REVENUES:											
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 428,368
Sales taxes	792,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,277,418
Intergovernmental	-	3,673	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142,235
Charges for services	-	8,375	15,099	-	-	477,021	-	178,663	45,252	42,180	2,470,927
Interest	17,388	3,144	-	2,987	-	-	-	-	2,406	-	187,083
Other	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	364,512
Total revenues	\$ 809,388	\$ 15,193	\$ 15,099	\$ 2,987	\$ -	\$ 477,021	\$ -	\$ 178,663	\$ 47,658	\$ 43,666	\$ 8,870,543
EXPENDITURES:											
Administration	746,622	1,621	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,296,601
Mental Health	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	328
Property assessments	-	-	-	-	-	477,204	-	-	-	-	1,549,609
Public safety and judicial	-	-	14,789	29,050	-	-	-	195,297	20,049	44,561	714,642
Road and bridge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,227,825
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	166,031
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	337,099
Debt service											
Principal payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	746,622	1,621	14,789	29,050	-	477,204	-	195,297	20,049	44,561	6,292,135
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	62,766	13,572	310	(26,063)	-	(183)	-	(16,634)	27,609	(895)	2,578,408
Other financing sources (uses)											
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40,951
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,215,436)
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,174,485)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	62,766	13,572	310	(26,063)	-	(183)	-	(16,634)	27,609	(895)	403,923
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	606,563	67,298	1,110	93,415	570	33,887	50	58,212	62,610	23,969	4,332,239
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 669,329	\$ 80,870	\$ 1,420	\$ 67,352	\$ 570	\$ 33,704	\$ 50	\$ 41,578	\$ 90,219	\$ 23,074	\$ 4,736,162

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Circuit Court Custodial Funds	County Collector of Revenue Custodial Funds	Other County Custodial Funds	Total Custodial Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 832,569	\$ 45,409,173	\$ 52,621	\$ 46,294,363
Investments	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 832,569	\$ 45,409,173	\$ 52,621	\$ 46,294,363
LIABILITIES				
Due to various taxing authorities and others	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Protested taxes	-	-	-	-
Funds held for bankruptcy	-	-	-	-
Funds held for state agency	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NET POSITION				
Restricted for:				
Individuals, Organizations and Other Governments	\$ 832,569	\$ 45,409,173	\$ 52,621	\$ 46,294,363
Total Net Position	\$ 832,569	\$ 45,409,173	\$ 52,621	\$ 46,294,363

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FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Circuit Court Custodial Funds	County Collector of Revenue Custodial Funds	Other County Custodial Funds	Total Custodial Funds
Additions:				
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ 49,770,341	\$ 888,266	\$ 50,658,607
Sales taxes	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental revenue	421,973	-	-	421,973
Charges for services	1,747,776	6,944,880	609,861	9,302,517
Interest	19,952	145,302	73,700	238,954
Other	1,169,812	120,420	-	1,290,232
Total additions	3,359,513	56,980,943	1,571,827	61,912,283
Deductions:				
Administration	-	50,896,773	-	50,896,773
Property valuation and recording	-	-	-	-
Administration of justice and law	3,239,114	-	-	3,239,114
Road and bridge	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	121,507	1,519,206	1,640,713
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal payments	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-
Total deductions	3,239,114	51,018,280	1,519,206	55,776,600
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position	120,399	5,962,663	52,621	6,135,683
Net position beginning of year	712,170	39,446,510	-	40,158,680
Net position end of year	<u>\$ 832,569</u>	<u>\$ 45,409,173</u>	<u>\$ 52,621</u>	<u>\$ 46,294,363</u>

See the accompanying independent auditor's report

OTHER INFORMATION

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND - UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Budgeted amounts		Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 470,000	\$ 470,000	\$ 374,057	\$ (95,943)
Sales taxes	4,300,000	4,300,000	5,145,072	845,072
Intergovernmental revenue	564,571	564,571	127,590	(436,981)
Charges for services	1,864,837	1,864,837	1,906,805	41,968
Interest	16,800	16,800	314,232	297,432
Other	737,484	737,484	747,485	10,001
Total revenues	7,953,692	7,953,692	8,615,241	661,549
Expenditures				
Auditor	372,101	372,101	346,595	(25,506)
Child Support	195,484	195,484	193,910	(1,574)
Circuit Clerk	88,718	88,718	65,124	(23,594)
Collector of Revenue	585,790	585,790	544,489	(41,301)
Coroner	303,668	303,668	273,899	(29,769)
County Clerk	497,780	497,780	500,870	3,090
County Commission	423,111	423,111	312,266	(110,845)
Courthouse Maintenance	1,294,425	1,294,425	1,279,626	(14,799)
Courthouse Operations	3,843,138	3,843,138	2,010,145	(1,832,993)
Information Technology	652,390	652,390	662,992	10,602
Morgue	142,728	142,728	113,587	(29,141)
Probate Court	15,000	15,000	3,166	(11,834)
Prosecuting Attorney	1,313,376	1,313,376	1,279,567	(33,809)
Public Administrator	248,088	248,088	233,792	(14,296)
Recorder of Deeds	426,260	426,260	443,156	16,896
Treasurer	212,419	212,419	207,419	(5,000)
Weber Road Facility	249,277	249,277	267,234	17,957
Owl Creek Park	-	-	18,055	18,055
Total expenditures	10,863,753	10,863,753	8,755,892	(2,107,861)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,910,061)	(2,910,061)	(140,651)	2,769,410
Other financing sources (uses):				
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	60,000	60,000	66,024	6,024
Transfers out	(240,000)	(240,000)	-	240,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	(180,000)	(180,000)	66,024	246,024
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(3,090,061)	(3,090,061)	(74,627)	\$ 3,015,434
Fund balance, beginning of year	6,740,000	6,740,000	7,174,739	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 3,649,939	\$ 3,649,939	\$ 7,100,112	

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND - UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Budgeted amounts			Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 2,035,000	\$ 2,035,000	\$ 2,114,743	\$ 79,743
Sales taxes	290,000	290,000	316,886	26,886
Intergovernmental revenue	642,100	642,100	1,148,344	506,244
Charges for services	-	-	-	-
Interest	10,800	10,800	94,930	84,130
Other	2,157,000	2,157,000	142,657	(2,014,343)
Total revenues	5,134,900	5,134,900	3,817,560	(1,317,340)
Expenditures				
Administration	-	-	-	-
Property valuation and recording	-	-	-	-
Administration of justice and law	-	-	-	-
Road and bridge	5,545,236	5,545,236	3,636,557	(1,908,679)
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal payments	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	5,545,236	5,545,236	3,636,557	(1,908,679)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(410,336)	(410,336)	181,003	591,339
Other financing sources (uses):				
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(410,336)	(410,336)	181,003	\$ 591,339
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,329,759	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 789,664	\$ 789,664	\$ 1,510,762	

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
LAW ENFORCEMENT SALES TAX FUND - UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Budgeted amounts			Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales taxes	4,200,000	4,200,000	4,814,026	614,026
Intergovernmental revenue	12,000	12,000	24,093	12,093
Charges for services	1,936,000	1,936,000	1,518,722	(417,278)
Interest	2,000	2,000	8,081	6,081
Other	3,511,637	3,511,637	2,627,567	(884,070)
Total revenues	9,661,637	9,661,637	8,992,489	(669,148)
Expenditures				
Administration	-	-	-	-
Property valuation and recording	-	-	-	-
Administration of justice and law	11,261,052	11,261,052	11,028,918	(232,134)
Road and bridge	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal payments	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	11,261,052	11,261,052	11,028,918	(232,134)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,599,415)	(1,599,415)	(2,036,429)	(437,014)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,117,438	1,117,438
Transfers out	-	-	(8,977)	(8,977)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,108,461	1,108,461
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(599,415)	(599,415)	72,032	\$ 671,447
Fund balance, beginning of year	600,000	600,000	131,448	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 585	\$ 585	\$ 203,480	

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ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND - UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Budgeted amounts		Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales taxes	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental revenue	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-
Interest	2,000	2,000	231,481	229,481
Other	-	-	-	-
Total revenues	52,000	52,000	281,481	229,481
Expenditures				
Administration	-	-	-	-
Property valuation and recording	-	-	-	-
Administration of justice and law	-	-	-	-
Road and bridge	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
Coronavirus Relief	7,301,153	7,301,153	4,514,580	(2,786,573)
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal payments	-	-	-	-
Interest payments	-	-	-	-
Fiscal agent fees	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	7,301,153	7,301,153	4,514,580	(2,786,573)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(7,249,153)	(7,249,153)	(4,233,099)	3,016,054
Other financing sources (uses):				
Issuance of long-term debt	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(7,249,153)	(7,249,153)	(4,233,099)	\$ 3,016,054
Fund balance, beginning of year	8,897,000	8,897,000	8,295,044	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 1,647,847	\$ 1,647,847	\$ 4,061,945	

See the accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to budgetary comparison information

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The County follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. In accordance with Chapter 50 RSMo, the County adopts a budget for each governmental fund.
2. On or before September 1st, each elected officer and department director will transmit to the County Auditor, who serves as budget officer, the budget request and revenue estimates for their office or department for the budget year.
3. The County Auditor submits to the County Commission a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1 by November 15th. The proposed budget includes estimated revenues and proposed expenditures for all budgeted funds. Budgeted expenditures cannot exceed beginning available monies plus estimated revenues for the year. Budgeting of appropriations is based upon an estimated unencumbered fund balance at the beginning of the year as well as estimated revenues to be received. The budget to actual comparisons in these financial statements, however, do not present encumbered fund balances, but only compare budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures.
4. A public hearing is conducted to obtain public comment. Prior to its approval by the County Commission, the budget document is available for public inspection.
5. Prior to January disbursements, the budget is legally enacted by a vote of the County Commission.
6. Subsequent to its formal approval of the budget, the County Commission has the authority to make necessary adjustments to the budget by formal vote of the Commission. Adjustments made during the year are reflected in the budget information in the financial statements.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the County Commission throughout the year. Individual amendments were not material in relation to the original appropriations which were adopted.

7. Budgets are prepared and adopted on the modified cash basis of accounting.

STATE COMPLIANCE SECTION

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
SCHEDULE OF STATE FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

SCHEDULE OF STATE FINDINGS

There were no state findings for the year ended December 31, 2023.

FEDERAL COMPLIANCE SECTION



**Daniel Jones
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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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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*

To the County Commission of
St. Francois County, Missouri

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of St. Francois County (County) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2024.

Our report on the basic financial statements disclosed that, as described in Note I to the financial statements, the County prepares its financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is an other basis of accounting other than accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on 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) as a basis for designing 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. 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County'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 financial statements. 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*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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.

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DANIEL JONES & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
ARNOLD, MISSOURI

June 28, 2024



**Daniel Jones
& Associates**
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

MEMBERS OF
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To The County Commission
The County of St. Francois, Missouri

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the County of St. Francois' (County) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the County's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the County's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the County's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the County's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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DANIEL JONES & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
ARNOLD, MISSOURI

June 28, 2024

**ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

DECEMBER 31, 2023				
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
PASSED THROUGH STATE OF MISSOURI DESE				
CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	FY2023	\$ -	\$ 6,306
National School Lunch Program	10.555	FY2023	-	11,145
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			-	17,451
FOREST SERVICE SCHOOLS AND ROADS CLUSTER				
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION				
Forest Service Schools and Road	10.665	FY2023	-	1,454
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			-	18,905
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR				
DIRECT PROGRAM:				
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	15.226	FY2023	-	1,522
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION				
National Forest Acquired Lands	15.438	FY2023	-	978
Total U.S. Department of Interior			-	2,500
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE				
DIRECT PROGRAM:				
COPS Office COPS Hiring Program	16.710	2020UMWX0424	35,937	35,937
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES				
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)	16.575	MAPA22-23StFrancois	-	34,567
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)	16.575	MAPA23-24StFrancois	-	10,789
Total Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)			-	45,356
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY				
Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG	16.738	15PBJA-22-GG-00640-MUMU	-	9,480
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI STATE TREASURER:				
Equitable Sharing Agreement	16.922	FY2023	-	20,049
Total U.S. Department of Justice			35,937	110,822
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY				
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI STATE TREASURER:				
COVID-19: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)	21.027	FY2023	-	4,496,526
DIRECT PROGRAM:				
Equitable Sharing Agreement	21.016	FY2023 MADTF	29,050	29,050
Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF)	21.032	FY2023	-	18,055
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			29,050	4,543,631

The accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this statement.

**ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION				
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION				
BRO Off-System Bridge Program	20.205	BRO-B094(018)	-	55,234
BRO Off-System Bridge Replacement Program	20.205	BRO-R094(020)	-	18,287
BRO Off-System Bridge Replacement Program	20.205	BRO-R094(019)	-	17,426
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			-	90,947
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES				
Violent Death and Overdose Death Surveillance	93.136	KQ230052433	-	9,886
PASSED THROUGH SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION:				
SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance	93.243	5H79TI081957-04	-	101,754
SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance	93.243	5H79TI081957-05M001	-	160,675
Total SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and Nation Significance FALN 93.243			-	262,429
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES				
Child Support Enforcement Research	93.563	ER10220C088	-	52,467
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			-	324,782
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT				
PASSED THROUGH MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL				
HIDTA High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program	95.001	G22MW0001A-FF	-	319
HIDTA High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program	95.001	G23MW0001A-FF	-	6,794
Total Executive Office of the President			-	7,113
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY				
PASSED THROUGH STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY				
Emergency Management Performance Grant	97.042	EMK-2022-EP-00004-099	-	6,970
Emergency Management Performance Grant	97.042	EMK-2023-EP-APP-0004-085	-	5,161
COVID-19: FY21 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program-American Rescue Plan Act (EMPG-ARPA)	97.042	EMK-2021-EP-00006-SL22	-	25,000
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			-	37,131
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 64,987	\$ 5,135,831

The accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this statement.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the “Schedule”) includes the federal award activity of St. Francois County under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of St. Francois County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows, of St. Francois County.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

NOTE 3 – INDIRECT COST RATE

The County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 4 – SUB-RECIPIENTS

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the County provided \$35,937 for COPS Office COPS Hiring Program, federal assistance listing number 16.710; and \$29,050 for Equitable Sharing Agreement, federal assistance listing number 21.016.

NOTE 5 – DONATED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (UNAUDITED)

The County did not receive any donated personal protective equipment during the 2023 year.

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

A. Financial Statements

1. Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified – Modified Cash Basis
2. Internal control over financial reporting:
 - a. Material weakness(es) identified? Yes X No
 - b. Significant deficiency (ies) identified? Yes X None Reported
3. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? Yes X No

B. Federal Awards

1. Internal control over major federal programs:
 - a. Material weakness(es) identified? Yes X No
 - b. Significant deficiency (ies) identified? Yes X None Reported
2. Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified
3. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 2CFR 200.516(a)? Yes X No

4. Identification of major federal programs:

Federal Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
21.027	COVID-19: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)

5. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$ 750,000
6. Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes X No

ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY
FARMINGTON, MISSOURI
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

There were no financial statement findings noted for the year ended December 31, 2023.

III. FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no federal award findings and questioned costs noted for year ended December 31, 2023.

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

There were no financial statement findings noted for the year ended December 31, 2022.

II. PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS

There were no federal award findings and questioned costs noted for the year ended December 31, 2022.