# **COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**

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We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Hamilton County Park District, Hamilton County, prepared by Berge & Company, LTD, for the audit period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Hamilton County Park District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State



## HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT, OHIO COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

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# INTRODUCTORY SECTION





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May 31, 2001

TO: THE CITIZENS OF HAMILTON COUNTY AND THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS, HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT

We are pleased to submit the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Hamilton County Park District (hereafter, also referred to as the "Park District"). This report conforms to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and provides full and complete disclosure of the financial position and operations of the Park District for the year ended December 31, 2000. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the Park District management. To the best of our knowledge, the following data is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to fairly present the financial position and results of operations of the various funds and account groups of the Park District. All required financial disclosures have been included to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Park District's financial activities.

#### **Report Presentation**

Financial statements of governmental organizations differ somewhat from the statements prepared for profit-oriented organizations in that governmental organizations prepare statements on a fund basis. In governmental accounting, the term "fund" is used to identify a separate accounting entity with its own assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate.

The Park District has established various funds to segregate activities in order to comply with legal requirements, to better facilitate management control, and to satisfy the requirements of GAAP. The presentation of this report and the financial statements contained herein are in conformance with principles established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) through its various pronouncements.

The CAFR is presented in three sections: Introductory, Financial and Statistical. The Introductory section includes this transmittal letter, our organizational chart and a list of principal officials. The Financial section includes the general purpose financial statements (with the report of independent auditors) and the combining, individual fund and account group statements and schedules. The Statistical section includes selected financial and demographic information, generally presented on a multi-year basis.

#### **Reporting Entity**

The Hamilton County Park District (Park District) was created in 1930 under authority of Chapter 1545 of the Ohio Revised Code for the purpose of protecting local natural resources and providing outdoor recreation. The Park District is governed by a three member Board of Park Commissioners, each of whom is appointed to three-year terms by the Probate Court Judge of Hamilton County and who serve without pay. The first Park Board took office on July 17, 1930.

The Board of Park Commissioners appoints a Director who is also the Chief Executive Officer. The Director is responsible for executing policy of the Park Board. Since 1930, the Park District has acquired and conserved over 13,000 acres of parkland, including eighteen parks and nature preserves.

#### County Structure, Local Economic Conditions and Outlook

The Park District's base for its real estate tax levy revenue (approximately \$12 million) is Hamilton County. The County of Hamilton was named for the former Secretary of Treasury, Alexander Hamilton, and was created by proclamation of Arthur St. Clair, Governor of the Northwest Territory, on January 2, 1790. The County was the second county formed in the State of Ohio, with Cincinnati as the County seat. The County is situated in the extreme southwestern corner of the State and covers an area of 414 square miles. The County encompasses 49 municipalities, villages and townships, of which Cincinnati is the largest. The County is the third largest in the State of Ohio in terms of population (845,303). Located on the Ohio River, the County forms the core of the "Cincinnati Metropolitan Area," which includes the counties of Hamilton, Warren, Clermont and Butler in Ohio, Dearborn in Indiana and Kenton, Campbell and Boone across the river in Kentucky.

The County Auditor serves as both the chief fiscal officer for the County and the real property assessor for all political subdivisions within the County. The Auditor prepares the general tax list of the County, calculates the voted and unvoted tax rates for real estate and personal property and, once collected, distributes the tax receipts to the appropriate political subdivisions and agencies within the County. The collection and distribution of tax levy proceeds is the only service provided to the Park District.

The County of Hamilton's average unemployment rate for 2000 was 2.9%. During 2000, the County maintained an average labor force of 449,000, of which 436,100 were employed. Fifty-four percent (54%) of the U.S. population is within one hour's flight time and the Metropolitan Area is within 600 miles of 53% of the nation's purchasing power and 54% of the nation's manufacturing establishments.

The corporate headquarters of numerous companies are located in Hamilton County. Cincinnati is the home of several Fortune 500 corporations, including Procter & Gamble, Kroger Company, Cinergy and American Financial Corporation. Another 370 Fortune 500 companies have operations in the Metropolitan Area.

The Metropolitan Area is a growing center for international business, with approximately 800 companies engaged in international trade. Metropolitan Area companies generate sales of approximately \$4.0 billion to customers outside the U.S. each year. Major export products include jet engines, plastics, machinery, computer software, paper and consumer goods. Directly imported products amount to over \$2.0 billion annually. Over 150 Greater Cincinnati companies are also owned by foreign companies from Japan, England, Western Europe and Canada. New investment by suppliers to the new Japanese auto plants in the Midwest is particularly strong. Foreign trade zone status is also available in Greater Cincinnati to assist firms engaged in international trade to lower import duty and tax expenses.

The County is also the location of major federal government installations, including a regional postal service center, a regional internal revenue service center, an environmental research center, an occupational health and safety research center and the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals.

The County's primary sporting venues include Cinergy Stadium with a seating capacity of 59,700; the Firstar Center, which can accommodate 17,000; Cincinnati Gardens which seats 10,800 and the Shoemaker Center at the University of Cincinnati with a capacity of 13,176, Paul Brown Stadium seating 65,600.

For further information regarding Hamilton County, see Statistical Section.

#### **Major Initiatives 2000**

The year 2000 marked the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Hamilton County Park District and what an exciting year it proved to be!

Great progress was made in transforming Glenwood Gardens into a wonderful place for nature and those who enjoy greenspace. This scenic property is located west of the Springfield Pike and Glendale-Milford Road intersection and features 335 acres of open space. Glenwood Gardens is contiguous with Winton Woods and together, they form a four mile long, 2711 acre greenbelt. This new park area will feature a walking trail that will include a one-mile, fully accessible paved loop and two bridges to allow visitors to cross the West Fork of the Mill Creek. The "Gatehouse" will include restrooms, vending facilities, a drinking fountain and an outdoor educational display area and "Corswald Overlook" will provide visitors with a panoramic view of the landscape. Glenwood Gardens is scheduled to open to the public in the summer of 2001.

On the eastern side of Hamilton County, new recreational facilities were developed at Woodland Mound. Given the popularity of Parky's Pirate Cove and Parky's Ark, a newer playground was constructed at Woodland Mound's Breezy Point Pavilion. "Parky's Wetland Adventure" will premier in the summer of 2001. In addition, the Park District began operation of a monthly campground facility along the Ohio River. "Steamboat Bend Campground" proved to be a popular addition to our existing campground operations.

The Park District and the Cincinnati Recreation Commission co-hosted the 2000 Ohio Parks and Recreation Annual Conference held February 26 through March 1 at the Greater Cincinnati Convention Center and the Omni Netherland Hotel. The conference had more than 100 educational sessions, an exhibit hall and networking events for all park and recreation agencies in Ohio.

#### **Financial Information**

The Park District's day-to-day accounting and budgetary records are maintained on a basis other than GAAP. For financial reporting purposes, the accounting records are converted to a modified accrual basis for all Governmental and Fiduciary funds and the accrual basis for the Enterprise Funds. A further discussion of the two basis of accounting can be found in Note 2, (page 30) to the financial statements along with a reconciliation of budgetary to GAAP (page 32).

Budgetary appropriations for the operation of the Park District's divisions are established through the adoption of the annual Appropriation Resolution by the Board of Park Commissioners. Budgetary control is facilitated through the maintenance of an encumbrance system for purchase orders and through the use of the Park District's financial accounting system.

The Park District maintains budgetary control within the organizational unit and fund by not permitting expenditures and encumbrances to exceed appropriations. Various departments are subject to performance budget reviews. Funds appropriated may not be expended for purposes other than those designated in the Appropriation Resolution.

Items to be purchased costing under \$500 do not require a formal bid. Purchases over \$500 but under \$15,000 must have specifications prepared and be bid out. Purchases exceeding \$15,000 must be legally bid out under Ohio Revised Code Sections 307.88 and 307.89.

Services of an accountant, architect, attorney, physician, professional engineer, construction project manager, consultant, surveyor or appraiser do not have to be bid out.

#### **Internal Controls**

In developing and revising the Park District's accounting and reporting control system, management's consideration is given to the adequacy of internal controls to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding:

- safeguarding assets against loss from unauthorized use of disposition.
- reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets.

The concept of a reasonable assurance recognizes that:

- the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived.
- the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. The Park District's internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

Responsibility for budgetary control rests with individual departments.

The Board of Park Commissioners and department heads receive a monthly report comparing budget and actual revenue and expenditures.

The Accounting Department conducts internal cash audits at park locations. During 2000, 117 such audits were performed. Bank reconciliations are completed by accounting personnel not authorized to sign checks.

#### **General Government Functions**

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, Capital Projects Fund revenues and the percentage of total for the year ended December 31, 2000:

Revenue Source (GAAP Basis)

	<u>Amount</u>	Percentage of Total
Taxes	\$ 12,451,965	67.2%
Motor Vehicle Permits	775,897	4.2
Charges for Services	4,420,172	23.8
Fines and Damages	25,871	.1
Donations and Grants	120,464	.6
Investment Income	385,294	2.1
Insurance Proceeds	306,636	1.7
Miscellaneous	57,534	3
Total Revenues	\$ <u>18,543,833</u>	<u>100.0</u> %

Property taxes are the major source of revenue for general government functions. These are represented by a 1.0 mill voted levy which will expire at the end of 2003, and a .03 mill non-voted levy. Property tax revenue represents a total of \$12,451,965 (67.2% of total general government revenue) for the year ended December 31, 2000.

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, Capital Projects Fund expenditures and the percentage of total for the year ended December 31, 2000:

#### Expenditures (GAAP Basis)

	<u>Amount</u>	Percentage of Total
General Government	\$ 1,253,848	6.5%
Public Safety	2,534,719	12.9
Operations and Maintenance	6,084,494	31.1
Land Management	210,197	1.1
Resource Quality	123,015	0.6
Naturalists	712,371	3.6
Communications	554,564	2.8
Visitor Services	1,428,473	<u>7.3</u>
Total operating expenditures	12,901,681	65.9%
Capital outlay	6,691,820	<u>34.1</u> %
Total expenditures	\$ <u>19,593,501</u>	<u>100.0</u> %

The largest major area of expenditures (\$6,084,494) is for maintenance of over 13,000 acres of parkland and eighteen parks and nature preserves.

#### **Special Revenue Fund**

This fund includes three Law Enforcement subfunds and a subfund to receive specially designated donations.

#### **Capital Improvement Fund**

After \$6.3 million transferred in from the General Fund real estate levy proceeds, general park capital improvements exceeded \$6 million. There were no loans initiated to finance Park District improvements. Enterprise Fund finances its own improvements.

#### **Enterprise Fund**

In 2000, over \$900,000 of positive cash flow was provided by the Golf, Fishing, Boating, Riding Center, Food Service operations and sale of Golf Merchandise. Nearly \$700,000 was used for Enterprise capital improvements.

#### **Fiduciary Expendable Trust Funds**

In 2000, stock market declines resulted in unrealized portfolio loss of \$820,000. This amount is shown netted with other investment income.

#### **Cash Management**

The Park District's investment policy is based on Ohio Revised Code, Chapter 135. Policies are reviewed annually by independent auditors. The policy provides the foremost objective of safety of capital, followed by objectives of liquidity and return on investment.

The Treasurer utilizes cash management and forecasting techniques and procedures to provide for efficient and optimal use of the Park District's cash resources, as permitted by applicable State of Ohio law. Among the Park District's investments, the Park District participates in the State Treasurer's Investment Pool of Ohio (STAROHIO). The state-wide investment pool was established in January 1986 for governmental entities in Ohio and is administered by the Treasurer of the State of Ohio. In addition to STAROHIO, the Park District's Treasurer invests in short-term certificates of deposit. All the Park District's investments are in compliance with the Park District's investment policy as passed by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Cash resources of a majority of individual funds are combined to form a pool of cash and investments to maximize possible returns. Investment income is allocated to the General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, Enterprise Fund, Fiduciary Fund and the Capital Projects Fund as prescribed by Ohio law and Board policy.

#### Risk Management

The Park District provides training and safety equipment to its employees in order to control risks of injury. The Park District also maintains comprehensive coverage from private insurance carriers for property, appointed officials, ranger liability, boilers, crime and general liability. The annual premium approximates \$182,000. Further information relating to insurance is presented in the Statistical Section.

#### **Independent Audit**

State statute requires an annual audit be performed by the Auditor of State or by an independent certified public accountant approved by the Auditor of State. For years 1996 through 2000 our audit was performed by Berge & Company LTD. The auditor's report is an integral part of this CAFR. A Request for Proposal will be prepared to select auditors for 2001-2005

#### **Awards**

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Park District for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999. This was the second year the Park District received this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the Park District published an easy-to-read, efficiently-organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report satisfies both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program requirements. It is being submitted to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

#### Acknowledgements

This CAFR represents a continuing commitment by the Accounting Department and the Management of the Park District to provide prudent financial information of Park District activities and to demonstrate stewardship of the funds granted to the Park District by the voters of Hamilton County.

We thank and acknowledge support of the entire staff of the Park District for their effort in developing this report. We thank Dusty Rhodes, Hamilton County Auditor, and his office for assistance in developing the Statistical Section and staff of Berge & Company LTD, our auditors, for their assistance and review during this project.

Jon Brady, Director

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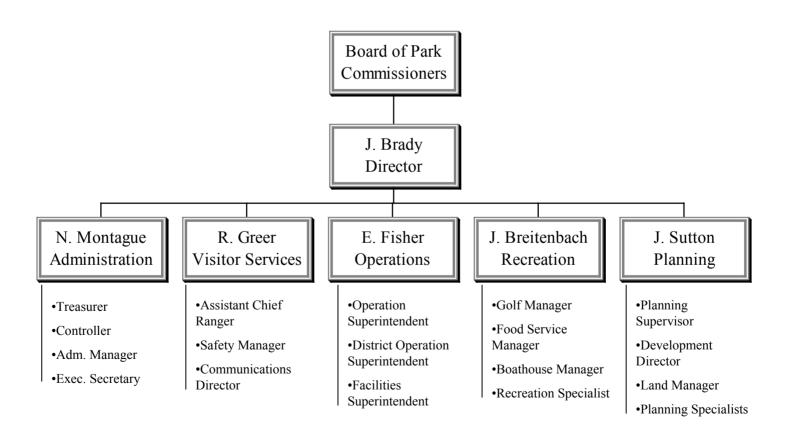
### Hamilton County Park District, Ohio

For its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1999

A Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting is presented by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada to government units and public employee retirement systems whose comprehensive annual financial reports (CAFRs) achieve the highest standards in government accounting and financial reporting.

OFFICE OF

# HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT 2000 Organizational Chart



#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT LIST OF PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2000**

#### **ELECTED OFFICIAL**

#### **HAMILTON COUNTY PROBATE JUDGE**

HONORABLE JUDGE WAYNE F. WILKE TERM EXPIRES FEBRUARY 8, 2003

#### APPOINTED BY PROBATE JUDGE

#### **BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

#### **TERM EXPIRES**

NANCY R. HAMANT	PRESIDENT	DECEMBER 31, 2001
ROBERT A. GOERING, SR.	VICE-PRESIDENT	<b>DECEMBER 31, 2002</b>
JAMES A. D. GEIER	VICE-PRESIDENT	DECEMBER 31, 2003

#### APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

#### **DIRECTOR**

JON BRADY

#### **DIVISION DIRECTORS**

VISITOR SERVICES - RICHARD A. GREER OPERATIONS - EDWARD A. FISHER RECREATION - JAMES J. BREITENBACH ADMINISTRATION - NANCY S. MONTAGUE PLANNING - JOHN L. SUTTON (This page intentionally left blank)

# FINANCIAL SECTION





#### Report of Independent Auditors

Board of Park Commissioners Hamilton County Park District, Ohio

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio as of December 31, 2000, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated May 31, 2001 on our consideration of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio, taken as a whole. The combining, individual fund and account group statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

We did not audit the data included in the statistical section of this report and therefore express no opinion thereon.

Berge + Company 473

May 31, 2001

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
All financial reports are presented at the fund type/account group level in conformity with GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles).

#### Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups December 31, 2000

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS			
ASSETS:			
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents  Investments  Receivables	\$ 1,961,970	\$ 589,293	\$ 482,291
Accounts	1,154 801 12,342,600		
Inventories			
Interfund Receivable	375,584		621,543 2,497,470
OTHER DEBITS:			
Amounts to be Provided for Compensated Absences			
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$ 14,682,109	\$ 589,293	\$ 3,601,304

Proprietary Fund Types  Enterprise	Fiduciary Fund Types Expendable Trust Funds	General Fixed Assets	count Groups General Long-term Obligation	Totals (Memorandum Only)
\$ 770,103	\$ 1,022,666 5,898,011	\$	\$	\$ 4,826,323 5,898,011
				1,154 801
				12,342,600
410,217				410,217
8,658,165				8,658,165
				621,543 375,584
				2,497,470
15,755,112		65,912,260		81,667,372
			887,572	887,572
\$ 25,593,597	\$ 6,920,677	\$ 65,912,260	\$ 887,572	\$ 118,186,812

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## Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups December 31, 2000

(continued)

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special <u>Revenue</u>	Capital Projects
LIABILITIES, EQUITY (DEFICIT) AND OTHER CREDITS			
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts Payable	\$ 167,565 251,259 12,342,600	\$ 38,268	\$ 367,977 47,920
Retainage Payable	8,658,165		101,496
Due to Capital Project Fund  Due to other Governmental Agencies  Compensated Absences Payable	621,543 147,092		26,114
TOTAL LIABILITIES	22,188,224	38,268	543,507
EQUITY (DEFICIT) AND OTHER CREDITS:	22,100,227	30,200	545,507
Contributed Capital			
Fund Balances (Deficit):			
Reserve for Encumbrances	235,233 (7,741,348)	8,795 542,230	1,234,692 1,823,105
TOTAL EQUITY (DEFICIT) AND OTHER CREDITS	(7,506,115)	551,025	3,057,797
TOTAL LIABILITIES, EQUITY (DEFICIT) AND			
OTHER CREDITS	\$ 14,682,109	\$ 589,293	\$ 3,601,304

Proprietary Fund Types	Fiduciary Fund Types	Fiduciary Fund Types Account Groups		Totals
	Expendable	General	General	(Memorandum Only
<u>Enterprise</u>	<u>Trust Funds</u>	Fixed Assets	Long-term Obligation	
\$ 28,630	\$ 28,971	\$	\$	\$ 631,411
77,418	402			376,999
				12,342,600 101,496
				8,658,165
	375,584			375,584
2,497,470	373,501			3,119,013
43,486	571			217,263
,			887,572	887,572
2,647,004	405,528	-	887,572	26,710,103
16,559,640				16,559,640
		65,912,260		65,912,260
6,386,953				6,386,953
				1 479 720
	6,515,149			1,478,720 1,139,136
22,946,593	6,515,149	65,912,260	-	91,476,709
\$ 25,593,597	\$ 6,920,677	\$ 65,912,260	\$ 887,572	\$ 118,186,812

## Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Deficit) All Governmental Fund Types and Fiduciary Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Governmental Fund Types		
		Special	Capital
	General	Revenue	<u>Projects</u>
REVENUES			<del></del>
Taxes	\$ 12,451,965	\$	\$
Motor Vehicle Permits	775,897	*	*
Charges for Service	4,420,172		
Fines and Damage	13,134	12,737	
Donations and Grants	15,15	120,464	
Investment Income (Loss)	354,991	30,303	
Insurance Proceeds	33 1,331	306,636	
Miscellaneous		57,534	
Wiscertaneous		37,334	
TOTAL REVENUE	18,016,159	527,674	
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EXPENDITURES			
CURRENT:			
General Government	1,208,255	45,593	
Public Safety	2,534,719	10,000	
Operation and Maintenance	6,084,494		
Land Management	210,197		
Resource Quality	123,015		
Naturalist	712,371		
Communication	554,564		
Visitor Services.			
VISITOL Services	1,428,473		
CAPITAL OUTLAY		379,396	6,312,424
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	12,856,088	424,989	6,312,424
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Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	5,160,071	102,685	(6,312,424)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Operating Transfers In			6,323,700
Operating Transfers (Out)	(6,407,426)		0,323,700
Operating Transfers (Out)	(0,407,420)		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing			
sources over expenditures and other financing uses	(1,247,355)	102,685	11,276
sources over expenditures and other miancing uses	(1,247,333)	102,003	11,2/0
Fund Balances (Deficit), beginning of year	(6,258,760)	448,340	3,046,521
Fund Balances (Deficit), end of year	\$ (7,506,115)	\$ 551,025	\$ 3,057,797

Fiduciary Fund Types Expendable Trust Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
\$	\$ 12,451,965
Ψ	775,897
	4,420,172
	25,871
	120,464
(563,392)	(178,098)
	306,636
	57,534
(563,392)	17,980,441
135,884	1,253,848 2,534,719 6,220,378 210,197 123,015 712,371 554,564
	1,428,473
	6,691,820
135,884	19,729,385
(699,276)	(1,748,944)
	6,323,700
	(6,407,426)
(699,276)	(1,832,670)
7,214,425	4,450,526
\$ 6,515,149	\$ 2,617,856

## Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)

#### All Budgeted Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	General Fund		Special Revenue Funds			
	Revised Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Revised Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUE						
Taxes		\$ 12,451,951	\$ 167,251	\$	\$	\$
Motor Vehicle Permits	,	775,897	(24,103)			
Charges for Service		3,791,236	(9,764)			
Fines and Damages		12,942	(9,058)	11,900	15,689	3,789
Interest and Dividends	,	354,991	54,991	15,500	27,351	11,851
Miscellaneous	-	175,633	(18,367)	220,000	161,539	(58,461)
Insurance Proceeds					306,636	306,636
TOTAL REVENUE	17,401,700	17,562,650	160,950	247,400	511,215	263,815
EXPENDITURES CURRENT:						
General Government	1,510,746	1,426,047	84,699	96,560	45,742	50,818
Public Safety	, ,	2,666,474	136,969	90,300	43,742	30,616
Operation and Maintenance		6,082,528	186,842			
Land Management		215,465	10,735			
Resource Quality	-	125,371	17,342			
Naturalist		714,168	99,904			
Communication		374,097	35,174			
Visitor Services.	,	1,515,843	126,627			
CAPITAL OUTLAY				125,000	379,396	(254,396)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	13,818,285	13,119,993	698,292	221,560	425,138	(203,578)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	3,583,415	4,442,657	859,242	25,840	86,077	60,237
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
(USES)						
Operating Transfers In	2,743,700	1,743,700	(1,000,000)			
Operating Transfers Out	(8,144,979)	(6,407,426)	1,737,553			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over budgetary expenditures and	i					
other financing uses	\$ (1,817,864)	(221,069)	\$ 1,596,795	\$ 25,840	86,077	\$ 60,237
Fund balances, beginning of year,	restated	1,600,001			495,288	
Prior year encumbrances		217,863				
Fund balances, end of year		\$ <u>1,596,795</u>			\$ 581,365	
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Ca	Capital Projects Fund		Total	s (Memorandum	emorandum Only)		
	•	Variance	•		Variance		
Revised		Favorable	Revised		Favorable		
<u>Budget</u>	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Budget	<u>Actual</u>	(Unfavorable)		
		<del>-</del>			<del>-</del>		
\$	\$	\$	\$ 12,284,700	\$ 12,451,951	\$ 167,251		
			800,000	775,897	(24,103)		
			3,801,000	3,791,236	(9,764)		
			33,900	28,631	(5,269)		
			300,000	382,342	82,342		
			429,500	337,172	(92,328)		
			,	306,636	306,636		
				,	,		
			17,649,100	18,073,865	424,765		
			1,607,306	1,471,789	135,517		
			2,803,443	2,666,474	136,969		
			6,269,370	6,082,528	186,842		
			226,200	215,465	10,735		
			142,713	125,371	17,342		
			814,072	714,168	99,904		
			409,271	374,097	35,174		
			1,642,470	1,515,843	126,627		
8,153,732	7,533,705	620,027	8,278,732	7,913,101	365,631		
8,153,732	7,533,705	620,027	22,193,577	21,078,836	1,114,741		
(8,153,732)	(7,533,705)	620,027	(4,544,477)	(3,004,971)	1,539,506		
8,059,479	6,323,700	(1,735,779)	10,803,179 (8,144,979)	8,067,400 (6,407,426)	(2,735,779) 1,737,553		
\$ (94,253)	(1,210,005)	<u>\$ (1,115,752)</u>	<u>\$ (1,886,277)</u>	(1,344,997)	\$ 541,280		
	(773,578) <u>867,832</u> \$ <u>(1,115,751)</u>			911,084 1,085,695 \$_651,782			

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity Enterprise Fund

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for Sales and Service	\$ 11,122,794
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	11,122,794
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Cost of Sales and Services  Administration  Depreciation	7,530,641 1,212,642 1,127,368
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	9,870,651
NET INCOME	1,252,143
FUND EQUITY, BEGINNING OF YEAR	21,694,450
FUND EQUITY, END OF YEAR	\$ 22,946,593

## Statement of Cash Flows Enterprise Fund

## For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING	<b>ACTIVITIES</b>

Net Income	\$	1,252,143
Cash Provided by Operating Activities  Depreciation		1,127,368
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		
Inventories		(49,097)
Interfund Receivable, net		(1,341,090)
Accounts Payable		(57,055)
Accrued Salaries Payable		39,391
Due Other Governments		(23,650)
NET CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY OPERATIONS		948,010
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVIT	<u> TES</u>	
Acquisition of Property and Equipment		(678,374)
NET CASH FLOWS USED IN FINANCING		
ACTIVITIES		(678,374)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		269,636
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		500,467
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$	770,103

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Reporting Entity

The Hamilton County Park District (Park District) was created in 1930 under authority of Chapter 1545 of the Ohio Revised Code for the purpose of protecting local natural resources and providing outdoor recreation. The Park District is governed by a three-member Board of Park Commissioners, each of whom is appointed to three-year terms by the Probate Court Judge of Hamilton County and who serves without pay. The first Park Board took office on July 17, 1930.

The Board of Park Commissioners appoints a Director who is also the Chief Executive Officer. The Director is responsible for executing policy of the Park Board. Since 1930, the Park District has acquired and conserved 13,877 acres of parkland, including eighteen parks and nature preserves. Listed below are the names and locations of the parks and nature preserves.

- Embshoff Woods & Nature Preserve Paul Road, off Mt. Alverno Road between Delhi Pike and Route 50, Cincinnati and Delhi Township 322.16 acres.
- <u>Farbach Werner Nature Preserve</u> Poole Road and Colerain Avenue, Colerain Township 23.36 acres.
- <u>Lake Isabella</u> Loveland-Madeira Road at I-275, Loveland-Indian Hill exit, Symmes Township 76.68 acres.
- <u>Little Miami Golf Center</u> Newtown Road between Route 50 and Route 32, Newtown, Anderson and Columbia Townships 345.50 acres. (Includes Little Miami Golf Center, Bass Island, Avoca Park.)
- <u>Miami Whitewater Forest</u> Harrison Pike, off I-74 at Dry Fork Road exit, Crosby, Harrison and Whitewater Townships 4,116.70 acres.
- <u>Mitchell Memorial Forest</u> Buffalo Ridge Road off Zion Road and East Miami River Road, Miami Township 1,325.25 acres.
- <u>Richardson Forest Preserve</u> Off Colerain Avenue between Kemper Road and Lick Road, Colerain Township 265.00 acres.
- Sharon Woods Route 42, south of I-275, Sharonville 760.05 acres.
- <u>Shawnee Lookout</u> South of Route 50 at Cleves, entrance off Lawrenceburg Road, Miami Township 1,027.80 acres.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Reporting Entity (continued)

- <u>Triple Creek</u> Buell Road and Pippin Road, north of I-275, Colerain Township 136.37acres.
- <u>Winton Woods</u> Winton Road, south of I-275, Forest Park, Greenhills, Woodlawn and Springfield Township 2,715.34 acres.
- <u>Withrow Nature Preserve</u> Five Mile Road, between I-275 and Route 52, Anderson Township 269.65 acres.
- <u>Woodland Mound</u> Old Kellogg Avenue, between Eight and Nine Mile Roads, Anderson Township and Pierce Township, Clermont County 991.50 acres.
- <u>Kroger Hills</u> Off Wooster Pike, between Newtown and Terrace Park, Indian Hill and Columbia Township 214.00 acres. Under 30-year lease, expiring 2008 with additional 30-year option.
- Newberry Wildlife Sanctuary West of I-275, near Sheits and Springdale Roads, Colerain Township 99.79 acres.
- Trillium Trails Wildflower Preserve East of Winton Woods, Woodlawn 85.97 acres.
- <u>W.M. Johnson Hills Park</u> Bridle Road, Anderson Township, leased to Anderson Park District 45 acres.
- Oak Glen Nature Preserve Colerain Township, 108.64 acres.

Total Acreage: 12,928.76 acres
Conservation Easements: 948.50 acres
Grand Total: 13,877.26 acres

As required by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), these financial statements present all funds and account groups for which the Park District is financially accountable. The Park District is considered a related organization to Hamilton County. This decision is based on the fact the Board of Park Commissioners are appointed by the Probate Court Judge of Hamilton County, but Hamilton County cannot impose its will on the Park District in any manner, nor does there exist any financial benefit or burden relationship between the Park District and Hamilton County.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies and reporting practices of the Park District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental entities. The following is a summary of its significant accounting policies.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Park District are maintained on the basis of funds and account groups. A fund is accounted for by a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues and expenditures. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained, consistent with legal and managerial requirements. Account groups are a reporting device used to account for certain assets and liabilities of the government funds not recorded directly in those funds.

The funds are grouped into three fund types, five generic funds and two account groups as described below:

#### **Governmental Fund Types**

General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Park District. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditure for specific purposes, other than expendable trusts or major capital projects.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities not being financed by proprietary or trust funds.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Proprietary Fund Types**

<u>Proprietary Funds</u> are accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. Earned but unbilled service charges are recognized as revenue. The Hamilton County Park District applies all applicable GASB pronouncements and all Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins (ARB) issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless they conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. Proprietary fund types for the Hamilton County Park District consist of an Enterprise Fund:

<u>Enterprise Fund</u> is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, where the intent is that costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

#### **Fiduciary Fund Types**

Expendable Trust Funds account for assets held by the Park District under terms of a formal trust agreement, whereby both principal and interest may be spent.

#### **Account Groups**

<u>General Fixed Assets Account Group</u> is used to account for general fixed assets not accounted for in proprietary or trust funds.

<u>General Long-Term Obligation Account Group</u> is used to account for the outstanding principal balances of general long-term obligations that is not a specific liability of a proprietary or trust fund.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **B.** Basis of Accounting

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed for governmental and expendable trust funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Revenue is considered measurable when the amount of the transaction can be determined. Revenue is considered available when it is collectable within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities of the current period. The Park District considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after year's end. Revenue that is susceptible to accrual at year end includes taxes, motor vehicle permits, charges for service and other. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Property taxes receivable are measurable, and are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied.

The accrual basis of accounting is used for proprietary fund types. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time the related liabilities are incurred.

#### Measurement Focus

All governmental and expendable trust funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. As such, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. The reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources."

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a "flow of economic resources" measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included in the balance sheet. Fund equity (i.e. net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components.

#### C. Budgetary Process

<u>Budget</u> - A budget of estimated cash receipts and disbursements is submitted to the County Auditor, who serves as Secretary of the County Budget Commission, by July 20 of each year for the period of January 1 to December 31 of the following year.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Estimated Resources - The County Budget Commission certifies its actions to the Park District by September 1. As part of this certification, the Park District receives the official certificate of estimated resources which states the projected receipts of each fund. On or about January 1, this certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year. Prior to December 31, the Park District must revise its budget so that the total budgeted expenditures from a fund during the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Estimated Resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriation measure. Budget receipts, as shown on the accompanying financial statements, do not include January 1, 2000 unencumbered fund balances. However, those fund balances are available for appropriations.

Appropriations - A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period January 1 to March 31. An annual appropriation measure must be passed by April 1 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31. The appropriation measure may be amended or supplemented during the year as new information becomes available. Appropriations may not exceed estimated resources, as certified.

<u>Encumbrances</u> - The Park District is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting by mandate of Ohio law. Under this system, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded on the non-GAAP budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance. On the GAAP basis, encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as reservations of fund balances for subsequent year expenditures.

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

All governmental and proprietary fund types of the Park District have legally adopted budgets at the departmental level for estimated resources and appropriations. Revisions to estimated resources or budgeted appropriations must be approved by the Board of Park Commissioners and submitted to the Hamilton County auditor. During 2000 budgeted appropriations were decreased by \$298,927. Division directors are responsible for operating within the approved budget, as periodically amended. Transfer of appropriations within departments does not require approval of the Board of Park Commissioners.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Listed below is a reconciliation of the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2000 from modified accrual (GAAP) basis to the Non-GAAP budgetary basis. Due to discrepancies in transfers and encumbrances in prior years, beginning fund balance on a budgetary basis has been restated to appropriate levels.

## Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over <u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>

	General <u>Fund</u>	Special Revenue <u>Fund</u>		Capital Projects <u>Fund</u>
GAAP Basis:	\$ (1,247,355)	\$ 102,685	\$	11,276
Adjustments:				
Revenue Accrued	(453,509)	(511,270)		
Expenses Accrued	(246,535)	485,867		(854,420)
Encumbrances Change	(17,370)	8,795		(366,861)
Operations Transfers (Net)	1,743,700		_	
Budget Basis:	\$ <u>(221,069</u> )	\$ <u>86,077</u>	\$ <u>(</u>	<u>1,210,005</u> )

#### D. Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Park District maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the combined balance sheet as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents". Investments with original maturities of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are recorded at cost, which approximates market value. Interest earned from investments purchased with pooled cash is allocated to the funds, based on amounts in the pool, unless otherwise restricted by statute.

#### E. Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. Investments consist of securities owned by the Park District that are traded on a national exchange and valued at the last reported sales price.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### F. Inventories

Inventory is valued at cost, which approximates market, using first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. The costs of inventory items are recognized as expenses in the Enterprise Fund when sold or consumed.

#### **G.** Property and Equipment

Property and equipment used in the governmental type funds of the Park District are recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group.

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Donated assets are reported at estimated fair market value on the date of the donation. Assets in the General Fixed Asset Account Group are not depreciated. Interest incurred to acquire or construct is not capitalized.

Public domain (infrastructure) general fixed assets (i.e. roads, bridges, sidewalks and other assets that are immovable and of value only to the government) are not capitalized.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not included in the General Fixed Assets account group nor capitalized in the proprietary funds.

Property and equipment in the proprietary funds are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased and at estimated fair market value at date of gift, if donated.

Property and equipment are depreciated in the proprietary funds using straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and Improvements	30
Maintenance equipment	7
Departmental equipment	5

#### **H.** Compensated Absences

The Park District records accumulated unpaid sick leave, vacation and comp time benefits as compensated absences payable when earned by the employee.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### H. Compensated Absences (continued)

For government funds, the portion of the liability which is not currently due and payable is recorded in the General Long-Term Obligation Account Group.

**Vacation** - Full and part-time employees are eligible for vacation after completing one year of service with the Park District. One year is computed on the basis of 26 pay periods. After one year of service, employees may use current vacation accrual with approval from supervisor. Seasonal and hourly employees who become full or part-time will begin their accruals after 26 pay periods of continuous employment. Accrual of vacation time is as follows:

	Vacation Hours Earned	Total Earned
Years of Service	Per 80 Hours Worked	Per Year
1 to 8 years	3.1 hours/80 hrs/pay	10 days/year
9 to 15 years	4.6 hours/80 hrs/pay	15 days/year
16 to 25 years	6.2 hours/80 hrs/pay	20 days/year
26 plus years	7.7 hours/80 hrs/pay	25 days/year

At the end of the 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> year, an employee will accrue an additional 40 hours of vacation leave and progress to the next accrual level.

Vacation pay for eligible employees is based on current rate of pay. Overtime hours are not counted in computing vacation time. Any employee who works less then 2080 hours per year, will have vacation time determined by the percentage of the total hours they work. No vacation time is earned while an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence or an unpaid military leave.

Vacation time may be accumulated to a maximum of that earned in three years. At the time of an employee's termination, the employee is entitled to compensation at their current rate of pay for any earned but unused vacation leave up to a maximum of three years.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

**Sick Leave** - accumulates at the rate of 4.6 hours every 80 hours worked with a maximum of 15 days per year. There is no maximum accumulation. It is to be used as needed and approved. Upon retirement or termination, an employee with 10 years or more of active service may receive a one-time payment. The payment computed at one hour pay for each two hours of accrued sick leave but limited to accrued sick leave up to a maximum of 720 hours

**Comp Time** - Depending on the employee's position, comp time may be earned at regular or time and a half rate. The maximum accumulation for non-exempt employees is 240 hours of comp time and comp time earned in excess of the maximum is paid to the employee. Exempt employees are required to take current year comp time by April of the following year.

#### I. Long Term Obligations

Long-term obligations for vested sick leave, vacation and comp time and any claims or judgements that are expected to be paid from the government funds are shown in the General Long-Term Obligations account group.

#### J. Inter-Fund Transactions

During the normal course of operation, the Park District has certain transactions between funds. Charges from the General Fund to the Enterprise Fund and Fiduciary Fund for administration, maintenance, utilities and other costs are identified at Charges for Services (Revenue) by the General Fund and Expenditures in the Enterprise Fund and Fiduciary Fund.

All other inter-fund transactions are reported as transfers. Beginning fund balances for the Budgetary Basis General Fund and Capital Projects Fund have been restated to reflect prior year transfers made but not previously reported.

Amounts identified as Interfund Receivable/Payable represent lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at year's end. All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

The negative equity reported in the GAAP Basis General Fund is due to transfers out in excess of net revenue. The Park District has plans to eliminate this deficiency in future years through transfers from the Enterprise Fund. The negative equity in the Budgetary Basis Capital Projects Fund is due to encumbrances being made prior to transfers between funds.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## J. Inter – Fund Transactions (continued)

The Park District will eliminate this deficiency in 2001, through transfers from the Enterprise Fund and General Fund.

#### K. Total (Memorandum Only) Columns on Combined Statements

Total columns in the combined statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

#### L. Newly Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In December 1998, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*. The provisions of this statement are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2000. GASB Statement No. 33 principally addresses the timing of recognition of nonexchange transactions involving financial or capital resources (e.g., most taxes, grants, and private donations) in government's financial statements.

In June 1999, the GASB issued Statement No. 34 Basic Financial Statements-and Management Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments. The Park District is required to apply this statement for periods beginning after June 15, 2002. GASB Statement No. 34 establishes new financial reporting requirements that fundamentally affect the presentation of a general purpose government's basic financial statements and related required supplementary information.

Management has not yet determined the impact that GASB Statements No. 33 and 34 will have on the Park District's financial statements.

#### 3. Cash and Investments

The Park District maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the combined balance sheet as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents." In addition, non-pooled investments are separately held and reflected in the Fiduciary Fund Types.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

#### Legal Requirements

Statutes require the classification of monies held by the Park District into three categories - active monies, inactive money and interim monies. "Active" monies consists of those monies required to be kept in a "cash" or "near-cash" status for current demands upon the Park District treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Park District's treasury or in depository accounts payable or withdrawable on demand; including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts.

"Inactive" monies consists of those monies not required for use within the current two-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive monies may be deposited or invested only as Certificates of Deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

"Interim" monies consists of those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim monies may be invested or deposited in the following securities:

- Bonds, notes, or other obligations of or guaranteed by the United States, or those for which the faith of the United States is pledged for the payment of principal and interest.
- Bonds, notes, debentures or other obligations or securities issued by any Federal government agency or the Export-Import Bank of Washington.
- Interim deposits in the eligible institutions applying for interim monies.
- Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio; and
- The State of Ohio Treasurer's investment pool.
- No Load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations of the United States or governmental agencies.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

Notwithstanding the foregoing requirements, the Park District may invest any monies not required to be used for a period of six months in the following classes of investments:

- Bonds or other obligations of the United States, or those for which the faith of the United States is pledged for the payment of principal and interest.
- Discount notes of the Federal National Mortgage Association.
- Bonds issued by the Home Owner's Loan Corporation.
- Bonds of the State of Ohio; and
- Bonds of any municipal corporation, village, county, township, or other political subdivision of this state as to which there is no default of principal, interest or coupons.

Stocks, bonds and notes received as donations may be held by the Park District until such time as the Park District's Board of Park Commissioners deems it advisable to sell such items.

#### Deposits

GASB Statement No. 3. "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements" requires that the Park District's deposits be classified as to credit risk within the following three categories.

<u>Category 1</u> – Deposits that are insured or collateralized with securities held by the Park District or by its agent in the Park District's name.

<u>Category 2</u> – Deposits that are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Park District's name.

<u>Category 3</u> – Deposits that are uncollateralized, including any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Park District's name.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

Deposits (continued)

The Park District bank balances, categorized by level of risk, at December 31, 2000 were as follows:

Category 1	\$ 200,0	00
Category 2	-	
Category 3	328,7	<u>55</u>
Total Deposits	\$ <u>528,7</u>	<u>55</u>

#### <u>Investments</u>

GASB Statement No. 3. "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements" - requires that the Park District's investments be classified as to credit risk within the following three categories.

<u>Category 1</u> - Insured or registered, or securities held by the Park District or its agent in the Park District's name.

<u>Category 2</u> - Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department (if a bank) or agent in the Park District's name.

<u>Category 3</u> - Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty in the Park District's name, or by the counterparty's trust department (if a bank) or agent but not in the Park District's name.

The Park District's investments, categorized by level of risk, at December 31, 2000 were as follows:

	Category <u>1</u>	Category <u>2</u>	Category <u>3</u>	Fair Value Carrying <u>Amount</u>	<u>Cost</u>
STAR Ohio	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,785,300	\$ 4,785,300
Corporate stocks	<u> </u>		5,898,011	5,898,011	2,706,422
	\$ <u> </u>	\$	\$ <u>5,898,011</u>	\$ <u>10,683,311</u>	\$ <u>7,491,722</u>

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

#### Investments (continued)

The Park District's investments in the Ohio State Treasurer's pool are not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. The fair market value carry amount is equivalent to the value of the pool shares. Star Ohio is authorized by Section 135.45 of the Ohio Revised Code and managed by the State Treasurer. General limitations are described in Section 135.143 of the Ohio Revised Code. The fund is audited annually by an independent CPA firm.

The classification of cash and investments on the combined financial statements is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement 9. A reconciliation between the classification of cash and investments on the combined financial statements and the classifications per GASB Statement No. 3 is as follows:

	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Investments</u>
GASB Statement 9 classification:		
Cash and Investments	\$ 4,826,323	\$ 5,898,011
STAR Ohio	(4,785,300)	4,785,300
GASB Statement 3 classification:	\$ <u>41,023</u>	\$ <u>10,683,311</u>

#### 4. Property Tax Revenues

Property taxes include amounts levied against real, public utility and tangible (used in business) property. The assessed value upon which the 2000 tax collection was based follows: (Amounts in 000's.)

Real Property - 1999 Valuation		
Residential/Agricultural	\$	9,793,289
Commercial/Industrial/Public Utilities		4,399,884
Tangible Personal Property - 2000 Valuation		
General		2,080,609
Public Utilities		1,040,467
Total Valuation	\$_	17,314,249

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 4. Property Tax Revenues (continued)

Real property taxes are levied each October on the assessed values as of the preceding January 1<sup>st</sup>, the lien date. Assessed values are established the preceding year by the County Auditor at 35% of appraised market value. A revaluation of real property is required to be completed no

less than every six years, with a statistical update every third year.

Public Utility property taxes are assessed on tangible personal property, as well as land and land improvements at true value, which is, in general, net book value. Tangible personal property is assessed at 25% of true value except for inventories which are assessed at 25% of average value. In 2000, each business was eligible to receive a ten thousand dollar exemption in assessed value which was reimbursed by the state.

The County Treasurer bills and collects property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts in Hamilton County, including the Hamilton County Park District. Taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20 of the following year. The county's practice is to extend the December 31 due date to January. Unpaid taxes become delinquent after December 31 of the year they are due. Foreclosure proceedings may be initiated by the County Prosecutor if delinquent taxes are not paid within one year.

The County Auditor periodically remits to the Hamilton County Park District its portion of the taxes collected. The final settlement of real and public utility property taxes is made in April and September and tangible taxes in July and November for the first and second halves of the year, respectively. Collections of the taxes are accounted for in these statements.

The Hamilton County Park District accrues property taxes as receivables since they can be measured and recorded when levied and recognizes them as deferred revenue since they are collected in advance of the year for which they are levied. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied.

The Park District property tax is generated from two sources. The first is an unvoted .03 mill levy granted annually by the Hamilton County Commissioners. The second is a voted 1.0 mill 15-year levy passed in November, 1988. It should be noted that the 1988 voted levy is subject to the Ohio Revised Code Reduction Factors and in 2000 was levied at effective rates of approximately .83 mill.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 5. Operating Lease

The Park District leases various park properties, land and water, over varying periods. None of the agreements contain unusual renewal or purchase options. The Park District is responsible for preservation and maintenance of the properties. Future minimum rental payments under operating leases are \$2 per year for 2001 and 2002 and \$1 per year for 2003 to 2009.

The Park District leases certain undeveloped land to another park district for a term of 50 years at no charge.

#### 6. Defined Benefit Plans

All full time and part time employees are required to join the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (PERS). PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined Benefit Pension Plan operated by the State of Ohio. PERS issues a stand-alone Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, copies of which may be obtained by making a written request to: Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling (614) 466-2085.

Pension Benefits - PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute per Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. For employees other than law enforcement, benefits fully vest upon reaching five years of service and are established by state statute. Non law enforcement participants may retire at any age with 30 years of service, at or after age 60 with five years of credited service and at age 55 with a minimum of 25 years of service. Those individuals retiring with less than 30 years of service or less than age 65 receive reduced retirement benefits. Upon retirement, non law enforcement participants are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 2.1% of their final average salary for each year of credited service up to 30 years. These members are entitled to 2.5% of their final average salary for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Final average salary is calculated as the participant's average salary over the highest three years of earnings. Law enforcement officers, as defined in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code, are eligible for special retirement options. These options are available to such members at age 52 or older with 25 or more years of credited service. The annual benefit is calculated by multiplying 2.5 percent of final average salary by the actual years of service for the first 20 years of service credit and 2.1 percent of final average salary for each year of service over 20 years. These options also permit early retirement under qualifying circumstances as early as age 48.

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 6. Defined Benefit Plans (continued)

Pension Contributions - Employer and employee required contributions to PERS are established under Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code and are based on percentages of covered employees' gross salaries. Contribution rates are calculated annually by the PERS actuaries. Contribution rates for calendar year 2000 were as follows:

	Employee Share	Employer Share
Regular Employees	8.50%	13.55%
Law Enforcement Employees	9.00%	16.70%

Employer contributions required and made for the last three years were as follows:

	Employer's Contribution	Employer's Contribution
For the Year Ended	for Regular	for Law Enforcement
December 31	<b>Employees</b>	<b>Employees</b>
2000	\$ 668,845	\$ 178,549
1999	781,156	200,232
1998	659,088	161,348

Other Post-employment Benefits - All age and service retirees with 10 or more years of service credit qualify for healthcare coverage under PERS. Healthcare coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is also available. Chapter 145, Ohio Revised Code, provides the statutory authority for employer contributions. The employer contribution rate that is used to fund healthcare is 4.2% for all employees. Employees do not fund any portion of healthcare costs.

The 2000 actuarially determined employer healthcare contribution requirement paid was:

Regular Employees	\$ 300,444
Law Enforcement Employees	59,992
	\$ <u>360,436</u>

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 7. Commitments

The Park District has contractual commitments to various vendors for future supplies and services for the Park District. Determinable amounts are recorded as encumbrances at December 31, 2000, as follows:

General Fund	\$ 235,233
Special Revenue Fund	8,795
Capital Projects Fund	1,234,692
	\$ <u>1,478,720</u>

The Park District is the beneficiary of certain assets held in two charitable remainder trusts. Upon the death of the last surviving noncharitable recipient of the trust, the Park District shall receive all of the principal and income of these trusts.

#### 8. Property and Equipment

A summary of changes in property and equipment of the general fixed asset account group for 2000 is as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	<u>January 1, 2000</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	December 31, 2000
Land	\$ 36,115,941	\$ 3,391,742	\$ 50,000	\$ 39,457,683
Buildings	19,876,301	733,899	-	20,610,200
Equipment	5,345,002	713,640	<u>214,265</u>	_5,844,377
	\$ <u>61,337,244</u>	\$ <u>4,839,281</u>	\$ <u>264,265</u>	\$ <u>65,912,260</u>

A summary of changes in property and equipment of the enterprise fund for 2000 is as follows:

	Balance January 1, <u>2000</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance December 31, 2000	Less Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book <u>Value</u>
Land	\$ 2,429,126	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,429,126	\$ -	\$ 2,429,126
Buildings	7,636,916	-	-	7,636,916	3,102,132	4,534,784
Improvements	11,255,392	318,793	196,697	11,377,488	4,009,796	7,367,692
Equipment	3,938,890	359,581	243,333	4,055,138	2,631,628	1,423,510
	\$ <u>25,260,324</u>	\$ <u>678,374</u>	\$ <u>440,030</u>	\$ <u>25,498,668</u>	\$ <u>9,743,556</u>	\$ <u>15,755,112</u>

#### NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 9. Risk Management

The Park District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts - theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past eight years, nor has there been a significant reduction in insurance coverage in the same period.

The Park District pays into the State of Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation System through a pooled risk arrangement with Hamilton County. The rate is established by the County, based on gross salaries. Workers claims are submitted to the State of Ohio for authorization and payment to the injured employee. The Park District has no further risk. The State of Ohio establishes employer payments, employee payments, and adequate reserves.

### 10. Long-Term Obligations

A summary of changes in amount to be provided for compensated absences is as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	<u>January 1, 2000</u>	Additions	Reductions	<u>December 31, 2000</u>
Compensated Absences Payable	\$ 824,896	\$ 118,352	\$ 55,676	\$ 887,572

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund in which employees salaries are paid.

#### 11. Due to/From Other Funds

Individual fund asset and liability balances at December 31, 2000 were as follows:

Receivable Fund	ceivable Fund Payable Fund	
General Fund	Expendable Trust Funds	\$ 375,584
Enterprise Fund	General Fund	8,658,165
Capital Project Fund	Enterprise Fund	2,497,470
Capital Project Fund	General Fund	621,543

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# COMBINING, INDIVIDUAL FUND AND ACCOUNT GROUP STATEMENTS AND SCHEDULES



## **GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Park District. It is used to account for resources traditionally associated with governments which are not required to be accounted for in another fund.

## **General Fund**

## Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

			Variance
	Revised Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES	Dudget	Actual	(Omavorable)
Taxes	\$ 12,284,700	\$ 12,451,951	\$ 167,251
Motor Vehicle Permits	800,000	775,897	(24,103)
Charges for Service	3,801,000	3,791,236	(9,764)
Fines and Damage	22,000	12,942	(9,058)
Interest and Dividends	300,000	354,991	54,991
Miscellaneous	194,000	175,633	(18,367)
TOTAL REVENUE	17,401,700	17,562,650	160,950
EXPENDITURES			
Salaries	7,281,101	7,179,207	101,894
Fringes	1,865,100	1,611,291	253,809
Supplies	2,341,224	2,195,919	145,305
Insurance, Utilities	1,027,300	959,944	67,356
Miscellaneous	349,455	323,027	26,428
Capital Outlay	954,105	850,605	103,500
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	13,818,285	13,119,993	698,292
Excess of revenues over expenditures	3,583,415	4,442,657	859,242
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Operating Transfers In	2,743,700	1,743,700	(1,000,000)
Operating Transfers (Out)	(8,144,979)	(6,407,426)	1,737,553
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures			
and other financing uses	<u>\$ (1,817,864)</u>	(221,069)	<u>\$1,596,795</u>
Fund balance, beginning of year, restated		1,600,001	
Prior year encumbrances		217,863	
Fund balance, end of year		\$ <u>1,596,795</u>	

## **General Fund**

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) by Department For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Revised <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES	Ф <b>12 2</b> 04 <b>7</b> 00	Φ 1 <b>2</b> 451 051	Φ1.6 <b>7.</b> 051
Taxes	\$ 12,284,700	\$ 12,451,951	\$167,251
Motor Vehicle Permits	800,000	775,897	(24,103)
Charges for Service	3,801,000 22,000	3,791,236 12,942	(9,764) (9,058)
Fines and Damage Interest and Dividends	300,000	354,991	(9,038) 54,991
Miscellaneous	194,000	175,633	(18,367)
TOTAL REVENUE	17,401,700	17,562,650	160,950
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT			
Salaries	653,300	653,244	56
Fringes	165,100	145,715	19,385
Supplies	173,800	172,624	1,176
Insurance, Utilities	250,000	189,042	60,958
Miscellaneous	265,946	263,217	2,729
Capital Outlay	2,600	2,205	395
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT	1,510,746	1,426,047	84,699
SAFETY DEPARTMENT	1.050.000	1.050.550	2.0
Salaries	1,870,800	1,870,770	30
Fringes	501,800	432,008	69,792
Supplies	131,646	127,572	4,074 166
Insurance, Utilities	3,500 3,909	3,334 2,192	1,717
Capital Outlay	291,788	230,598	61,190
TOTAL SAFETY DEPARTMENT	2,803,443	2,666,474	136,969
OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT			
Salaries	3,217,100	3,166,347	50,753
Fringes	818,800	705,679	113,121
Supplies	1,003,770	1,001,825	1,945
Insurance, Utilities	773,800	767,568	6,232
Miscellaneous	8,100	7,109	991
Capital Outlay	447,800	434,000	13,800
TOTAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT	6,269,370	6,082,528	186,842

## **General Fund**

## Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) by Department - continued For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Revised <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)		
LAND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT Salaries	\$ 145,300	\$ 144,912	\$ 388		
Fringes	29,200	24,037	5,163		
Supplies	29,000	27,239	1,761		
Miscellaneous	800	260	540		
Capital Outlay	21,900	19,017	2,883		
TOTAL LAND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT	226,200	215,465	10,735		
RESOURCE QUALITY DEPARTMENT					
Salaries	89,900	87,013	2,887		
Fringes	25,900	21,892	4,008		
Supplies	19,413	9,045	10,368		
Miscellaneous	900	833	67		
Capital Outlay	6,600	6,588	12		
TOTAL RESOURCE QUALITY DEPARTMENT	142,713	125,371	17,342		
NATURALIST DEPARTMENT					
Salaries	357,000	327,645	29,355		
Fringes	95,200	80,150	15,050		
Supplies	309,672	257,386	52,286		
Miscellaneous	30,000	26,851	3,149		
Capital Outlay	22,200	22,136	64		
TOTAL NATURALIST DEPARTMENT	814,072	714,168	99,904		
COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT					
Salaries	127,900	127,801	99		
Fringes	33,500	29,188	4,312		
Supplies	246,871	216,177	30,694		
Miscellaneous	1,000	931	69		
TOTAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT	409,271	374,097	35,174		

## **General Fund**

## Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) by Department - continued For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

VISITOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT	Revised <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Salaries	\$ 819,801 195,600 427,052 38,800 161,217	\$ 801,475 172,622 384,051 21,634 136,061	\$ 18,326 22,978 43,001 17,166 25,156	
TOTAL VISITOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT	1,642,470	1,515,843	126,627	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	13,818,285	13,119,993	698,292	
Excess of revenues over expenditures	3,583,415	4,442,657	859,242	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Operating Transfers In Operating Transfers (Out)	2,743,700 (8,144,979)	1,743,700 (6,407,426)	(1,000,000) 1,737,553	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	\$ <u>(1,817,864)</u>	(221,069)	\$ <u>1,596,795</u>	
Fund balance, beginning of year, restated		1,600,001		
Prior year encumbrances		217,863		
Fund balance, end of year		\$ <u>1,596,795</u>		

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## SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS ARE USED TO ACCOUNT FOR SPECIFIC GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES (OTHER THAN MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS) REQUIRING SEPARATE ACCOUNTING BECAUSE OF LEGAL OR REGULATORY PROVISIONS OR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AND EXPENDITURES FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSE.

LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND - To account for money which is contraband or is derived from sale of contraband. Ten percent is to be used for community prevention programs and 90% for discretionary law enforcement projects.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EDUCATION FUND - To account for fines related to driving under the influence (DUI) of drugs or alcohol. This fund may be spent on any DUI related enforcement or education programs.

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND - To account for drug fines remitted by the Courts. The fund may be used for efforts that pertain to drug offenses.

EVERGREEN FUND - To account for donations identified by the donor to be used for a specific purpose.

## Special Revenue Funds Combining Balance Sheet

## **December 31, 2000**

	Law Enforcement Fund	Law Enforcement and Education Fund	Drug Law Enforcement Fund	Evergreen Fund	Total
ASSETS Cash	\$ <u>9,286</u>	\$ <u>2,389</u>	\$_52,44 <u>0</u>	\$ <u>525,178</u>	\$ <u>589,293</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>9,286</u>	\$ <u>2,389</u>	\$ <u>52,440</u>	\$ <u>525,178</u>	\$ <u>589,293</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE Accounts payable	<u>\$</u> \$	\$	\$ 9,542	\$ 28,726	\$ 38,268
FUND BALANCES: Reserve for encumbrances Unreserved	9,286	2,389	8,795 34,103	496,452	8,795 542,230
Total fund balances	<u>9,286</u>	<u>2,389</u>	<u>42,898</u>	<u>496,452</u>	<u>551,025</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>9,286</u>	\$ <u>2,389</u>	\$ <u>52,440</u>	\$ <u>525,178</u>	\$ <u>589,293</u>

## **Special Revenue Funds**

## Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

## For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

		Law			
	Law Enforcement Fund	Enforcement and Education Fund	Drug Law Enforcement Fund	Evergreen Fund	<u>Total</u>
REVENUES					
Fines and damages Donations and grants	\$ 4,112	\$ 473	\$ 8,152	\$ 120,464	\$ 12,737 120,464
Investment income Insurance proceeds Miscellaneous	372	107	3,188	26,636 306,636 57,534	30,303 306,636 57,534
				<u> 37,334</u>	<u>57,534</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>4,484</u>	580	11,340	511,270	<u>527,674</u>
EXPENDITURES General government	<del>-</del>	_	45,593		45,593
Capital overlay				379,396	379,396
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			45,593	379,396	424,989
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	4,484	580	(34,253)	131,874	102,685
Fund balances, beginning of year	4,802	1,809	77,151	364,578	448,340
Fund balances, end of year	\$ <u>9,286</u>	\$ <u>2,389</u>	\$ <u>42,898</u>	\$ <u>496,452</u>	\$ <u>551,025</u>

## **Special Revenue Funds**

## Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	_	Law Enforcement FundVarianceRevisedFavorableBudgetActual(Unfavorable)			Law Enforcement and Revised Budget Actual				Education Fund Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)		
REVENUES											
Fines and Damages Donations Interest Insurance proceeds Miscellaneous	\$	1,300	\$	4,484	\$ 3,184	\$	600	\$	580	\$	(20)
TOTAL REVENUE		1,300		4,484	3,184		600		580		(20)
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>											
General Government Miscellaneous Capital outlay		6,101			6,101		2,408				2,408
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	6,101			6,101		2,408				2,408
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES		\$ <u>(4,801)</u>		4,484	\$ <u>9,285</u>	9	\$ <u>(1,808)</u>		580		\$ <u>2,388</u>
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR				4,801					1,809		
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR			\$	9,285				\$	2,389		

Drug Law Enforcement Fund			Evergreen Fund			Total		
Revised <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable ( <u>Unfavorable</u> )	Revised <u>Budget</u>	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$ 10,000	\$ 10,625	\$ 625	\$ 220,000	\$ 104,005	\$ (115,995)	\$ 11,900 220,000	\$ 15,689 104,005	\$ 3,789 (115,995)
	715	715	15,500	26,636 306,636 57,534	11,136 306,636 57,534	15,500	27,351 306,636 57,534	11,851 306,636 57,534
10,000	11,340	1,340	235,500	494,811	259,311	247,400	511,215	263,815
88,051	45,742	42,309				96,560	45,742	50,818
			125,000	379,396	(254,396)	125,000	379,396	(254,396)
88,051	45,742	42,309	125,000	379,396	(254,396)	221,560	425,138	(203,578)
\$ <u>(78,051)</u>	(34,402)	\$ <u>43,649</u>	\$ <u>110,500</u>	115,415	\$ <u>4,915</u>	\$ <u>25,840</u>	86,077	\$ <u>60,237</u>
	<u>78,919</u>			409,759			495,288	
	\$ <u>44,517</u>			\$ <u>525,174</u>			\$ <u>581,365</u>	

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#### **CAPITAL PROJECT FUND**

The Capital Project Fund is established to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition of major capital facilities (other than those financed by the Enterprise Fund).

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#### **Capital Project Fund**

### Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Revised <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Charges for Service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Capital Outlay	8,153,732	7,533,705	620,027
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(8,153,732)	(7,533,705)	620,027
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Operating Transfers In	8,059,479	6,323,700	(1,735,779)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures	\$(94,253)	(1,210,005)	\$ <u>(1,115,752)</u>
Fund balance (deficit), beginning of year, restated		(773,578)	
Prior year encumbrances		867,832	
Fund balance (deficit), end of year	9	\$ <u>(1,115,751)</u>	

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#### **EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS**

Expendable Trust Funds for the Hamilton County Park District are comprised of the following Trust Funds used to account for assets held by the government in a trustee capacity.

#### MITCHELL TRUST FUND (Mitchell Memorial Forest)

To account for initial bequest from William Morris Mitchell, subsequent accumulation of income, expenditures for contiguous land, construction, maintenance and operations of the Mitchell Memorial Forest.

#### **BENEDICT TRUST FUND**

Established as an expendable trust for protection and development of property located on Springfield Pike, Woodlawn, Ohio.

#### **BURCHENAL TRUST FUND**

Established as an expendable trust for establishment of trails, garden and appropriate memorial and other capital improvements on Burchenal Tract - Glenwood Gardens, Woodlawn, Ohio.

#### **VARIOUS OTHER EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS**

To account for the following separate funds which are combined for reporting purposes:

Estate of Betty Martin
Estate of Elsie Heinichen
Estate of Virginia Miller
Mildred Foman Trust
Newberry Wildlife Sanctuary Fund
Robert M. Burton Fund
Seasongood Fund
Seasongood Bird Feeding Fund
Estate of Earl C. Malott
Estate of Margaret Embshoff

## **Expendable Trust Funds Combining Balance Sheet**

#### **December 31, 2000**

	Mitchell Trust Fund	Benedict Trust Fund	Burchenal Trust Fund	Various Other Expendable <u>Trust Funds</u>	Total
ASSETS Cash Investments TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 268,318 3,995,471 \$ 4,263,789	\$ 24,294 627,504 \$ 651,798	\$ 37,066 1,275,036 \$1,312,102	\$ 692,988 \$\frac{692,988}{}	\$ 1,022,666 5,898,011 \$ 6,920,677
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE Liabilities: Accounts payable	<u>\$</u> \$ 28.971	\$	\$	\$	\$ 28,971
Accrued salaries payable Due to general fund Due other government agencies	402 375,584 571	· 	· 		402 375,584 <u>571</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES  Fund balances – Unreserved	405,528		1 212 102		405,528
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	3,858,261 \$ <u>4,263,789</u>	651,798 \$_651,798	1,312,102 \$ <u>1,312,102</u>	692,988 \$_692,988	6,515,149 \$6,920,677

## Expendable Trust Funds Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Mitchell Trust Fund	Benedict Trust Fund	Burchenal Trust Fund	Various Other Expendable <u>Trust Funds</u>	Total
REVENUES					
Investment income (loss)	\$ <u>124,544</u>	\$ <u>(239,918)</u>	\$ <u>(482,001</u> )	\$ <u>33,983</u>	\$ <u>(563,392)</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	124,544	(239,918)	(482,001)	33,983	(563,392)
EXPENDITURES Operations and maintenance	134,839	500	500	45	135,884
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	134,839	500	500	<u>45</u>	135,884
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(10,295)	(240,418)	(482,501)	33,938	(699,276)
Fund balances, beginning of year	3,868,556	892,216	1,794,603	659,050	7,214,425
Fund balances, end of year	\$ <u>3,858,261</u>	\$ <u>651,798</u>	\$ <u>1,312,102</u>	\$ <u>692,988</u>	\$ <u>6,515,149</u>

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#### **ENTERPRISE FUND**

The Enterprise Fund is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private enterprise. The Hamilton County Park District's enterprise fund is comprised of the following departments: Golf Management, Fishing and Boating, Riding Center, Food Service, Golf Merchandise, Athletics and Recreation Management.

## HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT Enterprise Fund Schedule of Revenues and Expenses by Department

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Golf <u>Management</u>	Fishing and <u>Boating</u>	Riding <u>Center</u>	Food <u>Service</u>
OPERATING REVENUES Charges for sales and services	\$ 6,366,476	\$ 982,505	\$ 212,561	\$ 2,376,484
OPERATING EXPENSES Cost of sales and services Administration Depreciation	3,299,624 694,846 710,946	598,820 106,712 104,498	257,489 23,040 16,892	2,151,954 259,505 190,650
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	4,705,416	810,030	297,421	2,602,109
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ <u>1,661,060</u>	\$ <u>172,475</u>	\$ <u>(84,860</u> )	\$ <u>(225,625</u> )

Golf <u>Merchandise</u>	Athletics	Recreation Management	<u>Total</u>
\$ 1,048,872	\$ 135,896	\$ -	\$ 11,122,794
823,336 113,988 21,428	126,051 14,551 82,954	273,367	7,530,641 1,212,642 1,127,368
958,752	223,556	273,367	9,870,651
\$ <u>90,120</u>	\$ <u>(87,660</u> )	\$ <u>(273,367)</u>	\$ <u>1,252,143</u>

# Enterprise Fund Schedule Of Property And Equipment By Function And Department At Cost December 31, 2000

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>Land</u>	<u>Buildings</u>	<u>Improvements</u>	Machinery and Equipment	<u>Total</u>
Golf Management	\$ 2,027,226	\$ 1,563,260	\$ 8,212,588	\$ 3,027,786	\$ 14,830,860
Fishing and Boating	133,900	1,032,314	828,863	388,662	2,383,739
Riding Center	70,000	144,500	42,042	98,034	354,576
Food Service	17,300	4,316,214	330,378	399,098	5,062,990
Golf Merchandise	-	548,628	19,610	38,215	606,453
Athletics	180,700	32,000	1,944,007	103,343	2,260,050
	\$ <u>2,429,126</u>	\$ <u>7,636,916</u>	\$ <u>11,377,488</u>	\$ <u>4,055,138</u>	\$ <u>25,498,668</u>

## GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

This account group is used to present the general fixed assets of the Park District utilized in its general operations, exclusive of those used in the enterprise funds. General fixed assets include land, land improvements, buildings, building improvements and equipment owned by the Hamilton County Park District.



#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT Schedule of General Fixed Assets By Source

#### **December 31, 2000**

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	
Land	\$ 39,457,683
Buildings and improvements	20,610,200
Office and service equipment	4,139,013
Vehicles	1,705,364
	<b>.</b>
TOTAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	\$ <u>65,912,260</u>
SOURCES OF INVESTMENTS IN	
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	
General fund revenue	\$ 59,886,700
Donations	6,025,560
TOTAL INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ <u>65,912,260</u>

#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT Schedule of Changes in General Fixed Assets By Activity

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance End of Year
General government	\$ 48,891,548	\$ 4,366,303	\$ 12,902	\$ 53,244,949
Operations	7,259,913	246,160	64,699	7,441,374
Naturalist	2,283,998	-	96,531	2,187,467
Safety	2,104,241	155,779	41,278	2,218,742
Capital projects	723,711	71,039	48,855	745,895
Environmental control	73,833	<u> </u>		73,833
TOTAL GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ <u>61,337,244</u>	\$ <u>4,839,281</u>	\$ <u>264,265</u>	\$ <u>65,912,260</u>

#### Schedule of General Fixed Assets By Function and Activity

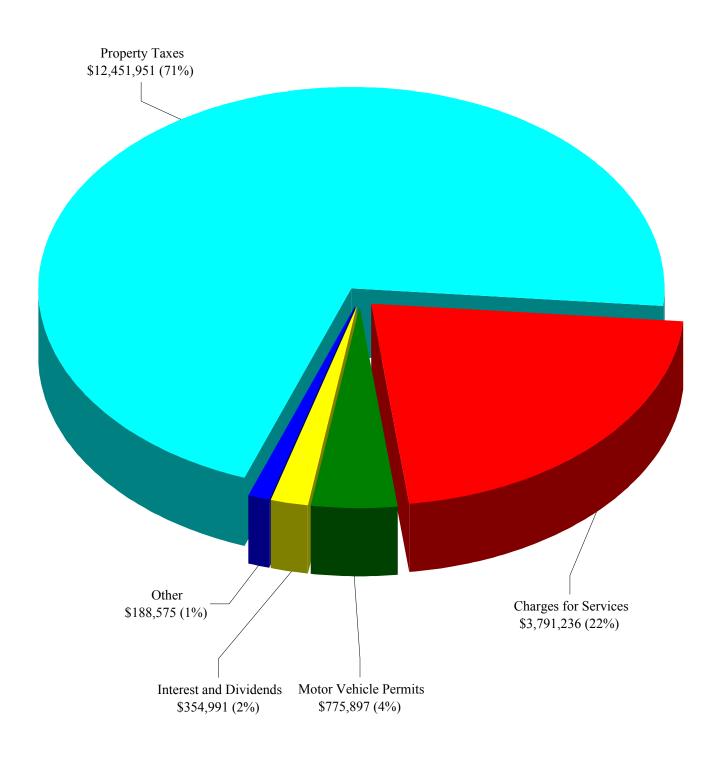
#### **December 31, 2000**

FUNCTION AND ACTIVITY	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Office and Service Equipment	<u>Vehicles</u>	Total
General government Operations Naturalist Safety Capital projects Environmental control	\$ 39,457,683	\$ 12,935,570 4,805,632 1,418,998 1,350,000 100,000	\$ 635,120 1,953,308 697,828 351,498 444,455 56,804	\$ 216,576 682,434 70,641 517,244 201,440 17,029	\$ 53,244,949 7,441,374 2,187,467 2,218,742 745,895 73,833
TOTAL GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ <u>39,457,683</u>	\$ <u>20,610,200</u>	\$ <u>4,139,013</u>	\$ <u>1,705,364</u>	\$ <u>65,912,260</u>

# STATISTICAL SECTION The statistical section provides selected financial, economic and demographic information which may be used to indicate trends for comparative fiscal periods.

#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT GENERAL FUND - REVENUES BY SOURCE

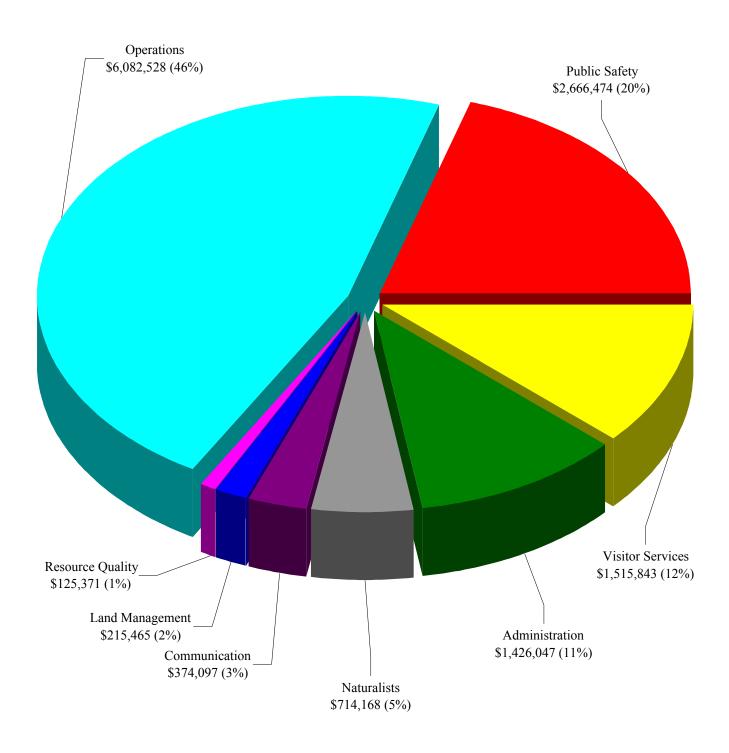
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For the Year Ended December 31, 2000



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#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT GENERAL FUND - EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION

(Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2000



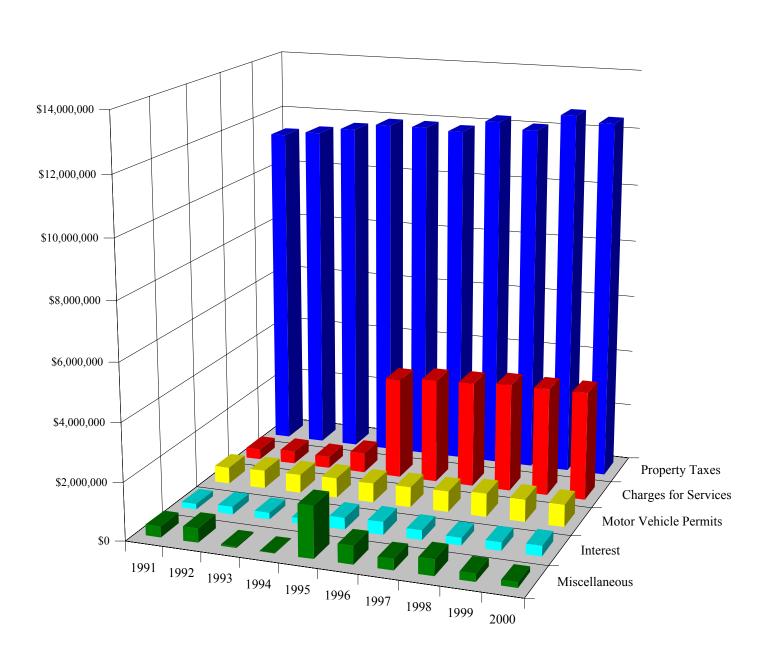
## General Fund Revenues by Source and Expenditures by Function (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) Last Ten Years

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ 11,322,746	\$ 11,476,439	\$ 11,685,982	\$ 11,910,802	\$ 11,909,960
Motor Vehicle Permit	575,810	628,840	645,903	689,163	668,135
Charges for Service	367,227	445,582	407,365	691,164	3,541,865
Interest	201,040	263,194	232,476	191,759	407,377
Miscellaneous	372,744	488,790	59,169	15,230	1,785,622
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ <u>12,839,567</u>	\$ <u>13,302,845</u>	\$ <u>13,030,895</u>	\$ <u>13,498,118</u>	\$ <u>18,312,959</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Administration	\$ 920,215	\$ 954,267	\$ 960,000	\$ 1,027,169	\$ 1,055,050
Safety	1,727,058	1,846,508	1,889,094	1,948,624	2,071,100
Operations	3,940,642	4,186,178	4,197,405	4,863,544	4,929,003
Visitor Services and Other	1,293,800	1,315,848	1,104,247	1,651,845	2,045,930
Land Management	139,099	162,464	<u>154,554</u>	165,850	121,375
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>8,020,814</u>	\$ <u>8,465,265</u>	\$ <u>8,305,300</u>	\$ <u>9,657,032</u>	\$ <u>10,222,458</u>

<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
\$ 11,845,742	\$ 12,271,916	\$ 12,062,982	\$ 12,642,955	\$ 12,451,951
703,350	723,527	818,657	792,074	775,897
3,663,773	3,699,827	3,787,460	3,780,721	3,791,236
447,128	338,128	261,179	291,022	354,991
<u>631,483</u>	380,484	<u>554,539</u>	275,314	188,575
\$ <u>17,291,476</u>	\$17,413,882	\$ <u>17,484,817</u>	\$ <u>17,782,086</u>	\$17,562,650
\$ 1,065,111	\$ 1,167,313	\$ 1,254,394	\$ 1,327,256	\$ 1,426,047
2,147,453	2,336,878	2,589,823	2,572,623	2,666,474
5,086,214	5,416,016	5,697,135	5,957,631	6,082,528
2,150,294	2,570,152	2,650,357	2,816,257	2,729,479
140,153	140,710	199,326	197,433	215,465
\$ <u>10,589,225</u>	\$ <u>11,631,069</u>	\$ <u>12,391,035</u>	\$ <u>12,871,200</u>	\$ <u>13,119,993</u>

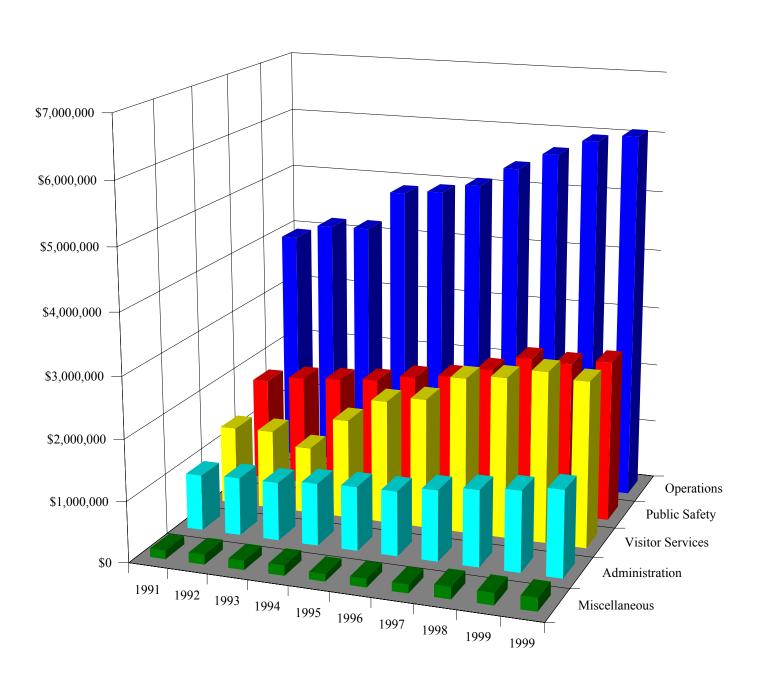
#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT GENERAL FUND - REVENUES BY SOURCE

#### (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) Last Ten Years



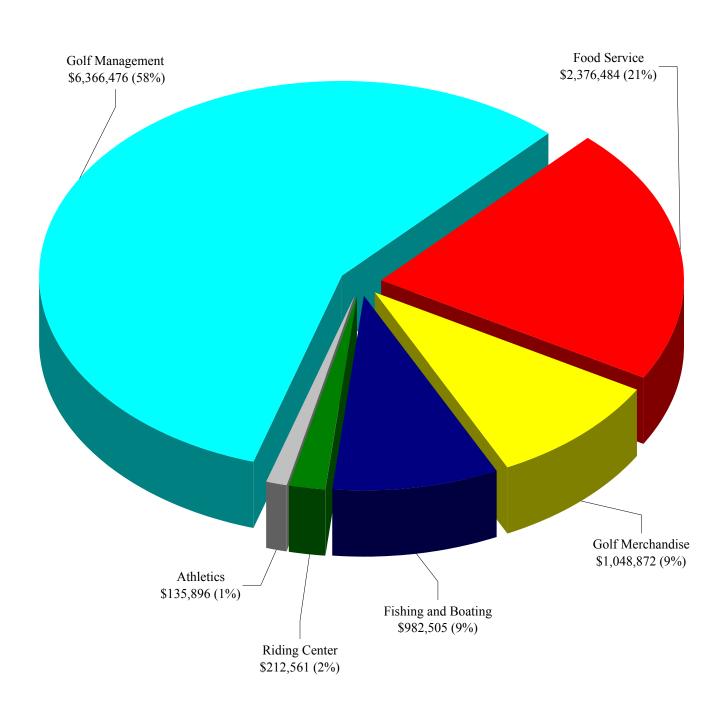
#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT GENERAL FUND - EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION

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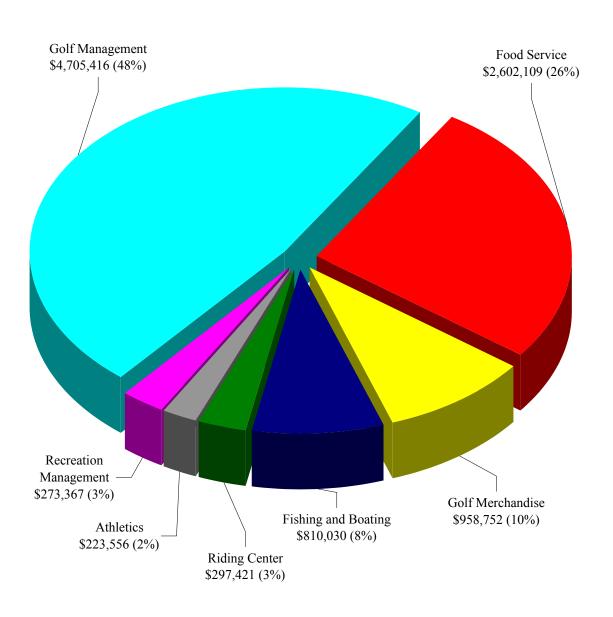
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# HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING REVENUES BY DEPARTMENT For the Year Ended December 31, 2000



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#### HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT ENTERPRISE FUND OPERATING EXPENSES BY DEPARTMENT For the Year Ended December 31, 2000



## COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO Property Tax Levies and Collections Real, Utility and Tangible Personal Property Taxes Last Ten Years

Tax Year			
Collection Year	Current Levy	<u>Delinquent Levy</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>
1990/1991	\$ 163,740,186	\$ 10,713,598	\$ 174,453,784
1991/1992	177,403,073	10,707,226	188,110,299
1992/1993	193,440,457	14,230,795	207,671,252
1993/1994	196,180,296	14,947,756	211,128,052
1994/1995	210,573,806	14,153,427	224,727,233
1995/1996	210,661,835	14,350,515	225,012,350
1996/1997	234,466,576	18,367,236	252,833,812
1997/1998	232,576,991	15,588,698	248,165,689
1998/1999	243,871,859	15,353,864	259,225,723
1999/2000	268,875,736	16,101,819	284,977,555

Source: Hamilton County Auditor's Office, Budget Commission

Current Collection	Current Levy Collected	Delinquent Collection	Total <u>Collection</u>	Total Collections As a Percent of Current Levy
\$ 158,077,201	96.54%	\$ 5,161,050	\$ 163,238,251	99.69%
173,580,573	97.85	4,992,794	178,573,367	100.66
188,145,245	97.26	6,681,286	194,826,531	100.72
190,711,343	97.21	7,294,666	198,006,009	100.93
205,057,328	97.38	6,736,884	211,794,212	100.58
204,316,902	96.99	6,648,968	210,965,870	100.14
227,575,547	97.06	10,357,890	237,933,437	101.48
226,682,488	97.47	8,297,212	234,979,700	101.03
236,690,049	97.06	8,282,287	244,972,336	100.45
260,266,951	96.80	8,599,370	268,866,321	100.00

## COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO Assessed and Estimated Actual Value of Taxable Property Last Ten Years

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Real	Property	Personal Property				
Tax Year Collection Year	Assessed Estimated Actual <u>Value</u> <u>Value</u>		Assessed <u>Value</u>	Estimated Actual <u>Value</u>			
1990/1991	\$ 9,370,905	\$ 26,779,186	\$ 2,095,064	\$ 7,759,496			
1991/1992	9,557,473	27,307,067	2,072,933	7,972,819			
1992/1993	9,695,519	27,701,483	2,044,098	8,176,392			
1993/1994	11,029,482	31,512,777	2,012,269	8,049,076			
1994/1995	11,165,437	31,901,249	1,985,287	7,941,148			
1995/1996	11,305,422	32,301,206	2,029,232	8,116,928			
1996/1997	11,989,588	34,255,966	2,063,161	8,252,645			
1997/1998	12,096,491	34,561,402	2,074,756	8,299,024			
1998/1999	12,205,425	34,872,643	2,105,777	8,423,108			
1999/2000	14,193,173	40,551,923	2,080,609	8,322,436			

Source: Hamilton County Auditor's Office, Budget Commission

<sup>[1]</sup> Beginning in tax year 1990, percentages for valuing estimated actual value of Public Utility properties vary by class, type and age.

Public Utility		Total					
Assessed <u>Value</u>	Estimated Actual  Value [1]	Assessed <u>Value</u>	Estimated Actual <u>Value</u>	Ratio of Assess to Estimated Actual Value			
\$ 899,689	\$ 1,799,378	\$ 12,365,658	\$ 36,338,060	34.03%			
966,717	1,933,434	12,597,123	37,213,320	33.85			
1,045,831	2,091,662	12,785,448	37,969,537	33.67			
1,084,285	2,168,570	14,126,036	41,730,423	33.85			
1,126,311	2,252,622	14,277,035	42,095,019	33.92			
1,065,606	2,131,212	14,400,260	42,549,346	33.84			
1,071,857	2,143,714	15,124,606	44,652,325	33.87			
1,022,980	2,045,960	15,194,227	44,906,386	33.85			
1,040,198	2,080,396	15,351,400	45,376,147	33.83			
1,040,460	2,080,934	17,314,242	50,955,293	33.98			

## COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO PROPERTY TAX RATES ALL DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS LAST TEN YEARS

(PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION)

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
HAMILTON COUNTY										
GENERAL OPERATING	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26	2.26
DEBT (Bond retirement)	0.35	0.30	0.26	0.21	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18
DRAKE HOSPITAL	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.59
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINATI HOSPITAL	4.26	4.73	4.73	4.73	4.73	4.73	4.73	4.73	4.73	4.73
COUNTY PARK DISTRICT COUNTY POLICE INFORMATION CENTER	1.03 0.54	1.03	1.03 0.54	1.03 0.54	1.03	1.03 0.54	1.03	1.03 0.54	1.03 0.83	1.03 0.83
CARE AND TRAINING MENTALLY RETARDED	2.73	0.54 2.73	2.73	2.73	0.54 2.73	2.73	0.54 2.73	2.73	2.73	3.53
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH	1.99	1.99	1.99	1.81	1.99	1.99	1.99	1.99	2.47	2.47
SUPPORT OF CHILDREN SERVICES	1.42	1.62	1.62	1.62	1.62	1.62	2.77	2.77	2.11	2.77
RECREATION/ ZOOLOGICAL PURPOSES	0.35	0.35	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.00	0.42	0.42
SENIOR SERVICES			1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.02	1.02
TOTAL	16.88	17.50	18.56	18.33	18.30	18.30	19.44	19.01	19.54	20.83
TOWNSHIPS										
ANDERSON	7.24	7.24	7.24	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	9.90
ANDERSON TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT	1.00	1.00	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28
COLERAIN	12.34	12.34	12.34	12.34	12.34	12.34	12.34	12.34	12.34	10.84
COLUMBIA	18.66	19.66	19.66	17.76	17.96	17.96	17.96	17.96	17.96	17.96
CROSBY	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24	9.24
DELHI TOWNGHIR DARK DISTRICT	15.86	15.86	15.86	19.66	19.46	19.46	19.46	19.46	19.46	19.46
DELHI TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT GREEN	1.00 7.04	1.00 7.04	1.00 7.06	1.00 7.06	1.00 8.81	1.00 8.81	1.00 8.81	1.00 8.81	1.00 8.81	1.00 8.81
HARRISON	2.90	3.40	3.74	3.74	3.74	3.74	3.74	3.74	3.74	3.74
MIAMI	5.20	5.20	5.20	5.56	5.56	6.85	6.85	6.85	6.45	6.45
SPRINGFIELD	14.42	14.42	15.66	15.67	15.67	15.67	15.67	14.30	14.30	14.30
SYCAMORE	7.74	7.74	7.74	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75
SYMMES	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.30	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.90	11.75
WHITEWATER	7.04	10.84	10.84	10.84	10.84	10.84	10.84	10.84	10.84	10.84
<u>SCHOOLS</u>										
CINCINNATI	40.44	50.04	49.94	48.75	48.58	53.52	53.19	53.13	53.13	51.94
DEER PARK	48.30	55.10	55.10	55.10	55.10	62.01	62.01	62.01	62.01	62.01
FINNEYTOWN	63.46	63.18	69.42	68.77	68.70	68.64	72.60	72.39	72.39	72.39
FOREST HILLS INDIAN HILL	43.52 43.12	43.26 42.92	43.16 42.92	43.04 44.69	49.51 44.63	49.23 44.58	51.37 44.48	51.37 44.51	51.37 42.92	51.16 42.92
LOCKLAND	26.58	28.10	27.68	35.12	35.12	35.89	58.34	59.07	57.96	56.59
LOVELAND	51.46	57.54	57.46	56.69	56.13	55.44	60.14	59.58	64.21	63.79
MADEIRA	61.98	61.86	61.28	68.97	68.97	68.97	72.13	72.13	72.13	71.71
MARIEMONT	62.24	61.82	67.96	67.97	67.97	74.97	74.97	74.97	84.92	82.92
MILFORD	51.90	51.90	51.90	57.50	57.50	57.50	54.52	59.10	59.10	59.10
MT. HEALTHY	48.12	47.96	56.06	55.89	55.79	55.77	55.66	54.99	61.98	61.85
NORTH COLLEGE HILL	54.34	54.14	54.14	54.12	53.97	53.57	53.57	53.57	53.57	57.47
NORTHWEST	43.22	43.22	43.18	43.18	43.15	42.98	42.98	50.18	50.18	50.13
NORWOOD OAK JULES	40.92	40.90	49.94	47.98	46.63	49.92	49.51	48.90	48.82	48.57
OAK HILLS PRINCETON	38.66 34.74	38.30 34.74	35.30 42.24	35.30 42.24	40.20 42.24	40.20 42.24	40.20 42.24	46.97 42.24	46.97 42.24	46.97 46.19
READING	43.22	43.30	43.30	43.30	51.28	51.28	51.28	57.18	57.18	57.18
ST. BERNARD	31.26	30.20	29.90	29.75	36.67	36.67	36.71	35.72	34.97	34.97
SOUTHWEST	38.46	39.14	39.04	45.13	45.13	45.13	44.77	44.74	48.22	48.22
SYCAMORE	46.74	46.74	54.14	54.14	54.14	54.14	54.14	54.14	61.53	60.84
THREE RIVERS	32.06	32.06	39.40	39.40	32.06	36.96	37.86	37.54	37.48	37.26
WINTON WOODS	54.92	54.72	54.62	62.12	62.12	62.12	62.12	62.13	70.08	70.08
WYOMING	63.56	63.02	63.02	63.03	64.98	64.98	64.98	64.98	73.18	71.03
GREAT OAKS JOINT VOCATIONAL	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.70

## COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO PROPERTY TAX RATES (continued) ALL DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS LAST TEN YEARS (PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION)

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	1994	1995	<u>1996</u>	1997	1998	1999	2000
CITIES & VILLAGES										
ADDYSTON	6.18	6.58	6.59	6.59	6.59	7.59	7.59	7.59	7.59	7.59
AMBERLEY	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS	10.32	10.66	11.00	10.87	10.81	10.77	10.02	10.82	10.82	10.82
BLUE ASH	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08
CHEVIOT	14.04	13.80	13.68	13.38	13.38	13.02	13.00	12.84	12.82	12.66
CINCINNATI	11.46	11.46	11.46	11.46	11.46	11.46	11.46	11.46	11.46	10.90
CLEVES	21.22	21.22	16.36	19.36	19.36	19.36	23.71	23.71	20.71	20.71
DEER PARK	7.04	6.84	6.84	6.68	6.68	6.58	7.20	7.20	4.50	3.55
ELMWOOD PLACE	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78	17.78
EVENDALE	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	3.34	0.00
FAIRFAX	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76
FOREST PARK	6.06	8.00	8.00	8.01	8.01	8.01	8.01	8.01	8.01	8.01
GLENDALE	27.88	27.64	26.98	25.38	25.38	23.68	23.26	22.34	19.66	21.93
GOLF MANOR	13.18	12.90	12.60	12.60	19.60	19.60	19.60	19.42	19.42	19.42
GREENHILLS	18.98	19.78	18.28	18.04	18.04	21.54	21.91	26.22	26.47	25.99
HARRISON	10.50	10.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
INDIAN HILL	1.30	1.30	1.30	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96
LINCOLN HEIGHTS	17.34	17.34	24.34	24.34	10.08	20.08	20.08	20.08	20.08	20.08
LOCKLAND	3.52	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.02	6.02
LOVELAND	8.92	9.72	9.72	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
MADEIRA	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	9.92	7.50	7.50	7.50
MARIEMONT	8.94	8.94	8.94	8.94	8.94	8.94	8.94	12.44	12.44	12.44
MILFORD	13.10	13.10	13.10	13.10	13.10	13.10	12.60	12.60	12.60	12.60
MONTGOMERY	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15	10.75
MT. HEALTHY	5.38	5.38	4.60	4.61	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.11	6.61
NEWTOWN	6.92	8.86	8.86	8.87	8.87	8.87	8.87	8.87	8.87	6.87
NORTH BEND	15.6	15.44	15.40	13.82	16.59	17.88	17.88	17.88	14.88	10.38
NORTH COLLEGE HILL	7.98	6.18	6.18	6.18	6.18	6.18	7.98	7.98	7.98	7.98
NORWOOD	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.40
READING	3.52	3.52	3.52	3.52	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76	1.76
ST. BERNARD	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.28
SHARONVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SILVERTON	12.16	12.16	6.14	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.15	8.15	8.15
SPRINGDALE	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08
TERRACE PARK	18.12	21.96	21.96	18.32	14.86	14.86	14.86	14.86	14.86	14.86
WOODLAWN	4.08	4.08	4.08	4.08	4.08	4.08	4.08	5.08	5.08	5.08
WYOMING	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
SPECIAL DISTRICTS:										
Deer Park/Silverton Joint Ambulance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.50	6.50
Eastern Joint Ambulance District	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20
Western Joint Ambulance District	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25

Source: Hamilton County Auditor's Office-Budget Commission-Tax Year Data

## Computation of Legal Debt Margin December 31, 2000 (Amounts in Thousands)

• Tax valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation in the Hamilton County Park District as shown by the tax duplicate for the year 2000, the latest tax duplicate at the date hereof.	\$ 1	7,314,249
Aggregate permitted principal amount of bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of the voted tax levy of a Park district pursuant to Section 1545.21, O.R. C. (1 percent of tax valuation).	\$	173,142
Total remaining principal of all outstanding bonds issued.		None
<ul> <li>Available principal amount of bonds issued.</li> </ul>	\$	173,142

# COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS

#### **POPULATION**

1940	621,897
1950	723,953
1960	864,121
1970	925,944
1980	866,714
1990	866,228
2000	845,303

# AGE DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION – 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Under 5 years	56,548	6.69%
5-9 years	60,719	7.18%
10-14 years	63,822	7.56%
15-19 years	60,987	7.21%
20-24 years	56,941	6.74%
25-34 years	117,694	13.92%
35-44 years	132,973	15.73%
45-54 years	112,172	13.27%
55-59 years	37,992	4.49%
60-64 years	31,557	3.73%
65-74 years	58,302	6.90%
75-84 years	40,462	4.79%
85 years and over	<u>15,134</u>	<u>1.79</u> %
Total	845,303	<u>100.00</u> %
Median age: 35.5		

Source: United States Bureau of the Census

Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce for the Hamilton County Area

# COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS (continued)

## DISTRIBUTION OF FAMILIES BY INCOME BRACKET (Average 2.45 Persons)

	19	199
	Number	Percentage
0-\$9,999	47,530	13.97%
\$10,000-\$19,999	47,850	14.06
\$20,000-\$29,999	44,720	13.14
\$30,000-\$39,999	52,480	15.42
\$40,000-\$49,999	46,410	13.64
\$50,000-\$59,999	31,440	9.24
\$60,000-\$74,999	29,030	8.53
\$75,000-\$99,999	20,920	6.15
\$100,000-\$124,999	7,960	2.34
\$125,000-\$149,999	3,620	1.06
Over \$150,000	8,310	2.45
Total	340,270	<u>100.00</u> %
Per Capita Income	\$ <u>32,753</u>	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce

### COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS (continued) LAST TEN YEARS

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	Total <u>Labor Force</u>	Total <u>Employed</u>	Total <u>Unemployed</u>	Unemployment <u>Rate</u>
1991	439,900	418,700	21,200	4.8
1992	441,000	416,000	25,000	5.7
1993	441,600	417,300	24,300	5.5
1994	435,800	415,000	20,800	4.8
1995	436,900	419,300	17,600	4.0
1996	449,000	432,800	16,200	3.6
1997	450,300	435,700	14,600	3.2
1998	459,100	445,900	13,200	2.9
1999	458,600	444,700	13,900	3.0
2000	449,000	436,100	12,900	2.9

#### EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR

(Amounts in Thousands)

			Wholesa	le-Retail	Professional a	nd Related	State and	l Local
	Manufac	cturing	Tra	ıde	Servio	ees	Govern	ment
		Percent		Percent		Percent		Percent
	<u>Number</u>	of Total	Number	of Total	<u>Number</u>	of Total	Number	of Total
1991	114.1	21.7	133.2	25.3	141.9	27.0	48.2	9.2
1992	110.1	21.0	131.8	25.1	147.0	28.0	48.1	9.2
1993	105.4	20.0	131.1	25.0	150.2	28.6	48.4	9.2
1994	101.0	18.9	135.0	25.3	155.8	29.2	49.3	9.2
1995	99.9	18.5	137.8	25.5	160.6	29.7	49.6	9.2
1996	98.1	17.7	143.8	25.8	169.2	30.4	50.1	9.0
1997	97.0	17.3	138.2	24.7	179.5	32.0	48.4	8.9
1998	96.4	17.1	137.6	24.5	182.9	32.5	48.3	8.6
1999	92.8	16.5	136.0	24.2	187.9	33.5	48.4	8.6
2000	90.3	16.0	141.6	25.1	189.6	33.6	47.2	8.4

	Finance, Ins Real E		Transportation Utili		Oth	ner	Te	otal
		Percent		Percent		Percent		Percent
	<u>Number</u>	of Total	<u>Number</u>	of Total	<u>Number</u>	of Total	<u>Number</u>	Of Total
1991	36.1	6.9	27.1	5.2	25.3	4.7	525.9	100
1992	36.0	6.9	26.1	5.0	25.0	4.8	524.1	100
1993	37.4	7.1	26.1	5.0	26.8	5.1	525.4	100
1994	38.6	7.2	27.3	5.1	27.4	5.1	534.4	100
1995	38.5	7.1	27.3	5.0	26.8	5.0	540.5	100
1996	41.0	7.4	27.3	4.9	26.9	4.8	556.4	100
1997	39.9	7.1	27.0	4.8	29.5	5.2	559.5	100
1998	41.1	7.3	28.3	5.0	28.3	5.0	562.9	100
1999	38.8	6.9	27.6	4.9	30.2	5.4	561.7	100
2000	39.8	7.0	26.9	4.8	28.7	5.1	564.1	100

Source: Ohio Bureau of Employment Services

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# COUNTY OF HAMILTON, OHIO PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS

### **December 31, 2000**

(Amounts in Thousands)

Name of Taxpayer	Nature of Business	Assessed Valuation	Percent of Total Assessed Valuation
CINERGY Corporation	Public Utility	\$ 744,296	4.30%
Procter & Gamble Co.	Consumer Goods – Manufacturing	253,068	1.46
Cincinnati Bell Telephone	Public Utility	172,361	1.00
General Electric	Aircraft Engines	77,939	0.45
Duke Limited Realty	Real Estate Management	77,645	0.45
Ford Motor Company	Automotive Manufacturing	76,092	0.44
City of Cincinnati	City Government	58,658	0.34
Concordia Properties	Real Estate Management	52,500	0.30
Kroger Company	Consumer Goods – Distribution	37,287	0.22
Cognis Corporation	Chemical Manufacturing	 36,433	0.21
		\$ 1,586,279	<u>9.17</u> %

Source: Hamilton County Auditor's Office

# HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT Schedule of Insurance Coverage

# **December 31, 2000**

Coverage	Carrier	Policy Number
General Liability	CAN	OH1694179
(Include liquor liability)	Hartford	
	Folksamerica	
	Hannover	
Umbrella	General Star	NXG352027
	National Insurance	
Automobile	Hartford	ОН1094179
	CAN	
	Folksamerica	
	Hannover	
Building and Content	Hartford	OH1694179
-	Folksamerica	
Inland Marine	Hartford	ОН1694179
	Folksamerica	
Law Enforcement Liability	Hartford	OH1694179
	CAN	
	Folksamerica	
	Hannover	
Crime	Hartford	OH1694179
	Folksamerica	
Public Officials Liability	Hartford	OH1694179
	CAN	
	Folksamerica	
	Hannover	
Boiler	Hartford	BI-1-DT22143970
EDP	Hartford	OH1694179
	Folksamerica	

Expiration Date	Limits Aggregate	Deductible	Annual Premium
7-1-01	\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ 84,886
7-1-01	10,000,000	_	10,500
, 1 01	10,000,000		10,200
7-1-01	5,000,000	1,000	40,753
7-1-01	22,112,832	1,000	13,734
/ 1 01	22,112,032	1,000	13,734
7-1-01	3,300,420	100	8,352
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7-1-01	5,000,000	1,000	9,375
7-1-01	25,000	-	271
- 4 04			40.000
7-1-01	6,000,000	-	10,288
7-1-01	5,000,000	-	3,267
7-1-01	50,000	-	944

## HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT Facility Utilization Last Ten Years

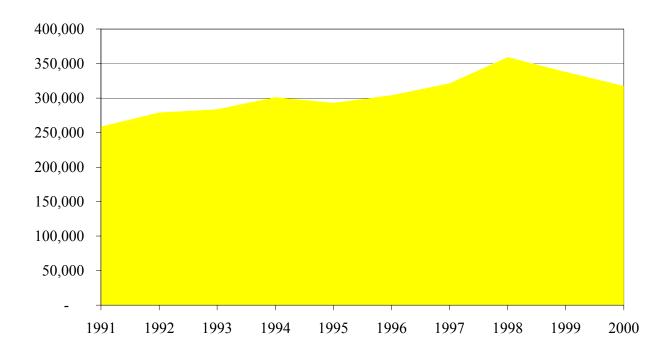
	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>
Reservations picnic areas	2,500	1,974	1,908	1,815
Pounds of fish stocked	53,600	61,500	54,700	59,050
Boat rentals	50,582	54,034	47,925	46,469
Rounds of golf	294,400	283,842	281,639	330,254
Horseback riding lessons	4,876	5,765	5,625	5,965
Visitor center attendance	130,339	156,901	125,364	149,232
Programs presented	1,258	1,272	1,315	1,202
Program attendance	51,317	54,088	55,575	63,012
Volunteer hours	42,000	38,000	44,327	45,160
Motor vehicle permits – annual	158,802	175,153	181,333	194,265
Motor vehicle permits – other	99,944	103,993	102,426	106,964
Special events	19	17	25	28

<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
2,201	2,101	1,957	2,044	2,507	2,799
53,000	50,000	56,400	41,000	41,500	39,000
45,238	35,042	38,492	54,548	47,796	44,856
324,575	309,267	357,989	360,254	341,601	369,695
8,934	10,191	9,642	10,009	9,566	9,878
144,448	165,500	141,215	138,706	181,252	195,546
1,421	1,634	1,971	2,010	1,937	2,083
66,726	74,258	95,098	85,746	74,379	85,427
45,537	50,873	50,960	60,489	56,095	56,226
187,737	199,834	204,966	233,257	227,093	220,509
105,367	104,061	116,012	126,082	110,705	96,993
30	15	20	22	28	34

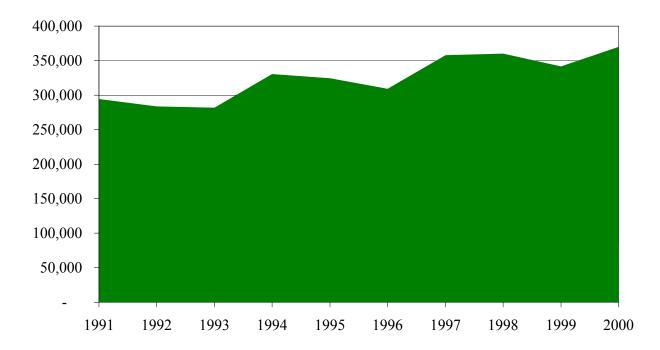
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# HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT FACILITIES UTILIZATION Last Ten Years

#### **Motor Vehicle Permits**



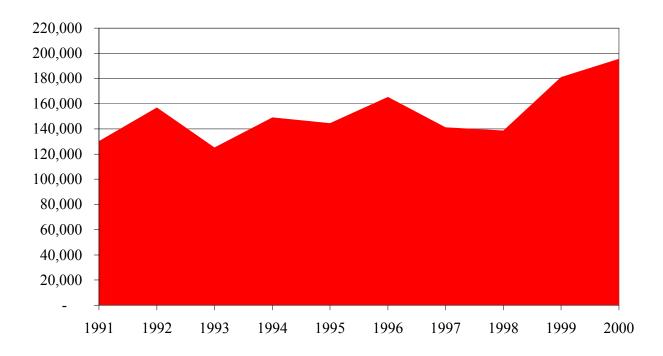
#### **Rounds of Golf**



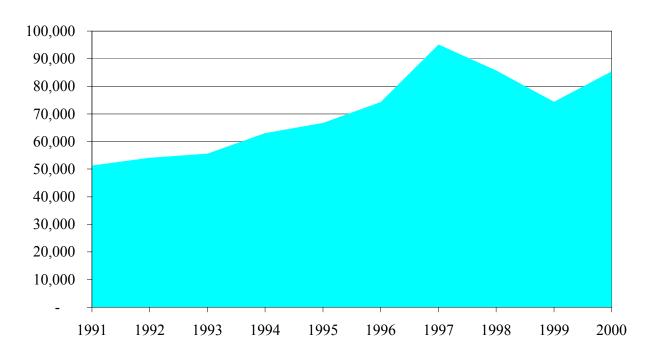
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# HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT FACILITIES UTILIZATION Last Ten Years

#### **Visitor Center Attendance**



#### **Program Attendance**



## HAMILTON COUNTY PARK DISTRICT PARK FACILITIES AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Recreational Activities	Embshoff	Farbach-Werner	Lake Isabella	Little Miami	Miami Whitewater	Mitchell Memorial	Sharon Woods	Shawnee Lookout	Triple Creek	Winton Woods	Withrow	Woodland Mound
Amphitheater-Outdoor		X			X					X		X
Ballfields	X				X		X		X	X		X
Bike Trails/Bike Rentals					X		X					
Boating - Canoes					X		X					
Boating - Hydrobikes					X							
Boating - Lake Cruises							X			X		
Boating - Pedal Boats					X		X			X		
Boating - Row Boats			X		X		X			X		
Campgrounds					X					X		
Cross Country Skiing	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fishing*			X		X	X	X		X	X		
Food-Snack Bars			X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X
Frisbee Golf Courses	X				X					X		X
Gift/Bookstores**		X			X		X			X		X
Golf - Courses				X	X		X	X		X		X
Golf - Driving Ranges				X	X					X		
Golf - Miniature Golf				X								
Hiking Trails		X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Historic Restoration							X	X				
Horseback Riding Trails***					X					X		
Ice Skating	X				X	X			X	X		X
Lawn Bowling				X								
Naturalist Offices		X			X		X			X		X
Parcours Fitness Trails	X				X		X		X	X		X
Picnic Areas	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X
Playgrounds/Special Features	X				X		X			X		X
Reservable Lodges			X				X			X	X	X
Reservable Shelters	X				X		X	X		X		X
Roller Blade Rentals					X							
Scenic Overlooks			X		X	X				X		X
Sledding					X		X			X		
Visitor Center					X		X			X		X
Wet Playground							X			X		X

Boathouse facilities not available at Mitchell Memorial Forest or Triple Creek.
 Gift shops/bookstores at Winton Woods carry a limited number of items.
 Horse rentals not available. Horses at Winton Woods are for lessons only.



Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of General Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* 

Board of Park Commissioners Hamilton County Park District, Ohio

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated May 31, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted other matters involving compliance that we have reported to management of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio in a separate letter dated May 31, 2001.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material

in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management of the Hamilton County Park District, Ohio in a separate letter dated May 31, 2001.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Park Commissioners, management and others within the organization, and the Auditor of the State of Ohio and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Berge & Company CTD

Cincinnati, Ohio May 31, 2001



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# HAMILTON COUNTY HAMILTON COUNTY

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 31, 2001