



**GREEN TOWNSHIP
SCIOTO COUNTY**

REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 - 1998



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Green Township, Scioto County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these 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 financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Township prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Township as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 14, 2000 on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Jim Petro
Auditor of State

April 14, 2000

**GREEN TOWNSHIP
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
 ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$88,532	\$474,185	\$562,717
Intergovernmental	70,674	98,603	169,277
Charges for Services	0	9,375	9,375
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	7,208	0	7,208
Earnings on Investments	3,313	6,627	9,940
Other Revenue	204	1,108	1,312
	<u>169,931</u>	<u>589,898</u>	<u>759,829</u>
Total Cash Receipts			
	<u>169,931</u>	<u>589,898</u>	<u>759,829</u>
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	88,627	0	88,627
Public Safety	0	346,259	346,259
Public Works	30,000	211,476	241,476
Health	49,110	11,386	60,496
Capital Outlay	2,748	76,252	79,000
	<u>170,485</u>	<u>645,373</u>	<u>815,858</u>
Total Cash Disbursements			
	<u>170,485</u>	<u>645,373</u>	<u>815,858</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts Over/ (Under) Cash Disbursements	<u>(554)</u>	<u>(55,475)</u>	<u>(56,029)</u>
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>69,229</u>	<u>272,931</u>	<u>342,160</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$68,675</u>	<u>\$217,456</u>	<u>\$286,131</u>
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$3,857</u>	<u>\$3,857</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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 COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
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 ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$78,472	\$448,254	\$526,726
Intergovernmental	78,606	98,086	176,692
Charges for Services	0	8,775	8,775
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	6,771	0	6,771
Earnings on Investments	2,525	5,049	7,574
Other Revenue	15,146	31,097	46,243
	<u>181,520</u>	<u>591,261</u>	<u>772,781</u>
Total Cash Receipts			
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	93,066	2,580	95,646
Public Safety	0	301,662	301,662
Public Works	0	160,681	160,681
Health	45,475	8,107	53,582
Capital Outlay	0	12,267	12,267
	<u>138,541</u>	<u>485,297</u>	<u>623,838</u>
Total Cash Disbursements			
Excess of Cash Receipts Over/ (Under) Cash Disbursements	<u>42,979</u>	<u>105,964</u>	<u>148,943</u>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):			
Transfers-In	0	10,000	10,000
Transfers-Out	(10,000)	0	(10,000)
	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)			
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Uses	32,979	115,964	148,943
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>36,250</u>	<u>156,967</u>	<u>193,217</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$69,229</u>	<u>\$272,931</u>	<u>\$342,160</u>
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,920</u>	<u>\$1,920</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**GREEN TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Green Township, Scioto County, (the Township) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

The Township had one primary checking account and one sweep investment account during our audit period.

D. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

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

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund received property tax money to construct, maintain and repair Township roads and bridges.

Emergency Medical Service and Ambulance Fund - This fund received property tax money to provide emergency medical and ambulance services for citizens of the Township.

**GREEN TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 1999 and 1998 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

G. Unpaid Vacation

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation is not reflected as a liability under the basis of accounting used by the Township.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Township maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Demand deposits	\$286,131	\$342,160

Deposits: Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or (2) collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

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3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 1999 and 1998 follows:

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$169,931	\$169,931	\$0
Special Revenue	589,898	589,898	0
Total	\$759,829	\$759,829	\$0

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$170,485	\$170,485	\$0
Special Revenue	649,230	649,230	0
Total	\$819,715	\$819,715	\$0

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$181,520	\$181,520	\$0
Special Revenue	601,261	601,261	0
Total	\$782,781	\$782,781	\$0

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$148,541	\$148,541	\$0
Special Revenue	488,411	487,217	1,194
Total	\$636,952	\$635,758	\$1,194

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4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Township.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's employees, as well as the Clerk and Trustees, belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 1999 and 1998, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 1999.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability
- Vehicles
- Inland marine

The Township is uninsured for the following risks:

- Errors and omissions



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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Green Township, Scioto County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated April 14, 2000. 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 Green Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on 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 certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated April 14, 2000.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Green Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of 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 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 do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated April 14, 2000.

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April 14, 2000



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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.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
MAY 30, 2000**