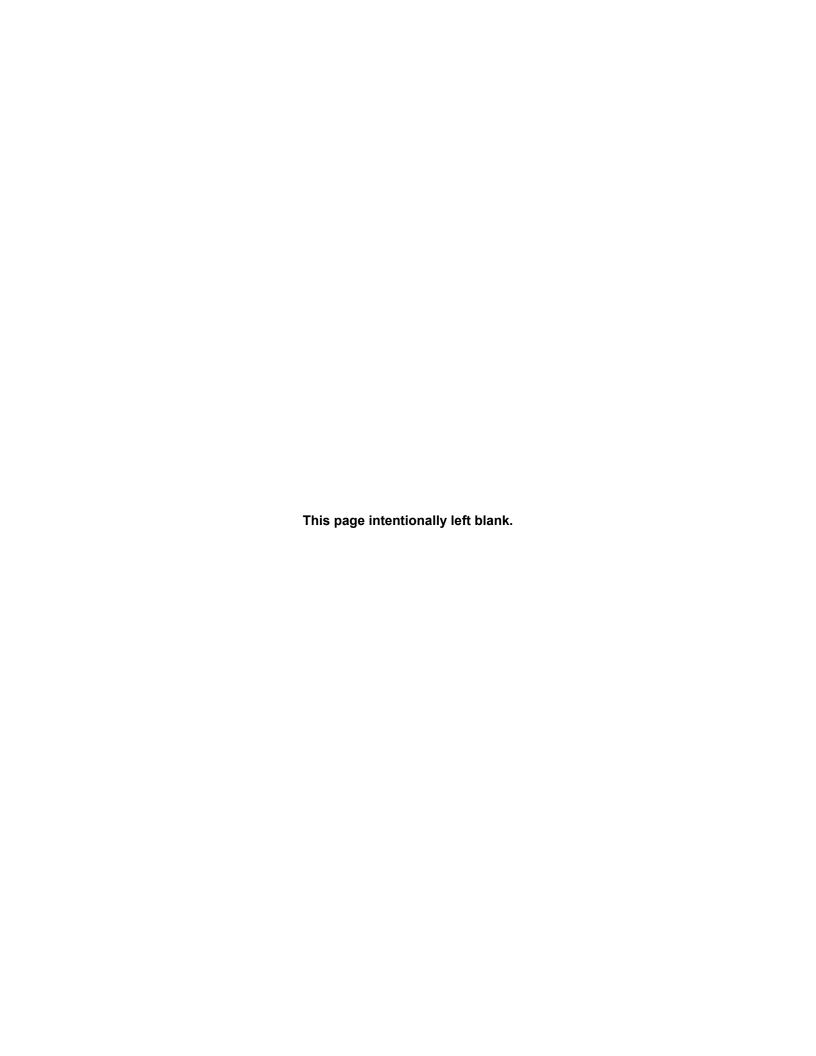




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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Regional Planning Commission Shelby County 129 East Court Street Sidney, Ohio 45365

To the Members of the Executive Committee:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Regional Planning Commission, Shelby County, Ohio, (the Commission) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Commission's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 Commission 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 fund cash balances of the Regional Planning Commission as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and its 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 May 5, 2004, on our consideration of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Regional Planning Commission Shelby County Independent Accountants' Report Page 2

Betty Montgomery

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management, Executive Committee, 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 then these specified parties.

**Betty Montgomery** 

Auditor of State

May 5, 2004

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN FUND CASH BALANCE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

Cash Receipts:	
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$51,554
Other Receipts	23,672
Total Cash Receipts	75,226
Cash Disbursements:	
Salaries	88,400
Supplies	890
Other	13,105
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Total Disbursements	102,395
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(27,169)
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	42,361
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$15,192

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

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN FUND CASH BALANCE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

Cash Receipts:	
Intergovernmental	\$42,276
Other Receipts	27,941
Total Cash Receipts	70,217
Cash Disbursements:	
Salaries	83,331
Supplies	1,110
Equipment	959
Other	8,130
Total Disbursements	93,530
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(23,313)
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	65,674
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$42,361

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

The Regional Planning Commission, Shelby County, Ohio, (the Commission) 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 Commission is directed by a twenty eight member Board. The Board consists of representatives from participating political subdivisions, the county commissioners, and appointed citizens. The Commission formulates and reviews plans affecting long and short term social, economic, and governmental development within the region. All subdivisions in Shelby County participate. The Shelby County Auditor acts as fiscal agent for the Commission.

The Commission provides the following services:

- 1. assists the County in administering grants, such as the Community Development Block Grant, wherein the County is the grantee;
- 2. provides member subdivisions with technical assistance with grants and grant writing;
- 3. provides member subdivisions with assistance on zoning codes and the updating and revision of these codes:
- maintains flood insurance maps on file and oversees flood hazard construction regulations;
   and
- 5. maintains the County's censes data on file.

The Commission's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Commission 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.

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

#### C. Cash and Investments

As required by Ohio Revised Code, the Shelby County Treasurer is the custodian of the Commission's monies. The Commission's assets are held in the County's cash and investment pool, and are valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Commission uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Commission classifies its fund as follows:

#### **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.

#### E. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

#### F. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the basis of accounting the Commission uses.

#### 2. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Commission's employees 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 2003 and 2002, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their wages. The Commission contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2003 and 2002. The Commission has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2003.

#### 3. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Commission is included in Shelby County's commercial insurance policies for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability:
- Public Official's Liability; and
- Errors and omissions.



## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Regional Planning Commission Shelby County 129 East Court Street Sidney, Ohio 45365

To the Members of the Executive Committee:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Regional Planning Commission, Shelby County, Ohio, (the Commission), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated May 5, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted by the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Commission'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*.

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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Commission'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.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management and the Executive Committee, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

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May 5, 2004



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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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED MAY 27, 2004