# WYANDOT COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT

WYANDOT COUNTY, OHIO

AUDIT REPORT

For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

*Charles E. Harris and Associates, Inc.* Certified Public Accountants and Government Consultants



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Board of Health Wyandot County General Health District 127-A South Sandusky Street Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351

We have reviewed the *Report of Independent Accountants* of the Wyandot County General Health District, Wyandot County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. 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.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Report of Independent Accountants* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Report of Independent Accountants* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State permits.

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 Wyandot County General Health District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

April 6, 2009

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# WYANDOT COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT WYANDOT COUNTY, OHIO Audit Report For the year ended December 31, 2008

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Wyandot County General Health District Wyandot County 127-A South Sandusky Street Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351

To the Board of Health:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Wyandot County General Health District, Wyandot County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District'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 District has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, we presume they are material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the District to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the year ended December 31, 2008. Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2008, the revision requires presenting entity wide statements and also to present larger (i.e. major) funds separately for 2008. While the District does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards require us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The District has elected not to reformat its statements. Since the District does not use GAAP to measure its financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District as of December 31, 2008, or its changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Wyandot County General Health District, Wyandot County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2008 and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the District to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2008. The District has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 12, 2009, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our testing of internal controls over financial reporting and compliance and the results of testing. It does not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

*Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.* February 12, 2009

# WYANDOT COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT WYANDOT COUNTY, OHIO STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

	Governmenta	Total -		
		Special	(Memorandum	
	General	Revenue	Only)	
Cash Receipts:				
Subdivisions	\$ 79,809	-	\$ 79,809	
Taxes	270,883	_	270,883	
Fees, Licenses, and Permits	45,467	\$ 703,526	748,993	
Grants	6,950	507,771	514,721	
Donations	22,337	22,083	44,420	
Intergovernmental	-	40,025	40,025	
Reimbursements	101,934		101,934	
Other Receipts	28,885	8,638	37,523	
Total Cash Receipts	556,265	1,282,043	1,838,308	
Cash Disbursements:				
Salaries	249,894	616,632	866,526	
Travel	10,747	32,437	43,184	
Public Employee's Retirement	34,646	5,943	40,589	
Worker's Compensation	4,705	12,368	17,073	
Health Insurance	76,581	95,530	172,111	
State Remittances	-	66,038	66,038	
Contract Services	-	93,262	93,262	
Project Fund Expenses	-	389,503	389,503	
Equipment and Supplies	51,192	23,255	74,447	
Medicare	3,545	583	4,128	
Other Distribution	22,991	38,104	61,095	
Total Cash Disbursements	454,301	1,373,656	1,827,957	
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	101,964	(91,613)	10,351	
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):				
Transfers-In	-	183,000	183,000	
Transfers-Out	(183,800)	-	(183,800)	
Advances-In	74,000	9,000	83,000	
Advances-Out	(9,000)	(74,000)	(83,000)	
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(118,800)	118,000		
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing				
Sources Over Cash Disbursements and Other				
Financing Uses	(16,836)	26,387	9,551	
Fund Balance, January 1, 2008	39,318	290,850	330,168	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2008	\$ 22,482	\$ 317,237	\$ 339,719	

See accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements.

# Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2008

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY</u>

The General Health District, Wyandot County, Ohio, (the District) 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 District is directed by a five-member Board and a Health Commissioner. The District Advisory Council, made up of the president of the Board of County Commissioners, the Chief Executive of each municipal corporation not constituting a City Health District and chairman of the Board of Trustees of each township, appoints District Board members. The District's services include recording vital statistics; inspection of food service facilities, water wells, and sewers; issuance of licenses and permits; and public nursing services. Also, the Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) is under the auspices of the Wyandot General Health District.

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Health District 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 by the Auditor of State.

#### C. <u>CASH</u>

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

## D. FUND ACCOUNTING

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

# 1. <u>General Fund</u>

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

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2008

# 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - (continued)

## D. <u>FUND ACCOUNTING</u> - (continued)

#### 2. <u>Special Revenue Funds</u>

To account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The District had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

*Public Health Nursing Fund* – This fund receives money to provide public health nursing services, such as immunizations, home visits, and school nurses.

# E. <u>BUDGETARY PROCESS</u>

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

#### 1. <u>Appropriations</u>

An appropriation measure is adopted by the District on or before the first Monday of April in each year for the period January 1 to December 31 of the following year. The appropriation measure is submitted to the County Auditor, who in turn, submits it to the County Budget Commission. The appropriation measure controls expenditures of the District. The District may, by resolution, transfer funds from one line item to another in the appropriation measure, reduce or increase any item, create new items, and make additional appropriations, subject to availability of funds and to the approval of the County Budget Commission.

The District's legal level of control has been established by the Board of Health at the object level.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered balances as of January 1.

#### 3. <u>Encumbrances</u>

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year- end are cancelled and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2008 budgetary activity appears in Note 2.

## Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2008

# 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - (continued)

#### F. <u>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</u>

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. 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 District's basis of accounting.

# 2. <u>BUDGETARY ACTIVITY</u>

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2008 is as follows:

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts					
Fund Type		Budgeted Receipts		Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue	\$	612,488 1,352,371	\$	630,265 1,474,043	\$ 17,777 121,672
Total	\$	1,964,859	\$	2,104,308	\$ 139,449

2008 Budgeted vs. Act	ual Budgetary Basis Expenditures	
Appropriatio	n Budgetary	

Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$ 651,806	\$ 647,101	\$ 4,705
Special Revenue	1,632,975	 1,447,656	 185,319
Total	\$ 2,284,781	\$ 2,094,757	\$ 190,024

# 3. SUBDIVISION RECEIPTS

The County apportions the excess of the District's appropriations over other estimated receipts among the townships and municipalities composing the District, based on their taxable property valuations. The County withholds the apportioned excess from property tax settlements and distributes it to the District. These amounts are reported as subdivision receipts in the financial statements. Antrim, Crane, Crawford, Eden, Jackson, Marseilles, Mifflin, Pitt, Richland, Ridge, Salem, Sycamore and Tymochtee Townships, the City of Upper Sandusky, and the Villages of Carey, Harpster, Kirby, Marseilles, Nevada, Sycamore and Wharton comprise the District.

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2008

# 4. **PROPERTY TAXES**

Real property becomes a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Board of Health. 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 payments, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utility property tax receipts received represent the collection of the previous year's taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in the current year became a lien on December 31, were levied after October 1 of the previous year, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax receipts received in the current year (other than public utility property) represent the collection of the previous year's taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in the current year were levied after October 1 of the previous year, on the true value as of December 31 of the previous year. The tangible personal property tax is being phased out. The assessment percentage for all property, including inventory, for 2007 is 12.5 percent, 6.25 percent for 2008, and zero for 2009.

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

#### 5. <u>RETIREMENT SYSTEM</u>

Full-time employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS 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 2008, OPERS members contributed 10% of their wages. The District contributed an amount equal to 14% of participants' gross salaries in the year. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2008.

#### 6. <u>RISK POOL MEMBERSHIP</u>

The District belongs to the Public Entities Pool of Ohio ("PEP"), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio local governments. PEP provides property and casualty insurance for its members. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member governments pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

#### Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2008

#### 6. **RISK POOL MEMBERSHIP - (continued)**

#### **Casualty Insurance**

For occurrences prior to January 1, 2006, PEP retains casualty risk up to \$250,000 per claim, including automobile loss adjustment expenses. PEP pays a percentage of its contributions to APEEP. APEEP reinsures claims exceeding \$250,000, up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 in aggregate per year. Governments can elect additional coverage up to \$10,000,000, from General Reinsurance Corporation.

For occurrences on or after January 1, 2006, PEP retains casualty risk up to \$350,000 per claim, including automobile loss adjustment expenses. PEP pays a percentage of its contributions to APEEP. APEEP reinsures claims exceeding \$350,000, up to \$2,650,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 in aggregate per year. Governments can elect additional coverage, from \$3,000,000 to \$13,000,000, from General Reinsurance Corporation.

If losses exhaust PEP's retained earnings, APEEP covers PEP losses up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to an annual aggregate of \$10,000,000.

#### Property Insurance

Through 2004, PEP retains property risks, including automobile physical damage, up to \$100,000 on any specific loss in any one occurrence. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$500,000,000 per occurrence. APEEP's Guarantee Fund pay losses and loss adjustment expenses exceeding operating contributions.

Beginning in 2005, Travelers reinsures specific losses exceeding \$250,000 up to \$600,000,000 per occurrence. APEEP reinsures members for a specific loss exceeding \$100,000 up to \$250,000 per occurrence, subject to an annual aggregate loss payment. Travelers provides aggregate stop-loss coverage based upon the combined members' total insurable value. If the stop loss is reached by payment of losses between \$100,000 and \$250,000, Travelers will reinsure specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to their \$600,000,000 per occurrence limit. The aggregate loss limit for 2007 and 2006 were \$2,014,547 and \$1,901,127, respectively.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge PEP's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective government.

#### Financial Position

PEP's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2007 (the latest information available):

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Assets	\$37,560,071	\$36,123,194
Liabilities	<u>(17,340,825)</u>	<u>(16,738,904)</u>
Retained Earnings	\$20,219,246	\$19,384,290

# Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2008

## 6. **RISK POOL MEMBERSHIP - (continued)**

At December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, the liabilities above include approximately \$15.9 million and \$15.0 of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets and retained earnings above include approximately \$15.0 million and \$14.4 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 443 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. PEP will collect these amounts in the future annual premium billings when PEP's related liabilities are due for payment. The District's share of these unpaid claims collectible in the future is approximately \$21,000.

Based on discussion with PEP, the expected rates PEP charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to PEP each year of the membership.

Contributions to PEP	
2005	\$16,760
2006	\$16,054
2007	\$15,173

Members may withdraw in each anniversary of the date they joined PEP. They must provide written notice to PEP 60 days in advance of their anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible got a full or partial refund of their capital contribution, minus subsequent year's premium. Also, upon withdrawal, payments of all property and casualty claims an claims expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the withdrawal.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the last three years. There have been significant reductions in insurance coverage from last year. The District also provides health insurance, dental, and vision coverage to full-time employees through a private carrier.

# 7. TRANSFERS

The General Fund transferred \$183,800 to various special revenue funds to subsidize operations. Although, the District is not subject to requirement in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5705.14-16, the District approves all transfers by resolution.

#### 8. <u>COUNTY AUDITOR</u>

The Wyandot County Auditor erroneously paid Angeline School and Industries, a component unit of the County, the District's share of tangible personal property tax. Angeline School and Industries' tangible personal property tax share was paid to the District. This resulted in the District receiving \$36,000 too much in tangible personal property tax in 2007. The County Auditor will redirect \$36,000 to Angeline School and Industries in 2009.

#### 9. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Management believes there are no pending claims or lawsuits.

# REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Wyandot County General Health District Wyandot County 127-A South Sandusky Street Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

To the Board of Health:

We have audited the financial statements of the Wyandot County General Health District, Wyandot County, Ohio (District), as and for the year ended December 31, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated February 12, 2009, wherein we noted that the District followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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.

# Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State of Ohio such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the District's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

# Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters, 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*.

We noted certain matters that we have reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated February 12, 2009.

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

*Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.* February 12, 2009

# WYANDOT COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT Schedule of Prior Audit Findings December 31, 2008

The prior report, for the year ending December 31, 2007, reported no material citations or recommendations.





# WYANDOT COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT

WYANDOT 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.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

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