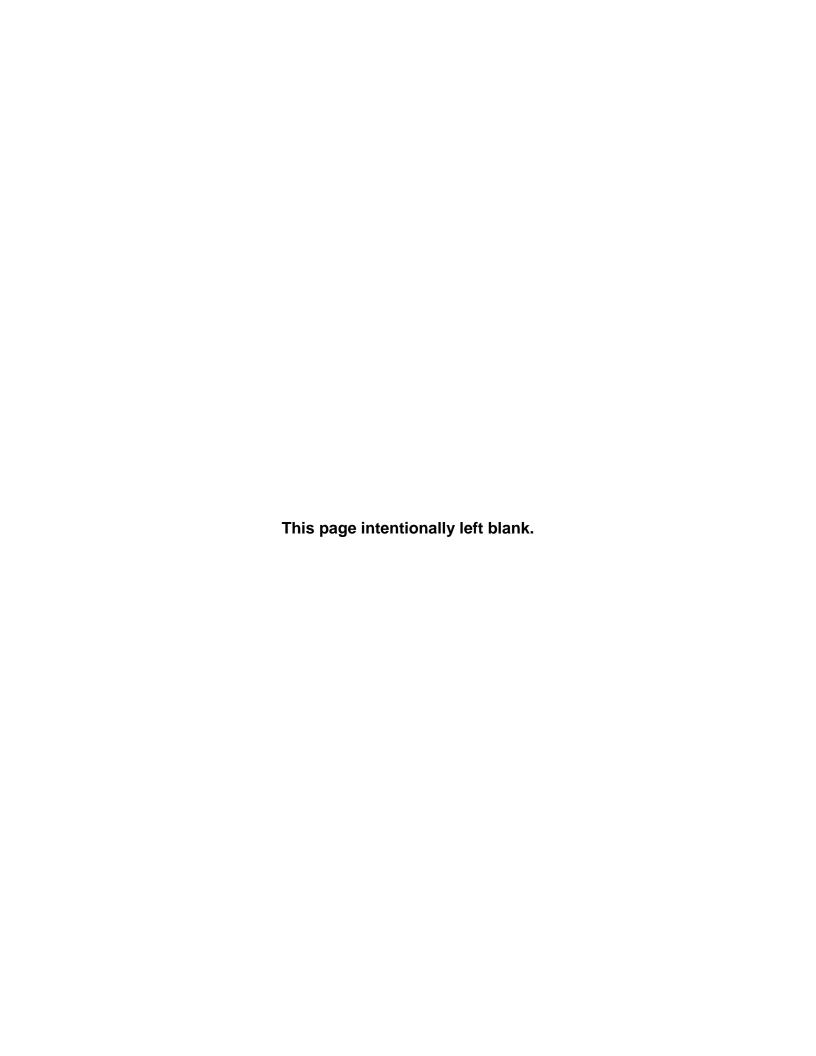




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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Sandusky County Combined General Health District Sandusky County 2000 Countryside Drive Fremont, Ohio 43420-8560

To the Members of the Board:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sandusky County Combined General Health District, Sandusky County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis Note 2 describes. This responsibility includes determining that the cash accounting basis is acceptable for the circumstances. Management is also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sandusky County Combined General Health District, Sandusky County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2017, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General, Public Health Clinic, WIC, Family Planning, Community Health Assessment, and Help Me Grow funds thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting basis described in Note 2.

Accounting Basis

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the accounting basis. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which differs from generally accepted accounting principles. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Matters

Other Information

We applied no procedures to Management's Discussion and Analysis as listed in the table of contents. Accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 6, 2018, 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 internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 6, 2018

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 UNAUDITED

The discussion and analysis of the Sandusky County Combined General Health District's (the District) financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2017 are as follows:

- 1. The Public Health Clinic funds continue to reflect increases due to continued efforts to bill private insurance providers on a more consistent basis.
- 2. During the grant year, the District experienced grant fund allocation reductions in the following funds: Immunization Action Plan and Moms Quit for Two.
- 3. The Wyandot, Sandusky, Ottawa, and Seneca County WSOS Community Action Commission continues to provide application, approval and actual replacement contracting services with the District for the Ohio Water Pollution Control Fund, additional funding of \$200,000 has been awarded for continuation of replacing out of date or nonexistent household septic systems through November 2019.
- 4. In November of 2017, the District, in collaboration with Huron County Health Department (HCHD), began providing tobacco cessation services. HCHD is the lead agency and will be providing guidance and pass through funding from Ohio Department of Health in the amount of \$105,000 for the period of November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the District as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to prove an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the District, there are six major governmental funds. The General Fund is the largest major fund.

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The District has elected to present its financial statements on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Under the District's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, and the effects of these items on revenues and expenses are not recorded in these financial statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Reporting the District as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer the question, "How did we do financially during 2017?" within the limitations of cash basis accounting. The Statement of Net Position presents the cash balances of the governmental type activities at year end. The Statement of Activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each governmental program. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the programs goods or services and grants restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular program. General revenues are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each governmental function draws from the District's general receipts.

These two statements report the District's cash position and changes in cash position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the financial position of the District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the District is one type of activity.

<u>Governmental Activities</u> – All of the District's programs and services are reported here including health and general government. These services are funded primarily by property taxes, charges for services and intergovernmental revenue including federal and state grants and other shared revenues.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District are categorized as governmental funds.

Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However these fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major governmental funds are the General fund, Family Planning fund, Public Health Clinic fund, WIC fund, Community Health Assessment fund and the Help Me Grow fund.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the governmental-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable sources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of the governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 UNAUDITED (Continued)

The District maintains a multitude of individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund statement of assets and fund balances and in the governmental statement of receipts, disbursements, and changes in fund balances for the major funds, which were identified earlier. Data for the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to the full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

The table below provides a summary of the District's net position for 2017 and 2016:

	Governmental Activities							
		2017		2016				
Assets				_				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	1,102,746	\$	958,794				
Net Position								
Restricted for:								
Environmental Health	\$	746,983	\$	595,762				
Unrestricted		355,763		363,032				
Total Net Position	\$	1,102,746	\$	958,794				

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The District's finances remained strong during 2017 and 2016.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 UNAUDITED (Continued)

	Change in Net Position Governmental Activities							
		2017		2016				
Receipts:				_				
Program Receipts:								
Charges for Services	\$	1,349,041	\$	1,323,789				
Operating Grants and Contributions		959,696		863,367				
Total Program Receipts		2,308,737		2,187,156				
General Receipts:				_				
Property Taxes Levied for General Purposes		493,484		487,149				
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted								
to Specific Programs		150,001		167,015				
Miscellaneous		7,071		2,784				
Total General Receipts		650,556		656,948				
Total Receipts		2,959,293		2,844,104				
Disbursements:		0.045.044		0.005.704				
Health		2,815,341		2,865,794				
Change in Net Position		143,952		(21,690)				
Net Position, January 1		958,794		980,484				
Net Position, December 31	\$	1,102,746	\$	958,794				

Governmental Activities

Net position of the District's governmental activities increased \$143,952. Total governmental expenditures of \$2,815,341 were offset by program revenues of \$2,308,737 and general revenue of \$650,556. Program revenues supported 82% of the total governmental expenses.

The primary source of revenue for governmental activities is derived from charges for services receipts. These revenue sources represent 46% of total governmental revenue.

Health services expenses totaled \$2,815,341 or 100% of total government expenses for 2017.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and operating grants offsetting those services. The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by contributions and unrestricted State grants and entitlements.

	Governmental Activities									
	Total Cost	Total Cost Net Cost Total Cost								
	of Services	of Services	of Services	of Services						
	2017	2017	2016	2016						
Program expenses:										
Health	\$ 2,815,341	\$ 506,604	\$ 2,865,794	\$ 678,638						

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 UNAUDITED (Continued)

The District's Funds

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,102,746 which is \$143,952 more than last years' total of \$958,794. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

			Increase/	Percentage
	2017	2016	(Decrease)	<u>Change</u>
General	\$124,476	\$141,739	\$(17,263)	(12.2)%
Public Health Clinic	80,245	87,169	(6,924)	(7.9)%
WIC	41,032	24,544	16,488	67.2%
Family Planning	111,809	41,665	70,144	168.4%
Community Health Assessment	151,042	134,124	16,918	12.6%
Help Me Grow	191,243	115,959	75,284	64.9%
Other Governmental	402,899	413,594	(10,695)	(2.6)%
Total Fund Balance	\$1,102,746	\$958,794	\$143,952	15.0%

The greatest change within governmental funds occurred within the Help Me Grow fund. The fund balance for Help Me Grow increased \$75,284 for 2017.

Budget Highlights

The District's budget is prepared in accordance to Ohio law and is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General fund.

During 2017, the District amended its special revenue funds several times to reflect changing circumstances.

For the General Fund, final receipts were budgeted at \$855,533 while actual receipts and other financing sources were \$798.634. The District received less revenue than expected in property taxes.

For the General Fund, final disbursements and other financing uses were budgeted at \$921,756 while actual disbursements and other financing uses were \$841,002. The District expended less money than they had originally anticipated.

Capital Assets

The District does not record capital assets in the accompanying basic financial statements, but records payments for capital assets as disbursements.

Current Issues

The challenge for the District is to provide quality services to the public while staying within the restrictions imposed by limited, and in some cases shrinking, funding. We rely on operating grants and are diligent in searching for new funding sources in order to allow our programs to continue. Charges for services and contract rates are analyzed to ensure to administer and carry out programs are covered.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Contacting the District's Financial Management

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to reflect the district's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Bethany Brown, Health Commissioner, 2000 Countryside Drive, Fremont, Ohio 43420-8560.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2017

	 vernmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,102,746
Net Position: Restricted for: Environmental health Unrestricted	\$ 746,983 355,763
Total Net Position	\$ 1,102,746

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

				Program Ca	Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position					
	Cash Disbursements						Governmental Activities			
Governmental Activities: Health	\$	2,815,341	\$	1,349,041	\$	959,696	\$	(506,604)		
	Genera Propert Levie Grants Miscella		493,484 150,001 7,071							
	Total G	Total General Receipts								
	Change in Net Position							143,952		
	Net Position Beginning of Year							958,794		
	Net Po	sition End of Ye	ear				\$	1,102,746		

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2017

	 Seneral	c Health linic	 WIC	Family lanning	munity Health		Help Me Grow	Gov	Other ernmental Funds	Go	Total vernmental Funds
Assets: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 124,476	\$ 80,245	\$ 41,032	\$ 111,809	\$ 151,042	\$	191,243	\$	402,899	\$	1,102,746
Fund Balances: Restricted:											
Nursing								\$	23,833	\$	23,833
Trailer Park								Ψ.	24,248	•	24,248
Food Service									10,127		10,127
Water Systems									8,037		8,037
Swimming Pool									21,928		21,928
Family Planning				\$ 111,809					-		111,809
CFHS									21,448		21,448
WIC			\$ 41,032								41,032
Wellness									15,563		15,563
Public Health Emergency Preparedness									7,797		7,797
SPF-SIG									156		156
Prevention Partnership									4,353		4,353
Sewage Treatment Service									32,280		32,280
Smoke Free Workplace Help Me Grow						\$	191,243		3,788		3,788
Environmental and Public Health						Ф	191,243		65,604		191,243 65,604
Tobacco Use Prevention & Cessation									18,710		18,710
Immunization Action Plan									26,227		26,227
Solid Waste									54,043		54,043
Creating Healthy Communities									23,020		23,020
MHL Capacity Service									12,694		12,694
Moms Quit For Two									13,141		13,141
Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan									15,902		15,902
Committed:											
Public Health Clinic		\$ 80,245									80,245
Community Health Assessment					\$ 151,042						151,042
Assigned:											
Encumbrances	\$ 25,620										25,620
Subsequent Year Appropriations	56,695										56,695
Unassigned	 42,161		 	 							42,161
Total Fund Balances	\$ 124,476	\$ 80,245	\$ 41,032	\$ 111,809	\$ 151,042	\$	191,243	\$	402,899	\$	1,102,746

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	 General	Р	ublic Health Clinic	 WIC	Family Planning	nmunity Health Assessment	 Help Me Grow	Go	Other vernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Receipts: Property Taxes Charges for Services Intergovernmental Miscellaneous	\$ 493,484 124,000 150,001 4,016	\$	449,965 78,329 2,760	\$ 315,541	\$ 119,050 120,790 5	\$ 52,000	\$ 238,231	\$	365,795 445,036 290	\$	493,484 1,349,041 1,109,697 7,071
Total Receipts	 771,501		531,054	315,541	239,845	 52,000	238,231		811,121		2,959,293
Disbursements: Current: Health	 748,879		557,978	289,053	169,701	 45,082	162,947	-	841,701		2,815,341
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	 22,622		(26,924)	 26,488	70,144	 6,918	 75,284		(30,580)		143,952
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfers In Transfers Out Advances In Advances Out	6,615 (20,000) 20,000 (46,500)		20,000	(10,000)		10,000			10,000 (6,615) 26,500 (10,000)		26,615 (26,615) 66,500 (66,500)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	 (39,885)		20,000	 (10,000)		 10,000	 		19,885		
Net Change in Fund Balances	(17,263)		(6,924)	16,488	70,144	16,918	75,284		(10,695)		143,952
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	141,739		87,169	24,544	41,665	134,124	115,959		413,594		958,794
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 124,476	\$	80,245	\$ 41,032	\$ 111,809	\$ 151,042	\$ 191,243	\$	402,899	\$	1,102,746

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Receipts: Property Taxes Charges for Services Intergovernmental Miscellaneous	\$ 555,533 110,000 115,000 75,000	\$ 555,533 110,000 115,000 75,000	\$ 493,484 124,000 150,001 4,016	\$ (62,049) 14,000 35,001 (70,984)
Total Receipts	855,533	855,533	771,501	(84,032)
Disbursements: Current: Health	780,700	829,456	774,502	54,954
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	74,833	26,077	(3,001)	(29,078)
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfers In Transfers Out	(5,000)	(20,000)	7,133 (20,000)	7,133
Advances In Advances Out	(170,000)	(72,300)	20,000 (46,500)	20,000 25,800
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(175,000)	(92,300)	(39,367)	52,933
Net Change in Fund Balance	(100,167)	(66,223)	(42,368)	23,855
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	125,973	125,973	125,973	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	15,249	15,249	15,249	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 41,055	\$ 74,999	\$ 98,854	\$ 23,855

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts						Variance with		
	c	Original		Final		Actual		al Budget ve (Negative)	
Receipts:									
Charges for Services	\$	500,000	\$	500,000	\$	449,965	\$	(50,035)	
Intergovernmental Miscellaneous				21,000		78,329 2,760		57,329	
								2,760	
Total Receipts		500,000		521,000		531,054		10,054	
Disbursements:									
Current:									
Health		585,900		601,280		561,844		39,436	
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(85,900)		(80,280)		(30,790)		49,490	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Advances In		30.000		30,000		20,000		(10,000)	
Advances Out		(10,000)						(-,,	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		20,000		30,000		20,000		(10,000)	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(65,900)		(50,280)		(10,790)		39,490	
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		76,456		76,456		76,456			
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		10,713		10,713		10,713			
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	21,269	\$	36,889	\$	76,379	\$	39,490	

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS WIC FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts					Variance with		
		Original		Final		Actual		nal Budget ive (Negative)
Receipts:				_		_		
Intergovernmental	\$	280,794	\$	280,794	\$	315,541	\$	34,747
Disbursements: Current:								
Health		326,794		317,094		292,718		24,376
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(46,000)		(36,300)		22,823		59,123
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Advances In Advances Out		46,000		46,000 (10,000)		(10,000)		(46,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		46,000		36,000		(10,000)		(46,000)
Net Change in Fund Balance		-		(300)		12,823		13,123
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		23,988		23,988		23,988		
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		556		556		556		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	24,544	\$	24,244	\$	37,367	\$	13,123

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS FAMILY PLANNING FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts					Variance with		
	C	Original		Final		Actual		al Budget re (Negative)
Receipts:	_	40.000	_	42.22	_		_	
Charges for Services Intergovernmental	\$ \$	40,000 100,000	\$	48,600 100,000	\$	119,050 120,790	\$	70,450 20,790
Miscellaneous						5		5
Total Receipts		140,000		148,600		239,845		91,245
Disbursements:								
Current:		150 015		407 705		170 145		14 560
Health		152,215		187,705		173,145		14,560
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(12,215)		(39,105)		66,700		105,805
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Advances In		16,800		91,400				(91,400)
Advances Out		(15,000)						
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		1,800		91,400				(91,400)
Net Change in Fund Balance		(10,415)		52,295		66,700		14,405
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		41,155		41,155		41,155		
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		510		510		510		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	31,250	\$	93,960	\$	108,365	\$	14,405

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts					Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
	Original		Final		Actual			
Receipts: Charges for Services	\$	50,000	\$	52,000	\$	52,000		
Disbursements: Current: Health		66,000		66,000		46,022	\$	19,978
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(16,000)		(14,000)		5,978		19,978
Other Financing Sources: Transfers In				10,000		10,000		
Net Change in Fund Balance		(16,000)		(4,000)		15,978		19,978
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		133,124		133,124		133,124		
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		1,000		1,000		1,000		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	118,124	\$	130,124	\$	150,102	\$	19,978

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS HELP ME GROW FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts				Variance with		
		Original		Final	 Actual		al Budget re (Negative)
Receipts: Charges for Services	\$	175,600	\$	238,300	\$ 238,231	\$	(69)
Disbursements: Current: Health		155,950		171,668	163,194		8,474
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements		19,650		66,632	 75,037		8,405
Other Financing Uses: Advances Out		(5,000)			 		
Net Change in Fund Balance		14,650		66,632	75,037		8,405
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		115,084		115,084	115,084		
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		875		875	 875		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	130,609	\$	182,591	\$ 190,996	\$	8,405

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017

NOTE 1 – REPORTING ENTITY

The Sandusky County Combined General Health District, Sandusky 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 an eight-member Board with one member appointed by the City of Clyde, two members appointed by the City of Fremont, four members appointed by the District Advisory Council and one member appointed by the District Licensing Advisory Council. The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that were included to ensure the financial statements are not misleading.

A. Primary Government

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. The District is responsible for the provisions of public health, the prevention or restriction of disease and the prevention, abatement and suppression of nuisances.

The Sandusky County Auditor acts as fiscal agent for the District and the Sandusky County Treasurer acts as custodian of all funds.

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

B. Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has other wise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. The District is also financially accountable for any organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves their budget, the issuance of their debt or the levying of their taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the District, are accessible to the District and are significant in amount to the District. The District has no component units.

C. Risk Pools

The District participates in two public entity risk pools. These organizations are presented in Note 9 to the financial statements.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C., these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the District's accounting policies.

A. Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of the government-wide financial statements, including a

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statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. The statements show those activities of the District that are governmental. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other non-exchange transactions.

The statement of net position presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the District at year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each of the District's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the District is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the District's general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the District segregates transactions related to certain District functions or activities in separate funds to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Major funds are presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Funds are used to segregate resources that are restricted as to use.

Governmental Funds

The District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), charges for services, and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The District's major governmental funds are the General fund, Public Health Clinic fund, WIC fund, Family Planning fund, Community Health Assessment fund, and the Help Me Grow fund. The General fund is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio. The Public Health Clinic special revenue fund accounts for charges for services and intergovernmental revenues used to provide immunization clinics to citizens. The WIC special revenue fund accounts for grants for the WIC program. The Family Planning special revenue fund accounts for charges for services and intergovernmental revenues used to provide family and women's health services. The Community Health Assessment special revenue fund accounts for charges for services to support the Health Partners via contract for and complete health assessments to Sandusky County population. The Help Me Grow special revenue fund accounts for charges for services to address the need for home-visiting services for young children and their families. The other government funds of the District account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

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C. Basis of Accounting

The District's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the District's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivables and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

All funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for exist or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the District may appropriate.

The appropriations resolution is the District's authorization to spend resources and sets limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the District. The legal level of control has been established at the object level for all funds.

ORC Section 5705.28(C)(1) requires the Health District to file an estimate of contemplated revenue and expenses with the municipalities and townships within the Health District by about June 1 (forty-five days prior to July 15). The county auditor cannot allocate property taxes from the municipalities and townships within the district if the filing has not been made.

ORC Section 3709.28 establishes budgetary requirements for the Health District, which are similar to ORC Chapter 5705 budgetary requirements. On or about the first Monday of April the Health District must adopt an itemized appropriation measure. The appropriation measure, together with an itemized estimate of revenues to be collected during the next fiscal year, shall be certified to the county budget commission. Subject to estimated resources, the Board of Health may, by resolution, transfer appropriations from one appropriation item to another, reduce or increase any item, create new items, and make additional appropriations or reduce the total appropriation. Such appropriation modifications shall be certified to the county budget commission for approval.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the District. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificated of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the District.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for the fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the District during the year.

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E. Cash and Investments

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code, the District's cash is held and invested by the Sandusky County Treasurer, who acts as custodian for District monies. The District's assets are held in the County Treasurer's cash and investment pool, and are valued at the Treasurer's reported carrying amount. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

F. Restricted Assets

Cash, cash equivalents and investments are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of their use. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

H. Capital Assets

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

I. Interfund Receivables/Payables

The District reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

J. Accumulated Leave

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

K. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Note 10 and 11, the employer contribution include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

L. Net Position

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for environmental health includes resources restricted for grants for specific purposes.

The District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an obligation is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

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M. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u> – The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact.

<u>Restricted</u> – Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Committed</u> – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the District (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

<u>Assigned</u> – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds, other than the General fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed.

<u>Unassigned</u> – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is available. Similarly within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

N. Interfund Transactions

Transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements.

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

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NOTE 3 – BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balances on the cash basis, the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The budgetary comparison schedule presented for the General fund and the major special revenue funds are presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary) rather than assigned, committed or restricted fund balance (cash) and certain funds included in the General fund as part of the GASB 54 requirements are not included in the budgetary statement.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the cash basis statement to the budgetary basis statements.

Fund Balances

Public Health Community Health Family Help Me General Planning WIC Grow Clinic Assessment \$ 111,809 \$ \$ 191,243 Cash basis \$ 124,476 80,245 \$ 41,302 151,042 Adjustment for encumbrances (25,622)(3,444)(3,866)(3,665)(940)(247)150,102 **Budgetary Basis** 98,854 \$ 108,365 76,379 \$ 37,637 \$ \$ 190,996

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Sandusky County Treasurer maintains a cash pool used by all funds, including those of the District. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The District's carrying amount of cash on deposit with the County at December 31, 2017, was \$1,102,746. The Sandusky County Treasurer, as fiscal agent for the District, is responsible for maintaining adequate depository collateral for all funds in the County's pooled and deposited accounts.

NOTE 5 - TAXES

Property Taxes

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible (used in business) property located in the District. Real property tax receipts received in 2017 represent the collection of 2016 taxes. Real property taxes and public utility taxes are levied after October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, the lien date. Assessed values are established by state law at 35% of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. The first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property taxes are assessed on real estate, land and improvements are assessed at 35% of appraised market value.

The assessed value upon which 2017 taxes were collected was \$1,281,952,480. The full rate for all County operations applied to real property for fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, was \$.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The assessed values of real and tangible personal property upon which 2017 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

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Real Property

Agricultural/Residential \$ 983,814,850 Commercial/Industrial/Mineral 206,704,780

Public Utility

Real 751,020
Personal 90,681,830
\$ 1,281,952,480

The County Treasurer collects property tax on behalf of all taxing districts within the County. The County Auditor periodically remits to the taxing districts their portions of the taxes collected.

Tax Abatements

For 2017, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 77, "Tax Abatement Disclosures" was effective. This GASB pronouncement had no effect on beginning net position as reported December 31, 2016.

For purposes of GASB Statement No 77, the definition of a tax abatement is: A reduction in tax revenues that results from an agreement between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forgo tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled and (b) the individual or entity promises to take a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments or the citizens of those governments. (GASB 77, paragraph 4) See paragraphs 7 and 8 of GASB 77 for specific information related to disclosures of tax abatements.

The District has the following tax abatements from other governments reducing the District's real estate tax revenues during 2017: City of Fremont has real estate tax abatements affecting the District in the amount of \$2,509; Sandusky County and City of Clyde have real estate tax abatements affecting the District in the amount of \$4,888; and Sandusky County and Village of Gibsonburg have real estate tax abatements affecting the District in the amount of \$197; for a total of \$7,595 of taxes abated during 2017.

NOTE 6 – INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNDING

The County apportions the excess of the District's appropriations over other estimated receipts for the subdivision 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. The financial statements present these amounts as intergovernmental receipts.

NOTE 7 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS

During 2017, the following transfers were made:

Transfers from the General fund to:

Community Health Assessment fund \$10,000
Other Governmental funds 10,000
Total \$20,000

Transfers from Other Governmental funds to:

General fund \$6,615

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Transfers represent the allocation of unrestricted receipts collected in the General fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

NOTE 8 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES

During 2017, the following advances were made:

Public Health Clinic fund	\$ 20,000
Other Governmental funds	 26,500
Total	\$ 46,500

Advances to the General fund from:

WIC fund	\$ 10,000
Other Governmental funds	 10,000
Total	\$ 20,000

The following advances were made and had not been repaid at December 31, 2017:

Due to the General fund from:

Public Health Clinic fund	\$ 20,000
WIC fund	21,000
Other Governmental funds	52,600
Total	\$ 93,600

The balance due to the General fund includes loans made to provide working capital for operations or projects. All of these amounts are expected to be repaid within one year.

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Risk Pool Membership

The District is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The District insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

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 coverage for its members. York Insurance Services Group, Inc. (York) functions as the administrator of PEP and provides underwriting, claims, loss control, risk management, and reinsurance services for PEP. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP), which is also administered by York. Member governments pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty and Property Coverage

APEEP provides PEP with an excess risk-sharing program. Under this arrangement, PEP retains insured risks up to an amount specified in the contracts. At December 31, 2017, PEP retained \$350,000 for casualty claims and \$100,000 for property claims.

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The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreement does 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 auditor's) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and net position at December 31, 2017:

	<u>2017</u>
Assets	\$44,452,326
Liabilities	(13,004,011)
Net Position	<u>\$31,448,315</u>

At December 31, 2017, the liabilities above include approximately \$11.8 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets above also include approximately \$11.2 million of unpaid claims to be billed. The Pool's membership increased to 527 members in 2017. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. As of December 31, 2017, the District's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$12,000.

Based on discussions 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 for each year of membership.

2017 Contributions to PEP \$18,383

After one year of membership, a member may withdraw on the anniversary of the date of joining PEP, if the member notifies PEP in writing 60 days prior to the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to PEP. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim occurred or was reported prior to the withdrawal.

B. Insurance Purchasing Pool

For 2017, the County Commissioners participated in the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (Plan), as insurance purchasing pool. The Plan is intended to achieve lower workers compensation rates while establishing safer working conditions and environments for the participants. The workers compensation experience of the participating counties is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all participants in the Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate. In order to allocate the savings derived by formation of the Plan, and to maximize the number of participants in the Plan, the Plan's executive committee annually calculates the total savings which accrued to the Plan through its formation. This savings is then compared to the overall savings percentage of the Plan. The Plan's executive committee then collects rate contributions from or pays rate equalization rebates to the various participants.

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Participation in the Plan is limited to counties that can meet the Plan's selection criteria. The firm of Comp Management, Inc. provides administrative, cost controls, and actuarial services to the Plan. Each year, the County Commissioners pays an enrollment fee to the Plan to cover the costs of administering the program.

The County Commissioners may withdraw from the Plan if written notice is provided sixty days prior to the prescribed application deadline of the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation. However, the participant is not relieved of the obligation to pay any amounts owed to the Plan prior to withdrawal, and any participant leaving the Plan allows representatives of the Plan to access loss experience for three years following the last year of participation.

NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - District employees participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The Traditional Pension Plan is a costsharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Member-Directed Plan is a defined contribution plan and the Combined Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. While members (e.g. District employees) may elect the Member-Directed Plan and the Combined Plan, substantially all employee members are in OPERS' Traditional Pension Plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the Traditional Pension Plan. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group.

The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the Traditional Pension Plan as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS CAFR referenced above for additional information):

Group A
Eligible to retire prior to
January 7, 2013 or five year
after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30

Group B

20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit

Formula:

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30

Group C

Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013

State and Local

Age and Service Requirements:

Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit

2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

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Final average salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career.

Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount.

When a benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) is provided. This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, the COLA will continue to be a 3 percent simple annual COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

Benefits in the Combined Plan consist of both an age-and-service formula benefit (defined benefit) and a defined contribution element. The defined benefit element is calculated on the basis of age, FAS, and years of service. Eligibility regarding age and years of service in the Combined Plan is the same as the Traditional Pension Plan. The benefit formula for the defined benefit component of the plan for State and Local members in transition Groups A and B applies a factor of 1.00% to the member's FAS for the first 30 years of service.

A factor of 1.25% is applied to years of service in excess of 30. The benefit formula for transition Group C applies a factor of 1.0% to the member's FAS for the first 35 years of service and a factor of 1.25% is applied to years in excess of 35. Persons retiring before age 65 with less than 30 years of service credit receive a percentage reduction in benefit. The defined contribution portion of the benefit is based on accumulated member contributions plus or minus any investment gains or losses on those contributions. Members retiring under the Combined Plan receive a 2.25% COLA adjustment on the defined benefit portion of their benefit.

Defined contribution plan benefits are established in the plan documents, which may be amended by the OPERS's Board of Trustees. Member-Directed Plan and Combined Plan members who have met the retirement eligibility requirements may apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the Combined Plan consists of the member's contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member's investment selections. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the Member-Directed Plan consists of the members' contributions, vested employer contributions and investment gains or losses resulting from the members' investment selections. Employer contributions and associated investment earnings vest over a five-year period, at a rate of 20% each year. For additional information, see the Plan Statement in the OPERS CAFR.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

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	State	
	and Local	
2017 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates		
Employer	14.0 %	
Employee	10.0 %	
2017 Actual Contribution Rates		
Employer:		
Pension	13.0 %	
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	1.0 %	
Total Employer	14.0 %	
Employee	10.0 %	

The District's contribution rate for pension benefits for members in the Traditional Plan for 2017 was 10 percent.

The District's contractually required contribution for pension obligation to the traditional and combined plans for the years ended December, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were \$150,249, \$146,490 and \$158,934, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2017, 2016 and 2015.

NOTE 11 - POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - OPERS maintains a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan, which includes a medical plan, prescription drug program and Medicare Part B premium reimbursement, to qualifying members of both the Traditional Pension Plan and the Combined Plan. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including post-employment health care coverage.

To qualify for post-employment health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans must have ten years or more of qualifying Ohio service credit. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not mandate, OPERS to provide OPEB benefits to its eligible members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Disclosures for the healthcare plan are presented separately in the OPERS financial report which may be obtained by visiting https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml; writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642; or by calling (800) 222-7377.

Funding Policy - The post-employment healthcare plan was established under, and is administered in accordance with, Internal Revenue Code Section 401(h). State statute requires that public employers fund post-employment healthcare through contributions to OPERS. A portion of each employer's contribution to the Traditional or Combined Plans is set aside for the funding of post-employment health care.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the covered payroll of active employees. In 2017, local government employers contributed 14.00% of covered payroll. Each year, the OPERS'

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Retirement Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside for the funding of the postemployment health care benefits. The portion of employer contributions allocated to fund post-employment healthcare for members in the Traditional Plan and Combined Plan for 2017 was 1.00%.

The OPERS Retirement Board is also authorized to establish rules for the payment of a portion of the health care benefits provided, by the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. Active members do not make contributions to the post-employment healthcare plan.

The District's contributions allocated to fund post-employment health care benefits for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$25,041, \$24,415, and \$26,489, respectively.

Changes to the health care plan were adopted by the OPERS Board of Trustees on September 19, 2012, with a transition plan commencing January 1, 2014. With the recent passage of pension legislation under State Bill 343 and the approved health care changes, OPERS expects to be able to consistently allocate 4.00% of the employer contributions toward the health care fund after the end of the transition period.

NOTE 12 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

NOTE 13 – OTHER COMMITMENTS

The District utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reservations of fund balance for subsequent-year expenditures and may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the District's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

	Year-End		
Opinion Unit	Encu	ımbrances	
General fund	\$	25,622	
Family Planning fund		3,444	
Public Health Clinic fund		3,866	
WIC fund		3,665	
Community Health Assessment fund		940	
Help Me Grow fund		247	
Other Governmental funds		32,699	
Total	\$	70,483	

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Sandusky County Combined General Health District Sandusky County 2000 Countryside Drive Fremont, Ohio 43420-8560

To the Members of the Board:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sandusky County Combined General Health District, Sandusky County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 6, 2018, wherein we noted the District uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a material weakness. We consider finding 2017-001 to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial

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statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 6, 2018

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2017

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2017-001

Material Weakness

Financial Reporting

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, *Terms of Engagement*, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

The District's management is responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements. In addition, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54 requires, in part, as codified at GASB Cod 1800.165 - .179, fund balance be divided into one of five classifications based on the extent to which constraints are imposed upon the resources

Errors were noted in the financial statements, resulting in the following audit adjustments:

- Beginning net position and equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents in Governmental Activities were overstated by \$90,650.
- Unassigned fund balance in the General fund of \$42,161 was misclassified as assigned.
- Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents in Other Governmental funds was overstated by \$111,809.
- The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual Budgetary Basis was not presented for the Help Me Grow fund.
- Budgeted disbursements in the General fund were overstated by \$175,000 compared to Board approved appropriations in the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis.
- Actual Advances in for the WIC fund were decreased \$46,000 in the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis to match the amounts actually received.
- Intergovernmental final estimated revenues in the Family Planning fund in the amount of \$51,400 were misclassified as charges for services in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis).
- Final budgeted Advances out in the Public Health Clinic fund were decreased \$20,000 in the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual Budgetary Basis to match the amounts actually received.

These errors were the result of inadequate policies and procedures in reviewing the financial statements. Failure to complete accurate financial statements could lead to the Board making misinformed decisions. The accompanying financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and accounting records have been adjusted to correct these errors.

Additional errors were noted in smaller relative amounts but did not require adjustments to the financial statements.

To help ensure the District's financial statements and notes to the financial statements are complete and accurate, the District should adopt policies and procedures, including a final review of the statements and notes to the financial statements by the Fiscal Officer and Board, to identify and correct errors and

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omissions. The Fiscal Officer should also review Audit Bulletin 2011-004 for information on GASB Statement No. 54, to help ensure that all accounts are being properly posted to the financial statements.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

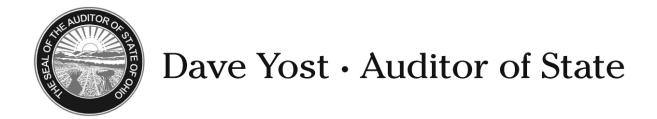
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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2017

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2016-001	Finding was first reported during the audit of the 2014 financial statements. Material weakness due to errors over financial reporting.	Not corrected. Repeated in this report as finding 2017-001.	This finding reoccurred due to inadequate policies and procedures in reviewing the financial statements and footnotes prior to filing the District's annual report. The District is implementing procedures to correct these errors for the future.







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 NOVEMBER 20, 2018