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## **BASIC AUDIT REPORT**

Jefferson Township-Whitehall Joint Economic Development District Franklin County 6545 Havens Road Blacklick, Ohio 43004

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Jefferson Township-Whitehall Joint Economic Development District, Franklin County, (the District) for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the District's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the District's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

The District's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code § 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance issue to report.

## **Current Year Observation**

**Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38** states, in part, that each public office, other than a state agency, shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The report shall be certified by the proper officer or board and filed with the auditor of state within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year, except for public offices reporting pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles, shall file their reports within 150 days after the close of the fiscal year. The District's December 31, 2023 annual financial report due February 29, 2024 was not filed with the Auditor of State until August 27, 2024. Failure to file a complete report by the established deadline, without an extension, could result in the assessment of penalties against the District.

KEITH FABER Ohio Auditor of State

Tiffany L Ridenbaugh, CPA, CFE, CGFM Chief Deputy Auditor

July 24, 2025





## JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP-WHITEHALL JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FRANKLIN COUNTY

## **AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



Certified for Release 8/5/2025

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