

**TOWN OF KINGSTREE
SOUTH CAROLINA**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2023**

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SOUTH CAROLINA
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Town Council
Town of Kingstree
Kingstree, South Carolina 29556

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina (the "Town"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my 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 I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, I express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Opinions

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows, thereof for the year ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison – General Fund, schedule of the proportionate share of the net pension liability and schedule of contributions, as listed in the foregoing table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund statements, water and sewer fund - statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position - budget to actual, and schedule of fines, assessments and surcharges - victims fund are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the combining and individual fund statements and schedules as stated above are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated October 4, 2023 on my consideration of the Town of Kingstree's internal control over financial reporting and on my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion 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 Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Samantha Salisbury

Samantha A. Salisbury, CPA
October 4, 2023

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
(required supplementary information)

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A) YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

The Town of Kingstree's Management Discussion and Analysis is designed to (a) assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, (b) provide a concise overview of the Town's financial status, (c) identify any changes in the Town's financial position (its ability to address and meet the challenges of subsequent years), (d) provide an overview of material deviations from the financial plan (the approved budget), and (e) identify individual fund issues or concerns.

This annual report consists of four sections: (1) the basic financial statements, which include government-wide statements and fund-specific statements; (2) required supplementary information; (3) combined and individual fund statements and schedules for major and non-major governmental funds; and (4) compliance.

Basic Financial Statements

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Government-Wide Financial Statements section provides a broad overview of the Town's overall financial status, in a manner similar to a private sector enterprise. The statement of net assets is designed to be similar to bottom line results of the Town and, over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information regarding how net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as possible, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, for some items, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Town that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the Town include administration, police, fire, streets, sanitation, recreation, and community development. The business-type activities of the Town include water and sewer operations as well as housing and economic development.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements give greater emphasis on individual parts of the Town's financial status and reports operations in greater detail than the government-wide 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. This Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term uses of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the reader may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate the comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. The Town adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses an enterprise fund to account for its water and sewer operations. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail; therefore, the proprietary fund financial statements provide more detailed information for the water and sewer fund which is considered a major fund of the Town.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the government's financial position. In the case of the Town, assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$12,169,036 in 2023 and \$12,640,506 in 2022. The following table provides a summary of the Town's net position as of June 30, 2023 and 2022:

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
<u>ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOW</u>						
Current and Other Assets	\$ 4,767,207	\$ 4,329,502	\$ (1,715,163)	\$ 2,449,941	\$ 3,052,044	\$ 6,779,443
Capital Assets, Net	7,629,040	7,474,797	13,780,390	14,085,837	21,409,430	21,560,634
Deferred Outflows	428,965	524,204	204,728	251,968	633,693	776,172
	<u>12,825,212</u>	<u>12,328,503</u>	<u>12,269,955</u>	<u>16,787,746</u>	<u>25,095,167</u>	<u>29,116,249</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED</u>						
<u>INFLOWS AND NET ASSETS</u>						
Liabilities :						
Other Liabilities	3,877,779	3,001,975	1,340,443	1,340,443	5,218,222	4,342,418
Noncurrent Liabilities	171,593	203,226	9,815,867	10,223,666	9,987,460	10,426,892
Deferred Inflows	953,927	1,440,277	92,750	266,156	1,046,677	1,706,433
	<u>5,003,299</u>	<u>4,645,478</u>	<u>11,249,060</u>	<u>11,830,265</u>	<u>16,252,359</u>	<u>16,475,743</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>						
Invested in Capital Assets,						
Net of Related Debt	7,046,289	7,214,303	4,400,637	4,203,147	11,446,926	11,417,450
Nonspendable	82,768	4,991	21,450	21,450	104,218	26,441
Restricted	1,090,162	1,269,809	638,162	638,162	1,728,324	1,907,971
Unrestricted	(397,306)	(806,078)	(713,126)	94,722	(1,110,432)	(711,356)
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 7,821,913</u>	<u>\$ 7,683,025</u>	<u>\$ 4,347,123</u>	<u>\$ 4,957,481</u>	<u>\$ 12,169,036</u>	<u>\$ 12,640,506</u>

The largest portion of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings and improvements, vehicles, furniture and equipment and construction in progress); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. Invested in capital assets (net of related debt), represents about 94.07% of total net assets. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to its citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

The Town's financial position is the product of several financial transactions including the net results of activities, the acquisition and payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets, and the depreciation of capital assets.

Unrestricted net assets are the part of the net assets that can be used to finance daily operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation and other legal requirements.

Governmental Activities

Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$138,888. This increase was due primarily to the increase in tax revenue and intergovernmental revenue. Expenses remained consistent overall, with decreases in general government and increases in both public safety and public works.

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Business-Type Activities

Business-type activities decreased the Town's net position by \$(610,358). This decrease was due primarily to the decreased charges for services for sewer sales.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration for Government-Wide Activities

As of June 30, 2023, the Town had invested \$21,409,430 (net of accumulated depreciation) in capital assets. Total depreciation expense for the year was \$1,004,798. The following schedule presents capital asset balances net of accumulated depreciation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023:

	Amount
Land	\$ 2,064,365
Construction in progress	782,601
Buildings and improvements	4,850,250
Equipment and Vehicles	632,069
Water and Sewer System	<u>13,080,145</u>
Total	<u>\$ 21,409,430</u>

Debt Administration: The following table presents a summary of the Town's outstanding long-term debt for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

	Amount
Financed Purchased Obligations	\$ 104,254
Revenue Bond Payable	<u>9,697,080</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,801,334</u>

Change in Net Position

The Town's combined governmental and business-type activities include total revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$7,844,523. The total expenses of all governmental and business-type activities were \$8,365,993 and a capital contribution of \$50,000 leaving a decrease in net position of \$(471,470).

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The following table presents a summary of the activity that resulted in changes to total net position for the fiscal years June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Revenues:						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for Services	\$ 2,180,128	\$ 2,135,762	\$ 2,809,033	\$ 3,525,001	\$ 4,989,161	\$ 5,660,763
Operating Grants and Contributions	285,303	650,874	-	-	285,303	650,874
Capital Grants and Contributions	320,040	63,470	-	-	320,040	63,470
General Revenues:						
Taxes						
Property Taxes, levied for general purpose	941,031	798,538	-	-	941,031	798,538
Local Option Sales Tax	1,217,767	1,179,665	-	-	1,217,767	1,179,665
Other Tax	19,095	19,095	-	-	19,095	19,095
Other	54,990	30,644	17,136	6,747	72,126	37,391
Total Revenues	<u>5,018,354</u>	<u>4,878,048</u>	<u>2,826,169</u>	<u>3,531,748</u>	<u>7,844,523</u>	<u>8,409,796</u>
Expenses:						
Governmental Activities						
General Government	850,851	1,415,411	-	-	850,851	1,415,411
Public Safety	2,086,581	1,959,111	-	-	2,086,581	1,959,111
Public Works	1,251,573	982,793	-	-	1,251,573	982,793
Culture and Recreation	690,507	487,375	-	-	690,507	487,375
Health and Welfare	-	33,000	-	-	-	33,000
Interest	13,172	11,024	-	-	13,172	11,024
Business-type Activities						
Water and Sewer Utilities	-	-	3,463,162	3,564,034	3,463,162	3,564,034
Town of Kingstree Develop. Corp	-	-	10,147	9,767	10,147	9,767
Total Expenses	<u>4,892,684</u>	<u>4,888,714</u>	<u>3,473,309</u>	<u>3,573,801</u>	<u>8,365,993</u>	<u>8,462,515</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues before transfers over (under) expenses and capital contributions	125,670	(10,666)	(647,140)	(42,053)	(521,470)	(52,719)
Transfers	(36,782)	-	36,782	-	-	-
Capital Contribution	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-
Change in net position	138,888	(10,666)	(610,358)	(42,053)	(471,470)	(52,719)
Beginning Net Position	<u>7,683,025</u>	<u>7,693,691</u>	<u>4,957,481</u>	<u>4,999,534</u>	<u>12,640,506</u>	<u>12,693,225</u>
Ending Net Position	<u>\$ 7,821,913</u>	<u>\$ 7,683,025</u>	<u>\$ 4,347,123</u>	<u>\$ 4,957,481</u>	<u>\$ 12,169,036</u>	<u>\$ 12,640,506</u>

Governmental Funds

The analysis of governmental funds serves the purpose of looking at what resources came into the funds, how they were spent and what is available for future expenditures. Did the government generate enough revenue to pay for current obligations? What is available for spending at the end of the year?

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Town's governmental funds reported a fund balance of \$2,673,206. Unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. At June 30, 2023, the Town's unassigned fund balance for the governmental fund was \$1,482,292, all of which comes from the General Fund.

General Fund

The General Fund is the operating fund included in governmental activities of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, total revenues were \$4,223,564. Total expenditures were \$4,246,435, and other financing sources of \$61,757, leaving a net increase in fund balance of \$38,886.

The following summarizes expenses within major categories:

	Amount
General Government	\$ 810,210
Public Safety	1,844,007
Public Works	1,196,241
Culture and Recreation	291,101
Capital Outlay	50,000
Debt Service	<u>54,876</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,246,435</u>

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Town's budget is prepared according to South Carolina Law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund. The original budget was approved by the Mayor and Town Council held at the June 2022 meeting. During the course of the 2023 fiscal year, one amendments to the Town's general fund budget were made for the approval of a capital contribution in the amount of \$50,000.

Budgetary Highlights

A schedule showing the original and final budget amounts compared to the Town's actual financial activity for the General Fund is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

The Town final budget was \$3,957,902 in General Fund Revenue and other financing sources of \$50,000 with actual revenue totaling \$4,223,564 and other financing sources of \$61,757 for a difference of \$265,662 in revenues and \$11,757 in other financing sources. The budget for expenditures was estimated to be \$4,105,875 with the expenditures being \$4,246,435 for a difference of \$140,560.

Request for Information

This report is intended to provide a summary of the financial condition of the Town of Kingstree and to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the resources it receives. Questions or requests for additional information should be submitted in writing to the address below:

Town of Kingstree
401 North Longstreet
Kingstree, SC 29556

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023

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	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,875,253	\$ 493,440	\$ 3,368,693
Accounts Receivable (Net)	94,005	406,320	500,325
Property Taxes Receivable (Net)	923,943	-	923,943
Prepaid Expenses	82,768	-	82,768
Inventory	-	21,450	21,450
Due from Other Governments	526,780	-	526,780
Due from Other Funds- Current	211,675	(211,675)	-
Restricted Cash	52,783	1,005,628	1,058,411
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation:			
Land, non-depreciable	1,919,365	145,000	2,064,365
Construction in progress, non-depreciable	478,497	304,104	782,601
Buildings and Improvements	4,691,346	158,904	4,850,250
Equipment and Vehicles	539,832	92,237	632,069
Water and Sewer System	-	13,080,145	13,080,145
Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation:	7,629,040	13,780,390	21,409,430
Total Assets	12,396,247	15,495,553	27,891,800
Deferred Outflow of Resources:			
Deferred outflow on pension	428,965	204,728	633,693
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	428,965	204,728	633,693
Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	170,216	-	170,216
Accrued Expenses	31,152	-	31,152
Due to Third Parties	11,373	-	11,373
Interest Payable	-	10,943	10,943
Pension Liability	2,674,443	1,432,348	4,106,791
Unearned Revenue	990,595	1,250	991,845
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Due within one year:	38,506	281,000	319,506
Due in more than one year:	133,087	9,534,867	9,667,954
Total Liabilities	4,049,372	11,260,408	15,309,780
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Deferred inflow on pension	229,312	92,750	322,062
Unavailable revenue	724,615	-	724,615
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	953,927	92,750	1,046,677
Net Position:			
Nonspendable	82,768	21,450	104,218
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	7,046,289	4,400,637	11,446,926
Restricted for Victim's Fund	50,851	-	50,851
Restricted for Accommodations and Hospitality	1,032,353	-	1,032,353
Restricted for Law Enforcement	6,958	-	6,958
Restricted for Debt Service	-	638,162	638,162
Unrestricted	(397,306)	(713,126)	(1,110,432)
Total Net Position	\$ 7,821,913	\$ 4,347,123	\$ 12,169,036

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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Function/Program Activities	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operation Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government		Total
					Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	
Primary Government:							
Governmental Activities							
General Government	\$ 850,851	\$ 1,266,056	\$ 218,902	\$ -	\$ 634,107	\$ -	\$ 634,107
Public Safety	2,086,581	31,297	16,401	58,513	(1,980,370)	-	(1,980,370)
Public Works	1,251,573	767,731	50,000	-	(433,842)	-	(433,842)
Culture and Recreation	690,507	115,044	-	261,527	(313,936)	-	(313,936)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	13,172	-	-	-	(13,172)	-	(13,172)
Total governmental activities	4,892,684	2,180,128	285,303	320,040	(2,107,213)	-	(2,107,213)
Business-type Activities							
Water and Sewer Utilities	3,463,162	2,793,398	-	-	-	(669,764)	(669,764)
Town of Kingtree Development Corporation	10,147	15,635	-	-	-	5,488	5,488
Total business-type activities	3,473,309	2,809,033	-	-	-	(664,276)	(664,276)
Total primary government	\$ 8,365,993	\$ 4,989,161	\$ 285,303	\$ 320,040	(2,107,213)	(664,276)	(2,771,489)
General Revenues:							
Taxes							
Property taxes, levied for general purpose					941,031	-	941,031
Local Option Sales Tax					1,217,767	-	1,217,767
Merchant Inventory Tax					19,095	-	19,095
Unrestricted Investment Earnings					108	9,044	9,152
Gain on sale is Capital Asset					11,757	-	11,757
Transfers					(36,782)	36,782	-
Capital Contribution					50,000	-	50,000
Miscellaneous					43,125	8,092	51,217
Total General Revenues					2,246,101	53,918	2,300,019
Change in Net Position					138,888	(610,358)	(471,470)
Net Position - Beginning					7,683,025	4,957,481	12,640,506
Net Position - Ending					\$ 7,821,913	\$ 4,347,123	\$ 12,169,036

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

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	General Fund	Accommodations & Hospitality Fund	American Rescue Act Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,143,808	\$ 759,442	\$ 935,688	\$ 36,315	\$ 2,875,253
Accounts Receivable (Net)	57,911	36,094	-	-	94,005
Property Taxes Receivable (Net)	923,943	-	-	-	923,943
Due from Other Governments	249,878	276,902	-	-	526,780
Due from Other Funds	215,675	-	-	154	215,829
Prepaid Expense	82,768	-	-	-	82,768
Cash and Cash Equivalents- Restricted	-	-	-	52,783	52,783
Total Assets	\$ 2,673,983	\$ 1,072,438	\$ 935,688	\$ 89,252	\$ 4,771,361
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 149,321	\$ 20,809	\$ -	\$ 86	\$ 170,216
Accrued Expenditures	31,152	-	-	-	31,152
Due to Third Parties	-	-	-	11,373	11,373
Due to Other Funds	154	-	2,000	2,000	4,154
Unearned Revenue	37,631	19,276	933,688	-	990,595
Total Liabilities	218,258	40,085	935,688	13,459	1,207,490
Deferred inflows of resources					
Unavailable revenue/deferred	890,665	-	-	-	890,665
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	890,665	-	-	-	890,665
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable	82,768	-	-	-	82,768
Restricted	-	1,032,353	-	57,809	1,090,162
Committed	-	-	-	17,984	17,984
Unassigned	1,482,292	-	-	-	1,482,292
Total Fund Balance	1,565,060	1,032,353	-	75,793	2,673,206
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance	\$ 2,673,983	\$ 1,072,438	\$ 935,688	\$ 89,252	\$ 4,771,361

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TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

Fund Balance- Total Governmental Fund **\$ 2,673,206**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financing resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental fund:

Governmental Capital Assets	\$ 12,708,209	
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(5,079,169)</u>	7,629,040

Other long-term assets, such as property taxes and pension expense are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.

Property taxes		166,050
Net pension deferrals		199,653

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period are therefore are not reported in the governmental fund.

Net Pension Liability	(2,674,443)	
Financed Purchased Obligations	(104,254)	
Compensated Absences	<u>(67,339)</u>	(2,846,036)

Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ 7,821,913

TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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	General Fund	Accommodations & Hospitality Fund	American Rescue Act Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Property and Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 1,846,141	\$ 371,789	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,217,930
Intergovernmental Revenue	248,521	261,527	95,295	-	605,343
Charges for Services	2,124,801	55,327	-	-	2,180,128
Interest Earned	-	-	-	108	108
Other Revenue	4,101	33,432	-	5,592	43,125
Total Revenues	4,223,564	722,075	95,295	5,700	5,046,634
Expenditures					
Current:					
General Government	810,210	-	-	-	810,210
Public Safety	1,844,007	-	53	1,175	1,845,235
Public Works	1,196,241	-	-	-	1,196,241
Culture and Recreation	291,101	493,626	-	-	784,727
Capital Outlay	50,000	413,863	58,460	-	522,323
Debt Service					
Principal	41,704	-	-	-	41,704
Interest and fiscal charges	13,172	-	-	-	13,172
Total Expenditures	4,246,435	907,489	58,513	1,175	5,213,612
Excess of revenues over expenditures	(22,871)	(185,414)	36,782	4,525	(166,978)
Other financing sources					
Transfers out	-	-	(36,782)	-	(36,782)
Proceeds on sale of Capital Asset	11,757	-	-	-	11,757
Capital Contribution - Donated Truck	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
Total other financing sources	61,757	-	(36,782)	-	24,975
Net change in fund balance	38,886	(185,414)	-	4,525	(142,003)
Fund Balances, beginning of year	1,526,174	1,217,767	-	71,268	2,815,209
Fund Balances, end of year	\$ 1,565,060	\$ 1,032,353	\$ -	\$ 75,793	\$ 2,673,206

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TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA **Page 8**
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Fund **\$ (142,003)**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

The governmental fund reports capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciated expense.

This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeds depreciation in the current period.

Capital asset additions	\$ 586,957	
Less current year depreciation	<u>(432,714)</u>	154,243

Because some property taxes and local option sales tax will not be collected for several months after year-end, they are not considered "available" revenues in the governmental fund. (40,037)

Pension expense that is related to net pension liability as recorded in the statement of activities is based on the Town's proportionate share of pension expense of the retirement system as a whole, where as pension expense recorded in the funds is based on the use of current financial resources (e.g. required contributions) 135,052

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. These include the net increase/decrease in compensated absences and interest expense.

Note payable principal payments		41,704
Compensated absences		<u>(10,071)</u>

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities **\$ 138,888**

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Water and Sewer	Town of Kingstree Development Corporation	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 483,727	\$ 9,713	\$ 493,440
Accounts Receivable, net	406,320	-	406,320
Inventory	21,450	-	21,450
Total Current Assets	911,497	9,713	921,210
Non-Current Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents- Restricted	1,005,628	-	1,005,628
Capital Assets:			
Land	145,000	-	145,000
Construction in Progress	304,104	-	304,104
Building and Improvements	906,680	65,000	971,680
Vehicles and Equipment	583,794	-	583,794
Water and Sewer System	25,428,027	-	25,428,027
Accumulated Depreciation	(13,644,767)	(7,448)	(13,652,215)
Total Capital Assets	13,722,838	57,552	13,780,390
Total Non-Current Assets	14,728,466	57,552	14,786,018
Total Assets	15,639,963	67,265	15,707,228
<u>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred Outflow of Resources:			
Deferred outflow on pension	204,728	-	204,728
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	204,728	-	204,728
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Current Liabilities:			
Accrued Interest Payable	10,943	-	10,943
Unearned Revenue - Deposits	-	1,250	1,250
Due to Other Funds	211,675	-	211,675
Current Portion - Compensated Absences	6,864	-	6,864
Current Portion - Bonds Payable/Notes Payable	267,650	6,486	274,136
Total Current Liabilities	497,132	7,736	504,868
Non-Current Liabilities:			
Compensated Absences	61,784	-	61,784
Bonds Payable/Notes Payable	9,441,529	31,554	9,473,083
Net Pension Liability	1,432,348	-	1,432,348
Total Non-Current Liabilities	10,935,661	31,554	10,967,215
Total Liabilities	11,432,793	39,290	11,472,083
<u>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred Inflow of Resources:			
Deferred inflow on pension	92,750	-	92,750
Total Deferred Inflow of Resources	92,750	-	92,750
<u>NET POSITION</u>			
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt	4,381,125	19,512	4,400,637
Restricted for debt service-expendable	638,162	-	638,162
Unrestricted	(700,139)	8,463	(691,676)
Total Net Position	\$ 4,319,148	\$ 27,975	\$ 4,347,123

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TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2023

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	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Water and Sewer	Town of Kingstree Development Corporation	Total
OPERATING REVENUES:			
Charges for Services	\$ 2,793,398	\$ 15,635	\$ 2,809,033
Total Operating Revenues	2,793,398	15,635	2,809,033
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Personnel services	999,964	-	999,964
Contractual Services	666,073	3,093	669,166
Materials and Supplies	341,004	-	341,004
Bad debt	9,633	-	9,633
Travel and Training	9,372	-	9,372
Utilities	293,115	-	293,115
Repairs and Maintenance	385,257	1,183	386,440
Miscellaneous	8,362	2,745	11,107
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	570,459	1,625	572,084
Total Operating Expenses	3,283,239	8,646	3,291,885
Operating Income	(489,841)	6,989	(482,852)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):			
Interest Income	9,044	-	9,044
Interest Expense	(179,923)	(1,501)	(181,424)
Other Revenue	8,092	-	8,092
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	(162,787)	(1,501)	(164,288)
Income before transfers	(652,628)	5,488	(647,140)
Transfers in	36,782	-	36,782
Changes in net position	(615,846)	5,488	(610,358)
Total Net Position beginning of the year	4,934,994	22,487	4,957,481
Total Net Position end of the year	\$ 4,319,148	\$ 27,975	\$ 4,347,123

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**TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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	Enterprise Funds		
	Water and Sewer	Town of Kingstree Development Corporation	Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers	\$ 2,995,592	\$ 16,285	\$ 3,011,877
Payments to employees and suppliers for services	(2,793,224)	(7,021)	(2,800,245)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	202,368	9,264	211,632
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Nonoperating other revenue (expense)	8,092	-	8,092
Transfer in	36,782	-	36,782
Net cash provide by (used in) noncapital financing activities	44,874	-	44,874
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Principal paid on long term debt	(407,502)	(6,231)	(413,733)
Interest paid	(179,923)	(1,501)	(181,424)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(587,425)	(7,732)	(595,157)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchase of capital assets	(266,638)	-	(266,638)
Interest received	9,044	-	9,044
Net cash received from (used by) investing activities	(257,594)	-	(257,594)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(597,777)	1,532	(596,245)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	2,087,132	8,181	2,095,313
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 1,489,355	\$ 9,713	\$ 1,499,068
Financial Statement Presentation:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 483,727	\$ 9,713	\$ 493,440
Cash and Cash Equivalents- Restricted	1,005,628	-	1,005,628
	\$ 1,489,355	\$ 9,713	\$ 1,499,068
Reconciliation of operating (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Operating Income (loss)	\$ (489,841)	\$ 6,989	\$ (482,852)
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation and Amortization	570,459	1,625	572,084
Bad Debt	(9,633)	-	(9,633)
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) Decrease in Receivables	211,827	-	211,827
(Increase) Decrease in Due from/to Other Funds	(63,662)	-	(63,662)
Increase (Decrease) in Pension Obligation	(22,716)	-	(22,716)
Increase (Decrease) in Security Deposits	-	650	650
Increase (Decrease) in Compensated Absences	5,934	-	5,934
Total adjustments	692,209	2,275	694,484
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 202,368	\$ 9,264	\$ 211,632
Supplemental Schedule of NonCash Investing and Financing Activities			
None			

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CUSTODIAL FUND
JUNE 30, 2023

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	Fireman Fund
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<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 15,880
Total Assets	\$ 15,880
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<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	\$ 233
Total Liabilities	233
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<u>Net Position</u>	
Restricted	\$ 15,647
Total Net Position	15,647
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TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CUSTODIAL FUND - FIREMAN FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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	<u>Fireman Fund</u>
Additions	
Fees	<u>\$ 9,709</u>
Total Additions	<u>9,709</u>
Deductions	
Paid for Activities	<u>9,839</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>9,839</u>
Excess of (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(130)</u>
Net change in fund balance	(130)
Fund Balances, beginning of year	<u>15,777</u>
Fund Balances, end of year	<u><u>\$ 15,647</u></u>

See independent auditor's report

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

A. Introduction-

The Town of Kingstree, South Carolina (the Town) was incorporated under the laws of the State of South Carolina. The Town is governed by an elected mayor and six-member council. All legislative and administrative powers of the municipality and determination of all matters of policy are vested in the Town Council. Among the services which the Town funds provide in whole, or in part, are the following: administrative, public safety, public works, community development, and culture and recreation.

A primary government or entity is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body, including situations in which the voting majority consists of the primary entity's officials serving as required by law (e.g., employees who serve in an ex officio capacity on the component unit's board are considered appointments by the primary entity) and (1) it is able to impose its will on that organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary entity. The primary entity is financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government regardless of whether the organization has (1) a separately elected governing board, (2) a governing board appointed by a higher level of government, or (3) a jointly appointed board.

An organization can provide a financial benefit to, or impose a financial burden on, a primary government in a variety of ways. The benefit or burden may result from legal entitlements or obligations, or it may be less formalized and exist because of decisions made by the primary government or agreements between the primary government and a component unit. If a primary government appoints a voting majority of an organization's officials or if the organization is fiscally dependent on the primary government and there is a potential for those organizations either to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government, the primary government is financially accountable for those organizations. An organization has a financial benefit or burden relationship with the primary government if, for example, any one of these conditions exists: 1) The primary government is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources. 2) The primary government is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization. 3) The primary government is obligated in some manner for the debt of the organization.

Based on the criteria, The Town has one reportable blended component unit.

The Town of Kingstree Development Corporation, Inc. 401 N. Longstreet Street, Kingstree, South Carolina, 29556. This Non-Profit Corporate entity established June 12, 2018, to assist in the development, conservation and redevelopment of neighborhoods and commercial districts located in the Town of Kingstree, SC. The Corporation is governed by a Board of Directors which shall consist of five voting and three non-voting Directors. Non-voting Directors shall be three members of the Town of Kingstree's staff consisting of the Town Manager, whom shall be the Executive Director, and two employees nominated by the Town Manager and approved by the Board to serve as the Treasurer and Secretary. The remaining five voting Directors must have a vested residential or business interest within the Town of Kingstree and/or Williamsburg County, South Carolina. This has been reported as a proprietary fund in the financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2023

A. Introduction- (continued)

The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting principles and practices of the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina, are discussed in subsequent sections of this Note. The remainder of the notes are organized to provide explanations, including required disclosures, of the Town's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

B. Financial Reporting Entity – Basis of Presentation

The Town's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and the fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information. The accounts of the Town are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained constant with legal and managerial requirements. There are three categories of funds in this reporting entity: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

Government-wide Financial Statements-

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Town as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. The statements distinguish between those activities of the Town that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities. Governmental activities are generally supported by taxes and other intergovernmental revenues and business-type activities are generally supported in whole or in part with charges for services.

The statement of net assets presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activities for the Town at year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the Town's governmental activities and business-type activities. Direct expenses are those that specifically associate with a services, program or department and therefore are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient for the good or services offered by the program, grant and contributions that are restricted to meeting operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues and all taxes are presented as general revenues of the Town, with certain limited exceptions.

The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Town.

Fund Financial Statements-

The Town segregates transactions related to certain Town functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Town at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
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June 30, 2023

Fund Accounting-**Governmental funds**

Governmental funds are used to account for general governmental activities. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the Town's major governmental funds:

General Fund- This is the operating fund of the Town. This fund accounts for all financial resources of the general government except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Accommodations and Hospitality Fund- This is a special revenue fund of the Town. This fund accounts for the government's state and local option accommodations and hospitality sales tax and funds that are restricted for the use of local culture and recreation development.

American Rescue Act Fund- This fund accounts for federal financial resources to be used to support operational and capital activities of the community as a result of Covid-19.

Proprietary funds

Proprietary funds financial reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position, and cash flow. Proprietary funds are classified as either enterprise or internal service. These funds use the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

The following are the Town's major and only proprietary funds:

Water and Sewer Fund- This fund is used to account for the Town's water and sewer operations. It consists of a water system and equipment used to process water to its customers and a treatment plant and equipment to process sewage.

Town of Kingtree Development Corporation -This fund is used to account for the blended component unit of the Town, which is created to assist in the development, conservation, and redevelopment of neighborhoods and commercial districts located in the Town of Kingtree, SC.

Fiduciary fund (Not included in the government-wide statements)

Fiduciary funds account for assets held by the Town in trust for others. There are four basic types of fiduciary funds: 1) Pension Trust Funds, 2) Investment Trust Funds, 3) Private-Purpose Trust Funds, and Custodial Funds. The Town's only fiduciary fund is custodial. Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported as another fiduciary fund type. The Town's custodial fund is the Fireman's Fund. These monies are not controlled by the Town council but rather by the Town's Fire Department Chief.

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Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation-

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The **government-wide statements** are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. All assets and liabilities associated with the operations of the Town are included on the statement of net assets.

The **governmental fund financial statements** are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only the current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. For this purpose, the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 30 days of the end of the current fiscal year, except for federal grant revenue which is considered available if collected within six months. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is expected to be liquidated with expendable and available resources.

However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. Governmental fund financial statements include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the governmental fund statements.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Town receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, local option sales taxes, fines and forfeitures, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when first permitted, matching requirement in which the Town must provide local resources to be used for a specific purpose and expenditures requirements in which the resources are provided to the Town on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must be available before it can be recognized. Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are deemed both measurable and available at year-end: delinquent taxes collected within 30 days of the year-end, fines and forfeitures, certain charges for services, local option sales tax, grants and other intergovernmental revenues.

Unavailable and Unearned Revenues – Unavailable and unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied and are not considered available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of December 31, 2022, but levied to finance fiscal year 2023 operations have been recorded as deferred inflows of resources. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as deferred inflows of resources. On governmental fund

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financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as deferred inflows of resources. The Town also defers revenue recognition in connection with resources received prior to meeting eligibility requirements (other than time requirements). As such, certain grants have been received but not yet earned and have been reported as unearned revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures – On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds.

The proprietary is reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. The agency fund has no measurement focus but utilizes the *accrual basis of accounting* for reporting its assets and liabilities. It is the Town's policy to use restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned amounts, respectively when expenditures incur.

C. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Town maintains and controls several cash accounts for the funds of the primary government, some of which is restricted. Each fund's cash is displayed on its respective balance sheet as "cash and cash equivalents" in current assets for non-restricted cash and non-current assets for restricted cash.

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments, including certificates of deposits. For the purpose of the Proprietary Fund's statement of cash flows, all short-term highly liquid investments, including restricted assets, with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition are considered to be cash equivalents.

The Town allows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. The Town measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by GASB Statement No. 72. These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

- Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Town can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 – Inputs to the valuation methodology, other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability either directly or indirectly and include:
 - Quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets.
 - Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets.
 - Inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable for the asset or liability.
 - Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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- Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology that are unobservable for an asset or liability and include:
 - Fair value is often based on developed models in which there are few, if any, observable inputs.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used should maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The valuation methodologies described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of future net realizable values or reflective of future fair values. The Town believes that the valuation methods used are appropriate and consistent with GAAP. The use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date. There have been no significant changes from the prior year in the methodologies used to measure fair value. At June 30, 2023, The Town holds no investments.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. The costs of governmental fund-type inventories are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. In the governmental fund statements, reported inventories and prepaid items are equally offset by a nonspendable fund balance which indicates that they do not constitute "available spendable resources" even though they are a component of net current assets.

Receivables and Payables

Transactions between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds." The property taxes for the Town are assessed, billed and collected by Williamsburg County, South Carolina. The Town recognizes property taxes in the period for which they are levied and available for financing current expenditures. Property taxes receivable represents delinquent real taxes receivable for the past ten years, less an allowance for amounts estimated to be uncollectable. All net property taxes receivable at year end, except those collected within 30 days, are recorded as deferred revenue and thus not recognized as revenue until collected in the governmental funds. Taxes on real property and certain personal property attach an enforceable lien on the property as of January 1. Taxes are levied and billed the following September on all property other than vehicle and are payable on or before January 15th of the following year. Penalties are assessed on unpaid taxes on the following dates: January 16 – three percent, February 1st- an additional seven percent, March 16 -an additional five percent. All unpaid taxes are placed in execution on March 16th. Taxes on licensed motor vehicles are levied during the month when the taxpayer's license registration is due for renewal. The taxpayer must provide proof of payment to the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles before that agency will renew the vehicle license.

The water, sewer, and sanitation receivables represent various volumes, availability, and other service fees earned but not yet collected. Cycle billings at year-end are estimated to record revenues earned through year-end. Recurring consumption and capacity fees from residential and commercial customers are recognized as operating revenues.

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Restricted Assets

Certain assets of the Town's General Fund and Enterprise Funds are derived from proceeds of various Revenue Bonds and Victim's Assistance programs and are set aside for the specific purpose of providing victims assistance or for the purpose to fulfill bond agreement reserve requirements. These assets are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet in the government-wide and reserved in fund financial statements, because their use is limited by contract. All restricted assets are considered expendable.

Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date donated.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the assets' life are not capitalized.

All reported capital assets except land and construction in process are depreciated. Useful lives are estimated based on the Town's historical records. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives, in years:

Buildings	5 – 50
Improvements, other than buildings	2 – 50
Equipment	3 – 30

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Property taxes for which there is an enforceable lien claim as of December 31, 2022, but which were to be levied to finance fiscal year 2023 operations have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue.

On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as deferred revenue.

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of

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resources (expense/ expenditure) until then. The government only has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. It is the deferred charge on pension reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred charge on pension results from the difference in the carrying value of the liability and allocated asset. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the pension expense or pension liability.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The government has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, *unavailable revenue*, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from one source: property taxes. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bonds payable are reported as liabilities, net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are expensed as incurred. In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Compensated Absences

Sick Leave - It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused sick benefits throughout the year. No liability is reported for unpaid accumulated sick leave as any unused sick leave is forfeited at the end of the year and therefore does not vest to individual employees.

Vacation Benefits - Every employee in the Town's service holding a regular full-time position shall begin earning vacation time with pay. An employee is allowed to accumulate unused vacation days up to a maximum number of 480 hours that may be earned in a calendar year for carryover from one year to the subsequent year. Upon termination, the employee is paid for the unused vacation days at their current salary rate.

Such vacation benefits shall be granted as follows:

Time of Continuous Service	Days Earned Per Year
1 to 2 years	5 Days
2 to 10 years	10 Days
After 10 years	15 Days

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All vacation and compensatory pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only to the extent they are payable from current resources, and represent matured liabilities, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

Net Position and Fund Balances

Government-wide Statements- Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

Net investment in capital assets- Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position- Consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position- Consists of all other net position that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net invested in capital assets, net of related debt.”

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position. Net position is classified as net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Outstanding debt which has not been spent is included in the same net position component as the unspent proceeds. 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, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

Fund Statements- The Town follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. Classifications are hierarchical and are based primarily on the extent to which the Town is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. Application of the Statement requires the Town to classify and report amounts in the appropriate fund balance classifications. The Town’s accounting and finance policies are used to interpret the nature and/or requirements of the funds and their corresponding assignment of restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned.

Non-spendable balance represents balances associated with inventories and/or prepaid expenses. Restricted balances can be spent only for the specific purpose stipulated by constitution, external resource, providers or other enabling legislation. Committed balances are those for which the specific purpose has been determined by a formal action of the government’s board. Assigned balances are those for which specific purposes have been assigned without the above mentioned authorities. Unassigned balances are for which the residual amounts remain.

The Town generally uses restricted amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is available unless there are legal documents, contracts, or agreements that prohibit doing such. Additionally, the Town generally would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

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Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) requires the Town's management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

D. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the Town, these revenues are charges for services for water and sewer activity as well as housing and economic development activity. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the good or service that are the primary activity of the fund.

Inter-fund Activity

Inter-fund transactions are reflected as loans, services provided, reimbursements, or transfers. Loans are reported as receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide columnar presentation.

Encumbrances

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation is utilized in the governmental funds. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as reservations of fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be honored during the subsequent year.

The Town had no outstanding encumbrances reportable for the current year-end.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The Town adopts an annual budget for the general fund and both proprietary funds; however the proprietary funds are not legally required to be reported. The mayor and the clerk submit to the Town Council a proposed operating budget for the upcoming year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments and prior to June 30; the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance. The level of budgetary control is determined by the Town Council at the fund level. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Town Council. Budget amounts presented are as originally adopted with amendments and classification for presentation purposes. The annual budgets are prepared in

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accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Encumbrance accounting is not employed in the Town's governmental funds. During the year, supplementary appropriations were necessary. The General fund budget amendments included increases and decreases within department, the planned use of fund balance for various expenditures.

2. Deposits and Investments

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Investments held for longer periods are subject to increased risk of adverse interest rate changes.

The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligations. State statutes authorize the Town to invest in the following:

1. Obligations of the United States and agencies thereof;
2. General Obligations of the State of South Carolina or any of its political units;
3. Saving and loan association deposits to the extent insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;
4. Certificate of deposit and repurchase agreements collateralized by securities of the type described in (1) and (2) above held by a third party as escrow agent or custodian, of a market value not less than the amount of certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements so secured, including interest; and
5. No-load open or closed-end management type investment companies or investment trusts registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, where the investment is made by a bank or trust company or savings and loan association or other financial institution when acting as trustee or agent for a bond or other debt issue of that local government unit.

In addition, South Carolina statutes authorize the Town to invest in the South Carolina Local Government Investment Pool (SCLGIP). The SCLGIP is an investment trust fund created pursuant to Section 6-6-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, and administered by the State Treasurer, in which public monies under the custody of any political subdivision in excess of current needs may be deposited. The SCLGIP is permitted to purchase obligations of the United States, its agencies, and instrumentalities, and any corporation within the United States if such obligations bear any of the three highest ratings of at least two nationally recognized rating services. The SCLGIP is a 2a7-like pool, which is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as an investment company, but has a policy that it will operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

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The reported value of the Town's position in the pool, if any, is the same as the fair value of the pool shares. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 31 "*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*," investments are carried at fair value determined annually based upon quoted market prices. The total fair value of the Pool is apportioned to the entities with funds invested on an equal basis for each share owned, which are acquired at a cost of \$1.00.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Town's investment in a single issuer. The Town places no limit on the amount the Town may invest in any one issuer.

Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits

In the case of deposits, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned to it. The town does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. However, South Carolina state statutes provide that banks accepting deposits of funds from local government units must furnish an indemnity bond or pledge as collateral obligations of the United States, South Carolina, and political subdivisions of South Carolina, The Federal National Mortgage Association, The Federal Home Loan Bank, the Federal Farm Credit Bank, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

As of June 30, 2023, the Town's bank balances, including agency funds, of \$4,760,423 was collateralized by government investments held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Custodial Credit Risk-Investment

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. As of June 30, 2023, the Town held no investments.

Investments are categorized into these three categories of credit risk:

1. Insured or registered, or securities held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.
2. Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Town's name.
3. Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.

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3- Receivables and Deferred Revenues

Receivables and deferred revenues by fund as of year-end June 30, 2023, are as follows:

	Governmental Funds			Proprietary Funds	
	General Fund	Accommodations & Hospitality Fund	American Rescue Act Fund	Water & Sewer Fund	Development Corporation Fund
Property tax receivables					
Current property taxes	\$ 724,615				
Current vehicle taxes	27,715				
Delinquent property taxes	171,613				
Net property tax receivables	\$ 923,943				
Accounts receivable	\$ 57,911	\$ 36,094	\$ -	\$ 420,997	\$ -
Allowance for uncollectable	-	-	-	(14,677)	-
Net receivables	\$ 57,911	\$ 36,094	-	\$ 406,320	\$ -
Unearned Revenue					
Grant projects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 933,688	\$ -	\$ -
Customer Deposits	-	-	-	-	1,250
Event/Downtown project deposits	37,631	19,276	-	-	-
Total Unearned Revenue	\$ 37,631	\$ 19,276	933,688	-	1,250
Deferred Revenue					
Delinquent property taxes not collected within 30 days after year-end	\$ 166,050				
Total Deferred Revenue	\$ 166,050				
Total Unavailable Revenue	\$ 724,615				

4-Capital Assets-

Governmental capital asset activity for the year-end June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/2022	Additions/ Transfers	Deletion/ Transfers	Balance 6/30/2023
Land, not depreciated	\$ 1,919,365	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,919,365
Construction in Progress, not depreciated	-	478,497	-	478,497
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	7,553,916	-	-	7,553,916
Equipment	874,153	-	-	874,153
Vehicles	1,829,680	108,460	55,862	1,882,278
Total capital assets	12,177,114	586,957	55,862	12,708,209
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings and improvements	2,658,466	204,104	-	2,862,570
Equipment	635,761	81,521	-	717,282
Vehicles	1,408,090	147,089	55,862	1,499,317
Total accumulated depreciation	4,702,317	432,714	55,862	5,079,169
Total capital assets, net	\$ 7,474,797	\$ 154,243	\$ -	\$ 7,629,040

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4-Capital Assets (continued) -

Business-type Activities capital asset activity for the year-end June 30, 2023, was as follows:

Enterprise

	Balance 6/30/2022	Additions/ Transfers	Deletion/ Transfers	Balance 6/30/2023
Land, not depreciated	\$ 145,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 145,000
Construction in Progress, not depreciated	90,600	213,504	-	304,104
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	971,680	-	-	971,680
Equipment	449,151	-	-	449,151
Vehicles	81,511	53,132	-	134,643
Water & sewer system	25,428,025	-	-	25,428,025
Total capital assets	<u>27,165,967</u>	<u>266,636</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,432,603</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings and improvements	792,884	19,892	-	812,776
Equipment	380,805	22,838	-	403,643
Vehicles	81,511	6,403	-	87,914
Water & sewer system	11,824,929	522,951	-	12,347,880
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>13,080,129</u>	<u>572,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,652,213</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 14,085,838</u>	<u>\$ (305,448)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 13,780,390</u>

Depreciation expense was charged as follows:

Governmental Activities

General government	\$ 125,777
Public safety	241,346
Public works	55,332
Culture and recreation	10,259
	<u>\$ 432,714</u>

Business - Type Activities

Water & Sewer fund	\$ 570,459
Kingstree Development Corp.	1,625
	<u>\$ 572,084</u>

5-Interfund Activity

Outstanding balances between funds are a result of timing differences between the (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds being made. All balances are expected to be repaid within the following year.

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5-Interfund Activity (continued)

	Receivable Fund	Payable Fund
Governmental Major Fund - General fund	\$ 215,675	\$ 154
Governmental Major Fund - American Rescue	-	2,000
Governmental Major Fund - Black River Park Network	-	2,000
Governmental NonMajor Fund - Victims fund	154	-
Enterprise fund - Water & Sewer	-	211,675
Total	<u><u>\$ 215,829</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 215,829</u></u>

6- Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of debt transactions for the Town for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Governmental Activities	Balance 6/30/2022	Increase	Decrease	Balance 6/30/2023	Due within One Year
Compensated absences	\$ 57,268	\$ 47,198	\$ 37,127	\$ 67,339	\$ 7,339
Financed purchased obligation	145,958	-	41,704	104,254	31,167
	<u><u>\$ 203,226</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 47,198</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 78,831</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 171,593</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 38,506</u></u>
Business - Type Activities	Balance 6/30/2022	Increase	Decrease	Balance 6/30/2023	Due within One Year
Compensated absences	\$ 62,714	\$ 21,828	\$ 15,894	\$ 68,648	\$ 6,864
Note payable - KDC	44,271	-	6,231	38,040	6,486
Revenue bonds	10,116,681	-	407,502	9,709,179	267,650
	<u><u>\$ 10,223,666</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 21,828</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 429,627</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,815,867</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 281,000</u></u>

Revenue Bonds Payable – Business – Type Activities

The Town issues revenue bonds to provide funds for the construction of major capital water and sewer treatment facilities. These revenue bonds are expected to be repaid using the operational revenue from the town's water and sewer fund operations. The revenue bonds payables outstanding on June 30, 2023, include the following:

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<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
2/3/2000	Revenue Bond with an annual interest rate of 4.5%, annual fixed payments of \$11,616 principal plus interest and matures in 2040. Water and Sewer operating revenues will be used to service debt.	\$ 215,000	\$ 135,290
2/3/2000	Revenue Bond with an annual interest rate of 4.5%, annual fixed payments of \$175,068 principal plus interest and matures in 2040. Water and Sewer operating revenues will be used to service debt.	3,241,800	2,036,346
7/19/2013	Revenue Bond with an annual interest rate of 2.125%, annual fixed payments of \$316,200 principal plus interest and matures in 2045. Water and Sewer operating revenues will be used to service debt.	8,500,000	5,664,722
7/19/2013	Revenue Bond with an annual interest rate of 2.125%, annual fixed payments of \$84,540 principal plus interest and matures in 2053. Water and Sewer operating revenues will be used to service debt.	2,272,500	1,869,821
		<u>\$ 14,229,300</u>	<u>\$ 9,706,179</u>

A summary of the annual requirements for revenue bond payables are as follows:

Business - Type Activities

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2024	\$ 275,445	\$ 260,405
2025	283,500	252,350
2026	291,827	244,023
2027	300,437	235,414
2028	309,337	226,512
2029 - 2033	1,691,261	987,989
2034 - 2038	1,964,717	714,533
2039 - 2043	1,697,827	427,138
2044 - 2048	1,498,889	259,458
2049 - 2053	1,392,939	91,587
	<u>\$ 9,706,179</u>	<u>\$ 3,699,409</u>

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Note Payable

The Town of Kingstree Development Corporation entered into a note payable agreement with a financial institution in the amount of \$65,000 with an annual interest rate of 3.5% with monthly payments in the amount of \$644 until December 19, 2028, after which time it may change to a variable interest rate of Index (w/Margin) Wall Street Journal Prime minus 1.75%. Total proceeds were used to purchase a building which has been used as collateral on this note payable.

A summary of the annual requirements for note payables are as follows:

Note Payable

Year Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 6,486	\$ 1,227
2025	6,717	997
2026	6,955	757
2027	7,203	510
2028	7,459	253
2029	3,220	29
	<u>\$ 38,040</u>	<u>\$ 3,773</u>

Financed Purchased Obligations

The Town of Kingstree entered into several agreements with an institution for six police vehicles. Four vehicles in the amount of \$125,907 with monthly payments in the amount of \$3,185, including an estimated annual interest rate of about 5.192% until 2026. Two vehicles in the amount of \$71,320 with monthly payments in the amount of \$1,388, including an estimated annual interest rate of 5.192% until 2027. The vehicles have a reported cost of \$238,567 and accumulated depreciation in the amount of \$158,582.

A summary of the annual requirements for financed purchased obligations are as follows:

Financed Purchased Obligations

Year Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 31,772	\$ 1,650
2025	33,451	1,737
2026	35,248	1,830
2027	3,783	196
	<u>\$ 104,254</u>	<u>\$ 5,413</u>

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7- Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss and pays insurance premiums to certain State agencies and commercial insurers to cover risks that may occur in normal operations. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant losses for the covered risk. The Town has not had a significant reduction in insurance in the last three years and has not had claims in excess of coverage in the last three years.

Several State funds accumulated assets and the State itself assumes substantially all risks for the following:

- 1) Claims of State employees for unemployment compensation benefits (Employment Security Commission)
- 2) Claims of covered employees for workers compensation benefits for job-related illness or injuries (State Accident Fund)
- 3) Claims of covered public employees for long-term disability and group-life insurance benefits (Retirement Systems)

8- Retirement Plans

Description of the Entity

The South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority (PEBA), created July 1, 2012, is the state agency responsible for the administration and management of the various Retirement Systems and the retirement programs of the state of South Carolina, including the State Optional Retirement Program and the SC Deferred Compensation Program, as well as the state's employee insurance programs. Division. As such, PEBA is responsible for administering the South Carolina Retirement Systems' five defined benefit pension plans. PEBA has an 11-member Board of Directors, appointed by the Governor and General Assembly leadership, which serves as custodian, co-trustee and co-fiduciary of the Systems and the assets of the retirement trust funds. The Commission, an eight-member board, serves as co-trustee and co-fiduciary for the assets of the retirement trust funds. By law, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority (SFAA), which consists of five elected officials, also reviews certain PEBA Board decisions regarding the actuary of the Systems.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Systems and additions to/deductions from the Systems fiduciary net position have been determined on the accrual basis of accounting as they are reported by the Systems in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Benefit and refund expenses are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Investments are reported at fair value.

PEBA issues a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) containing financial statements and required supplementary information for the Systems' Pension Trust Funds. The CAFR is publicly available through the Retirement Benefits' link on PEBA's website at www.peba.sc.gov, or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, SC 29223. PEBA is considered a division of the primary government of the state of South Carolina and therefore, retirement trust fund financial information is also included in the comprehensive annual financial report of the state.

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)
Plan Descriptions

The South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established effective July 1, 1945, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-1-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for employees of the state, its public school districts, and political subdivisions. SCRS covers employees of state agencies, public school districts, higher education institutions, other participating local subdivisions of government and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly at or after the 2012 general election.

The State Optional Retirement Program (State ORP) is a defined contribution plan that is offered as an alternative to SCRS to certain newly hired employees of state agencies, institutions of higher education, public school districts and individuals first elected to the General Assembly at or after the general election in November 2012. State ORP participants direct the investment of their funds into an account administered by one of four third party providers. For this reason, State ORP assets are not part of the retirement systems' trust funds for financial statement purposes.

The South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System (PORS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established effective July 1, 1962, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for police officers and firefighters. PORS also covers peace officers, coroners, probate judges and magistrates.

In addition to the plans described above, PEBA also administers three single employer defined benefit pension plans, which are not covered in this report. They are the Retirement System for Members of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina (GARS), the Retirement System for Judges and Solicitors of the State of South Carolina (JSRS), and the South Carolina National Guard Supplemental Retirement Plan (SCNG).

Membership

Membership requirements are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A brief summary of the requirements under each system is presented below.

- SCRS - Generally, all employees of covered employers are required to participate in and contribute to the system as a condition of employment. This plan covers general employees and teachers and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly beginning with the November 2012 general election. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.
- State ORP - As an alternative to membership in SCRS, newly hired state, public school, and higher education employees and individuals newly elected to the S.C. General Assembly beginning with the November 2012 general election have the option to participate in the State Optional Retirement Program (State ORP), which is a defined contribution plan. State ORP participants direct the investment of their funds into a plan administered by one of four investment providers. PEBA assumes no liability for State ORP benefits. Rather, the benefits are

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)

the liability of the investment providers. For this reason, State ORP programs are not part of the retirement systems' trust funds for financial statement purposes. Employee and Employer contributions to the State ORP are at the same rates as SCRS. A direct remittance is required from the employers to the member's account with investment providers for the employee contribution and a portion of the employer contribution (5 percent). A direct remittance is also required to SCRS for the remaining portion of the employer contribution and an incidental death benefit contribution, if applicable, which is retained by SCRS.

- **PORS** - To be eligible for PORS membership, an employee must be required by the terms of his employment, by election or appointment, to preserve public order, protect life and property, and detect crimes in the state; to prevent and control property destruction by fire; or to serve as a peace officer employed by the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Department of Mental Health. Probate judges and coroners may elect membership in PORS. Magistrates are required to participate in PORS for service as a magistrate. PORS members, other than magistrates and probate judges, must also earn at least \$2,000 per year and devote at least 1,600 hours per year to this work, unless exempted by statute. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.

Benefits

Benefit terms are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. PEBA does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms without a legislative change in the code of laws. Key elements of the benefit calculation include the benefit multiplier, years of service, and average final compensation. A brief summary of the benefit terms for each system is presented below.

- **SCRS** - A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 65 or with 28 years credited service regardless of age. A member may elect early retirement with reduced pension benefits payable at age 55 with 25 years of service credit. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension upon satisfying the Rule of 90 requirement that the total of the member's age and the member's creditable service equals at least 90 years. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a reduced deferred annuity at age 60 if they satisfy the five- or eight-year earned service requirement, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program.

The annual retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or five hundred dollars every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase. Members who retire under the early retirement provisions at age 55 with 25 years of service are not eligible for the benefit adjustment until the second July 1 after reaching age 60 or the second July 1 after the date they would have had 28 years of service credit had they not retired.

- **PORS** - A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 25 years of service regardless of age. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 27 years of service regardless of age. Both Class Two and Class Three members are

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)

eligible to receive a deferred annuity at age 55 with five or eight years of earned service, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program. Accidental death benefits are also provided upon the death of an active member working for a covered employer whose death was a natural and proximate result of an injury incurred while in the performance of duty.

The retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or five hundred dollars every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase.

Contributions

Actuarial valuations are performed annually by an external consulting actuary to ensure applicable contribution rates satisfy the funding parameters specified in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. Under these provisions, SCRS and PORS contribution requirements must be sufficient to maintain an amortization period for the financing of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) over a period that does not exceed the number of years scheduled in state statute. Legislation in 2017 increased, but also established a ceiling for SCRS and PORS employee contribution rates. Effective July 1, 2017, employee rates were increased to a capped rate of 9.00 percent for SCRS and 9.75 percent for PORS. The legislation also increased employer contribution rates beginning July 1, 2017 for both SCRS and PORS by two percentage points and further scheduled employer contribution rates to increase by a minimum of one percentage point each year through July 1, 2022. If the scheduled contributions are not sufficient to meet the funding periods set in state statute, the board shall increase the employer contribution rates as necessary to meet the funding periods set for the applicable year. The maximum funding period of SCRS and PORS is scheduled to be reduced over a ten-year schedule from 30 years beginning fiscal year 2018 to 20 years by fiscal year 2028.

Additionally, the Board is prohibited from decreasing the SCRS and PORS contribution rates until the funded ratio is at least 85 percent. If the most recent annual actuarial valuation of the Systems for funding purposes shows a ratio of the actuarial value of system assets to the actuarial accrued liability of the system (the funded ratio) that is equal to or greater than 85 percent, then the board, effective on the following July first, may decrease the then current contribution rates upon making a finding that the decrease will not result in a funded ratio of less than 85 percent. If contribution rates are decreased pursuant to this provision, and the most recent annual actuarial valuation of the system shows a funded ratio of less than 85 percent, then effective on the following July first, and annually thereafter as necessary, the board shall increase the then current contribution rates until a subsequent annual actuarial valuation of the system shows a funded ratio that is equal to or greater than 85 percent. Contributions are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)

Required employee contribution rates¹ are as follows:

	<u>Fiscal Year 2023¹</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2022¹</u>
SCRS		
Employee Class Two	9.00%	9.00%
Employee Class Three	9.00%	9.00%
State ORP		
Employee	9.00%	9.00%
PORS		
Employee Class Two	9.75%	9.75%
Employee Class Three	9.75%	9.75%

Required employer contribution rates¹ are as follows:

	<u>Fiscal Year 2023¹</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2022¹</u>
SCRS		
Employer Class Two	17.41%	16.41%
Employer Class Three	17.41%	16.41%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.15%	0.15%
State ORP		
Employer Contribution ²	17.41%	16.41%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.15%	0.15%
	<u>Fiscal Year 2023¹</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2022¹</u>
PORS		
Employer Class Two	19.84%	18.84%
Employer Class Three	19.84%	18.84%
Employer Incidental Death Benefit	0.20%	0.20%
Employer Accidental Death Program	0.20%	0.20%

¹ Calculated on earnable compensation as defined in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

² Of this employer contribution, 5% of earnable compensation must be remitted by the employer directly to the ORP service provider to be allocated to the member's account with the remainder of the employer contribution remitted to the SCRS.

Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Actuarial valuations of the plan involve estimates of the reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and future salary increases. Amounts determined regarding the net pension liability are subject to continual

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)

revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. South Carolina state statute requires that an actuarial experience study be completed at least once in each five-year period. An experience report on the Systems was most recently issued for the period ending June 30, 2019.

The June 30, 2022, total pension liability (TPL), net pension liability (NPL), and sensitivity information shown in this report were determined by our consulting actuary, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith and Company (GRS) and are based on an actuarial valuation performed as of July 1, 2021. The total pension liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date to the plans' fiscal year end, June 30, 2022, using generally accepted actuarial principles.

The following table provides a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods used to calculate the TPL as of June 30, 2022.

	SCRS	PORS
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Investment rate of return ¹	7%	7%
Projected salary increases	3.0% to 11.0% (varies by service) ¹	3.5% to 10.5% (varies by service) ¹
Benefit adjustments	lesser of 1% or \$500 annually	lesser of 1% or \$500 annually
¹ Includes inflation at 2.25%		

The post-retiree mortality assumption is dependent upon the member's job category and gender. The base mortality assumptions, the 2020 Public Retirees of South Carolina Mortality table (2020 PRSC), was developed using the Systems' mortality experience. These base rates are adjusted for future improvement in mortality using published Scale AA projected from the year 2020. Assumptions used in the determination of the June 30, 2022, TPL are as follows.

Former Job Class	Males	Females
Educators	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 95%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 94%
General Employees and Members of the General Assembly	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 97%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%
Public Safety and Firefighters	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 127%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)

Net Pension Liability

The NPL is calculated separately for each system and represents that particular system's TPL determined in accordance with GASB No. 67 less that System's fiduciary net position. NPL totals, as of June 30, 2022, for SCRS and PORS are presented below.

System	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Employers' Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
SCRS	\$ 56,454,779,872	\$ 32,212,626,932	\$ 24,242,152,940	57.1%
PORS	8,937,686,946	5,938,707,767	2,998,979,179	66.4%

The TPL is calculated by the Systems' actuary, and each plan's fiduciary net position is reported in the Systems' financial statements. The NPL is disclosed in accordance with the requirements of GASB 67 in the Systems' notes to the financial statements and required supplementary information. Liability calculations performed by the Systems' actuary for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of GASB Nos. 67 and 68 are not applicable for other purposes, such as determining the plans' funding requirements.

Long-term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is based upon 20-year capital market assumptions. The long-term expected rates of return represent assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market-based inputs. Expected returns are net of investment fees. The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2022 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation and is summarized in the table below. For actuarial purposes, the 7 percent assumed annual investment rate of return used in the calculation of the TPL includes a 4.75 percent real rate of return and a 2.25 percent inflation component.

Allocation/Exposure	Policy Target	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return	Long Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
Public Equity	46.0%	6.79%	3.12%
Bonds	26.0%	(0.35)%	(0.09)%
Private Equity	9.0%	8.75%	0.79%
Private Debt	7.0%	6.00%	0.42%
Real Assets	12.0%		
Real Estate	9.0%	4.12%	0.37%
Infrastructure	3.0%	5.88%	0.18%
Total Expected Return	100.00%		4.79%
Inflation for Actuarial Purposes			2.25%
Long-term Expected Rate of Return			7.04%

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8- Retirement Plans (continued)**Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the TPL was 7 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from participating employers in SCRS and PORS will be made based on the actuarially determined rates based on provisions in the South Carolina Code of Laws. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all the projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the TPL.

Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the collective NPL of the participating employers calculated using the discount rate of 7 percent, as well as what the employers' NPL would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.00 percent lower (6 percent) or 1.00 percent higher (8 percent) than the current rate.

Town's Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate			
System	1% Decrease (6%)	Current Discount Rate (7%)	1% Increase (8%)
SCRS	\$ 3,060,746	\$ 2,387,247	\$ 1,827,321
PORS	2,397,800	1,719,544	1,164,327

Additional Financial and Actuarial Information

Information contained in these Notes to the Schedules of Employer and Nonemployer Allocations and Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer (Schedules) was compiled from the Systems' audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, and the accounting valuation report as of June 30, 2023. Additional financial information supporting the preparation of the Schedules (including the unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements and required supplementary information) is available in the Systems' CAFR.

The Town of Kingstree Employer's Proportionate Share of the South Carolina Retirement System is .009848%. The Town of Kingstree Employer's Proportionate Share of the South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System is .05734% and is reported on the governmental-wide financials in the governmental activities in the amount of approximately \$2,674,000 and the business-type activities in the amount of \$1,432,000.

Deferred Outflows (Inflows) of Resources

At June 30, 2023, the Town reported deferred outflows (inflows) of resources related to pensions from the following sources.

The following schedule reflects the amortization of the Town's proportional share of the net balance of remaining deferred outflows (inflows) of resources at June 30, 2023.

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	Deferred outflows of resources	Deferred inflow of resources
Pension contributions subsequent to measurement date	\$ 397,794	\$ -
Difference in actual and expected experience	49,591	44,397
Change in assumptions	148,170	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	8,875	-
Change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions.	29,263	277,665
	<u>\$ 633,693</u>	<u>\$ 322,062</u>

Measurement Period Ending June 30,	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	SCRS	PORS
2022	2023	\$ (13,151)	\$ 33,001
2023	2024	29,356	22,533
2024	2025	74,784	68,736
2025	2026	(62,258)	(66,838)
		<u>\$ 28,731</u>	<u>\$ 57,432</u>

The Town reported \$397,794 as deferred outflows of resources related to contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. The Town received credits from the State in the amount of \$10,705 for SCRS and \$9,747 toward this obligation. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows (inflows) of resources will be recognized in pension expense in future years.

9- Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations-

For the year ended June 30, 2023, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the General Fund (the legal level of budgetary control) by approximately \$141,000, for which additional revenue was provided by approximately \$266,000 in funding above budgeted revenues and other financing sources. As a result, no fund balance was used to support expenditures and other financing uses over budget.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION OTHER THAN MD&A

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
BUDGETARY COMPARISON (GAAP BASIS) SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND-UNAUDITED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Property and Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 1,617,000	\$ 1,617,000	\$ 1,846,141	\$ 229,141
Intergovernmental Revenues	177,095	177,095	248,521	71,426
Charges for Services	2,160,307	2,160,307	2,124,801	(35,506)
Other Revenue	3,500	3,500	4,101	601
Total Revenue	<u>3,957,902</u>	<u>3,957,902</u>	<u>4,223,564</u>	<u>265,662</u>
EXPENDITURES				
General Government	671,733	671,733	810,210	(138,477)
Public Safety	1,983,776	1,983,776	1,844,007	139,769
Public Works	1,034,745	1,034,745	1,196,241	(161,496)
Culture and Recreation	310,745	310,745	291,101	19,644
Capital Outlay	-	50,000	50,000	-
Debt Service				
Principal	41,704	41,704	41,704	-
Interest	13,172	13,172	13,172	-
Total Expenditures	<u>4,055,875</u>	<u>4,105,875</u>	<u>4,246,435</u>	<u>(140,560)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over				
(Under) Expenditures	(97,973)	(147,973)	(22,871)	125,102
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds on sale of Capital Assets	-	-	11,757	11,757
Capital Contribution - Donated Truck	-	50,000	50,000	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>61,757</u>	<u>11,757</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>(97,973)</u>	<u>(97,973)</u>	38,886	
Fund Balance - beginning of the year	<u>1,526,174</u>	<u>1,526,174</u>	<u>1,526,174</u>	
Fund Balance -end of year	<u>\$ 1,428,201</u>	<u>\$ 1,428,201</u>	<u>\$ 1,565,060</u>	

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General Fund

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual
Year Ended June 30, 2023**

	<u>ORIGINAL BUDGET</u>	<u>FINAL BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Property and Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 1,617,000	\$ 1,617,000	\$ 1,846,141	\$ 229,141
Intergovernmental Revenue	177,095	177,095	248,521	71,426
Charges for Services	2,160,307	2,160,307	2,124,801	(35,506)
Other Revenue	<u>3,500</u>	<u>3,500</u>	<u>4,101</u>	<u>601</u>
Total Revenues	<u>3,957,902</u>	<u>3,957,902</u>	<u>4,223,564</u>	<u>265,662</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
<u>General Government:</u>				
Salaries	255,411	255,411	247,485	7,926
Fringe Benefits	61,298	61,298	58,669	2,629
Workers Compensation	1,854	1,854	2,618	(764)
Utilities	165,000	165,000	211,238	(46,238)
Communication	12,200	12,200	14,515	(2,315)
Grant Expense	1,000	1,000	78,216	(77,216)
Printing	4,300	4,300	2,231	2,069
Repairs and Maintenance	3,500	3,500	4,609	(1,109)
Dues and Subscriptions	3,000	3,000	1,845	1,155
Insurance	33,000	33,000	25,110	7,890
Travel/Training	7,000	7,000	5,956	1,044
Materials	11,500	11,500	17,886	(6,386)
Equipment Capital	400	400	-	400
Building Demo	8,000	8,000	1,840	6,160
Contract Services	84,000	84,000	98,469	(14,469)
Vehicle O and M	3,000	3,000	1,957	1,043
Train/Depot Project	11,000	11,000	21,654	(10,654)
Contingency	1,220	1,220	5,000	(3,780)
Miscellaneous	<u>5,050</u>	<u>5,050</u>	<u>10,912</u>	<u>(5,862)</u>
Total General Governmental	<u>671,733</u>	<u>671,733</u>	<u>810,210</u>	<u>(138,477)</u>

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General Fund

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual
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Public Safety:

Police Department:

Salaries	\$ 580,262	\$ 580,262	\$ 517,424	\$ 62,838
Fringe Benefits	148,936	148,936	126,541	22,395
Workers Compensation	21,847	21,847	30,124	(8,277)
Communication	25,000	25,000	19,953	5,047
Printing	2,100	2,100	1,593	507
Repairs and Maintenance	15,000	15,000	14,990	10
Dues and Subscriptions	200	200	300	(100)
Insurance	90,000	90,000	67,046	22,954
Travel/Training	2,000	2,000	3,511	(1,511)
Materials	9,000	9,000	27,753	(18,753)
Safety	1,500	1,500	1,400	100
Miscellaneous	750	750	459	291
Vehicle O and M	30,000	30,000	66,765	(36,765)
Equipment	49,124	49,124	28,781	(20,343)
Uniform	13,000	13,000	7,753	5,247
Utilities	1,500	1,500	891	609
Special Contracts	154,000	154,000	199,325	(45,325)
State Fees	8,500	8,500	15,183	(6,683)
Total Police Department	<u>1,152,719</u>	<u>1,152,719</u>	<u>1,129,792</u>	<u>22,927</u>

Fire Department:

Salaries	461,248	461,248	374,354	86,894
Fringe Benefits	124,177	124,177	94,590	29,587
Workers Compensation	20,812	20,812	20,246	566
Communication	17,000	17,000	17,205	(205)
Printing	300	300	73	227
Repairs and Maintenance	8,500	8,500	8,343	157
Travel/Training	4,000	4,000	4,977	(977)
Materials	13,500	13,500	19,140	(5,640)
Dues and Subscriptions	300	300	-	300

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General Fund

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
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Fire Department (continued):

Insurance	\$ 77,120	\$ 77,120	\$ 42,866	\$ (34,254)
Special Contracts	63,000	63,000	86,633	(23,633)
Safety	12,600	12,600	11,288	1,312
Uniforms	7,000	7,000	6,810	190
Utilities	2,500	2,500	1,254	1,246
Vehicle O and M	18,000	18,000	24,639	(6,639)
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	1,797	(797)
	<u>831,057</u>	<u>831,057</u>	<u>714,215</u>	<u>116,842</u>
Total Public Safety	<u>1,983,776</u>	<u>1,983,776</u>	<u>1,844,007</u>	<u>139,769</u>

Public Works:

Salaries	212,756	212,756	190,151	22,605
Fringe Benefits	51,509	51,509	42,778	8,731
Workers Compensation	6,360	6,360	8,981	(2,621)
Communication	1,850	1,850	1,616	234
Printing	500	500	-	500
Repairs and Maintenance	12,750	12,750	57,458	(44,708)
Uniform	3,150	3,150	2,316	834
Insurance	45,000	45,000	30,793	14,207
Safety	1,120	1,120	454	666
Special Contracts - Trash	622,000	622,000	753,404	(131,404)
Special Contracts	25,000	25,000	34,160	(9,160)
Travel/Training	10,500	10,500	4,744	5,756
Utilities	1,500	1,500	1,228	272
Vehicle O and M	21,000	21,000	29,214	(8,214)
Miscellaneous	4,750	4,750	2,162	2,588
Materials	15,000	15,000	36,782	(21,782)
Total Public Works	<u>1,034,745</u>	<u>1,034,745</u>	<u>1,196,241</u>	<u>(161,496)</u>

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General Fund

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual
Year Ended June 30, 2023**

Culture and Recreation:

Salaries	\$ 140,166	\$ 140,166	\$ 101,535	\$ 38,631
Fringe Benefits	34,508	34,508	25,017	9,491
Workers Compensation	2,011	2,011	2,840	(829)
Communication	3,000	3,000	3,049	(49)
Repairs and Maintenance	10,000	10,000	18,602	(8,602)
Insurance	30,000	30,000	17,553	12,447
Materials	13,000	13,000	6,891	6,109
Safety	360	360	271	89
Special Contracts	20,000	20,000	41,866	(21,866)
Uniforms	500	500	618	(118)
Dues and Subscriptions	200	200	18	182
Miscellaneous	1,500	1,500	68	1,432
Canteen Expense	8,500	8,500	14,929	(6,429)
Sports expense	40,000	40,000	50,553	(10,553)
Vehicle O and M	7,000	7,000	7,291	(291)
Total Culture and Recreation	<u>310,745</u>	<u>310,745</u>	<u>291,101</u>	<u>19,644</u>

Capital Outlay:

Land, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>
Total Capital Outlay	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>

Debt Service:

Principal	41,704	41,704	41,704	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	<u>13,172</u>	<u>13,172</u>	<u>13,172</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Debt Service	<u>54,876</u>	<u>54,876</u>	<u>54,876</u>	<u>-</u>

Total Expenditures	<u>4,055,875</u>	<u>4,055,875</u>	<u>4,246,435</u>	<u>(190,560)</u>
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Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(97,973)	(97,973)	(22,871)	75,102
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General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
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 Year Ended June 30, 2023

Other Financing Sources (Uses):

Proceeds on sale of Capital Assets	-	-	11,757	
Capital Contribution -Donated Truck	-	-	50,000	50,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	61,757	50,000
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>	<u>(97,973)</u>	<u>(97,973)</u>	<u>38,886</u>	<u>125,102</u>
Fund Balance -beginning of the year			1,526,174	
FUND BALANCE - end of year			<u>\$ 1,565,060</u>	

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
Schedule of Town of Kingstree's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Last Ten Fiscal Years

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<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Net Pension Liability percentage</u>	<u>Share of Net Pension Liability</u>	<u>Covered Employee Payroll</u>	<u>Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</u>
South Carolina Retirement System					
2014	0.01264%	2,266,986	1,103,103	205.51%	56.39%
2015	0.01264%	2,176,017	1,120,870	194.14%	59.92%
2016	0.01200%	2,275,858	1,147,457	198.34%	57.00%
2017	0.01084%	2,314,767	904,800	255.83%	52.90%
2018	0.01014%	2,282,002	1,022,785	223.12%	53.30%
2019	0.01015%	2,273,549	832,556	273.08%	54.10%
2020	0.01047%	2,390,966	1,105,710	216.24%	54.40%
2021	0.01091%	2,788,785	1,011,947	275.59%	50.70%
2022	0.01023%	2,214,830	1,172,608	188.88%	60.70%
2023	0.00985%	2,387,247	1,226,434	194.65%	57.06%
South Carolina Police Retirement System					
2014	0.07097%	1,471,168	790,610	186.08%	62.98%
2015	0.07097%	1,385,650	803,082	172.54%	67.55%
2016	0.07238%	1,577,519	852,153	185.12%	64.60%
2017	0.07437%	1,886,376	779,449	242.01%	60.40%
2018	0.07012%	1,920,980	957,613	200.60%	60.90%
2019	0.06517%	1,846,517	832,461	221.81%	61.70%
2020	0.06859%	1,965,597	908,408	216.38%	62.70%
2021	0.06342%	2,103,244	874,089	240.62%	58.80%
2022	0.05791%	1,490,056	907,422	164.21%	70.40%
2023	0.05734%	1,719,544	901,343	190.78%	66.45%

Note to Schedule:

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30th of the preceding year.

TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
Schedule of Town of Kingstree's Contributions
Last Ten Fiscal Years

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<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Contractually Required Contribution</u>	<u>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution</u>	<u>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</u>	<u>Covered Employee Payroll</u>	<u>Contribution as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll</u>
South Carolina Retirement System					
2014	118,812	118,812	-	1,120,870	10.60%
2015	125,073	125,073	-	1,147,457	10.90%
2016	100,071	100,071	-	904,800	11.06%
2017	118,234	118,234	-	1,022,785	11.56%
2018*	112,895	112,895	-	832,556	13.56%
2019*	160,991	160,991	-	1,105,710	14.56%
2020*	179,809	179,809	-	1,155,585	15.56%
2021*	157,459	157,459	-	1,011,947	15.56%
2022*	194,184	194,184	-	1,172,608	16.56%
2023*	215,362	215,362	-	1,226,434	17.56%
South Carolina Police Retirement System					
2014	103,276	103,276	-	803,082	12.86%
2015	114,274	114,274	-	852,153	13.41%
2016	105,553	105,553	-	779,449	13.54%
2017	134,468	134,468	-	957,613	14.04%
2018*	133,543	133,543	-	832,461	16.04%
2019*	154,811	154,811	-	908,408	17.04%
2020*	168,801	168,801	-	935,599	18.04%
2021*	157,703	157,703	-	874,089	18.04%
2022*	174,588	174,588	-	907,422	19.24%
2023*	182,432	182,432	-	901,343	20.24%

Note to Schedule:

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30th of the preceding year.

* They County's actual contributions to SCRS and PORS equal the required contribution before the state credit of 1% issued in accordance with South Carolina 2018-2019 Appropriations Act, Section 117.139.

COMBINING STATEMENTS AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023**

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	Special Revenue Funds				Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Federal Equitable Sharing Fund	Black River Park Network Fund	Police Narcotics Fund	Victims Advocate Fund	
<u>ASSETS</u>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 6,958	\$ -	\$ 29,357	\$ -	\$ 36,315
Due from Other Funds	-	-	-	154	154
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Restricted	-	2,000	-	50,783	52,783
Total Assets	\$ 6,958	\$ 2,000	\$ 29,357	\$ 50,937	\$ 89,252
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86	\$ 86
Due to Third Party	-	-	11,373	-	11,373
Due to Other Funds	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
Total Liabilities	-	2,000	11,373	86	13,459
Fund Balances:					
Restricted	6,958	-	-	50,851	57,809
Committed to Special Revenue Projects/Programs	-	-	17,984	-	17,984
Total Fund Balance	6,958	-	17,984	50,851	75,793
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 6,958	\$ 2,000	\$ 29,357	\$ 50,937	\$ 89,252

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TOWN OF KINGSTREE SOUTH CAROLINA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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	Federal Equitable Sharing Fund	Black River Park Network Fund	Police Narcotics Fund	Victims Advocate Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Interest Earned	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108	\$ -	\$ 108
Other Revenue	1	-	400	5,191	5,592
Total Revenues	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>5,191</u>	<u>5,700</u>
Expenditures					
Current:					
Public Safety	-	-	-	1,175	1,175
Total Expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,175</u>	<u>1,175</u>
Excess of (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>4,016</u>	<u>4,525</u>
Net change in fund balance	1	-	508	4,016	4,525
Fund Balances, beginning of year	<u>6,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,476</u>	<u>46,835</u>	<u>71,268</u>
Fund Balances, end of year	<u>\$ 6,958</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17,984</u>	<u>\$ 50,851</u>	<u>\$ 75,793</u>

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Water and Sewer Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual

Year Ended June 30, 2023

	<u>ORIGINAL BUDGET</u>	<u>FINAL BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE WITH BUDGET</u>
<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>				
Charges for Services - Water	\$ 1,625,000	\$ 1,625,000	\$ 1,358,752	\$ (266,248)
Charges for Services - Sewer	<u>1,677,313</u>	<u>1,677,313</u>	<u>1,434,646</u>	<u>(242,667)</u>
Total Operating Revenues	3,302,313	3,302,313	2,793,398	(508,915)
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>				
<u>Water Department</u>				
Salaries	641,739	641,739	640,975	764
Fringe Benefits	153,379	153,379	132,067	21,312
Workers Compensation	9,111	9,111	12,866	(3,755)
Utilities	76,500	76,500	99,923	(23,423)
Communication	15,000	15,000	24,840	(9,840)
Repairs and Maintenance	60,000	60,000	105,077	(45,077)
Dues and Subscriptions	5,000	5,000	998	4,002
Insurance	97,500	97,500	81,019	16,481
Travel/Training	8,000	8,000	4,798	3,202
Special Contracts	441,268	441,268	382,763	58,505
Materials and Printing	124,000	124,000	237,666	(113,666)
Bad Debt	-	-	5,780	(5,780)
Safety	5,000	5,000	866	4,134
Miscellaneous	3,000	3,000	41	2,959
Uniform	5,000	5,000	2,617	2,383
Contingency	725	725	-	725
Small Equipment & Improvements	160,000	160,000	40,123	119,877
Vehicle Operation and Maintenance	30,000	30,000	43,116	(13,116)
Depreciation and Amortization	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>342,275</u>	<u>(342,275)</u>
Total Water Department	1,835,222	1,835,222	2,157,810	(322,588)
<u>Sewer Department</u>				
Salaries	194,457	194,457	175,816	18,641
Fringe Benefits	47,078	47,078	38,240	8,838
Workers Compensation	5,172	5,172	7,304	(2,132)

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Water and Sewer Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual

Year Ended June 30, 2023

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH BUDGET
Utilities	\$ 155,000	\$ 155,000	\$ 160,580	\$ (5,580)
Communication	6,000	6,000	7,772	(1,772)
Repairs and Maintenance	170,000	170,000	240,057	(70,057)
Dues and Subscriptions	400	400	227	173
Insurance	30,000	30,000	25,610	4,390
Travel/Training	4,500	4,500	4,574	(74)
Materials	60,000	60,000	43,450	16,550
Bad Debt	-	-	3,853	(3,853)
Special Contracts	120,000	120,000	169,377	(49,377)
Miscellaneous	1,900	1,900	120	1,780
Safety	500	500	777	(277)
Depreciation	-	-	228,184	(228,184)
Vehicle Operation and Maintenance	10,000	10,000	16,772	(6,772)
Uniform	2,500	2,500	2,716	(216)
Total Sewer Department	<u>807,507</u>	<u>807,507</u>	<u>1,125,429</u>	<u>(317,922)</u>
Total Expenses	<u>2,642,729</u>	<u>2,642,729</u>	<u>3,283,239</u>	<u>(640,510)</u>
<u>Operating Income (Loss)</u>	659,584	659,584	(489,841)	(1,149,425)
Nonoperating Revenue (Expenses):				
Interest Income	4,000	4,000	9,044	5,044
Interest Expense - Water	(259,545)	(259,545)	(100,962)	158,583
Interest Expense - Sewer	(102,771)	(102,771)	(78,961)	23,810
Other Revenue - Water	4,000	4,000	8,092	4,092
Total Nonoperating Revenue (Expenses)	<u>(354,316)</u>	<u>(354,316)</u>	<u>(162,787)</u>	<u>191,529</u>
Income (loss) before transfers	305,268	305,268	(652,628)	(957,896)
Transfer in	-	-	36,782	36,782
<u>Changes in Net Position</u>	<u>\$ 305,268</u>	<u>\$ 305,268</u>	(615,846)	<u>\$ (957,896)</u>
Net Position- beginning of the year			<u>4,934,994</u>	
Net Position - end of the year			<u>\$ 4,319,148</u>	

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TOWN OF KINGSTREE, SOUTH CAROLINA
Schedule of Fines, Assessments and Surcharges
Special Revenue - Victims Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2023

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Court Fines, Assessments and Surcharges

Court fines collected	\$ 600
Court assessments collected	36,396
Court surcharges collected	<u>10,733</u>
Total Court fines, Assessments and Surcharges collected	\$ 47,729
Total Court fines, Assessments and Surcharges Remitted to State	42,539

Retained by the Town	<u>\$ 5,191</u>
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Victims Services

Victim's Assistance Funds Collected	\$ 5,191
Victim's Assistance Funds Expended	<u>(1,175)</u>

Change in Victim's Assistance Funds	4,016
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Funds available, beginning of year	<u>46,835</u>
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Funds available, end of year	<u><u>\$ 50,851</u></u>
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COMPLIANCE SECTION

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Members of Town Council
Town of Kingstree
Kingstree, South Carolina

I have audited 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Kingstree, South Carolina (the "Town") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated October 4, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's internal control over financial reporting ("internal control") to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* 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 and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. 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. I consider, 2023-1 and 2023-2, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during my audit I did identify deficiencies; 2023-1 and 2023-2, in internal control not to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's financial statements are free from material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, 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, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's Response to Findings

The Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's responses to the findings identified in my audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Kingstree, South Carolina's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Samantha Salisbury

Samantha A. Salisbury, CPA
October 4, 2023

**TOWN OF KINGSTREE
SOUTH CAROLINA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2023-1. Financial Statements prepared using Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Condition: The Town's management does not prepare the financial statements. There are policies, procedures, and resources in place to provide source documentation used to prepare the statements, but financial statement preparation is not done by management.

Criteria: Effective internal control over financial reporting should include control activities developed and maintained to support personnel responsible for producing financial statements prepared using GAAP.

Effect: Potential material disclosures and classifications are not prevented or detected prior to the end of the year.

Recommendation: Management should continue to evaluate the current control activities and determine the cost/benefit to the organization to prepare financial statements.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: Management continues to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of this condition. Management provides a skilled, experienced, and knowledgeable staff member to examine and review all information included in the financial statements and supplemental sections before release.

2023-2. Financial Policy and Procedures

Condition: The Town needs to finish its comprehensive financial policy and procedures manual used to manage the town's activities and utilize internal controls to support the Town's financial reporting system.

Criteria: Effective internal control over financial reporting should include control activities, policies, and procedures that ensure all transactions are entered and accounted for in the financial reporting system.

Effect: Material disclosures and classifications are not prevented or detected prior to the end of the year.

Recommendation: Management should finalize policies and procedures manual to record and reconcile all transactions to the general ledger. There are policies and procedures in place, and cross-training is being performed, but a manual will support this process.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: Management concurs and has worked to develop a manual. Each department is working to prepare a policy and procedures manual to be used in case of their absence or for new personnel.

**TOWN OF KINGSTREE
SOUTH CAROLINA
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

1. Financial Statements prepared using Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Condition: The Town's management does not prepare the financial statements; there are policies, procedures, and resources in place to provide source documentation used to prepare the statements, but financial statement preparation is not done by management.

Criteria: Effective internal control over financial reporting should include control activities developed and maintained to support personnel responsible for producing financial statements prepared using GAAP.

Current Year Status: Management continues to work to resolve this issue and reports all financial information within the financial reporting system maintained by the finance department. Management examines reviews and provides a skilled, experienced, and knowledgeable staff member to approve drafts before release. This will remain a significant deficiency for the current reporting year.

2. Financial Policy and Procedures

Condition: The Town needs to develop a comprehensive financial policy and procedures manual to define the role and responsibility of its staff and use available resources to manage the town's activities and utilize internal controls to support the Town's financial reporting system.

Criteria: Effective internal control over financial reporting should include control activities, policies, and procedures that ensure all transactions are entered and accounted for in the financial reporting system.

Effect: Material disclosures and classifications are not prevented or detected prior to the end of the year.

Current Year Status: Management is training personnel in the procedures necessary to maintain a proper and useful general ledger. The written manual is almost completed, and documentation of all departmental procedures is in progress, but departments have procedures in place to support the financial reporting of the Town. This will remain a significant deficiency for the current reporting year.

COMPLIANCE FINDINGS

None noted in the prior year.