**ANNUAL REPORT** 

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018



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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Commissioners Alexander County Taylorsville, North Carolina

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Alexander County, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County'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

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of Alexander County Economic Development Corporation. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Alexander County Economic Development Corporation, is based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. The financial statements of Alexander County Economic Development Corporation were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

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, we 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.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Alexander County, North Carolina, as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 5 to the financial statements, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, Alexander County adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Other Post-Employment Benefits' Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Schedules of the County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Asset (Liability) and County Contributions, the Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund Schedules of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset and Schedule of County Contributions, and the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance Schedules of the Changes in Total Pension Liability and Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll, 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, economical, or historical context. We and other auditors 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 our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Alexander County's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from, and relate directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare 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 by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the report of the other auditors, the combining and individual fund financial statements, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules 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*, we have also issued our report dated November 21, 2018, on our consideration of Alexander County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Alexander County's 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 Alexander County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Martin Starnes & associates, CPas, P.a.

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A. Hickory, North Carolina November 21, 2018 This page left blank intentionally.

### Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Alexander County, we offer readers of Alexander County's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Alexander County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the County's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of Alexander County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$27,863,135 (*net position*).
- The government's total net position increased by \$5,417,438, primarily due to maintaining the property tax rate, receipt of Medicaid hold harmless funds in excess of budget estimate, receipt of additional funds from the State's new sales tax distribution plan, and activity for several projects financed with Federal and State grant funds.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, Alexander County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$23,104,259 after a net increase in fund balance of \$2,813,529. Approximately 32.33% of this total amount, or \$7,469,947, is restricted or non-spendable.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$8,133,974, or 20.78%, of total General Fund expenditures and transfers out for the fiscal year.
- Alexander County's total debt decreased by \$2,022,642 (15%) during the current fiscal year. The key factor in this decrease is the timely payments of debt service as they come due during the fiscal year.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Alexander County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements consist of three components; 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (see Figure 1). The basic financial statements present two different views of the County through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of Alexander County.

## **Required Components of Annual Financial Report**

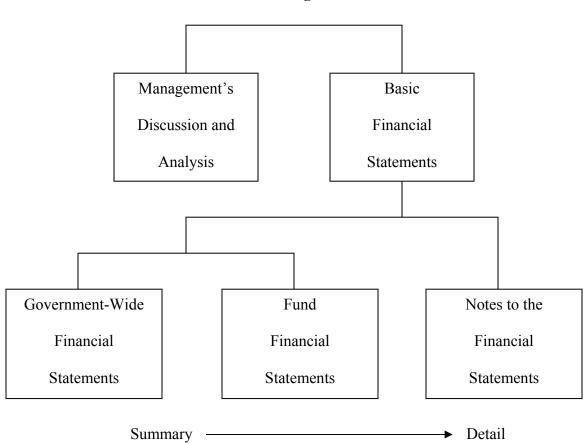


Figure 1

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

The first two statements (Exhibits A and B) in the basic financial statements are the **Government-Wide Financial Statements**. They provide both short and long-term information about the County's financial status.

The next statements (Exhibits C through J) are **Fund Financial Statements**. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the County's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements. There are four parts to the fund financial statements: 1) the governmental funds statements, 2) the budgetary comparison statements, 3) the proprietary fund statements, and 4) the fiduciary fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **Notes to the Financial Statements**. The notes explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, **Supplemental Information** is provided to show details about the County's nonmajor governmental funds, which are added together in one column on the basic financial statements. Budgetary information required by the General Statutes also can be found in this part of the statements.

Following the notes is the required supplemental information. This section contains funding information about the County's pension plans.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the County's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the County's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the County's net position and how they have changed. Net position is the difference between the County's total assets and deferred outflows of resources and the total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Measuring net position is one way to gauge the County's financial condition.

The government-wide statements are divided into two categories: 1) governmental activities and 2) business-type activities. The governmental activities include most of the County's basic services such as public safety, human services, education, and general government administration. Property taxes and state and federal grant funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those that the County charges customers to provide. These include the water and sewer and landfill services offered by Alexander County.

The government-wide financial statements are on Exhibits A and B of this report.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the County's most significant activities. 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. Alexander County, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the County's budget ordinance. All of the funds of Alexander County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental Funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the County's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting*. This method also has a current financial resources focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps him or her determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the County's programs. The relationship between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

Alexander County adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the County, the management of the County, and the decisions of the Board about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the County to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the County complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the County succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the Board; 2) the final budget as amended by the Board; 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund; and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges.

**Proprietary Funds.** Alexander County has one kind of proprietary fund. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Alexander County uses enterprise funds to account for its water and sewer activity and for its landfill operations. These funds are the same as those separate activities shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

**Fiduciary Funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Alexander County has four fiduciary funds, which are agency funds.

**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. The notes to the financial statements start after Exhibit J of this report.

**Other Information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information concerning Alexander County's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. Required supplementary information can be found on Schedules 1 through 7 after the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The County's assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$27,863,135 as of June 30, 2018. The County's net position increased by \$5,417,438 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. The increase was primarily due to maintaining the property tax rate and an increase in construction in progress for several projects using federal and state grant and loan funds. One of the largest portions, \$27,356,075 (98.18%), reflects the County's net investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment). Alexander County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although Alexander County's net investment in capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. An additional portion of Alexander County's net position, \$7,026,549 (25.22%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$(6,519,489) (-23.40%) is unrestricted net position.

## **Alexander County's Net Position**

## Figure 2

		imental vities		ss-Type vities	Та	otal
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Assets:						
Current and other assets	\$ 26,088,693	\$ 22,814,528	\$ 6,068,152	\$ 4,413,304	\$ 32,156,845	\$ 27,227,832
Capital assets	20,687,401	21,172,800	16,741,709	15,816,925	37,429,110	36,989,725
Total assets	46,776,094	43,987,328	22,809,861	20,230,229	69,585,955	64,217,557
Deferred outflows						
of resources	2,499,979	3,512,234	56,149	97,695	2,556,128	3,609,929
<b>Liabilities:</b> Long-term liabilities						
outstanding	32,296,193	22,560,599	7,692,344	7,949,025	39,988,537	30,509,624
Other liabilities	1,619,613	1,235,331	199,332	79,728	1,818,945	1,315,059
Total liabilities	33,915,806	23,795,930	7,891,676	8,028,753	41,807,482	31,824,683
Deferred inflows of resources	2,228,330	234,706	243,136	12,448	2,471,466	247,154
Net Position:						
Net investment in capital						
assets	15,408,824	15,346,269	11,947,251	10,522,205	27,356,075	25,868,474
Restricted	7,026,549	7,433,818	-	-	7,026,549	7,433,818
Unrestricted	(9,303,436)	688,839	2,783,947	1,767,518	(6,519,489)	2,456,357
Total net position	\$ 13,131,937	\$ 23,468,926	<u>\$ 14,731,198</u>	\$ 12,289,723	\$ 27,863,135	\$ 35,758,649

Several particular aspects of the County's financial operations positively influenced the total unrestricted governmental net position:

- Maintaining the property tax rate, which was increased by 12.5 cents for the 2015-2016 year
- Increased sales tax revenue and Medicaid hold harmless revenue
- Increased charges for services revenue
- Continued low cost of debt due to low interest rates

## Alexander County's Changes in Net Position

## Figure 3

	Governmental Activities			Busine Activ		Total				
	2018		2017	 2018		2017		2018		2017
Revenues:										
Program revenues:										
Charges for services	\$ 4,710,533	\$	4,810,376	\$ 4,354,455	\$	4,484,959	\$	9,064,988	\$	9,295,335
Operating grants and										
contributions	4,159,607		5,189,439	-		-		4,159,607		5,189,439
Capital grants and										
contributions	647,067		737,166	1,267,849		6,093		1,914,916		743,259
General revenues:										
Property taxes	21,755,961		21,709,584	-		-		21,755,961		21,709,584
Other taxes	9,310,423		8,879,329	-		-		9,310,423		8,879,329
Grants and contributions										
not restricted to										
specific programs	-		-	108,538		98,414		108,538		98,414
Other	253,755		96,031	3,164		1,435		256,919		97,466
Total revenues	40,837,346		41,421,925	 5,734,006		4,590,901		46,571,352		46,012,826
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Expenses:										
General government	6,528,341		6,378,238	-		-		6,528,341		6,378,238
Public safety	11,808,458		11,244,734	-		-		11,808,458		11,244,734
Environmental protection	529,105		467,447	-		-		529,105		467,447
Economic and physical										
development	583,512		802,983	-		-		583,512		802,983
Human services	9,127,833		10,235,297	-		-		9,127,833		10,235,297
Cultural and recreation	1,046,413		1,007,697	-		-		1,046,413		1,007,697
Education	6,980,095		7,035,696	-		-		6,980,095		7,035,696
Interest and fees	233,853		280,647	-		-		233,853		280,647
Water and sewer	-		-	2,471,786		2,633,662		2,471,786		2,633,662
Solid waste	-		-	1,844,518		(324,189)		1,844,518		(324,189)
Total expenses	36,837,610		37,452,739	 4,316,304		2,309,473		41,153,914		39,762,212
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Change in net										
position before transfers	3,999,736		3,969,186	1,417,702		2,281,428		5,417,438		6,250,614
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Transfers	(1,274,913)		(398,349)	 1,274,913		398,349		-		
Change in net position	2,724,823		3,570,837	2,692,615		2,679,777		5,417,438		6,250,614
Change in het position	2,724,023		5,570,657	 2,092,015		2,079,777	-	5,417,450		0,230,014
Net Position:										
Beginning of year - July 1	23,468,926		20,130,669	12,289,723		9,609,946		35,758,649		29,740,615
Restatement	(13,061,812)		(232,580)	(251,140)		-		(13,312,952)		(232,580)
Beginning of year - July 1, restated	10,407,114		19,898,089	 12,038,583		9,609,946		22,445,697		29,508,035
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End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 13,131,937</u>	\$	23,468,926	\$ 14,731,198	\$	12,289,723	\$	27,863,135	\$	35,758,649

**Governmental Activities.** Governmental activities increased the County's net position by \$2,724,823 thereby accounting for 50.30% of the total increase in the net position of Alexander County. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

- Maintained the property tax rate in 2017-2018 after an increase of 12.5 cents in 2015-2016
- Increase in sales tax revenue from the state's new sales tax distribution plan
- Increase in Medicaid hold harmless revenue over the amount budgeted

**Business-Type Activities.** Business-type activities increased Alexander County's net position by \$2,692,615, accounting for 49.70% of the total increase in the government's net position. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

• New sales tax for economic development used as local match for water and sewer projects

#### **Financial Analysis of the County's Funds**

As noted earlier, Alexander County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental Funds.** The focus of Alexander County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing Alexander County's financing requirements. Specifically, fund balance available for appropriation can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of Alexander County. At the end of the current fiscal year, Alexander County's fund balance available in the General Fund was \$12,140,182, while total fund balance reached \$16,304,004. The County currently has an available fund balance of 31.01% of total General Fund expenditures and transfers out, while total fund balance represents 41.65% of that same amount.

At June 30, 2018, the governmental funds of Alexander County reported a combined fund balance of \$23,104,259, a 13.87% increase over last year. The primary reason for this increase is the increase in fund balance in the General Fund.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights. During the fiscal year, the County revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as Federal and State grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services. Total amendments to the General Fund increased estimated revenues by approximately \$820,000 which is 2.08 percent more than originally budgeted. The County appropriated fund balance for the following types of activity: A) Capital-building renovation project for County offices, B) Grants-local matching funds for grant projects approved during the year; additional local matching funds for existing grant projects due to higher costs than original estimates, and C) Maintain Services-use of appropriated fund balance to maintain service levels. The County also received additional federal and state funding during the year for public safety, social services, public health, and other human services programs. The additional funding consisted of increases in grant revenues that were included in the original budget as well as new grants that had not been awarded when the budget was adopted. In addition, Medicaid hold harmless revenues were more than the amount estimated in the original budget. These items accounted for the primary difference between the originally adopted budget and the final budget.

**Proprietary Funds.** Alexander County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. Unrestricted net position of the major proprietary funds at the end of the fiscal year were as follows: County Water and Sewer Fund – \$1,957,107; Bethlehem Water Fund – \$2,238,608; Solid Waste Fund – (\$817,139) deficit; and Landfill Closure Fund – (\$1,461,280) deficit. The total increase in net position for these four major funds was \$1,996,796. Other factors concerning the finances of these funds have already been addressed in the discussion of Alexander County's business-type activities.

#### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets.** Alexander County's capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2018, total \$37,429,110 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include buildings, land, equipment, vehicles, and construction in progress.

Major capital asset transactions during the year include:

- Construction in progress for building renovations to create additional County office space
- Completion of a capital project to add a community building at one of the County parks
- Purchase of a building that was previously leased for Sheriff's evidence storage
- Purchase of vehicles and equipment for public safety and human services programs
- Purchase of technology equipment for general government
- Retirement of surplus vehicles from public safety and human services programs
- Purchase of landfill equipment
- Retirement of landfill equipment
- Water line extensions added to the County's water distribution system
- Construction in progress for two sewer projects

## Alexander County's Capital Assets Figure 4

			ernmental ctivities			Busine Acti		Total				
	2018		2017		2018		2017		2018		2017	
Land	\$	4,395,204	\$	4,388,204	\$	240,573	\$	231,973	\$	4,635,777	\$	4,620,177
Construction in progress		213,721		666,065		1,828,576		245,259		2,042,297		911,324
Buildings		20,761,286		20,008,000		651,404		651,404		21,412,690		20,659,404
Other improvements		419,075		419,075		-		-		419,075		419,075
Equipment and machinery		4,705,426		4,287,251		644,668		607,152		5,350,094		4,894,403
Vehicles		3,747,230		3,330,129		316,417		316,417		4,063,647		3,646,546
Infrastructure		395,402		395,402		24,946,648		24,819,183		25,342,050		25,214,585
Furniture and fixtures		7,724		7,724		1,603	_	1,603	_	9,327		9,327
		34,645,068		33,501,850		28,629,889		26,872,991		63,274,957		60,374,841
Less: accumulated depreciation		(13,957,667)		(12,329,050)		(11,888,180)		(11,056,066)		(25,845,847)		(23,385,116)
Total	\$	20,687,401	\$	21,172,800	\$	16,741,709	\$	15,816,925	\$	37,429,110	\$	36,989,725

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in Note 2A of the basic financial statements.

**Long-Term Debt.** As of June 30, 2018, Alexander County had total debt outstanding of \$11,678,114, all of which is debt backed by the full-faith and credit of the County.

## Alexander County's Outstanding Debt Notes Payable and General Obligation Bonds

## Figure 5

	Governmental Activities			ss-Type vities	Total				
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017			
Notes payable General obligation bonds	\$6,883,656 -	\$8,406,036	\$4,794,458	\$5,158,853 <u>135,867</u>	\$11,678,114	\$13,564,889 135,867			
Total	\$6,883,656	\$8,406,036	\$4,794,458	\$5,294,720	\$11,678,114	\$13,700,756			

Alexander County's total debt decreased by \$2,022,642 (14.76%) during the past fiscal year, primarily due to timely debt service payments.

The State of North Carolina limits the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8% of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government's boundaries. The legal debt margin for Alexander County is approximately \$196,598,930.

Additional information regarding Alexander County's long-term debt can be found in Note 2B of this audited financial report.

#### Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The following key economic indicators reflect the growth and prosperity of the County.

- During the fiscal year 2018 the County's unemployment rate fluctuated between the second and third lowest rates in the State. The County is experiencing a low unemployment rate of 2.9% compared to the State average of 3.7%.
- While low unemployment rates are a positive economic indicator, the low rate has put strain on local companies seeking to hire new employees. The County also faces an extreme rate of out commuters with approximately 50% of the Alexander County workforce employed outside of the County. The total number of jobs inside the County remained stable at approximately 10,000.
- There is a current shortage of quality vacant buildings, making recruitment of new employers to the County more difficult. However, a major new employer has located in the County's industrial park investing approximately \$15 million and pledging a minimum of 50 new jobs. The Economic Development Corporation was formulating plans to establish new industrial sites and to expand access to the industrial park sites.
- Commercial and retail growth, in terms of the number and variety of establishments, did not significantly increase, but plans are in place to enhance recruitment of new establishments during fiscal year 2019 and beyond.

#### **Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019**

**Governmental Activities.** General Fund revenues, excluding transfers, are projected to decrease \$219,000 (0.6%) from 2018 amounts. This is due to an estimated decrease in the property tax valuation of \$1,495,000 (0.06%). There are also lower revenue estimates for some permits and fees and some categories of sales and services compared to 2018 results.

General Fund expenditures, excluding transfers, are projected to increase \$4,824,000 (14.0%) from 2018 amounts. The main factors for this include filling vacant employee positions and adding new positions, increases in retiree health insurance participation and health insurance costs for current employees, increases in human services programs and adding new human services programs, and an increase in the current expense appropriation to the school system.

Capital projects continuing in fiscal year 2019 include the County Office Complex Project to renovate a building to house several County government departments.

**Business-Type Activities.** Budgeted expenditures in the Solid Waste Fund are expected to remain at the same level as 2018. Water rates will increase 2.1% to cover increased operating costs passed on from the County's water supplier.

Capital projects continuing in fiscal year 2019 include the Shurtape Job Retention Wastewater Project, which will use economic development grants and local matching funds. The Industrial Park Pump Station Project, funded with a Federal grant and a local match, will continue as well. The County has been approved to proceed with plans for a water system extension project and a sewer system extension project. Both of these projects will be financed with a combination of zero-interest and low-interest loans through the State Reserve Project Loan program of the NC Department of Environmental Quality. Another project beginning in fiscal year 2019 will provide sewer infrastructure to an elementary school in the County. CDBG-I funding and a County local match will be used for this project.

#### **Requests for Information**

This report is designed to provide an overview of the County's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report, or requests for additional information (including information related to the Bethlehem Water District, a blended component unit), should be directed to the Finance Director, Alexander County, 621 Liledoun Road, Taylorsville, North Carolina 28681. You can also call (828) 632-4591, visit our website www.alexandercountync.gov, or send an email to jherman@alexandercountync.gov for more information.

# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2018

$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c c c } \hline Primary Government & Econom \\ \hline \hline Governmental & Business-Type & Total & Developm \\ \hline Activities & Activities & Total & Corporat \\ \hline \hline Cash and investments & $19,529,843 $5,701,715 $25,231,558 $5 \\ \hline Taxes receivable, net & 1,140,492 & - 1,140,492 \\ Accounts receivable, net & 355,718 $664,121 $1,019,839 \\ Note receivable & - & - & - \\ Due from other governments & 3,152,074 & - 3,152,074 \\ Internal balances & 317,082 $(317,082) $- \\ Prepaid items & 384,922 $19,398 $404,320 \\ \hline \end{tabular}$
Cash and investments       \$ 19,529,843 \$ 5,701,715 \$ 25,231,558 \$ 5         Taxes receivable, net       1,140,492       -       1,140,492         Accounts receivable, net       355,718       664,121       1,019,839         Note receivable       -       -       -         Due from other governments       3,152,074       -       3,152,074         Internal balances       317,082       (317,082)       -
Taxes receivable, net       1,140,492       -       1,140,492         Accounts receivable, net       355,718       664,121       1,019,839         Note receivable       -       -       -         Due from other governments       3,152,074       -       3,152,074         Internal balances       317,082       (317,082)       -
Accounts receivable, net     355,718     664,121     1,019,839       Note receivable     -     -     -       Due from other governments     3,152,074     -     3,152,074       Internal balances     317,082     (317,082)     -
Note receivableDue from other governments3,152,074-3,152,074Internal balances317,082(317,082)-
Due from other governments         3,152,074         -         3,152,074           Internal balances         317,082         (317,082)         -
Internal balances 317,082 (317,082) -
Prepaid items 384,922 19,398 404,320
Cash and investments, restricted         1,161,281         -         1,161,281
Net pension asset 47,281 - 47,281
Capital assets:
Land and other non-depreciable assets 4,608,925 2,069,149 6,678,074 6
Depreciable assets, net $16,078,476$ $14,672,560$ $30,751,036$ $-16,741,700$ $37,400,110$ $-11$
Capital assets, net 20,687,401 16,741,709 37,429,110 1,1
Total assets         46,776,094         22,809,861         69,585,955         1,1
Deferred Outflows of Resources:
OPEB deferrals         262,302         5         262,307           Decide deferrals         2027,677         5         144         2023,021
Pension deferrals 2,237,677 56,144 2,293,821 2,265 (120)
Total deferred outflows of resources         2,499,979         56,149         2,556,128
Liabilities:Accounts payable and accrued liabilities1,052,597189,0571,241,654
Miscellaneous liabilities 567,016 10,275 577,291
Accrued interest 79,677 7,001 86,678
Current portion of compensated absences 657,000 8,100 665,100
Current portion of long-term debt 1,404,579 364,395 1,768,974
Total current liabilities         3,760,869         578,828         4,339,697
Non-current liabilities:
Net pension liability - LGERS         2,779,779         66,065         2,845,844
Total pension liability - LEOSSA828,599-828,599
Accrued landfill post-closure care costs - 2,296,720 2,296,720
Non-current compensated absences 484,405 6,801 491,206
Total OPEB liability         20,583,077         513,199         21,096,276           0.000 140         0.000 140         0.000 140         0.000 140
Non-current portion of long-term debt         5,479,077         4,430,063         9,909,140           Total non-current liabilities         30,154,937         7,312,848         37,467,785
Total liabilities         33,915,806         7,891,676         41,807,482
Deferred Inflows of Resources:
OPEB deferrals         1,869,019         35,936         1,904,955
Pension deferrals 199,422 9,395 208,817
Unavailable revenues         -         197,805         197,805           Prepaid taxes         159,889         -         159,889
Total deferred inflows of resources         2,228,330         243,136         2,471,466
Net Position:         2,220,550         245,150         2,771,400
Net rostion: Net investment in capital assets 15,408,824 11,947,251 27,356,075 Restricted for:
Stabilization for state statute 3,849,830 - 3,849,830
Register of Deeds         14,911         -         14,911
Register of Deeds' pension plan 63,691 - 63,691
Public safety 475,524 - 475,524
General government 63,148 - 63,148
Human services 549,207 - 549,207
Economic and physical development 6,238 - 6,238
Education 2,004,000 - 2,004,000
Permanently restricted 1
Unrestricted (9,303,436) 2,783,947 (6,519,489) 9
Total net position $\$$ 13,131,937 $\$$ 14,731,198 $\$$ 27,863,135 $\$$ 1,0

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

				Program Revenues								
	Expenses			Charges for Services	C	Operating Grants and ontributions	Capital Grants and Contributions					
Functions/Programs:												
Primary Government:												
Governmental Activities:												
General government	\$	6,528,341	\$	585,063	\$	33,400	\$	-				
Public safety		11,808,458		2,511,847		93,088		-				
Environmental protection		529,105		83,927		41,742		-				
Economic and physical development		583,512		14,333		333		51,600				
Human services		9,127,833		1,445,474		3,890,934		-				
Cultural and recreation		1,046,413		69,889		100,110		112,408				
Education		6,980,095		-		-		483,059				
Interest and fees		233,853		-		-		-				
Total governmental activities		36,837,610	_	4,710,533		4,159,607		647,067				
Business-Type Activities:												
Water and sewer		2,471,786		3,056,296		-		1,267,849				
Solid waste		1,844,518		1,298,159		-		-				
Total business-type activities		4,316,304		4,354,455		-		1,267,849				
Total primary government	\$	41,153,914	\$	9,064,988	\$	4,159,607	\$	1,914,916				
Component Unit:												
Alexander County Economic												
Development Corporation	\$	87,322	\$	-	\$	200,000	\$					

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Net (Expense) N	levenue and Chang	es in Net I Usition	
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Alexander County Economic Development Corporation
Functions/Programs:				
Primary Government:				
Governmental Activities:	<b>•</b> (• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•	<b>•</b> ( <b>•</b> • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
General government	\$ (5,909,878) (0,202,522)		¢ (0,200,000)	
Public safety	(9,203,523)		(9,203,523)	
Environmental protection	(403,436)		(403,436)	
Economic and physical development	(517,246)		(517,246)	
Human services Cultural and recreation	(3,791,425)		(3,791,425)	
Education	(764,006) (6,497,036)		(764,006) (6,497,036)	
Interest and fees	(0,497,030) (233,853)		(0,497,030) (233,853)	
Total governmental activities	(27,320,403)	·	(27,320,403)	
Business-Type Activities:				
Water and sewer	-	1,852,359	1,852,359	
Solid waste		(546,359)	(546,359)	
Total business-type activities		1,306,000	1,306,000	
Total primary government	(27,320,403)	1,306,000	(26,014,403)	
Component Unit:				
Alexander County Economic				
Development Corporation				112,678
General Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	21,755,961	-	21,755,961	-
Local option sales taxes	8,846,433	-	8,846,433	-
Other taxes and licenses	463,990	-	463,990	-
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	-	108,538	108,538	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	24,231
Investment earnings, unrestricted	253,755	3,164	256,919	3,587
Total general revenues, excluding transfers	31,320,139	111,702	31,431,841	27,818
Transfers	(1,274,913)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Tuistets	(1,271,713)	1,271,915		
Total general revenues and transfers	30,045,226	1,386,615	31,431,841	27,818
Change in net position	2,724,823	2,692,615	5,417,438	140,496
Net Position:				
Beginning of year - July 1	23,468,926	12,289,723	35,758,649	1,050,252
Restatement	(13,061,812)			
Beginning of year - July 1, restated	10,407,114	12,038,583	22,445,697	952,118
End of year - June 30	\$ 13,131,937	<u>\$ 14,731,198</u>	<u>\$ 27,863,135</u>	\$ 1,092,614

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

#### BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2018

Major Capital Other Governmental General Improvements Fund Fund Funds Total Assets: Cash and investments \$ 12.840.903 \$ 3.912.126 \$ 2.776.814 \$ 19.529.843 Taxes receivable, net 1,075,168 65,324 1,140,492 Accounts receivable net 343.976 11,742 355,718 Due from other governments 3,140,786 11,288 3,152,074 317,082 42.115 359,197 Due from other funds Prepaid items 379,137 5,785 384,922 Restricted assets: Cash and investments 676,670 484,611 1,161,281 Total assets 18,773,722 3,954,241 3,355,564 26,083,527 \$ \$ \$ \$ Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of **Resources, and Fund Balances:** Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities \$ 608,371 \$ 337,391 \$ 106,835 \$ 1,052,597 Due to other funds 42.115 42.115 Miscellaneous liabilities 567,016 567,016 106,835 337,391 1,217,502 1,661,728 Total liabilities **Deferred Inflows of Resources:** Taxes receivable 1,075,168 65,324 1,140,492 Health Department receivables 17,159 17,159 \_ 159,889 159,889 Prepaid taxes 65,324 1,252,216 1,317,540 Total deferred inflows of resources Fund Balances: Non-spendable: Prepaid items 379,137 5,785 384,922 -Restricted: Stabilization for state statute 3,784,685 42,115 23,030 3,849,830 Restricted, all other 1.298.000 539.614 3.235.195 1,397,581 Committed 2,276,735 2,614,976 4,891,711 2,608,627 Assigned 2.608.627 Unassigned 8,133,974 8,133,974 3,183,405 23,104,259 Total fund balances 16,304,004 3,616,850 Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances 18,773,722 3,954,241 3,355,564 \$ -\$ Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (Exhibit A) are different because: Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. 20,687,401 Net pension asset (ROD) 47.281 Net pension liability (LGERS) (2,779,779) **OPEB** liability (20,583,077)Total pension liability (LEOSSA) (828,599) Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds. ROD (152)LGERS (184,641) LEOSSA (14, 629)Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB are not reported in the funds. (1,869,019) Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds. ROD 16,562 LGERS 2,159,628 LEOSSA 61,487 Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB are not reported in the funds. 262,302 Long-term liabilities, accrued interest, and compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, not reported in the funds. (8,104,738) Deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds are used to offset accounts receivable not expected to be available within 60 days of year-end. These receivables are a component of net position in the Statement of Net Position. 1,157,651 Net position of governmental activities 13,131,937 \$

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Major							
		General Impro		Capital provements Fund	vements Governmental			Total
Revenues:								
Ad valorem taxes	\$	20,418,612	\$	-	\$	1,358,170	\$	21,776,782
Local option sales taxes		8,846,433		-		-		8,846,433
Other taxes and licenses		323,089		-		140,901		463,990
Restricted intergovernmental revenues		4,159,607		45,063		560,403		4,765,073
Permits and fees		576,852		-	-			576,852
Sales and services		3,931,051		-	-			3,931,051
Interest earned on investments		207,543		42,737	42,737			253,755
Miscellaneous		224,635	-		3,475 41,600			266,235
Total revenues	. <u> </u>	38,687,822		87,800	2,104,549			40,880,171
Expenditures:								
General government		5,819,490		-		364,689		6,184,179
Public safety		10,051,206		-		1,249,451		11,300,657
Environmental protection		485,925		-		-		485,925
Economic and physical development		492,737		-		-		492,737
Human services		8,667,542		-		-		8,667,542
Cultural and recreation		978,300		-		165,973		1,144,273
Education		6,151,101		590,106		6,096		6,747,303
Debt service:		, ,		,		,		, ,
Principal repayments		1,522,380		-		-		1,522,380
Interest		246,733		-		-		246,733
Total expenditures		34,415,414		590,106		1,786,209		36,791,729
Revenues over (under) expenditures		4,272,408		(502,306)		318,340		4,088,442
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfers in		337,874		1,031,921		2,425,000		3,794,795
Transfers (out)		(4,731,834)		-		(337,874)		(5,069,708)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(4,393,960)		1,031,921		2,087,126		(1,274,913)
Net change in fund balances		(121,552)		529,615		2,405,466		2,813,529
Fund Balances:								
Beginning of year - July 1		16,425,556		3,087,235		777,939		20,290,730
End of year - June 30	\$	16,304,004	\$	3,616,850	\$	3,183,405	\$	23,104,259

## RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Exhibit B) are different due to the following items:	
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit D)	\$ 2,813,529
Property tax revenues in the Statement of Activities earned in prior periods are reported as revenues in the governmental funds statement.	(20,821)
Health Department fees in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds statement.	(22,005)
Expenses related to compensated absences, other post-employment benefits, net pension obligation, and pension expense that do not require current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	
Compensated absences	(175,215)
Pension expense - LGERS	(84,151)
Pension expense - ROD	(5,795)
Pension expense - LEOSSA	(38,895)
Other post-employment benefits	(791,685)
Expenses related to accrued interest that do not require current financial resources	
are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	12,880
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, capital outlay is not an expense, rather it is an increase in capital assets.	1,412,214
Depreciation expense allocates the costs of capital assets over their useful lives. It is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds statement.	(1,897,613)
Principal repayments are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, these transactions are not an expense, rather they are a decrease in liabilities.	 1,522,380
Change in net position of governmental activities (Exhibit B)	\$ 2,724,823

#### GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	General Fund							
	Budgeted Amounts					Variance with Final Budget		
		Original		Final		Actual		ver/Under
Revenues:								
Ad valorem taxes	\$	20,005,000	\$	20,005,000	\$	20,418,612	\$	413,612
Local option sales taxes		8,355,000		8,601,665		8,846,433		244,768
Other taxes and licenses		234,300		234,300		323,089		88,789
Restricted intergovernmental revenues		5,249,992		5,464,409		4,159,607		(1,304,802)
Permits and fees		475,100		477,100		576,852		99,752
Sales and services		3,638,077		3,713,531		3,931,051		217,520
Investment earnings		48,000		86,000		207,543		121,543
Miscellaneous		58,867		150,556		224,635		74,079
Total revenues		38,064,336		38,732,561		38,687,822		(44,739)
Expenditures:								
General government		6,466,984		6,697,852		5,819,490		878,362
Public safety		10,482,217		10,776,714		10,051,206		725,508
Environmental protection		484,381		527,238		485,925		41,313
Economic and physical development		428,024		503,024		492,737		10,287
Human services		10,988,511		11,182,659		8,667,542		2,515,117
Cultural and recreation		1,017,041		1,057,324		978,300		79,024
Education		6,112,600		6,152,600		6,151,101		1,499
Debt service:								
Principal retirement		1,528,000		1,528,000		1,522,380		5,620
Interest and fees		254,000		254,000		246,733		7,267
Contingency		484,242		251,251		-		251,251
Total expenditures		38,246,000		38,930,662		34,415,414		4,515,248
Revenues over (under) expenditures	_	(181,664)		(198,101)		4,272,408		4,470,509
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfers in		187,000		338,793		337,874		(919)
Transfers out		(1,254,000)		(4,803,913)		(4,731,834)		72,079
Appropriated fund balance		1,248,664		4,663,221		-		(4,663,221)
Total other financing sources (uses)		181,664		198,101		(4,393,960)		(4,592,061)
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$			(121,552)	\$	(121,552)
Fund Balance: Beginning of year - July 1						16,425,556		
End of year - June 30					\$	16,304,004		

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2018

		Enterprise Funds	
	County Water and Sewer Fund	Bethlehem Water District Fund	Solid Waste Fund
Assets:			
Current assets: Cash and investments	\$ 1,896,094	\$ 2,075,346	\$ 527
Accounts receivable, net	366,867	166,030	125,529
Prepaid items			19,398
Total current assets	2,262,961	2,241,376	145,454
Non-current assets:			
Land and other non-depreciable assets	1,828,576 9,770,936	3,682,366	240,573 538,222
Depreciable assets, net of depreciation Total non-current assets	11,599,512	3,682,366	778,795
Total assets	13,862,473	5,923,742	924,249
Deferred Outflows of Resources:			5
OPEB deferrals Pension deferrals	-	-	5 56,144
Total deferred outflows of resources			56,149
Liabilities and Net Position: Liabilities:			,
Current liabilities:	(2.5.4)	0.7(0)	00.201
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Due to other funds	62,546 38,502	2,768	90,391 278,580
Miscellaneous liabilities		-	10,275
Accrued interest	7,001	-	-
Current portion of long-term debt	364,395	-	-
Current portion of compensated absences	472,444	2,768	<u> </u>
Total current liabilities	472,444	2,708	387,340
Non-current liabilities:			66 065
Net pension liability Non-current accrued landfill post-closure care costs	-	-	66,065
Non-current compensated absences	-	-	6,801
Total OPEB liability	-	-	513,199
Non-current portion of long-term debt	4,430,063		-
Total non-current liabilities	4,430,063		586,065
Total liabilities	4,902,507	2,768	973,411
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
OPEB deferrals	-	-	35,936
Pension deferrals	-	-	9,395
Unavailable revenues Total deferred inflows of resources	<u> </u>		45,331
Net Position:		2 (00 2//	770 705
Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	6,805,054 1,957,107	3,682,366 2,238,608	778,795 (817,139)
		\$ 5,920,974	\$ (38,344)
Total net position	<u>\$ 8,762,161</u>	φ 5,720,774	<u>ψ (30,344)</u>

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2018

	Enterprise Funds		
	Landfill Closure Fund	Nonmajor Fund	Total
Assets:			
Current assets:	<b>A A A A A A</b>	<b>^</b>	
Cash and investments	\$ 858,045	\$ 871,703	\$ 5,701,715
Accounts receivable, net	-	5,695	664,121
Prepaid items Total current assets	858,045	877,398	<u> </u>
1 otal current assets	030,045	677,398	0,363,234
Non-current assets:			
Land and other non-depreciable assets	-	-	2,069,149
Depreciable assets, net of depreciation	-	681,036	14,672,560
Total non-current assets		681,036	16,741,709
Total assets	858,045	1,558,434	23,126,943
Deferred Outflows of Resources:			
OPEB deferrals	-	-	5
Pension deferrals			56,144
Total deferred outflows of resources			56,149
Liabilities and Net Position: Liabilities: Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	22,605	10,747	189,057
Due to other funds		-	317,082
Miscellaneous liabilities	-	-	10,275
Accrued interest	-	-	7,001
Current portion of long-term debt	-	-	364,395
Current portion of compensated absences			8,100
Total current liabilities	22,605	10,747	895,910
Non-current liabilities:			
Net pension liability	-	-	66,065
Non-current accrued landfill post-closure care costs	2,296,720	-	2,296,720
Non-current compensated absences	-	-	6,801
Total OPEB liability	-	-	513,199 4,430,063
Non-current portion of long-term debt Total non-current liabilities	2,296,720		7,312,848
Total liabilities	2,319,325	10,747	8,208,758
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			25.026
OPEB deferrals	-	-	35,936
Pension deferrals	-	-	9,395
Unavailable revenues	-		197,805
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u> </u>		243,136
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	-	681,036	11,947,251
Unrestricted	(1,461,280)	866,651	2,783,947
Total net position	<u>\$ (1,461,280)</u>	\$ 1,547,687	<u>\$ 14,731,198</u>

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

		Enterprise Funds		
	County Water and Sewer Fund	Bethlehem Water District Fund	Solid Waste Fund	
Operating Revenues:				
Water and sewer sales	\$ 1,388,443	\$ 1,369,717	\$ -	
Sewer capital reserve fees	-	-	-	
Convenience centers Landfill	-	-	254,497 1,298,159	
Total operating revenues	1,388,443	1,369,717	1,552,656	
Operating Expenses:				
Convenience centers	-	-	187,390	
Water and sewer operations	789,936	687,566	-	
Landfill operations	-	-	1,377,687	
Depreciation and amortization	600,523	235,857	82,648	
Total operating expenses	1,390,459	923,423	1,647,725	
Operating income (loss)	(2,016)	446,294	(95,069)	
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):				
Investment earnings	1,119	1,709	-	
Intergovernmental revenues	-	-	108,538	
Interest and fees paid	(45,508)	(1,041)	-	
Miscellaneous revenues			21,738	
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	(44,389)	668	130,276	
Income (loss) before contributions and transfers	(46,405)	446,962	35,207	
Capital contributions	1,267,849			
Income (loss) before transfers	1,221,444	446,962	35,207	
Transfers:				
Transfer from other funds	360,909	-	102,000	
Transfer to other funds	-	(123,269)	-	
Total transfers	360,909	(123,269)	102,000	
Change in net position	1,582,353	323,693	137,207	
Net Position:				
Beginning of year - July 1	7,179,808	5,597,281	75,589	
Restatement	-	-	(251,140)	
Beginning of year - July 1, restated	7,179,808	5,597,281	(175,551)	
End of year - June 30	\$ 8,762,161	\$ 5,920,974	<u>\$ (38,344)</u>	

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Enterprise Funds				
	Landfill Closure Fund	Nonmajor Fund	Total		
Operating Revenues:					
Water and sewer sales	\$ - 5	\$-	\$ 2,758,160		
Sewer capital reserve fees	-	21,901	21,901		
Convenience centers	-	-	254,497		
Landfill	<u> </u>	-	1,298,159		
Total operating revenues	<u> </u>	21,901	4,332,717		
Operating Expenses:					
Convenience centers	-	-	187,390		
Water and sewer operations	-	75,785	1,553,287		
Landfill operations	196,793	-	1,574,480		
Depreciation and amortization		35,570	954,598		
Total operating expenses	196,793	111,355	4,269,755		
Operating income (loss)	(196,793)	(89,454)	62,962		
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):					
Investment earnings	336	-	3,164		
Intergovernmental revenues	-	-	108,538		
Interest and fees paid	-	-	(46,549)		
Miscellaneous revenues		-	21,738		
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	336		86,891		
Income (loss) before contributions and transfers	(196,457)	(89,454)	149,853		
Capital contributions	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1,267,849		
Income (loss) before transfers	(196,457)	(89,454)	1,417,702		
Transfers In (Out):					
Transfer from other funds	150,000	785,273	1,398,182		
Transfer to other funds	-	-	(123,269)		
Total transfers in (out)	150,000	785,273	1,274,913		
Change in net position	(46,457)	695,819	2,692,615		
Net Position:					
Beginning of year - July 1	(1,414,823)	851,868	12,289,723		
Restatement	-	-	(251,140)		
Beginning of year - July 1, restated	(1,414,823)	851,868	12,038,583		
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ (1,461,280)</u>	\$ 1,547,687	\$ 14,731,198		

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Enterprise Funds			
		unty Water and Sewer Fund	Bethlehem Water District Fund	Solid Waste Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	¢	1 202 510	<b>1 2 (2 770</b>	<b>• • • • • • • • • •</b>
Cash received from customers	\$	1,383,718	\$ 1,362,778	\$ 1,546,358
Cash paid for goods and services		(729,884) (76,850)	(684,798)	(1,327,166) (215,375)
Cash paid to employees for services		<u> </u>	677,980	3,817
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		570,984	077,980	5,017
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:				
Other non-operating revenues (expenses)		-	-	130,276
Change in due to/from other funds		(13,294)	-	(67,494)
Interfund transfer in (out)		360,909	(123,269)	102,000
Net cash provided (used) by non-capital financing activities		347,615	(123,269)	164,782
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:				
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(1,708,478)	(2,304)	(168,600)
Principal paid on bonds and notes payable		(364,395)	(135,867)	-
Interest and fees paid on bonds		(46,208)	(1,690)	-
Capital contributions		1,267,849		
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities		(851,232)	(139,861)	(168,600)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Interest on investments		1,119	1,709	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		74,486	416,559	(1)
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				
Beginning of year - July 1		1,821,608	1,658,787	528
End of year - June 30	\$	1,896,094	\$ 2,075,346	\$ 527
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:				
Operating income (loss)	\$	(2,016)	\$ 446,294	\$ (95,069)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to	4	(_,010)	¢,=> .	\$ (20,000)
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization		600,523	235,857	82,648
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(4,725)	(6,939)	(6,298)
(Increase) decrease in prepaids		-	-	(19,398)
(Increase) decrease deferred outflows - pension		25,300	-	16,251
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability		(28,455)	-	(15,092)
Increase (decrease) deferred inflows - pension		(3,034)	-	(19)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		60,052	2,768	39,615
Increase (decrease) in accrued salaries		(4,763)	-	(3,367)
(Increase) decrease deferred outflows - OPEB		-	-	(5)
Increase (decrease) deferred inflows - OPEB		-	-	35,936
Increase (decrease) in other post-employment benefits		(52,092)	-	(15,671)
Increase (decrease) in landfill post-closure liability		-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation pay		(13,806)		(15,714)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	576,984	\$ 677,980	\$ 3,817

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Enterprise Funds					
		Landfill sure Fund		major und		Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	¢		¢	21 465	¢	4 21 4 210
Cash received from customers Cash paid for goods and services	\$	- (47,621)	\$	21,465 (65,038)	\$	4,314,319 (2,854,507)
Cash paid to employees for services		- (17,021)		- (05,050)		(292,225)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		(47,621)		(43,573)		1,167,587
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:						
Other non-operating revenues (expenses)		-		-		130,276
Change in due to/from other funds		-		-		(80,788)
Interfund transfer in (out)		150,000		785,273		1,274,913
Net cash provided (used) by non-capital financing activities		150,000	. <u> </u>	785,273		1,324,401
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:						
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		-		-		(1,879,382)
Principal paid on bonds and notes payable		-		-		(500,262)
Interest and fees paid on bonds		-		-		(47,898)
Capital contributions				-		1,267,849
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities		-		-		(1,159,693)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		22(				2 1 ( 4
Interest on investments		336		-		3,164
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		102,715		741,700		1,335,459
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				120.002		
Beginning of year - July 1		755,330		130,003		4,366,256
End of year - June 30	\$	858,045	\$	871,703	\$	5,701,715
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities: Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	\$	(196,793)	\$	(89,454)	\$	62,962
Depreciation and amortization		-		35,570		954,598
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		-		(436)		(18,398)
(Increase) decrease in other assets		-		-		(19,398)
(Increase) decrease deferred outflows - pension		-		-		41,551
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability		-		-		(43,547)
Increase (decrease) deferred inflows - pension		-		-		(3,053)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		14,552		10,747		127,734
Increase (decrease) in accrued salaries		-		-		(8,130)
(Increase) decrease deferred outflows - OPEB		-		-		(5)
Increase (decrease) deferred inflows - OPEB		-		-		35,936
Increase (decrease) in other post-employment benefits		-		-		(67,763)
Increase (decrease) in landfill post-closure liability Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation pay		134,620		-		134,620 (29,520)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	(47,621)	\$	(43,573)	\$	1,167,587

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

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2018

		Agency Funds
Assets: Cash and investments	<u>\$</u>	31,827
Liabilities:	¢	21 400
Accounts payable Intergovernmental payable - State of North Carolina	\$	31,490 337
Total liabilities	\$	31,827

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of Alexander County (the "County"), its discretely presented component unit, and its blended component unit conform to generally accepted accounting principles as they apply to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

### A. Reporting Entity

The County, which is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners, is one of the 100 counties established in North Carolina under North Carolina General Statute 153A-10. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the County and its component units, legally separate entities for which the County is financially accountable. The blended component units, although they are legally separate entities, are in substance, part of the County's operations.

#### **Component Units**

### **Discretely Presented Component Unit**

The Alexander County Economic Development Corporation is a nonprofit organization that exists for the purpose of engaging in charitable and educational efforts, and specifically to support economic development in Alexander County. The EDC Board of Directors is responsible for electing members to fill the seven-member board. There are no statutory positions for elected officials. The EDC has a June 30 year-end and is presented on the government-wide statements of this report as a discretely presented component unit.

### **Blended Component Unit**

The Bethlehem Water District exists to provide and maintain a water system for the County residents within its district. Under state law (G.S. 162A-89), the County's Board of Commissioners also serve as the governing board for the District. Therefore, the District is reported as an enterprise fund in the County's financial statements.

### B. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

*Government-Wide Statements*. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the primary government net position (the County) and its component unit. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the County. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed, in whole or in part, by fees charged to external parties.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the County and for each function of the County's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the Statement of Activities. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

*Fund Financial Statements*. The fund financial statements provide information about the County's funds, including its fiduciary funds and blended component units. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary* – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Non-operating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities.

The County has the following fund categories (further divided by fund type):

**Governmental Funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for the County's general governmental activities.

Governmental funds include the following fund types:

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

**Special Revenue Funds.** Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The County has the following special revenue funds: Fire Districts Fund, Revaluation Fund, Alexander County Broadband Study, Emergency Telephone System Fund, Borealis Compounds Industrial Rail Project, and CDBG Project #16-E-2931 Borealis Compounds Building Reuse Project.

**Capital Project Funds.** Capital project funds are used to account for the acquisition and or construction of major governmental capital assets. The County has the following capital project funds: Capital Improvements Fund, County Capital Project Fund, Applied Technologies Building Renovation Project Fund, Applied Technologies Building Equipment Project Fund, Rocky Face Park Expansion Project Fund, and Alexander County Office Complex Renovation Project.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Proprietary Funds**

**Enterprise Funds.** The enterprise funds are used to account for those operations that (a) are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis, be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that the periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes. The County reported the following enterprise funds: Bethlehem Sewer Fund, County Water and Sewer Fund, Bethlehem Water District Fund, Solid Waste Fund, and Landfill Closure Fund. The County has two enterprise fund – Capital Project Funds. The Shurtape Job Retention Wastewater Project, and the Alexander County Industrial Park Pump Station Replacement Project are consolidated with the County Water and Sewer Fund for reporting purposes.

**Fiduciary Funds.** Fiduciary funds account for the assets held by the County in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds.

**Agency Funds.** Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve the measurement of operating results. Agency funds are used to account for assets the County holds on behalf of others. The County maintains four agency funds: Social Services Fund, which accounts for monies deposited with the Department of Social Services for the benefit of certain individuals; Sheriff's Civil Executions Fund, which accounts for monies collected by the Sheriff's Office for civil judgments; the Deed of Trust Fees Fund, which accounts for the additional fees for recorded deeds of trust or mortgages collected by the County and remitted to the State Treasurer; and the Fines and Forfeitures Fund, which accounts for various legal fines and forfeitures that the County is required to remit to the Alexander County Board of Education.

**Major Funds.** The General Fund, Capital Improvements Fund, County Water and Sewer Fund, Bethlehem Water District Fund, Solid Waste Fund, and Landfill Closure Fund are major funds for the year ended June 30, 2018.

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

*Capital Improvements Fund* – The Capital Improvements Fund is used to account for school system capital improvements, including those funded by lottery revenues.

*County Water and Sewer Fund* – The County Water and Sewer Fund is used to account for the water and sewer operations for all areas of the County, except the Bethlehem Water District.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

*Bethlehem Water District Fund* – The Bethlehem Water District Fund is used to account for the water system operations of the geographic area of the County designated as the Bethlehem Water District.

*Solid Waste Fund* – The Solid Waste Fund is used to account for the operations of the County's landfill, solid waste transfer station, and garbage disposal and recycling convenience centers.

*Landfill Closure Fund* – The Landfill Closure Fund is used to account for the closure and post-closure care costs of the County's landfill facility.

In accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, all funds of the County are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

*Government-Wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements.* The governmentwide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus, except for the agency funds which have no measurement focus. The government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions in which the County gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, 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.

Amounts reported as program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided; 2) operating grants and contributions; and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. The County also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements*. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The County considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after yearend, except for property taxes. Ad valorem property taxes are not accrued as revenue because the amount is not susceptible to accrual. At June 30, taxes receivable for property other than motor vehicles are materially past due and are not considered to be an available resource to finance the operations of the current year. As of September 1, 2013, State law altered the procedures for the assessment and collection of property taxes on registered motor vehicles in North Carolina. Effective with this change in the law, the State of North Carolina is responsible for billing and collecting the property taxes on registered motor vehicles on behalf of all municipalities and special tax districts. The billed taxes are applicable to the fiscal year in which are received. Uncollected taxes that were billed in periods prior to September 1, 2013, and for limited registration plates are shown as a receivable in these financial statements and are offset by deferred inflows of resources.

Sales taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, such as the utilities franchise tax, collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the County, are recognized as revenue. Intergovernmental revenues and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been satisfied.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there is both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general revenues.

## C. Budgetary Data

The County's budgets are adopted as required by the North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget is adopted for the General Fund, the special revenue funds (excluding the Alexander County Broadband Study, the Borealis Compounds Industrial Rail Project, and the Borealis Compounds Reuse Project), the Capital Improvements Fund, and the enterprise funds. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end. A project ordinance is adopted for all capital project funds, enterprise capital project funds and those special revenue funds noted above. The Enterprise Capital Projects Funds are consolidated with the enterprise operating funds for reporting purposes.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the departmental level for all annually budgeted funds and at the object level for the multi-year funds. The County Manager is authorized by the budget ordinance to transfer appropriations between departmental areas within a fund up to \$10,000; however, any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund or that change departmental appropriations by more than \$10,000 must be approved by the governing board. During the year, several amendments to the original budget were necessary, the effects of which were not material. The budget ordinance must be adopted by July 1 of the fiscal year or the governing board must adopt an interim budget that covers that time until the annual ordinance can be adopted.

### **D.** Estimates

The preparation of financial statements, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant areas where estimates are made are allowance for doubtful accounts and depreciation lives.

### E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Outflows, and Fund Equity

#### **Deposits and Investments**

All deposits of the County are made in Board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by G.S. 159-31. The County may designate, as an official depository, any bank or savings association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the County may establish time deposit accounts such as NOW and SuperNOW accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit.

State law [G.S. 159-30(c)] authorizes the County to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States, obligations of the State of North Carolina, bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority, obligations of certain non-guaranteed federal agencies, certain high quality issues of commercial paper and bankers' acceptances, and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT).

The County's investments are reported at fair value. The NC Capital Management Trust Government Portfolio, a SEC-registered (2a-7) government money market fund, is measured at amortized cost, which is the NCCMT's share price. The NCCMT Term Portfolio's securities are valued at fair value.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The County pools money from several funds to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are essentially demand deposits and are considered cash and cash equivalents.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Restricted Assets**

Restricted assets in the General Fund consist of cash restricted for the purposes outlined below by external third parties or by law. Money in the Revaluation Fund is also classified as restricted because its use is restricted per North Carolina General Statute 153A-150.

Restricted Cash Purpose		ŀ	Amount		Total
Governmental Activities:					
General Fund:					
Public safety	Sheriff/substance abuse	\$	58,077		
Human services	Adoption services		49,207		
Human services	Health department expansion		500,000		
Economic and physical development	Cooperative extension services		6,238		
General government	PEG Channel		63,148		
Total General Fund				\$	676,670
Other governmental funds:					
Revaluation Fund	Taxrevaluation	\$	362,444		
County Capital Project Fund	Unspent debt proceeds		122,167		
Total other governmental funds					484,611
Total governmental activities				\$	1,161,281

#### Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable

In accordance with State law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the County levies ad valorem taxes on property other than motor vehicles on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1 (lien date); however, penalties and interest do not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2017.

#### **Allowances for Doubtful Accounts**

All receivables that historically experience uncollectible accounts are shown net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. This amount is estimated by analyzing the percentage of receivables that were written off in prior years.

#### **Prepaid Items**

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 and expensed as the items are used. Prepaid items for the County's governmental funds are treated using the consumption method.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Capital Assets**

Purchased or constructed capital assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets received prior to June 30, 2015 are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Donated capital assets received after June 30, 2015 are recorded at acquisition value. All other purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical value. The County has elected not to capitalize those interest costs which are incurred during the construction period of capital assets.

Minimum capitalization costs are as follows: land, \$5,000; other improvements, \$5,000; equipment and vehicles, \$5,000. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

The County holds title to certain Alexander County Board of Education properties which have not been included in capital assets. The properties have been deeded to the County to permit installment purchase financing of acquisition and construction costs and to permit the County to receive refunds of sales tax paid for construction costs. Agreements between the County and the Board of Education give the Board of Education full use of the facilities, full responsibility for maintenance of the facilities, and provide that the County will convey title to the property back to the Board of Education once all restrictions of the financing agreements and all sales tax reimbursement requirements have been met. The properties are reflected as capital assets in the financial statements of the Alexander County Board of Education.

Capital assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset	Estimated Useful Lives
Buildings	40 years
Infrastructure	25 years
Furniture and fixtures	3 years
Other improvements	10-40 years
Equipment and vehicles	3-5 years

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflow of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred Outflows of Resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The County has two items that meet this criteria - pension and OPEB related deferrals. In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position can also 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 and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The County has several items that meet the criteria for this category – prepaid taxes, taxes receivable, health department receivables, unavailable revenues, and pension and OPEB related deferrals.

#### **Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements and in the 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.

Included within the governmental activities long-term obligations are several notes payable issued for the benefit of the Alexander County Board of Education. The debt service of the Alexander County Board of Education notes payable is covered by a reduction in the local option sales tax or the general allocation due to the Board from the County.

In the fund financial statements for governmental fund types, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing source.

The County's long-term debt for the water districts and landfill is carried within the Enterprise Fund. The debt service requirements for the water districts' debt are being met by water revenues, but the taxing power of the County is pledged to make these payments if water revenues should ever be insufficient.

#### **Net Position/Fund Balances**

#### **Net Position**

Net position in government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements is classified as net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. Restricted net position represents constraints on resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through state statute.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Fund Balances**

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is composed of five classifications designed to disclose the hierarchy of constraints placed on how fund balance can be spent.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

**Non-Spendable Fund Balance.** This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Prepaid Items* – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource because it represents the year-end balance of prepaids, which are not spendable resources.

**Restricted Fund Balance.** This classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law.

*Stabilization for State Statute* – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource for appropriation in accordance with state law [G.S. 159-8(a)].

*Restricted for Register of Deeds* – portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue source to pay for the computer equipment and imaging technology for the Register of Deeds' office.

*Restricted for General Government* – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for general government purposes.

*Restricted General Government – Courthouse Project –* portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for courthouse project.

*Restricted for Education* – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for school debt service and school capital outlay.

*Restricted for Human Services* – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for Health department expansion and DSS Adoption Enhancement funds – state.

*Restricted for Public Safety* – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for public safety related activities such as Sheriff, fire protection, EMS, and E-911.

*Restricted for Public Safety – Federal Shared Asset Program –* portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for Federal Shared Asset program.

*Restricted for Public Safety – State Unauthorized Substance –* portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for state unauthorized substance.

*Restricted for Economic and Physical Development* – portion of fund balance restricted by revenue source for economic and physical development purposes.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Restricted fund balance at June 30, 2018, is as follows:

Purpose	General Fund		Imj	Capital provements Fund	Other Governmental Funds		
Restricted, All Other:							
Register of Deeds	\$	14,911	\$	-	\$	-	
General government		63,148		-		-	
General government - courthouse project		-		-		122,167	
Education		706,000		1,298,000		-	
Human services		549,207		-		-	
Economic and physical development		6,238		-		-	
Public safety		-		-		417,447	
Public safety - Federal Shared Asset program		13,975		-		-	
Public safety - state unauthorized substance		44,102		-		-	
Total	\$1	,397,581	\$	1,298,000	\$	539,614	

Restricted fund balance on Exhibit C differs from restricted net position on Exhibit A due to unspent debt proceeds of \$122,167 and restricted for Register of Deeds pension plan of \$63,691 for a net difference of \$58,476.

**Committed Fund Balance.** This classification represents the portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes imposed by majority vote by quorum of Alexander County's governing body (highest level of decision-making authority, Board of Commissioners). The Board of Commissioners can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the ordinance remains in place until a similar action is taken (adoption of another ordinance) to remove or reverse the limitation.

*Committed for Tax Revaluation* – portion of fund balance budgeted by the Board to be used for tax revaluation.

*Committed for Future Capital Projects* – portion of fund balance budgeted by the Board to be used for future capital projects.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Committed fund balance at June 30, 2018, is as follows:

		Other Governmental			
	Imp				
Purpose		Fund	Funds		
Tax revaluation	\$	-	\$	358,787	
Future capital projects		2,276,735		2,256,189	
Total	\$	2,276,735	\$	2,614,976	

**Assigned Fund Balance.** Assigned fund balance is the portion of fund balance that Alexander County intends to use for specific purposes. The County's governing body has the authority to assign fund balance.

*Subsequent Year's Expenditures* – portion of fund balance that is appropriated in the next year's budget that is not already classified in restricted or committed. The governing body approves the appropriation: however, the budget ordinance authorized the Manager to modify appropriations up to \$10,000 between departments within a fund.

	General
Purpose	 Fund
Subsequent year's expenditures	\$ 2,608,627

**Unassigned Fund Balance.** Unassigned fund balance represents the portion of fund balance that has not been assigned to another fund or is not restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes. Only the General fund may report a positive unassigned fund balance.

Alexander County has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Officer will use resources in the following hierarchy: debt proceeds, Federal funds, State funds, local non-County funds, and County funds. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and, lastly, unassigned fund balance. The Finance Officer has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the County or when required by grant or other contractual agreements.

The County has not officially adopted a minimum fund balance policy.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

The following schedule provides management and citizens with information on the portion of General Fund balance that is available for appropriation:

Total fund balance - General Fund	\$ 16,304,004
Less:	
Prepaids	(379,137)
Stabilization for state statute	 (3,784,685)
Fund balance available for appropriation	\$ 12,140,182

#### **Defined Benefit Cost-Sharing Plans**

The County participates in two cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plans that are administered by the state; the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) and the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund (RODSPF) (collectively, the "state-administered defined benefit pension plans"). For purposes of measuring the net pension asset or liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net positions of the state-administered defined benefit pension plans and additions to/deductions from the state-administered defined benefit pension plans fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the state-administered defined benefit pension plans are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The County's employer contributions are recognized when due and the County has a legal requirement to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the state-administered defined benefit pension plans. Investments are reported at fair value.

### F. Revenues, Expenditures, and Expenses

#### **Compensated Absences**

The vacation policy of the County provides for the accumulation of up to two hundred forty (240) hours earned vacation leave, with such leave being fully vested when earned. In the County's governmental and proprietary funds, an expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are recorded as the leave is earned. The County has assumed a FIFO method of using accumulated compensation time. The portion of that time that is estimated to be used in the next fiscal year has been designated as a current liability in the government-wide statements.

The County's sick leave policy provides for an unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. Sick leave does not vest, but any unused sick leave accumulated at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. Since the County has no obligation for the accumulated sick leave until it is actually taken, no accrual for sick leave has been made.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### 2. Detail Notes on All Funds

#### A. Assets

#### Deposits

All of the County's deposits are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits exceeding the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the County's agent in its name. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capacity for the County, these deposits are considered to be held by the County's agent in the entity's name. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest-bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the County or with the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amount of collateral pledged for the County under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for under-collateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method.

The State Treasurer enforces standards of minimum capitalization for all pooling method financial institutions. The County relies on the State Treasurer to monitor those financial institutions. The County analyzes the financial soundness of any other financial institutions used by the County. The County complies with the provisions of G.S. 159-31 when designating official depositories and verifying that deposits are properly secured. The County has no formal policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

At June 30, 2018, the County's deposits had a carrying amount of \$7,978,560 and a bank balance of \$8,172,538. Of the bank balance, \$500,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$7,672,538 by collateral held under the Pooling Method. Cash on hand was \$4,020 at June 30, 2018.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### Investments

At June 30, 2018, the County had the following investments and maturities:

	Valuation				
	Measurement		L	ess Than	6-12
Investment Type	Method	 air Value		6 Months	 Months
N.C. Capital Management					
Trust - Term Portfolio*	Fair Value - Level 1	\$ 3,078,578	\$	3,078,578	N/A
N.C. Capital Management					
Trust - Government Portfolio	Amortized Cost	 15,363,508		N/A	 N/A
Total investments		\$ 18,442,086	\$	3,078,578	\$ -

\* Because the North Carolina Capital Management Trust Term Portfolio has a weighted average maturity of less than 90 days, it was presented as an investment with a maturity of less than 6 months.

All investments are measured using the market approach: using prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or a group of assets.

*Level of Fair Value Hierarch: Level 1:* debt securities valued using directly observable, quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets. Level 2: debt securities are valued using a matrix pricing technique. Matrix pricing is used to value securities based on the securities' relationship to benchmark quoted process.

*Interest Rate Risk.* The County has not adopted a formal investment policy addressing interest rate risk.

*Credit Risk.* The County has no formal policy regarding credit risk. The County's investments in the N.C. Capital Management Trust Government Portfolio carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's as of June 30, 2018. The County's investment in the NC Capital Management Trust Term Portfolio is unrated. The Term Portfolio is authorized to invest in obligations of the US government and agencies, and in high grade money market instruments as permitted under North Carolina General Statutes 159-30 as amended.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Property Tax – Use-Value Assessment on Certain Lands**

In accordance with the General Statutes, agriculture, horticulture, and forestland may be taxed by the County at the present-use value as opposed to market value. When the property loses its eligibility for use-value taxation, the property tax is recomputed at market value for the current year and the three preceding fiscal years, along with the accrued interest from the original due date. This tax is immediately due and payable. The following are property taxes that could become due if present-use-value eligibility is lost. These amounts have not been recorded in the financial statements.

Year Levied	 Tax	]	[nte rest	 Total
2015	\$ 1,976,756	\$	513,957	\$ 2,490,713
2016	2,016,350		342,780	2,359,130
2017	2,029,217		162,337	2,191,554
2018	 2,059,566		-	 2,059,566
Total	\$ 8,081,889	\$	1,019,074	\$ 9,100,963

### Receivables

Receivables at the government-wide level (Exhibit A) at June 30, 2018 were as follows:

	ccounts eceivable	R	Taxes Receivable	Due from Other overnments	 Total
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
General	\$ 413,770	\$	1,369,078	\$ 3,140,786	\$ 4,923,634
Other governmental	 11,742		74,414	 11,288	 97,444
Total receivables	425,512		1,443,492	3,152,074	5,021,078
Allowance for doubtful accounts	 (69,794)		(303,000)	 -	 (372,794)
Total governmental activities	\$ 355,718	\$	1,140,492	\$ 3,152,074	\$ 4,648,284
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>					
County Water and Sewer	\$ 366,867	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 366,867
Bethlehem Water	166,030		-	-	166,030
Solid Waste	128,498		-	-	128,498
Nomajor funds	 5,695		-	 -	 5,695
Total receivables	667,090		-	-	667,090
Allowance for doubtful accounts	 (2,969)		-	 -	 (2,969)
Total business-type activities	\$ 664,121	\$	_	\$ -	\$ 664,121

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Due from other governments consisted of the following:

Local option sales tax	\$ 1,339,023
Sales tax refund	234,369
Motor vehicle taxes	9,196
Other	1,569,486
Total	\$ 3,152,074

# **Capital Assets**

A summary of changes in the County's governmental capital assets are as follows:

	July 1, 2017	Additions	Retirements	Transfers	June 30, 2018
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Non-Depreciable Assets:					
Land	\$ 4,388,204	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$-	\$ 4,395,204
Construction in progress	666,065	385,790	-	(838,134)	213,721
Total non-depreciable assets	5,054,269	392,790		(838,134)	4,608,925
Depreciable Assets:					
Buildings	20,008,000	115,000	-	638,286	20,761,286
Other improvements	419,075	-	-	-	419,075
Infrastructure	395,402	-	-	-	395,402
Equipment and machinery	4,287,251	251,911	(33,584)	199,848	4,705,426
Vehicles	3,330,129	652,513	(235,412)	-	3,747,230
Furniture and fixtures	7,724	-	-	-	7,724
Total depreciable assets	28,447,581	1,019,424	(268,996)	838,134	30,036,143
Total assets	33,501,850	1,412,214	(268,996)		34,645,068
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Buildings	(5,913,711)	(808,772)	-	-	(6,722,483)
Other improvements	(323,815)	(27,515)	-	-	(351,330)
Infrastructure	(79,080)	(79,081)	-	-	(158,161)
Equipment and machinery	(3,365,442)	(495,529)	33,584	-	(3,827,387)
Vehicles	(2,639,278)	(486,716)	235,412	-	(2,890,582)
Furniture and fixtures	(7,724)	-	-	-	(7,724)
Total accumulated depreciation	(12,329,050)	(1,897,613)	268,996		(13,957,667)
Capital assets, net	\$ 21,172,800	\$ (485,399)	\$		\$ 20,687,401

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	
General government	\$ 521,924
Public safety	854,998
Environmental protection	26,437
Human services	122,988
Cultural and recreation	38,999
Economic and physical development	80,741
Education	 251,526
Total	\$ 1,897,613

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

# **Proprietary Capital Assets**

The capital assets of the proprietary funds at June 30, 2018 are as follows:

	July 1, 2017	Additions	Retirements	Transfers	June 30, 2018
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>					
County Water and Sewer Fund:					
Non-Depreciable Assets:					
Construction in progress	\$ 120,098	\$ 1,708,478	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,828,576
Total non-depreciable assets	120,098	1,708,478			1,828,576
Depreciable Assets:					
Infrastructure	16,814,632	-	-	-	16,814,632
Equipment and machinery	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Furniture and fixtures	1,603				1,603
Total depreciable assets	16,824,735				16,824,735
Total assets	16,944,833	1,708,478			18,653,311
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Infrastructure	(6,443,173)	(600,523)	-	-	(7,043,696)
Equipment and machinery	(8,500)	-	-	-	(8,500)
Furniture and fixtures	(1,603)				(1,603)
Total accumulated depreciation	(6,453,276)	\$ (600,523)	\$ -	\$-	(7,053,799)
County Water and Sewer capital					
assets, net	10,491,557				11,599,512
Bethlehem Water District Fund:					
Non-Depreciable Assets:					
Construction in progress	125,161	\$ 2,304	\$ -	\$ (127,465)	-
Depreciable Assets:					
Infrastructure	6,364,343			127,465	6,491,808
Total assets	6,489,504	2,304			6,491,808
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Infrastructure	(2,573,585)	\$ (235,857)	\$ -	\$ -	(2,809,442)
Bethlehem Water capital assets, net	3,915,919				3,682,366

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	July 1, 2017	Additions	Retirements	June 30, 2018
Business-Type Activities (cont):				
Solid Waste Fund:				
Non-Depreciable Assets:				
Land	231,973	\$ 8,600	\$	240,573
Total non-depreciable assets	231,973	8,600		240,573
Depreciable Assets:				
Buildings	651,404	-	-	651,404
Infrastructure	217,411	-	-	217,411
Vehicles	316,417	-	-	316,417
Equipment and machinery	598,652	160,000	(122,484)	636,168
Total depreciable assets	1,783,884	160,000	(122,484)	1,821,400
Total assets	2,015,857	168,600	(122,484)	2,061,973
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings	(321,150)	(16,626)	-	(337,776)
Infrastructure	(216,608)	(34)	-	(216,642)
Vehicles	(316,417)	-	-	(316,417)
Equipment and machinery	(468,839)	(65,988)	122,484	(412,343)
Total accumulated depreciation	(1,323,014)	\$ (82,648)	\$ 122,484	(1,283,178)
Solid Waste capital assets, net	692,843			778,795
Bethlehem Sewer Fund:				
Depreciable Assets:				
Infrastructure	1,422,797	\$ -	\$	1,422,797
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Infrastructure	(706,191)	\$ (35,570)	\$	(741,761)
Bethlehem Sewer capital assets, net	716,606			681,036
Total business-type activities				
capital assets, net	\$ 15,816,925			\$ 16,741,709

The County contracts with the City of Hickory to provide billing and collection services, as well as maintenance on the water lines for the County Water and Sewer Fund and Bethlehem Water District. Total service fees paid for the year ending June 30, 2018, were \$694,165 for the County Water and Sewer Fund and \$684,798 for the Bethlehem Water District.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

# Net Investment in Capital Assets

The total net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2018, is composed of the following elements:

	G	overnmental Activities	B	usiness-Type Activities
Capital assets	\$	20,687,401	\$	16,741,709
Long-term debt		(6,883,656)		(4,794,458)
Long-term debt for assets not owned by the County		1,482,912		-
Unspent debt proceeds		122,167		
Net investment in capital assets	\$	15,408,824	\$	11,947,251

# B. Liabilities

# Payables

Payables at the government-wide level (Exhibit A) at June 30, 2018 were as follows:

	Vendors	Salaries and Benefits	Total
Governmental Activities:			
General	\$ 948,225	\$ 564,553	\$ 1,512,778
Other governmental	 104,372	 2,463	 106,835
Total governmental activities	\$ 1,052,597	\$ 567,016	\$ 1,619,613
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>			
County Water and Sewer	\$ 62,546	\$ -	\$ 62,546
Bethlehem Water	2,768	-	2,768
Solid Waste	90,391	10,275	100,666
Landfill Closure	22,605	-	22,605
Bethlehem Sewer	 10,747	 _	 10,747
Total business-type activities	\$ 189,057	\$ 10,275	\$ 199,332

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#### **Pension Plan and Other Post-Employment Obligations**

#### Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. The County is a participating employer in the statewide Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of North Carolina. LGERS membership is comprised of general employees and local law enforcement officers (LEOs) of participating local governmental entities. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the state Senate, one appointed by the state House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North The State's CAFR includes financial statements and required supplementary Carolina. information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, by calling (919) 981-5454, or at www.osc.nc.gov.

Benefits Provided. LGERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.85% of the member's average final compensation times the member's years of creditable service. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. Plan members are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 65 with five years of creditable service, at age 60 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. Plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service (age 55 for firefighters). Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age (15 years of creditable service for firefighters and rescue squad members who are killed in the line of duty) or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions. The plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon actuarial gains of the plan.

LGERS plan members who are LEOs are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 55 with five years of creditable service as an officer, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. LEO plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 15 years of creditable service as an officer. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of LEO members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who also have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of

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age, or have completed 15 years of service as a LEO and have reached age 50, or have completed five years of creditable service as a LEO and have reached age 55, or have completed 15 years of creditable service as a LEO if killed in the line of duty. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions.

**Contributions.** Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. County employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by the LGERS Board of Trustees. The County's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2018, was 8.25% of compensation for law enforcement officers and 7.50% for general employees and firefighters, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$905,906 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

**Refunds of Contributions** – County employees who have terminated service as a contributing member of LGERS, may file an application for a refund of their contributions. By State law, refunds to members with at least five years of service include 4% interest. State law requires a 60-day waiting period after service termination before the refund may be paid. The acceptance of a refund payment cancels the individual's right to employer contributions or any other benefit provided by LGERS.

## Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2018, the County reported a liability of \$2,845,844 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2016. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2017 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the County's long-term share of future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2017, the County's proportion was .1863%, which was a decrease of .0084% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

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For the year ended June 30, 2018, the County recognized pension expense of \$991,427. At June 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	0	e fe rre d utflows e source s	1	e fe rre d nflows e s ource s
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	163,946	\$	80,556
Changes of assumptions		406,425		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		690,973		-
Changes in proportion and differences between				
County contributions and proportionate share of				
contributions		48,522		113,480
County contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		905,906		
Total	\$	2,215,772	\$	194,036

\$905,906 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2019	\$ 159,193
2020	800,014
2021	388,720
2022	(232,097)
2023	-
Thereafter	
Total	\$ 1,115,830

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Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0 percent
Salary increase	3.50 to 7.75 percent, including inflation and
	productivity factor
Investment rate of return	7.20 percent, net of pension plan investment expense,
	including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. general, law enforcement officer), and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2017 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Fixed income	29.0%	1.4%
Global equity	42.0%	5.3%
Real estate	8.0%	4.3%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.9%
Credit	7.0%	6.0%
Inflation protection	<u>6.0</u> %	4.0%
Total	100.0%	

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2017 asset, liability and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.00%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

**Discount Rate.** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.20%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the 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 total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.20 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset or net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.20 percent) or 1percentage-point higher (8.20 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Discount		1%
	Decrease (6.20%)	Rate (7.20%)	Increase (8.20%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 8,543,283	\$ 2,845,844	\$ 1,909,722

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**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position.** Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina.

#### Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

**Plan Description.** The County administers a public employee retirement system (the "Separation Allowance"), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the County's qualified sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 62 who have completed at least 30 years of creditable service or have attained 55 years of age and have completed five or more years of creditable service. The Separation Allowance is equal to .85 percent of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. A separate report was not issued for the Plan.

All full-time law enforcement officers of the County are covered by the Separation Allowance.

At December 31, 2016, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of:

Retirees receiving benefits	2
Active plan members	43
Total	45

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of Accounting.* The County has chosen to fund the Separation Allowance on a pay-asyou-go basis. Pension expenditures are made from the General Fund, which is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

The Separation Allowance has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the following criteria, which are outlined in GASB Statements 73.

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#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The entry age actuarial cost method was used in the December 31, 2016 valuation. The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	3.50 to 7.35 percent, including inflation and
	productivity factor
Discount rate	3.16 percent

The discount rate used to measure the TPL is the S & P Municipal Bond 20 Year High Grade Rate Index.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an experience study completed by the Actuary for the Local Government Employees' Retirement System for the five year period ending December 31, 2014.

**Deaths After Retirement (Healthy):** RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant base rates projected to 2015 using MP-2015, projected forward generationally from 2015 using MP-2015. Rates are adjusted by 104% for males and 100% for females.

**Deaths Before Retirement:** RP-2014 Employee base rates projected to 2015 using MP-2015, projected forward generationally from 2015 using MP-2015.

**Deaths After Retirement (Beneficiary):** RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant base rates projected to 2015 using MP-2015, projected forward generationally from 2015 using MP-2015. Rates are adjusted by 123% for males and females.

**Deaths After Retirement (Disabled):** RP-2014 Disabled Retiree base rates projected 2015 using MP-2015, projected forward generationally from 2015 using MP-2015. Rates are adjusted by 103% for males and 99% for females.

**Contributions.** The County is required by Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the amounts necessary to cover the benefits earned on a pay-as-you-go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operation budget. There were no contributions made by the employees. The County's obligation to contribute to this Plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. Administration costs of the Separation Allowance are financed through investment earnings. The County paid \$26,377 as benefits came due.

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#### Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2018, the County reported a total pension liability of \$828,599. The total pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2017 based on a December 31, 2016 actuarial valuation. The total pension liability was rolled forward to December 31, 2017 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. For the year ended June 30, 2018, the County recognized pension expense of \$71,535.

	Deferred Defer Outflows of Inflow		De	e fe rre d	
			flows of		
	Res	sources	Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	1,165	
Changes of assumptions		45,501		13,464	
County benefit payments and plan administrative					
expense made subsequent to the measurement date		15,986		-	
Total	\$	61,487	\$	14,629	

The County paid \$15,986 in benefit payments subsequent to the measurement date that are reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, which will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending			
June 30	Amount		
2019	\$	6,446	
2020		6,446	
2021		6,446	
2022		6,446	
2023		5,088	
Thereafter		-	
Total	\$	30,872	

\$15,986 paid as benefits came due subsequent to the measurement date are reported as deferred outflows of resources.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

**Sensitivity of the County's Total Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**. The following presents the County's total pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.16 percent, as well as what the County's total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.16 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.16 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease		Disc	count Rate	1% Increase		
	(	(2.16%)	(3.16%)		(4.16%)		
Total pension liability	\$	901,079	\$	828,599	\$	762,335	

# Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

	 2018
Beginning balance	\$ 736,944
Service cost	36,484
Interest on the total pension liability	27,937
Difference between expected and actual experience in the	
measurement of the total pension liability	(1,409)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	55,020
Benefit payments	 (26,377)
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$ 828,599

**Changes of Assumptions.** Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.86 percent at June 30, 2017 to 3.16 percent at June 30, 2018.

**Changes in Benefit Terms.** Reported compensation adjusted to reflect the assumed rate of pay as of the valuation date.

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

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#### Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers

**Plan Description.** The County contributes to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan (the "Plan"), a defined contribution pension plan administered by the Department of State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. The Plan provides retirement benefits to law enforcement officers employed by the County. Article 5 of G.S. Chapter 135 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes the pension trust fund financial statements for the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) plan that includes the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

**Funding Policy.** Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the County to contribute each month an amount equal to 5% of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. The County contributed \$107,225 for the reporting year. No amounts were forfeited.

#### **Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund**

**Plan Description.** The County also contributes to the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund (RODSPF), a noncontributory, defined benefit plan administered by the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer. RODSPF provides supplemental pension benefits to any eligible county register of deeds who is retired under the Local Government Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) or an equivalent locally sponsored plan. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 161 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the state Senate, one appointed by the state House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, by calling (919) 981-5454, or at www.osc.nc.gov.

**Benefits Provided.** An individual's benefits for the year are calculated as a share of accumulated contributions available for benefits for that year, subject to certain statutory limits. An individual's eligibility is based on at least 10 years of service as a register of deeds with the individual's share increasing with years of service. Because of the statutory limits noted above, not all contributions available for benefits are distributed.

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**Contributions.** Benefits and administrative expenses are funded by investment income and 1.5% of the receipts collected by each County Commission under Article 1 of Chapter 161 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The statutory contribution currently has no relationship to the actuary's required contribution. The actuarially determined contribution this year and for the foreseeable future is zero. Registers of Deeds do not contribute. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 161-50 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$2,440 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

#### Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2018, the County reported an asset of \$47,281 for its proportionate share of the net pension asset. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2017. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2016. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2017 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension asset was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan, relative to contributions to the pension plan of all participating RODSPF employers. At June 30, 2017, the County's proportion was .2770%, which was a decrease of .0077% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the County recognized pension expense of \$8,235. At June 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	812	\$	152
Changes in assumptions		7,978		-
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments		4,019		-
Changes in proportion and differences between				
County contributions and proportionate share of				
contributions		1,313		-
County contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		2,440		_
Total	\$	16,562	\$	152

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\$2,440 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net pension asset in the year ended June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ending				
June 30	Α	Amount		
2019	\$	8,032		
2020		4,452		
2021		460		
2022		1,026		
2023		-		
Thereafter		-		
Total	\$	13,970		

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0 percent
	3.50 to 7.75 percent, including inflation and
Salary increase	productivity factor
	3.75 percent, net of pension plan investment
Investment rate of return	expense, including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over

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multiple year horizons. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The adopted asset allocation policy for the RODSPF is 100% in the fixed income asset class. The best estimate of arithmetic real rate of return for the fixed income asset class as of June 30, 2017 is 1.4%.

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2017 asset, liability and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.05%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

**Discount Rate.** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the 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 total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 3.75 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.75 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (2.75%)		Discount Rate (3.75%)		1% Increase (4.75%)	
County's proportionate share of the						
net pension liability (asset)	\$	(37,162)	\$	(47,281)	\$	(55,791)

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position.** Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

# Pensions Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability for LGERS and ROD was measured as of December 31, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The total pension liability for LEOSSA was measured as of June 30, 2017, with an actuarial valuation date of December 31, 2016. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contribution of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	LGERS	ROD	LEOSSA	Total
Proportionate share of net pension				
liability (asset)	\$2,845,844	\$(47,281)	\$ -	\$2,798,563
Proportion of the net pension liability				
(asset)	0.18628%	0.27700%	n/a	-
Total pension liability	-	-	828,599	828,599
Pension expense	991,427	8,235	71,535	1,071,197

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At June 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	LGERS	ROD	LEOSSA	Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources:				
Pensions - difference between expected				
and actual experience	\$ 163,94	6 \$ 812	\$-	\$ 164,758
Pensions - difference between projected				
and actual investment earnings	690,97	3 4,019	-	694,992
Changes of assumptions	406,42	5 7,978	45,501	459,904
Pensions - change in proportion and				
difference between employer contributions				
and proportionate share of contributions	48,52	2 1,313	-	49,835
County contributions (LGERS, ROD)/				
benefit payments and administration				
costs (LEOSSA) subsequent				
to the measurement date	905,90	6 2,440	15,986	924,332
Total	\$2,215,77	<u>\$ 16,562</u>	<u>\$ 61,487</u>	\$2,293,821
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>				
Pensions - difference between expected				
and actual experience	\$ 80,55	5 \$ 152	\$ 1,165	\$ 81,873
Changes of assumptions			13,464	13,464
Pensions - change in proportion and				
difference between employer contributions				
and proportionate share of contributions	113,48	<u> </u>		113,480
Total	\$ 194,03	<u>6</u> <u>\$ 152</u>	<u>\$ 14,629</u>	\$ 208,817

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#### **Other Post-Employment Benefits**

**Plan Description.** The County (by local policy) provides post-employment medical insurance benefits to retirees of the County through a single employer defined benefit plan, provided they retire through the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) and meet the following requirements.

For employees hired prior to July 1, 2008: At the date of retirement, the participant occupies a full-time or part-time with benefits budgeted position (50% or greater) and has completed: 1) a minimum of fifteen (15) consecutive years of employment with the County for reduced retiree health benefits or 2) twenty (20) consecutive years of employment with the County for retiree health benefits.

For employees hired on or after July 1, 2008 and before July 1, 2009: At the date of retirement, the participant occupies a full-time position and has completed a minimum of thirty (30) consecutive years of employment with the County for retiree health benefits.

The post-employment medical insurance benefits are not available to employees hired on or after July 1, 2009.

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

Medical insurance coverage will only be extended to qualified retirees until they become eligible for Medicare. For participants in the non-reduced retiree health benefits plan: When the qualified retiree becomes eligible for Medicare, the County will provide retiree health benefits by supplemental medical insurance only. For participants in the reduced retiree health benefits plan: When the qualified retiree becomes eligible for Medicare, participation in the County's group health plan will cease. The County Commissioners may amend the benefit provisions. A separate report was not issued for the Plan.

Membership of the Plan consisted of the following at June 30, 2016, the date of the latest actuarial valuation:

Inactive plan members or beneficiaries	
currently receiving benefit payments	37
Active plan members	134
Total	171

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

The County's total OPEB liability of \$21,096,276 was measured as of June 30, 2017 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	3.00 percent
Real wage growth	0.50 percent
Wage inflation	3.50 percent
Salary increases	3.50 to 7.75 percent, including wage inflation
Municipal bond index rate	
Prior measurement date	3.01 percent
Measurement date	3.56 percent
Health Care Cost Trends	
	7.75 percent for 2016 decreasing to an ultimate rate
Pre-Medicare	of 5.00% by 2022
	5.75 percent for 2016 decreasing to an ultimate rate
Medicare	of 5.00% by 2019

#### **Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

		Total OPEB Liability			
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 22,281,113				
Changes for the year:					
Service cost		701,420			
Interest		666,149			
Differences between expected and actual experience		318			
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		(2,250,682)			
Benefit payments		(302,042)			
Balance at June 30, 2018	\$	21,096,276			

The discount rate used to measure the TOL was based on the June average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index published weekly by The Bond Buyer.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 mortality tables, with adjustments for LGERS experience and generational mortality improvements using Scale MP-2015.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, and salary increases used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2014, adopted by the LGERS.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2016 valuation.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.56 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.56 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1%	Current	1%	
		Discount Rate		
	(2.56%)	(3.56%)	(4.56%)	
Total OPEB liability	\$25,445,991	\$ 21,096,276	\$17,726,456	

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1%	1%		
	Decrease	Current	Increase	
Total OPEB liability	\$17,251,251	\$ 21,096,276	\$26,172,779	

# **OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$1,021,891. At June 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	De	e fe rre d	Defer	red
	Outflows of Inflows of			s of
	Re	sources	Resou	rces
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	269	\$	-
Changes of assumptions		-	1,904	,955
Benefit payments and plan administrative expense				
made subsequent to the measurement date		262,038		-
Total	\$	262,307	\$1,904	,955

\$262,038 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from benefit payments made and administrative expenses incurred subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the total OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2019.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Other amounts reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending		
June 30		Total
2019	\$	(345,678)
2020		(345,678)
2021		(345,678)
2022		(345,678)
2023		(345,678)
Thereafter		(176,296)
Total	\$(	(1,904,686)

#### **Other Employment Benefits**

The County has elected to provide death benefits to employees through the Death Benefit Plan for members of the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (the "Death Benefit Plan"), a multiple-employer, state-administered, cost-sharing plan funded on a oneyear-term cost basis. The beneficiaries of those employees who die in active service after one year of contributing membership in the Death Benefit Plan, or who die within 180 days after retirement or termination of service and have at least one year of contributing membership service in the Death Benefit Plan at the time of death, are eligible for death benefits. Lumpsum death benefit payments to beneficiaries are equal to the employee's 12 highest months' salary in a row during the 24 months prior to the employee's death, but the benefit will be a minimum of \$25,000 and will not exceed \$50,000. Because all death benefit payments are made from the Death Benefit Plan and not by the County, the County does not determine the number of eligible participants. The County has no liability beyond the payment of monthly contributions. The contributions to the Death Benefit Plan cannot be separated between the post-employment benefit amount and the other benefit amount. Contributions are determined as a percentage of monthly payroll based upon rates established annually by the state. The County considers these contributions to be immaterial.

The County provides life insurance in the amount of \$12,500 to all full-time and eligible parttime employees. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations dictate that the cost of groupterm life insurance provided to an employee by his employer for coverage that exceeds \$50,000 is taxable to the employee as a fringe benefit.

#### **Closure and Post-Closure Care Costs – Landfill Facility**

Federal and state laws and regulations require the County to place a final cover on its current operating cell at the landfill facility when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for 30 years after closure. The County also has a closed cell at the landfill facility for which the entire amount of the closure and post-closure costs has been recognized as the cell capacity was used. Although closure and post-closure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

waste, the County reports a portion of these closure and post-closure care costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. The \$2,296,720 reported as landfill closure and post-closure care liability at June 30, 2018, represents a cumulative amount reported to date based on the use of 48% of the total estimated capacity of the construction and demolition operating cell of the landfill. The County will recognize the remaining estimated cost of closure and post-closure care of \$2,488,097 as the remaining estimated capacity is filled. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and post-closure care in 2018. The County closed the material solid waste operating cell at the landfill facility in fiscal year 1998 and expects to close the construction and demolition operating cell in 2033. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

The County has met the requirements of a local government financial test that is one option under federal and state laws and regulations that help determine if a unit is financially able to meet closure and post-closure care requirements. However, the County has elected to establish a Landfill Closure Fund, a proprietary fund type, to accumulate resources for the payment of closure and post-closure care costs. A transfer of \$150,000 was made to the Landfill Closure Fund during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. The Landfill Closure Fund has \$858,045 in cash at June 30, 2018.

The County expects that future inflation costs will be paid from the interest earnings on these annual contributions. However, if interest earnings are inadequate or additional post-closure care requirements are determined (due to changes in technology or applicable laws or regulations, for example), these costs may need to be covered by charges to future landfill users or by future tax revenues.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows and outflows of resources at year-end are comprised of the following:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual					
experience (Pensions, OPEB)	\$	165,027	\$	81,873	
Changes of assumptions (Pensions, OPEB)		459,904		1,918,419	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on					
pension plan investments (Pensions, OPEB)		694,992		-	
Changes in proportion and differences between County					
contributions and proportionate share of					
contributions (Pensions)		49,835		113,480	
Benefit payments for the OPEB plan paid					
subsequent to the measurement date		262,038			
Benefit payments/administration costs paid subsequent to					
the measurement date (LEOSSA)		15,986		-	
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date					
(LGERS & ROD)		908,346		-	
Taxes receivable, net (General Fund and					
Special Revenue Fund)		-		1,140,492	
Unavailable revenues		-		197,805	
Health department receivables, net (General Fund)		-		17,159	
Prepaid taxes (General Fund)		-		159,889	
Total	\$	2,556,128	\$	3,629,117	

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Summary Disclosure of Significant Commitments**

The County has active construction projects as of June 30, 2018. At June 30, 2018, the County's commitments with contractors are listed in the following projects:

Project	Spent-to-Date		Remaining Commitment		
County Office Complex Renovation	\$	157,352	\$	1,492,448	
Shurtape Job Retention Wastewater project		1,122,164		63,851	
Industrial Park Pump Station Replacement project		563,074		34,366	
Total	\$	1,842,590	\$	1,590,665	

#### **Risk Management**

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County obtains workers' compensation and employer liability insurance through Key Risk Insurance Company with workers' compensation coverage up to the statutory limits and employer liability coverage subject to a limit of \$1,000,000. The County obtains property coverage through Millennium Insurance Group equal to replacement cost values of owned property subject to a limit of \$42 million for any one occurrence; general, auto, public officials, law enforcement, and employment practices liability coverage of \$1 million per occurrence; auto physical damage coverage for owned autos at actual cash value (ambulances at replacement cost); and crime coverage of \$250,000 per occurrence. The County obtains medical and dental insurance for employees through MedCost. The County uses a third-party administrator to manage the group medical and dental insurance plans.

The County participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) with Flood Insurance Rate Maps that designate two County-owned properties as having a one-percent annual chance of a 100-year flood in any given year. The County has not secured flood insurance through the NFIP, but carries flood insurance with a \$1,000,000 limit and a \$50,000 deductible through the County's property insurance carrier.

The County carries commercial coverage for all other risks of loss. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year, and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the County's employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the County's funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond. The Finance Director, the Tax Administrator/Collector, and the County Manager are individually bonded for \$100,000 each. The Sheriff and Register of Deeds are bonded for \$25,000 and \$10,000, respectively. The remaining employees that have access to funds are bonded under a blanket bond for \$250,000. This blanket bond also covers the County positions named above.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### **Contingent Liabilities**

At June 30, 2018, the County was a defendant to various lawsuits. In the opinion of the County's management and the County attorney, the ultimate effect of these legal matters will not have a material adverse effect on the County's financial position.

#### **Long-Term Obligations**

#### **General Obligation Indebtedness**

The general obligation bonds financed by the governmental funds are accounted for in the governmental funds. The general obligation bonds issued to finance the construction of facilities utilized in the operations of the water systems, and which are being retired by its resources, are reported as long-term debt in the Enterprise Fund. All general obligation bonds are collateralized by the full-faith credit, and taxing power of the County. Principal and interest requirements are appropriated when due. For the current fiscal year, the County paid the remaining outstanding balance of the general obligation bonds.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

## **Notes Payable**

Notes payable at June 30, 2018, are comprised of the following individual agreements:

#### **Governmental Funds:**

\$5,800,000 March 2001 agreement to construct a new building for Ellendale Elementary School, due in 40 semi-annual payments of \$230,467, including interest at 4.97% through March 2021, secured by a deed of trust. In March 2013, the loan terms were modified by the financial institution. The new terms state that interest will accrue at a rate of 2.59%. Principal and interest payments of \$209,656 are payable semi-annually through March 2021.	\$ 1,203,082
\$6,256,217 June 2004 agreement to construct a new Department of Social Services Building and Alexander Central High School Auditorium, due in 13 semi-annual payments of \$254,537, followed by 17 semi-annual payments of \$173,333, plus interest at 3.399%, through June 2019, secured by real property	347,241
\$10,000,000 January 2011 agreement to construct a new law enforcement and detention center and to make renovations to the existing County courthouse, due in 30 semi- annual payments of \$333,333, plus interest at 3.19% through January 2026, secured by a deed of trust	 5,333,333
Total governmental funds	 6,883,656
<b>Proprietary Funds:</b> \$3,600,645 June 2009 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund agreement to construct water system due on May 1 in installments of \$200,036, with interest payable on May 1 and November 1 at 2.10% through May 2028, unsecured	2,000,358
\$3,287,176 February 2015 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund agreement to construct a water system improvement project payments beginning May 2016 in annual installments of \$165,439, with 0% interest payable through May 2035, unsecured	 2,794,100
Total proprietary funds	 4,794,458
Total all funds	\$ 11,678,114

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the County's notes payable are as follows:

# Governmental Activities: Governmental Funds:

Year Ending June 30	]	Principal	I	nterest	 Total
2019	\$	1,404,579	\$	202,445	\$ 1,607,024
2020		1,067,522		162,006	1,229,528
2021		1,078,221		130,078	1,208,299
2022		666,667		101,017	767,684
2023		666,667		79,750	746,417
2024-2026		2,000,000		111,650	 2,111,650
Total governmental funds		6,883,656		786,946	 7,670,602

# **Business-Type Activities: Proprietary Funds:**

Year Ending June 30	F	Principal	]	Inte rest	Total
2019	\$	364,395	\$	42,008	\$ 406,403
2020		364,395		37,807	402,202
2021		364,395		33,606	398,001
2022		364,395		29,405	393,800
2023		364,395		25,205	389,600
2024-2028		1,821,972		63,011	1,884,983
2029-2033		821,793		-	821,793
2034-2035		328,718		-	 328,718
Total proprietary funds		4,794,458		231,042	 5,025,500
Total notes payable	\$	11,678,114	\$	1,017,988	\$ 12,696,102

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

A summary of changes in long-term obligations follows:

	As Restated July 1, 2017	Additions	Retirements	June 30, 2018	Current Portion
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Notes payable	\$ 8,406,036	\$ -	\$ 1,522,380	\$ 6,883,656	\$1,404,579
Compensated absences	966,190	832,588	657,373	1,141,405	657,000
Total OPEB liability	21,398,109	-	815,032	20,583,077	-
Total pension liability (LEOSSA)	736,944	118,032	26,377	828,599	-
Net pension obligation (LGERS)	4,022,575		1,242,796	2,779,779	
Total	\$35,529,854	\$ 950,620	\$ 4,263,958	\$ 32,216,516	\$2,061,579
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>					
<b>County Water and Sewer Fund</b>					
Notes payable	\$ 5,158,853	\$ -	\$ 364,395	\$ 4,794,458	\$ 364,395
Total OPEB liability	52,092	-	52,092	-	-
Compensated absences	13,806	-	13,806	-	-
Net pension obligation (LGERS)	28,455		28,455		
Total County Water and					
Sewer Fund	5,253,206		458,748	4,794,458	364,395
<b>Bethlehem Water Fund:</b>					
General obligation bonds	135,867	-	135,867		
Total Bethlehem Water Fund	135,867		135,867		
Solid Waste Fund:					
Total OPEB liability	528,870	-	15,671	513,199	-
Compensated absences	30,615	8,218	23,932	14,901	8,100
Net pension obligation (LGERS)	81,157		15,092	66,065	
Total Solid Waste Fund	640,642	8,218	54,695	594,165	8,100
Landfill Closure Fund:					
Accrued landfill					
post-closure costs	2,162,100	196,793	62,173	2,296,720	
Total	2,162,100	196,793	62,173	2,296,720	
Total business-type					
activities	<u>\$ 8,191,815</u>	\$ 205,011	<u>\$ 711,483</u>	\$ 7,685,343	\$ 372,495

At June 30, 2018, the County had a legal debt margin of \$196,598,930.

Compensated absences, pension obligations, and OPEB for governmental activities have typically been liquidated in the General Fund.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

## C. Interfund Balances and Activity

	_		Transfers
	From	То	Purpose
Transfers From/to Other Funds:			
General Fund	\$ 4,581,834	\$ -	
Major Capital Project (Capital	-	1,031,921	School sales tax hold harmless funds;
Improvements) Fund			Resources for school construction
Special Revenue (Alexander County	-	4,500	Local match for economic
Broadband Study) Fund			development grant project
Special Revenue (Alexander County	-	50,000	Local match for economic
Borealis Rail Project)			development grant project
Special Revenue (Alexander County	-	30,000	Local match for economic
Borealis Building Reuse Project)			development grant project
Enterprise (County Water and Sewer Capital	-	87,640	Local match for economic
Project Fund Alexander County Industrial Park			development grant project
Pump Station Replacement Project) Fund			
Bethlehem Sewer Fund	-	785,273	Preliminary costs of project
			to be financed with NCDEQ loan
Enterprise (County Water and Sewer Capital			
Project Fund Shurtape Job Retention			
Wastewater Project)	-	150,000	Local match for economic
•			development grant project
Capital Project (Alexander County Office	-	2,340,500	Local funds for general
Complex Renovation Project)			government project
Solid Waste Fund	-	102,000	Assistance for expenses that were
			greater than original estimates
General Fund	-	151,791	Return unused local funds to General
			Fund - closed grant project
Capital Project (Applied Tech Building	76	-	
Equipment Project)			
Capital Project (Applied Tech Building	148,801	-	
Renovation Project)			
Capital Project (Rocky Face Park	2,914	-	
Expansion Project) Fund	,		
General Fund	-	186,083	Use unspent loan proceeds to pay
		,	current year debt service interest
Capital Project (County Capital Project) Fund	186,083	-	2
Enterprise (County Water and Sewer) Fund	-	123,269	Resources for debt service on a
Enterprise (Bethlehem Water) Fund	123,269	- ,	project that benefits both water funds
Enterprise (Landfill Closure) Fund	-	150.000	Resources for landfill closure and
General Fund	150,000	-	post-closure
Total transfers	\$ 5,192,977	\$ 5,192,977	

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

The following is a summary of interfund and intrafund receivables and payables as of June 30, 2018:

Receivable Entity	Payable Entity	 Amount	Purpose
Capital Improvements Fund	General Fund	\$ 42,115	Sales tax hold harmless amount due to schools
General Fund	County water and sewer	38,502	Time lag for when reimbursable expenditures are received
General Fund	Solid Waste Fund	124,000	Interfund capital loan
General Fund	Solid Waste Fund	 154,580	Cash overpayment
Total		\$ 359,197	

#### 3. Summary Disclosure of Significant Contingencies

The County has received proceeds from several federal and state grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

#### 4. Jointly Governed Organizations

The County, in conjunction with three other counties and twenty-three municipalities, established the Western Piedmont Council of Governments (the "Council"). The participating governments established the Council to coordinate various funding received from federal and state agencies. Each participating government appoints one member to the Council's governing board. The County paid membership fees of \$37,189 and administrative and other fees of \$4,655 to the Council during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

Vaya Health is the MH/DD/SAS area program for the following 15 counties: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, McDowell, Swain, Watauga, and Wilkes. The County Commissioners are responsible for appointing two of the 30 members of the Board of Directors of Vaya Health for MH/DD/SAS. The County Commissioners also appoint one at-large member to the Vaya Health Board, but this member has no voting power. The County's accountability for this organization does not extend beyond making these appointments.

The County, in conjunction with three other counties (Burke, Caldwell, and Catawba) and three municipalities (Hickory, Conover, and Newton), established the Western Piedmont Regional Transit Authority (RTA) which began operations as of July 1, 2008. Each participating government appoints one member and one alternate to the RTA's governing board. The County paid \$24,499 as a special appropriation to the RTA during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### 5. Change in Accounting Principles/Restatement

The County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. Statement 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*, in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. The implementation of the statement required the County to record beginning net OPEB liability and the effects on net position of benefit payments and administrative expenses paid by the County related to OPEB during the measurement period (fiscal year ending June 30, 2017). Beginning deferred outflows and inflows of resources associated with the implementation were excluded from the restatement. As a result, net position for governmental activities decreased \$13,061,812 and \$251,140 for the business-type activities.

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

 2018
\$ 22,281,113
701,420
666,149
318
(2,250,682)
 (302,042)
\$ 21,096,276
\$ 5,395,422 391.00%
\$

#### Notes to Schedule

Changes of assumptions: changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate of each period. The following are the discount rates used in each period:

Fiscal Year	Rate	
2018	3.56%	

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years.

Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

#### ALEXANDER COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS\*

Local Gove	rnment	al Employees	'R	Retirement Sy	ste	em		
		2018		2017		2016	2015	2014
Alexander County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)		0.18628%		0.19470%		0.19330%	0.19219%	0.17920%
Alexander County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$	2,845,844	\$	4,132,187	\$	867,519	\$ (1,133,437) \$	2,160,048
Alexander County's covered-employee payroll	\$	11,273,216	\$	11,190,724	\$	11,199,058	\$ 10,804,503 \$	9,947,711
Alexander County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		25.24%		36.93%		7.75%	-10.49%	21.71%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**		94.18%		91.47%		98.09%	102.64%	94.35%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.

\*\* This will be the same percentage for all participant employers in the LGERS plan.

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

#### ALEXANDER COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

Local Gov	ernme	ntal Employe	es'	Retirement	Sys	stem		
		2018		2017		2016	 2015	 2014
Contractually required contribution	\$	905,906	\$	843,491	\$	771,344	\$ 800,901	\$ 767,041
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	_	905,906		843,491	_	771,344	 800,901	 767,041
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$		\$		\$ 	\$ 
Alexander County's covered-employee payroll	\$	11,840,407	\$	11,273,216	\$	11,190,724	\$ 11,199,058	\$ 10,804,503
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		7.65%		7.48%		6.89%	7.15%	7.10%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years.

Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

#### ALEXANDER COUNTY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS\*

#### **Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund**

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Alexander County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.27700%	0.28472%	0.28474%	0.29199%	0.26106%
Alexander County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ (47,281)	\$ (53,232)	\$ (65,986)	\$ (66,171)	\$ (55,762)
Alexander County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 53,738	\$ 53,687	\$ 53,635	\$ 53,583	\$ 53,532
Alexander County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	-87.98%	-99.15%	-123.03%	-123.49%	-104.17%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**	153.77%	160.17%	197.29%	193.88%	190.50%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.

\*\* This will be the same percentage for all participant employers in the ROD plan.

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

#### ALEXANDER COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

Register of Deeds'	Suj	plement	al P	ension F	und			
		2018		2017		2016	2015	 2014
Contractually required contribution	\$	2,440	\$	2,407	\$	2,326	\$ 2,278	\$ 2,384
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		2,440		2,407		2,326	 2,278	 2,384
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$		\$		\$ 	\$ 
Alexander County's covered-employee payroll	\$	54,734	\$	53,738	\$	53,687	\$ 53,635	\$ 53,583
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee pay	r	4.46%		4.48%		4.33%	4.25%	4.45%

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## SCHEDULES OF CHANGES IN TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS

	 2018	2017
Beginning balance	\$ 736,944	\$ 703,068
Service cost	36,484	42,066
Interest on the total pension liability	27,937	24,851
Differences between expected and actual experience		
in the measurement of the total pension liability	(1,409)	-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	55,020	(19,122)
Benefit payments	 (26,377)	(13,919)
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$ 828,599	\$ 736,944

Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior December 31.

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years.

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# SCHEDULE OF TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY AS A PERCENTAGE OF COVERED PAYROLL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS

	 2018	 2017
Total pension liability	\$ 828,599	\$ 736,944
Covered payroll	1,580,388	1,652,773
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	52.43%	44.59%

Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

#### Notes to the Schedules:

Alexander County has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 73 to pay related benefits.

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

			2018		 2017
	1	Budget	 Actual	ariance er/Under	Actual
Revenues:					
Ad Valorem Taxes:					
Taxes	\$	19,843,000	\$ 20,248,718	\$ ,	\$ 20,080,409
Penalties and interest		162,000	 169,894	 7,894	 155,719
Total		20,005,000	 20,418,612	 413,612	 20,236,128
Local Option Sales Taxes:					
Article 39 one percent		2,111,000	2,104,704	(6,296)	2,015,745
Article 40 one-half of one percent		2,672,000	2,635,106	(36,894)	2,522,789
Article 42 one-half of one percent		1,189,000	1,187,922	(1,078)	1,134,429
Article 44 one-half of one percent		-	789	789	323
Article 46 one-fourth of one percent		484,000	490,119	6,119	464,988
Article 44*524		1,431,000	1,447,663	16,663	1,352,019
Medicaid Hold Harmless		714,665	 980,130	 265,465	 1,001,844
Total		8,601,665	 8,846,433	 244,768	 8,492,137
Other Taxes and Licenses:					
ABC \$.05 per bottle		3,300	3,710	410	3,949
Alcoholic beverage tax distribution		64,000	156,008	92,008	63,964
Video programming distribution		167,000	163,371	(3,629)	167,562
Total		234,300	 323,089	 88,789	 235,475
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues:				(1.000.007)	
Federal and state grants		5,433,409	4,099,572	(1,333,837)	5,039,333
Controlled substance tax		1,000	26,635	25,635	9,920
Court facility fees		30,000	 33,400	 3,400	 36,800
Total		5,464,409	 4,159,607	 (1,304,802)	 5,086,053
Permits and Fees:					
Register of Deeds		200,000	243,622	43,622	232,381
Building inspections		230,500	274,454	43,954	243,293
Gun and concealed weapon permits		32,500	43,305	10,805	36,100
Other fees		14,100	 15,471	 1,371	 12,725
Total		477,100	 576,852	 99,752	 524,499
Sales and Services:					
Rents, concessions, and fees		171,300	194,241	22,941	191,262
Detention center fees		418,740	700,323	281,583	400,171
Ambulance fees		1,365,000	1,370,465	5,465	1,445,226
Recreation department		69,000	39,611	(29,389)	36,166
Health department		1,246,916	1,318,240	71,324	1,382,954
Information technology		12,500	2,369	(10,131)	6,107
Social services		263,500	116,374	(147,126)	272,488
Senior center		13,000	9,237	(3,763)	24,894
License plate agency		110,500	136,260	25,760	138,655
Library		8,000	7,851	(149)	8,994
State payments - soil and water technical assistance		22,075	22,268	193	22,448
Rocky Face Park		13,000	 13,812	 812	 2,472
Total		3,713,531	 3,931,051	 217,520	 3,931,837

		2018		2017
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Investment Earnings	86,000	207,543	121,543	79,399
Miscellaneous:				
Insurance claim reimbursement	7,273	50,173	42,900	91,761
Donations	18,782	24,904	6,122	18,517
Grant	89,373	83,623	(5,750)	16,000
Sale of fixed assets	2,000	15,106	13,106	28,288
Other	33,128	50,829	17,701	274,210
Total	150,556	224,635	74,079	428,776
Total revenues				39,014,304
Total revenues	38,732,561	38,687,822	(44,739)	39,014,304
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Governing body	555,810	287,174	268,636	309,030
Administration	303,943	294,792	9,151	288,422
Elections	241,219	184,256	56,963	214,557
Finance	668,145	585,782	82,363	550,135
Tax office	566,147	499,631	66,516	492,227
Information technology	1,071,852	1,060,230	11,622	1,032,968
Register of Deeds	268,713	238,520	30,193	246,339
License plate agency	158,240	142,308	15,932	136,592
Public buildings	1,320,497	1,285,788	34,709	1,330,931
Garage	412,228	406,635	5,593	341,920
Human resources	897,898	610,007	287,891	642,227
Court facilities	120,410	116,531	3,879	93,999
Engineering	112,750	107,836	4,914	-
Total	6,697,852	5,819,490	878,362	5,679,347
Public Safety:				
Sheriff's office	2,964,844	2,852,002	112,842	2,653,972
Detention center	2,517,481	2,276,695	240,786	2,221,074
Pre-trial release program	110,841	98,155	12,686	92,249
RRS program	92,678	86,480	6,198	83,963
Fire/emergency services	452,707	412,525	40,182	269,649
Emergency communications	831,872	750,956	80,916	683,709
Forestry	54,237	53,971	266	56,013
Planning and inspections	560,732	497,927	62,805	446,644
Emergency medical services	3,146,322	3,000,445	145,877	2,780,496
Medical examiner	45,000	22,050	22,950	33,200
Total	10,776,714	10,051,206	725,508	9,320,969
Environmental Protection:				
Soil and water	166,578	164,115	2,463	113,655
Animal services	360,660	321,810	38,850	351,917
Total	527,238	485,925	41,313	465,572
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	2018			2017	
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual	
Economic and Physical Development:					
Economic development	276,939	276,014	925	194,958	
Agricultural extension	226,085	216,723	9,362	178,193	
Total	503,024	492,737	10,287	373,151	
Human Services:					
Health Department:					
Environmental health	357,234	395,333	(38,099)	378,596	
General health	239,664	163,339	76,325	227,344	
Maternal health	208,997	165,508	43,489	137,749	
WIC program	138,350	141,970	(3,620)	143,355	
Dental health	481,356	539,952	(58,596)	558,061	
Family planning	232,341	266,481	(34,140)	237,547	
Communicable disease	191,077	127,492	63,585	113,845	
Health promotion	103,141	71,004	32,137	25,781	
Child health	267,840	220,081	47,759	203,843	
Adult health	120,621	120,486	135	55,786	
Preparedness	41,073	32,659	8,414	33,562	
Care coordination for children	63,504	67,437	(3,933)	76,621	
Pregnancy care management	80,679	64,771	15,908	57,609	
Total	2,525,877	2,376,513	149,364	2,249,699	
Veterans Service	71,463	69,337	2,126	67,853	
Juvenile Crime Prevention	115,618	114,854	764	111,373	
Social Services Department:					
Administration	4,466,878	4,030,433	436,445	3,908,565	
In-home services	115,880	76,893	38,987	174,992	
Public assistance	142,895	127,332	15,563	138,971	
Emergency assistance account	7,012	5,313	1,699	5,104	
Medical assistance	251,500	36,285	215,215	166,257	
General assistance	1,852,510	592,527	1,259,983	1,726,104	
Foster care	762,999	443,078	319,921	431,536	
Adoption Enhancement Fund	39,000	13,948	25,052	7,570	
Work First	32,985	32,533	452	31,602	
Aging nutrition	113,637	86,379	27,258	109,326	
Total	7,785,296	5,444,721	2,340,575	6,700,027	
Special appropriations	510,939	507,250	3,689	445,407	
Senior center	173,466	154,867	18,599	169,902	
Total human services	11,182,659	8,667,542	2,515,117	9,744,261	

	2018			2017
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Cultural and Recreation:				
Recreation	330,763	303,782	26,981	287,824
Rocky Face Park	208,030	185,376	22,654	143,928
Library	518,531	489,142	29,389	403,760
Bethlehem Library				89,257
Total	1,057,324	978,300	79,024	924,769
Education:				
Alexander County Board of Education:				
Current expenses	6,031,900	6,031,900	-	6,031,900
Auditorium reimbursement	-	-	-	150,000
21st Century Program	40,000	40,000		-
Total	6,071,900	6,071,900	<u> </u>	6,181,900
CVCC - Alexander County:			1 100	
Current expenses	45,700	44,562	1,138	40,411
Compensatory education Capital outlay	22,000 13,000	22,000 12,639	361	22,000
Total	80,700	79,201	1,499	62,411
10121	80,700	/9,201	1,499	62,411
Total education	6,152,600	6,151,101	1,499	6,244,311
Debt Service:				
Principal retirement	1,528,000	1,522,380	5,620	1,641,067
Interest and fees	254,000	246,733	7,267	294,019
Total	1,782,000	1,769,113	12,887	1,935,086
Contingency	251,251	-	251,251	<u> </u>
Total expenditures	38,930,662	34,415,414	4,515,248	34,687,466
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(198,101)	4,272,408	4,470,509	4,326,838
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers in:				
Special revenue funds	-	-	-	7,521
Capital project funds	338,793	337,874	(919)	207,350
Transfers out:				
Special revenue funds	(84,500)	(84,500)	-	(25,300)
Capital project funds	(3,444,500)	(3,372,421)	72,079	(1,027,236)
Enterprise funds	(1,274,913)	(1,274,913)	-	(398,349)
Appropriated fund balance	4,663,221	-	(4,663,221)	-
Total	198,101	(4,393,960)	(4,592,061)	(1,236,014)
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$                                    </u>	(121,552)	\$ (121,552)	3,090,824
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1	-	16,425,556		13,334,732
End of year - June 30	<u> </u>	5 16,304,004		\$ 16,425,556

## MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		2018			2017
	Budget	 Actual	0	Variance )ver/Under	Actual
Revenues:					
State lottery revenue	\$ 2,077,221	\$ 45,063	\$	(2,032,158)	\$ -
Investment earnings	 8,000	 42,737		34,737	 14,149
Total revenues	 2,085,221	 87,800		(1,997,421)	 14,149
Expenditures:					
Education	 3,927,996	 590,106		3,337,890	 722,556
Total expenditures	 3,927,996	 590,106		3,337,890	 722,556
Revenues over (under) expenditures	 (1,842,775)	 (502,306)		1,340,469	 (708,407)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in	1,104,000	1,031,921		(72,079)	936,248
Appropriated fund balance	 738,775	 _		(738,775)	 _
Total other financing sources (uses)	 1,842,775	 1,031,921		(810,854)	 936,248
Net change in fund balance	\$ 	529,615	\$	529,615	227,841
Fund Balance:					
Beginning of year - July 1		 3,087,235			 2,859,394
End of year - June 30		\$ 3,616,850			\$ 3,087,235

# NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2018

	S R	onmajor Special evenue Funds	 Nonmajor Capital Project Funds	Total
Assets:				
Cash and investments	\$	539,154	\$ 2,237,660	\$ 2,776,814
Taxes receivable, net		65,324	-	65,324
Accounts receivable		11,742	-	11,742
Prepaids		5,785	-	5,785
Due from other governments		11,288	-	11,288
Cash and investments, restricted		362,444	 122,167	 484,611
Total assets	\$	995,737	\$ 2,359,827	\$ 3,355,564
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	3,764	\$ 103,071	\$ 106,835
Total liabilities		3,764	 103,071	 106,835
Deferred Inflows of Resources:				
Taxes receivable		65,324	 -	 65,324
Fund Balances:				
Non-spendable:				
Prepaid items		5,785	-	5,785
Restricted:		22.020		22.020
Stabilization for state statute		23,030	-	23,030
Restricted, all other		417,447	122,167	539,614
Committed		480,387	 2,134,589	 2,614,976
Total fund balances		926,649	 2,256,756	 3,183,405
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of				
resources, and fund balances	\$	995,737	\$ 2,359,827	\$ 3,355,564

# NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Nonmajor Capital Project Funds	Total
Revenues:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 1,358,170	\$ -	\$ 1,358,170
Other taxes and licenses	140,901	-	140,901
Intergovernmental revenues	10,000	550,403	560,403
Miscellaneous revenues	41,600	-	41,600
Investment earnings	3,290	185	3,475
Total revenues	1,553,961	550,588	2,104,549
Expenditures:			
Public safety	1,249,451	-	1,249,451
General government	150,968	213,721	364,689
Education	-	6,096	6,096
Cultural and recreation		165,973	165,973
Total expenditures	1,400,419	385,790	1,786,209
Revenues over (under) expenditures	153,542	164,798	318,340
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in	84,500	2,340,500	2,425,000
Transfers out	-	(337,874)	(337,874)
Total other financing sources (uses)	84,500	2,002,626	2,087,126
Net change in fund balances	238,042	2,167,424	2,405,466
Fund Balances:			
Beginning of year - July 1	688,607	89,332	777,939
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 926,649</u>	\$ 2,256,756	\$ 3,183,405

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#### NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Fire Districts Fund	Revaluation Fund	Emergency Telephone System Fund			
Assets: Cash and investments	\$ 42,15	8 \$ -	\$ 375,396			
Taxes receivable, net	\$ 42,13 65,32		\$ 375,396			
Accounts receivable	00,02		11,742			
Prepaids		- 2,040	3,745			
Due from other governments	11,28		-			
Cash and investments, restricted		- 362,444				
Total assets	\$ 118,77	<u>\$ 364,484</u>	\$ 390,883			
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	- \$ 3,657	\$ 107			
Total liabilities		- 3,657	107			
Deferred Inflows of Resources:						
Taxes receivable	65,32					
Fund Balances:						
Non-spendable:						
Prepaid items		- 2,040	3,745			
Restricted: Stabilization for state statute	11.20	0	11 742			
Restricted, all other	11,28 42,15		11,742 375,289			
Committed	42,12	- 358,787				
Total fund balances	53,44		390,776			
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of						
resources, and fund balances	\$ 118,77	<u> </u>	\$ 390,883			

#### NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds						
	Alexander County Broadband Study	C 1	Borealis Compounds Industrial Cail Project	#10 B Co	G Project 5-E-2931 orealis mpounds ling Reuse		al Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
Assets: Cash and investments	Φ	¢	01 (00	¢	20.000	¢	520 154
Taxes receivable, net	\$ -	\$	91,600	\$	30,000	\$	539,154 65,324
Accounts receivable	_		-		_		11,742
Prepaids	-		-		-		5,785
Due from other governments	-		-		-		11,288
Cash and investments, restricted			-		-		362,444
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	\$	91,600	\$	30,000	\$	995,737
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:							
Liabilities:	<b>*</b>	<i>.</i>		<u>_</u>		<i>•</i>	
Accounts payable	<u>s</u> -	\$		\$	-	\$	3,764
Total liabilities			<u> </u>				3,764
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>							
Taxes receivable		·	<u> </u>		-		65,324
Fund Balances: Non-spendable:							
Prepaid items Restricted:	-		-		-		5,785
Stabilization for state statute	-		-		-		23,030
Restricted, all other	-		-		-		417,447
Committed	-		91,600		30,000		480,387
Total fund balances			91,600		30,000		926,649
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of							
resources, and fund balances	<u>\$</u>	\$	91,600	\$	30,000	\$	995,737

#### NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Fire Districts Fund	Revaluation Fund	Emergency Telephone System Fund			
Revenues:						
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 1,050,170	\$ 308,000	\$ -			
Other taxes and licenses	-	-	140,901			
Intergovernmental revenues Miscellaneous revenues	-	-	-			
Investment earnings	-	1,548	1,742			
Total revenues	1,050,170	309,548	142,643			
Total revenues	1,030,170	507,548	142,045			
Expenditures:						
Public safety	1,045,275	-	204,176			
General government		126,468				
Total expenditures	1,045,275	126,468	204,176			
Revenues over (under) expenditures	4,895	183,080	(61,533)			
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfers in						
Total other financing sources (uses)						
Net change in fund balances	4,895	183,080	(61,533)			
Fund Balances:						
Beginning of year - July 1	48,551	177,747	452,309			
End of year - June 30	\$ 53,446	\$ 360,827	\$ 390,776			

#### NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds							
	Alexander County Broadband Study	Borealis Compounds Industrial Rail Project	CDBG Project #16-E-2931 Borealis Compounds Building Reuse	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds				
Revenues:	¢.	<i>.</i>	¢.	<b>• 1.250.150</b>				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,358,170				
Other taxes and licenses	-	-	-	140,901				
Intergovernmental revenues	10,000	-	-	10,000				
Miscellaneous revenues	-	41,600	-	41,600				
Investment earnings	-			3,290				
Total revenues	10,000	41,600		1,553,961				
Expenditures:								
Public safety	-	-	-	1,249,451				
General government	24,500			150,968				
Total expenditures	24,500			1,400,419				
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(14,500)	41,600		153,542				
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfers in	4,500	50,000	30,000	84,500				
Total other financing sources (uses)	4,500	50,000	30,000	84,500				
Net change in fund balances	(10,000)	91,600	30,000	238,042				
Fund Balances:								
Beginning of year - July 1	10,000			688,607				
End of year - June 30	<u>\$</u>	\$ 91,600	\$ 30,000	\$ 926,649				

	2018						_	2017	
	Budget			Actual		Variance Over/Under		Actual	
Revenues:	¢	1 0 2 0 1 1 0	¢	1 050 170	¢	21.0(0	¢	1.007.75(	
Ad valorem taxes	\$	1,029,110	\$	1,050,170	\$	21,060	\$	1,037,756	
Expenditures:									
Public safety:									
Bethlehem Fire District		240,338		240,338		-		234,820	
Wittenburg Fire District		170,423		170,423		-		163,770	
Hiddenite Fire District		133,261		133,261		-		132,600	
East Alexander Fire District		114,685		114,685		-		110,000	
Ellendale Fire District		110,000		110,000		-		109,450	
Sugarloaf Fire District		100,828		100,828		-		98,775	
Central Alexander Fire District		112,555		112,555		-		111,510	
Vashti Fire District		63,185		63,185		-		61,130	
Total expenditures		1,045,275		1,045,275		-		1,022,055	
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(16,165)		4,895		21,060		15,701	
Other financing sources (uses):									
Appropriated fund balance		16,165		-		(16,165)		-	
Net change in fund balance	\$			4,895	\$	4,895		15,701	
Fund Balance:									
Beginning of year - July 1				48,551				32,850	
End of year - June 30			\$	53,446			\$	48,551	

## REVALUATION FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

			2017			
	]	Budget		Actual	/ariance /er/Under	Actual
Revenues:						
Ad valorem taxes	\$	308,000	\$	308,000	\$ -	\$ 187,000
Investment earnings		-		1,548	 1,548	 552
Total revenues		308,000		309,548	 1,548	 187,552
Expenditures:						
General government		308,000		126,468	 181,532	 128,715
Net change in fund balance	\$			183,080	\$ 183,080	58,837
Fund Balance:						
Beginning of year - July 1				177,747		 118,910
End of year - June 30			\$	360,827		\$ 177,747

## EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

			2018		2017
	]	Budget	 Actual	/ariance /er/Under	 Actual
Revenues:					
Other taxes and licenses	\$	140,900	\$ 140,901	\$ 1	\$ 151,717
Investment earnings		-	 1,742	 1,742	 374
Total revenues		140,900	 142,643	 1,743	 152,091
Expenditures:					
Implemental functions		15,000	2,284	12,716	5,877
Telephone		71,352	45,788	25,564	37,482
Furniture		5,000	3,565	1,435	1,718
Software and software maintenance		80,887	30,908	49,979	58,576
Hardware and hardware maintenance		258,682	118,366	140,316	240,987
Training		4,000	2,185	1,815	978
ECaTS expense - 911		1,600	 1,080	 520	 1,080
Total expenditures		436,521	 204,176	 232,345	 346,698
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(295,621)	 (61,533)	 234,088	 (194,607)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in		-	-	-	300
Appropriated fund balance		295,621	 -	 (295,621)	 -
Total other financing sources (uses)		295,621	 -	 (295,621)	 300
Net change in fund balance	\$		(61,533)	\$ (61,533)	(194,307)
Fund Balance:					
Beginning of year - July 1			 452,309		 646,616
End of year - June 30			\$ 390,776		\$ 452,309

## ALEXANDER COUNTY BROADBAND STUDY SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

			Actual								
	Budget			Prior Years		Current Year		Total to Date			
Revenues:											
Appalachian Regional Commission	\$	10,000	\$	-	\$	10,000	\$	10,000			
Total revenues		10,000		-		10,000		10,000			
Expenditures:											
Consultant fees		24,500		-		24,500		24,500			
Total expenditures		24,500		-		24,500		24,500			
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(14,500)		-		(14,500)		(14,500)			
Other Financing Sources (Uses):											
Transfers in: General Fund		14,500		10,000		4,500		14,500			
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$	10,000	\$	(10,000)	\$				

## BOREALIS COMPOUNDS INDUSTRIAL RAIL PROJECT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Actual								
	Budget		Prior Years		_	Current Year	_	Total to Date	
Revenues:									
NCDOT Rail Division	\$	175,000	\$		-	\$		\$ -	
NC Railroad Company		225,000			-		•	-	
Industry contribution		41,600			-	41,600	)	41,600	
Alexander Railroad Company contribution		50,000			-		· .		
Total revenues		491,600			-	41,600	)	41,600	
Expenditures:									
Construction		541,600			-				
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(50,000)			-	41,600	)	41,600	
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b> Transfers in:									
General Fund		50,000			-	50,000	)	50,000	
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$		-	\$ 91,600	)	\$ 91,600	

## CDBG PROJECT NUMBER 16-E-2931 BOREALIS COMPOUNDS BUILDING REUSE SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

				Actual					
	Budget		Prior Years		Current Year		Total to Date		
Revenues:									
Community Development Block Grant	\$	740,000	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-		
Expenditures:									
Assistance to business		740,000	-		-		-		
Planning		5,000	-		-		-		
Administration		25,000	 		-		-		
Total expenditures		770,000	 -		-		-		
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(30,000)	-		-		-		
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers in:		30,000			30,000		30,000		
General Fund		50,000	 		30,000		50,000		
Net change in fund balance	\$	_	\$ 	\$	30,000	\$	30,000		

#### NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2018

				Capital I	Project F	unds				
	County Capital Project Fund	Applied Technologies Building Renovation Project Fund		Applied Technologies Building Equipment Project Fund		Rocky Face Park Expansion Project Fund		Alexander County Office Complex Renovation Project		Total Nonmajor pital Project Funds
Assets:										
Cash and investments Cash and investments, restricted	\$ 7,810 122,167	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,229,850	\$ 2,237,660 122,167
Total assets	\$ 129,977	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	2,229,850	\$ 2,359,827
Liabilities and Fund Balances:										
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$		\$		\$		\$	103,071	\$ 103,071
Fund Balances: Restricted:										
Restricted, all other	122,167		-		-		-		-	122,167
Committed	 7,810		-		-				2,126,779	 2,134,589
Total fund balances	 129,977						-		2,126,779	 2,256,756
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 129,977	\$		<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	-	\$	2,229,850	\$ 2,359,827

#### NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

		County Capital Project Fund	Applied Technologies Building Renovation Project Fund			Applied Technologies Building Equipment Project Fund	1	Rocky Face Park Expansion roject Fund	Alexander County Office Complex Renovation Project		Total Nonmajor pital Project Funds
Revenues:											
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	-	\$	428,071	\$	9,924	\$	112,408	\$	-	\$ 550,403
Investment earnings		185		-	_	-		-		-	 185
Total revenues		185		428,071	_	9,924		112,408		-	 550,588
Expenditures:											
General government		-		-		-		-		213,721	213,721
Education		-		-		6,096		-		-	6,096
Cultural and recreation		-		-		-		165,973		-	165,973
Total expenditures		-		-	_	6,096		165,973		213,721	 385,790
Revenues over (under) expenditures		185		428,071	_	3,828		(53,565)		(213,721)	 164,798
Other Financing Sources (Uses):											
Transfers in		-		-		-		-		2,340,500	2,340,500
Transfers out		(186,083)		(148,801)	_	(76)		(2,914)		-	 (337,874)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(186,083)		(148,801)	_	(76)		(2,914)		2,340,500	 2,002,626
Net change in fund balances		(185,898)		279,270		3,752		(56,479)		2,126,779	2,167,424
Fund Balances:											
Beginning of year - July 1	_	315,875		(279,270)		(3,752)		56,479			 89,332
End of year - June 30	\$	129,977	\$		\$	<u> </u>	\$		\$	2,126,779	\$ 2,256,756

## COUNTY CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

			Actual					
	Budget			Prior Years	(	Current Year		Total to Date
Revenues:								
Investment earnings	\$	34,594	\$	34,552	\$	185	\$	34,737
Expenditures:								
Capital outlay:								
Jail/courthouse administration		31,805		31,805		-		31,805
Jail construction		8,424,242		8,424,241		-		8,424,241
Courthouse renovations		44,105		44,105		-		44,105
Total expenditures		8,500,152		8,500,151				8,500,151
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(8,465,558)		(8,465,599)		185		(8,465,414)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Long-term debt issued		10,000,000		10,000,000		-		10,000,000
Transfers in:								
General Fund		734,391		742,056		-		742,056
Transfers (out): General Fund		(2,268,833)		(1,960,582)		(186,083)		(2,146,665)
		8,465,558		8,781,474		(186,083)		8,595,391
Total other financing sources (uses)		0,405,550		0,701,474		(180,085)		0,393,391
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$	315,875		(185,898)	\$	129,977
Fund Balance:								
Beginning of year - July 1						315,875		
End of year - June 30					\$	129,977		

### APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

		Actual						
	Budget		Prior Years		Current Year		Total to Date	
Revenues:		_						
US Department of Commerce	\$ 1,500,000	\$	965,309	\$	428,071	\$	1,393,380	
Golden Leaf Grant	423,600		423,600		-		423,600	
Golden Leaf Grant - Vent	171,428		171,428		-		171,428	
CVCC Foundation Grant	2,996		-		-		-	
Duke Energy Grant	 150,000		150,000				150,000	
Total revenues	 2,248,024		1,710,337		428,071		2,138,408	
Expenditures:								
Education:								
Admin and legal expenses	25,000		24,894		-		24,894	
Architect and engineer fees	184,365		137,498		-		137,498	
Testing/inspection/site	22,065		10,053		-		10,053	
Construction expense - Golden Leaf	423,600		423,600		-		423,600	
Construction expense - Duke Energy	150,000		150,000		-		150,000	
Construction expense - Building upfit	1,522,764		1,472,134		-		1,472,134	
Construction expense - Golden Leaf - Vent	 171,428		171,428				171,428	
Total expenditures	 2,499,222		2,389,607				2,389,607	
Revenues over (under) expenditures	 (251,198)		(679,270)		428,071		(251,199)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfers in:								
General Fund	400,000		400,000		-		400,000	
Transfers out:	(1.40.000)				(1.40,001)		(1.40.001)	
General Fund	 (148,802)		-		(148,801)		(148,801)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	 251,198		400,000		(148,801)		251,199	
Net change in fund balance	\$ 	\$	(279,270)	\$	279,270	\$		

## APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES BUILDING EQUIPMENT PROJECT FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

		Actual						
	Budget	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date				
Revenues:								
Appalachian Regional Commission	\$ 100,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 9,924	\$ 99,924				
Expenditures:								
Education:								
Equipment	199,923	193,752	6,096	199,848				
Total expenditures	199,923	193,752	6,096	199,848				
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(99,923)	(103,752)	3,828	(99,924)				
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>								
Transfers in:								
General Fund	100,000	100,000	-	100,000				
Transfers out:								
General Fund	(77)		(76)	(76)				
Total other financing sources (uses)	99,923	100,000	(76)	99,924				
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$ (3,752)</u>	\$ 3,752	<u>\$                                    </u>				

#### ROCKY FACE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

			Actual						
	Budget			Prior Years		Current Year		Total to Date	
Revenues:									
NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund	\$	225,106	\$	112,698	\$	112,408	\$	225,106	
Expenditures:									
Cultural and recreation:									
Park construction/renovation costs		564,386		404,332		160,054		564,386	
Design/engineering		73,900		67,981		5,919		73,900	
Total expenditures		638,286		472,313		165,973		638,286	
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(413,180)		(359,615)		(53,565)		(413,180)	
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>									
Transfers in:									
General Fund		416,094		416,094		-		416,094	
Transfers out:									
General Fund		(2,914)		-		(2,914)		(2,914)	
Total other financing sources (uses)		413,180		416,094		(2,914)		413,180	
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$	56,479	\$	(56,479)	\$		

## ALEXANDER COUNTY OFFICE COMPLEX RENOVATION PROJECT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

			Actual								
	Budget			Prior Years		Current Year	Total to Date				
Expenditures:											
Construction/renovation costs	\$	2,000,000	\$	-	\$	213,721	\$	213,721			
Professional/technical services		125,000		-		-		-			
Technology		215,500		-		-		-			
Total expenditures		2,340,500		-		213,721		213,721			
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(2,340,500)		-		(213,721)		(213,721)			
Other Financing Sources (Uses):											
Transfers in: General Fund		2,340,500		-		2,340,500		2,340,500			
Net change in fund balance	\$	_	\$	-	\$	2,126,779	\$	2,126,779			

#### MAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND COUNTY WATER AND SEWER FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		2018				2017		
	Budget		Actual			ariance er/Under		Actual
Revenues:								
Operating revenues:								
Water revenues	\$	1,357,000	\$	1,388,443	\$	31,443	\$	1,351,244
Non-operating revenues:								
Investment earnings		215		1,119		904		399
Total revenues		1,357,215		1,389,562		32,347		1,351,643
Expenditures:								
Water and distribution		1,352,325		757,839		594,486		780,419
Capital outlay		-		-		-		18,420
Contingency		28,390		-		28,390		-
Budgetary appropriations:		2 (0.000		264.205		2 (05		262.215
Debt principal		368,000		364,395		3,605		363,315
Interest and fees paid		48,000		46,208		1,792		50,410
Total expenditures		1,796,715		1,168,442		628,273		1,212,564
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(439,500)		221,120		660,620		139,079
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfer from Bethlehem Water		124,500		123,269		(1,231)		122,459
Appropriated fund balance		315,000		-		(315,000)		-
Total other financing sources (uses)		439,500		123,269		(316,231)		122,459
Revenues and other financing sources over								
(under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$	-	\$	344,389	\$	344,389	\$	261,538
Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:								
Revenues and other financing sources over								
(under) expenditures and other financing uses Reconciling items:			\$	344,389				
Capital contributions - capital project grants				1,267,849				
Capital project transfer from General Fund				237,640				
Change in deferred outflows of resources - pension				(25,300)				
Change in net pension liability				28,455				
Change in deferred inflows of resources - pension				3,034				
Debt principal				364,395				
Depreciation				(600,523)				
Change in accrued interest				700				
Change in compensated absences				13,806				
Change in OPEB liability				(52,092)				
Change in net position			\$	1,582,353				

#### COUNTY WATER AND SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT FUND SHURTAPE JOB RETENTION WASTEWATER PROJECT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date
Shurtape Job Retention Wastewater Project:				
Revenues:				
Appalachian Regional Commission	\$ 278,640	\$ -	\$ 220,268	\$ 220,268
Golden Leaf Foundation	930,560		774,448	774,448
Total revenues	1,209,200		994,716	994,716
Expenditures:				
Wastewater (ARC)	278,640	60,000	201,951	261,951
Wastewater (GLF)	930,560	-	930,560	930,560
Wastewater (County)	185,000	29,098	1,800	30,898
Total expenditures	1,394,200	89,098	1,134,311	1,223,409
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(185,000)	(89,098)	(139,595)	(228,693)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b> Transfer from General Fund	185,000	35,000	150,000	185,000
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$ (54,098)</u>	<u>\$ 10,405</u>	<u>\$ (43,693)</u>

#### COUNTY WATER AND SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT FUND ALEXANDER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK PUMP STATION REPLACEMENT PROJECT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

			Actual				
	Project Authorization		Prior Years		Current Year		Total to Date
Industrial Park Pump Station Replacement Project: Revenues:							
Appalachian Regional Commission	\$ 298,3	848	\$	\$	273,133	\$	273,133
Expenditures:							
Construction	597,4	40			556,504		556,504
Engineering & inspection fees	44,7	750	31,000		12,016		43,016
Contingencies	5,	47			-		-
Utilities	12,0	000			1,000		1,000
Grant administration	25,0	000			4,647		4,647
Total expenditures	684,	337	31,000		574,167		605,167
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(385,9	989)	(31,000	)	(301,034)		(332,034)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b> Transfer from General Fund	385,9	089	298,349		87,640		385,989
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$	_	\$ 267,349	\$	(213,394)	\$	53,955

#### MAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND BETHLEHEM WATER DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	2018						2017
		Budget		Actual	(	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:							
Operating revenues:							
Water sales	\$	1,400,000	\$	1,369,717	\$	(30,283)	\$ 1,608,533
Non-operating revenues:							
Investment earnings		700		1,709		1,009	 974
Total revenues		1,400,700		1,371,426		(29,274)	 1,609,507
Expenditures:							
Administration							
Water and distribution		1,085,846		687,566		398,280	914,140
Budgetary appropriations:							
Capital outlay		2,304		2,304		-	125,161
Debt principal		137,000		135,867		1,133	186,825
Interest and fees paid		2,000		1,690		310	5,275
Contingency		49,050		-		49,050	 -
Total expenditures		1,276,200		827,427		448,773	 1,231,401
Revenues over (under) expenditures		124,500		543,999		419,499	 378,106
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>							
Transfer to County Water and Sewer Fund		(124,500)		(123,269)		1,231	(122,459)
Transfer from Bethlehem - Ellendale Capital Project							 70,784
Total other financing sources (uses)		(124,500)		(123,269)		1,231	 (51,675)
Revenues and other financing sources over							
(under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$	-	\$	420,730	\$	420,730	\$ 326,431
Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:							
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses Reconciling items:			\$	420,730			
Debt principal				135,867			
Capital outlay				2,304			
Change in accrued interest				649			
Depreciation and amortization				(235,857)			
Change in net position			\$	323,693			

#### MAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND SOLID WASTE FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	2018					2017	
		Budget		Actual		ariance er/Under	 Actual
Revenues:							
Operating revenues:							
Landfill	\$	1,280,000	\$	1,298,159	\$	18,159	\$ 1,232,561
Convenience center		260,500		254,497		(6,003)	258,446
Non-operating revenues:							
Intergovernmental revenues		103,000		108,538		5,538	98,414
Grant revenue		-		-		-	6,093
Miscellaneous revenue		22,000		21,738		(262)	 13,162
Total revenues		1,665,500		1,682,932		17,432	 1,608,676
Expenditures:							
Convenience centers		203,241		187,390		15,851	179,852
Landfill operations		1,395,659		1,340,659		55,000	1,346,651
Capital outlay		168,600		168,600		-	 _
Total expenditures		1,767,500		1,696,649		70,851	 1,526,503
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(102,000)		(13,717)		88,283	82,173
Other Financing Sources (Uses):							
Transfers - General Fund		102,000		102,000		-	 
Revenues and other financing sources over							
(under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$	-	\$	88,283	\$	88,283	\$ 82,173
Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:							
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses Reconciling items:			\$	88,283			
Capital outlay capitalized				168,600			
Change in deferred outflows of resources - pension				(16,251)			
Change in net pension liability				15,092			
Change in deferred inflows of resources - pension				19			
Change in compensated absences				15,714			
Change in OPEB liability				(15,671)			
Change in deferred outflows of resources - OPEB				5			
Change in deferred inflows of resources - OPEB				(35,936)			
Depreciation				(82,648)			
Change in net position			\$	137,207			

#### MAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND LANDFILL CLOSURE FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	2018						2017	
	Budget		Actual		Variance Over/Under			Actual
Revenues:								
Non-operating revenues:								
Investment earnings	<u>\$</u>	25	\$	336	\$	311	\$	62
Expenditures:								
Monitoring		148,000		62,173		85,827		76,529
Contingencies		2,025				2,025		-
Total expenditures		150,025		62,173		87,852		76,529
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(150,000)		(61,837)		88,163		(76,467)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfer in - General Fund		150,000		150,000				100,000
Revenues and other financing sources over								
(under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$	_	\$	88,163	\$	88,163	\$	23,533
Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:								
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses			\$	88,163				
Reconciling items: (Increase)/decrease in accrued landfill closure and post-closure care costs				(134,620)				
Change in net position			\$	(46,457)				

## PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES NONMAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2018

	Bethlehem Sewer
Assets:	
Current assets:	¢ 051.500
Cash and investments	\$ 871,703
Accounts receivable, net	5,695
Total current assets	877,398
Non-current assets:	
Depreciable assets, net	681,036
Total assets	1,558,434
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	10,747
Net Position:	
Net investment in capital assets	681,036
Unrestricted	866,651
Total net position	\$ 1,547,687
-	

## PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES NONMAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGE IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Bethlehem Sewer					
<b>Operating Revenues:</b> Sewer capital reserve fees	\$ 21,901					
Operating Expenses:						
Water and sewer operations	75,785					
Depreciation and amortization	35,570					
Total operating expenses	111,355					
Income (loss) before transfers	(89,454)					
Transfers In (Out):						
General Fund	785,273					
Change in net position	695,819					
Net Position:	051.0/0					
Beginning of year - July 1	851,868					
End of year - June 30	\$ 1,547,687					

## PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES NONMAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	ethlehem Sewer		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Cash received from customers	\$ 21,465		
Cash paid for goods and services	 (65,038)		
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	 (43,573)		
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:			
Change in due to/from other funds	 785,273		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	741,700		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year - July 1	 130,003		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year - June 30	\$ 871,703		
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to</b> <b>Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:</b> Operating income (loss)	\$ (89,454)		
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:			
Depreciation	35,570		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(436)		
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	 10,747		
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ (43,573)		

## NONMAJOR ENTERPRISE FUND BETHLEHEM SEWER FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		2018					
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual			
Revenues:	<u> </u>						
Operating revenues:							
Sewer capital reserve fee	\$ 20,000	\$ 21,901	\$ 1,901	\$ 21,014			
Expenditures:							
Operations	804,373	75,785	728,588	6,500			
Contingency	900		900				
Total expenditures	805,273	75,785	729,488	6,500			
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(785,273)	) (53,884)	731,389	14,514			
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>							
Transfer in - General Fund	785,273	785,273					
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 731,389</u>	<u>\$ 731,389</u>	<u>\$ 14,514</u>			
Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:							
Revenues over (under) expenditures		\$ 731,389					
Reconciling items:							
Depreciation		(35,570)					
Change in net position		\$ 695,819					

## AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2018

	S	ocial ervices Fund	Exc	neriff's Civil ecutions Fund	Tr	eed of ust Fees Fund	Fines and rfeitures	Totals e 30, 2018_
Assets: Cash and investments	\$	20,349	\$	3,553	\$	337	\$ 7,588	\$ 31,827
Liabilities: Accounts payable Intergovernmental payable -	\$	20,349	\$	3,553	\$	-	\$ 7,588	\$ 31,490
State of North Carolina Total liabilities	\$	20,349	\$	- 3,553	\$	<u>337</u> <u>337</u>	\$ - 7,588	\$ 337 31,827

## AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Balance June 30, 2017	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2018		
Social Services:						
Assets:						
Cash and investments:						
Client services	\$ 20,347	<u>\$ 115,749</u>	\$ 115,747	<u>\$ 20,349</u>		
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 20,347	<u>\$ 115,749</u>	<u>\$ 115,747</u>	<u>\$ 20,349</u>		
Sheriff's Civil Executions Fund: Assets:						
Cash and investments	\$ 3,161	\$ 17,986	\$ 17,594	\$ 3,553		
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 3,161	\$ 17,986	<u>\$ 17,594</u>	\$ 3,553		
Deed of Trust Fees: Assets:						
Cash and investments	\$ 412	\$ 4,199	\$ 4,274	\$ 337		
Liabilities: Intergovernmental payable:						
State of North Carolina	\$ 412	\$ 4,199	\$ 4,274	\$ 337		
Fines and Forfeitures: Assets:						
Cash and investments	\$ 7,185	\$ 157,253	\$ 156,850	\$ 7,588		
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 7,185	<u>\$ 157,253</u>	<u>\$ 156,850</u>	<u>\$ 7,588</u>		
Totals - All Agency Funds: Assets:						
Cash and investments	\$ 31,105	\$ 295,187	\$ 294,465	\$ 31,827		
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 30,693	\$ 290,988	\$ 290,191	\$ 31,490		
Intergovernmental payable:						
State of North Carolina	412	4,199	4,274	337		
Total liabilities	\$ 31,105	\$ 295,187	\$ 294,465	\$ 31,827		

## GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF AD VALOREM TAXES RECEIVABLE JUNE 30, 2018

Fiscal Year		ncollected Balance uly 1, 2017		Additions		Collections and Credits		Incollected Balance Ine 30, 2018
2018	\$	-	\$	20,584,648	\$	19,980,118	\$	604,530
2017	+	639,554	*		+	334,513	*	305,041
2016		303,810		-		145,116		158,694
2015		134,154		-		54,146		80,008
2014		89,152		-		26,942		62,210
2013		70,273		-		20,342		49,931
2012		46,847		-		12,177		34,670
2011		31,724		-		5,680		26,044
2010		26,558		-		3,286		23,272
2009		26,596		-		1,918		24,678
2008		21,541		-		21,541	_	-
Total	\$	1,390,209	\$	20,584,648	\$	20,605,779		1,369,078
General Fund Ad valorem taxes rece General Fund	ivable, n	et:					\$	293,910 1,075,168
<b>Reconciliation of Coll</b> Ad valorem taxes - Ge			th Rev	venues:			\$	20,418,612
Ad valorem taxes - Re							Ψ	308,000
Penalties collected on			ev Fur	hd				17,144
Total ad valorem taxes		in taxes - rigen	cy I ui	iu				20,743,756
Reconciling items: Interest and penalties of Tax refunds Miscellaneous adjustm								(169,894) 12,324 (1,948)

Amounts written off for tax year 2008 per Statute of Limitations	 21,511
Total collections and credits	\$ 20,605,779

#### ANALYSIS OF CURRENT TAX LEVY COUNTY-WIDE LEVY FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

						 Total	Lev	vy
	 Co	unty	-Wide			Property Excluding Registered		Registered
	 Property Valuation	F	Rate	_	Amount of Levy	 Motor Vehicles		Motor Vehicles
<b>Original Levy:</b> County-wide:								
Property tax Late list penalties	\$ 2,603,365,053	\$	0.790	\$	20,566,584 17,290	\$ 18,245,280 17,290	\$	2,321,304
Total original levy	 2,603,365,053				20,583,874	 18,262,570		2,321,304
Discoveries	 6,597,749				52,122	 52,122		
Abatements and Discounts	 (6,499,747)				(51,348)	 (51,348)		
Total property valuation	\$ 2,603,463,055							
Net Levy					20,584,648	18,263,344		2,321,304
Uncollected taxes at June 30, 2018					604,530	 604,530		<u> </u>
Current Year's Taxes Collected				\$	19,980,118	\$ 17,658,814	\$	2,321,304
Current Levy Collection Percentage					97.06%	96.69%		100.00%

**COMPLIANCE LETTERS** 

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018



## COMPLIANCE LETTERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

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# MARTIN \* STARNES & ASSOCIATES, CPAS, P.A.

#### 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*

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Commissioners Alexander County Taylorsville, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Alexander County, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, not presented here, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 21, 2018.

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Alexander County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and; accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Martin Starnes & associates, CPas, P.a.

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A. Hickory, North Carolina November 21, 2018

# MARTIN \* STARNES & ASSOCIATES, CPAS, P.A.

#### Report On Compliance For Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance; Report On The Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal And State Awards Required by Uniform Guidance; And The State Single Audit Implementation Act

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Commissioners Alexander County Taylorsville, North Carolina

#### **Report On Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited Alexander County, North Carolina's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* and the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission that could have a direct and material effect on each of Alexander County's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2018. Alexander County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings, Responses and Questioned Costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal and state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Alexander County's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Those standards, the Uniform Guidance, and the State Single Audit Implementation Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether non-compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Alexander County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Alexander County's compliance.

#### **Opinion On Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, Alexander County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2018.

#### **Report On Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of Alexander County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Alexander County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major federal program, and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, non-compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material non-compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance with a type of compliance is a deficiency in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiency in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

## Report On Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards Required By The Uniform Guidance and The State Single Audit Implementation Act

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Alexander County, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Alexander County's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated November 21, 2018, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Alexander County's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Martin Starnes & associated, CPas, P.a.

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A. Hickory, North Carolina November 21, 2018



#### Report On Compliance For Each Major State Program; Report On Internal Control Over Compliance; Report On The Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal And State Awards Required By Uniform Guidance; And The State Single Audit Implementation Act

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Commissioners Alexander County Taylorsville, North Carolina

#### **Report On Compliance for Each Major State Program**

We have audited Alexander County, North Carolina's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission that could have a direct and material effect on each of Alexander County's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2018. Alexander County's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings, Responses and Questioned Costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its state awards applicable to its state programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Alexander County's major state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; applicable sections of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), as described in the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina* and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Those standards, the Uniform Guidance, and the State Single Audit Implementation Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether non-compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Alexander County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Alexander County's compliance.

#### **Opinion On Each Major State Program**

In our opinion, Alexander County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2018.

#### **Report On Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of Alexander County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Alexander County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major state program, and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

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Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

## Report On Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards Required By Uniform Guidance and The State Single Audit Implementation Act

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Alexander County as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Alexander County's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated November 21, 2018, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Alexander County's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Martin Starnes & associates, CPas, P.a.

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A. Hickory, North Carolina November 21, 2018

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS, RESPONSES AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

## 1. Summary of Auditor's Results

## **Financial Statements**

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP:	Unmodified	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes <u>X</u> N	0
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes <u>X</u> N	one reported
Non-compliance material to financial statements noted?	Yes <u>X</u> N	ю
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major federal programs:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes <u>X</u> N	0
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes <u>X</u> N	one reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs:	Unmodified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? Identification of major federal programs:	Yes <u>X</u> N	0
Program Name Medicaid Cluster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Cluster Child Support Enforcement	CFDA# 93.778 10.561 93.563	
Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program	93.568	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	<u>\$750,000</u>	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	Yes <u>X</u> N	0

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS, RESPONSES AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### 1. Summary of Auditor's Results (continued)

#### State Awards

Internal control over major state programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified?
   Yes X No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified?
   Yes X None reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major state programs:

Any findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the State Single Audit Implementation Act?

Identification of major state programs:

#### **Program Name**

Medicaid Cluster Golden Leaf Foundation

#### 2. Financial Statement Findings

None reported.

#### 3. Federal Award Findings

None reported.

#### 4. State Award Findings

None reported.

Unmodified

Yes X No

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

#### Finding 2015-003:

**Status:** the finding is no longer valid due to the following:

(i) Two years have passed since the audit report in which the finding occurred was submitted to the federal clearinghouse.

(ii) The N.C Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education, is not currently following up with the County on this finding.

(iii) The N.C Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education never issued a management decision.

Finding 2017-001:

Corrected

Finding 2017-002:

Corrected

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Federal Awards: U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Division of Social Services: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Cluster:					
Administration: State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Total SNAP Cluster	10.561	185NC406S2514	\$ 217,712 217,712	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$                                    </u>
Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Division of Public Health: Administration: WIC Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, & Children Total U.S. Department of Agriculture <u>Appalachian Regional Commission</u>	10.557	13A25403GH02	<u>135,495</u> <u>353,207</u>		<u>-</u>
Passed-through the N.C. Department of Commerce: Appalachian Area Development: Wastewater Treatment System Upgrade	23.002	NC-18328-15	201,951	-	-
Appalachian Area Development: Alexander County Industrial Park Pump Station Replacement	23.002	NC-18702-17	298,348	-	-
Appalachian Area Development: Alexander County Applied Technologies Building Equipment	23.002	NC-17981-14	9,924	-	-
Appalachian Area Development: Alexander County Broadband Study Total Appalachian Regional Commission	23.002	NC-18710-17	10,000		<u> </u>
<u>U.S. Dept. of Treasury</u> Equitable Sharing Program - Treasury Funds Total U.S. Dept. of Treasury	21.016	272700508	7,500	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>U.S. Dept. of Transportation</u> Passed-through the N.C. Department of Transportation: Federal Transit Administration <u>Transit Services Programs Cluster</u> : Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Total Transit Services Programs Cluster Total U.S. Dept. of Transportation	20.513	DOT-14	103,985 103,985 103,985	<u> </u>	-
U. S. Department of Homeland Security Passed-through N.C. Dept. of Public Safety: Division of Emergency Management Emergency Management Performance Grant Homeland Security Grant Program Total U. S. Department of Homeland Security	97.042 97.067	EMPG-2017-17002, 37003 EMW-2016-SS-00011-S01-1644	38,642 19,900 58,542	- - 	
U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services Passed-through Western Piedmont Council of Governments: Administration for Community Living Aging Cluster:					
Special Programs for the Aging - Title III B Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers Special Programs for the Aging - Title III C	93.044	566000272-2018	112,283	-	-
Nutrition Services Nutrition Services Incentive Program Total Aging Cluster	93.045 93.053	566000272-2018 566000272-2018	66,739 43,513 222,535		
Passed-through N.C. Department of Insurance: Division of SHIIP: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Research, Demonstrations and Evaluations: State Health Insurance Assistance Program	93.324	90SAPG0027-01-01	2,704		
Medicare Enrollment Assistance Programs Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Special Children Adoption Fund Cluster (Note 4)	93.071	1701NCMISH-01	2,529	-	-
Division of Social Services: Promoting Safe and Stable Families - Admin Total Special Children Adoption Fund Cluster (Note 4)	93.556	1801NCFPSS	27,129 27,129		
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Cluster Division of Social Services:	00.550	100131075500	010 (00		
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - Work First - Admin Division of Public Health: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - Work First	93.558 93.558	1801NCFPSS 13A15151T202	210,683 3,469	-	-
Total TANF Cluster	• •		214,152		-

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Foster Care and Adoption Cluster (Note 4)					
Administration:					
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658	1801NCFOST	208,363	18,773	-
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658	1801NCFOST	41,538	-	-
Adoption Assistance	93.659	1801NCADPT	1,612	-	-
Direct benefits:					
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658	1801NCFOST	182,806	62,414	
Total Foster Care and Adoption Cluster (Note 4)			434,319	81,187	
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	1804NC4005	220,498	-	-
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance:					
Administration	93.568	G18B1NCLIEA	18,824	-	-
Energy Assistance Payments	93.568	G18B1NCLIEA	114,500	-	-
Crisis Intervention Program Total Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	93.568	G18B1NCLIEA	<u>114,587</u> 247,911		
			247,911		
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program: - Permanency Planning - Families for Kids	93.645	G1801NCCWSS	10,037	-	-
Chafee Foster Care Independence Program	93.674	1801NC1420	9,893	2,473	_
Chafee Foster Care Independence Program - Direct Benefit Payments	93.674	1801NC1420	1,660	-	-
Division of Aging and Adult Services: Division of Social Services:					
Social Services Block Grant - State In Home Service Fund	93.667	G1801NCSOSR	8,851	-	-
Social Services Block Grant - State Adult Day Care	93.667	G1801NCSOSR	-	4,717	-
Social Services Block Grant - Other Service and Training	93.667	G1801NCSOSR	133,984		
Total Social Service Block Grant			142,835	4,717	
Division of Child Development and Early Education: Subsidized Child Care Cluster (Note 4)					
Child Care Development Fund Cluster: Division of Social Services: Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund-Administration	93.596	536145.000	80,000		
Total Child Care Development Cluster	75.570	550145.000	80,000		
Total Subsidized Child Care Cluster (Note 4)			80,000		-
<u>Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services</u> Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Division of Medical Assistance: <u>Medicaid Cluster:</u> Division of Social Services: Administration:					
Medical Assistance Program Total Medicaid Cluster	93.778	DMA 2018	<u>817,704</u> 817,704	2,967	<u> </u>
Division of Social Services:			017,704	2,707	
Administration:					
Children's Health Insurance Program - N.C. Health Choice	93.767	CHIP18	21,034	10	-
<u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u> Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Division of Public Health:					
Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) and Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Aligned Cooperative Agreements	93.074	12642680EY02	30,068	-	-
Project Grants and Cooperative Agreements for Tuberculosis Control Control Programs	93.116	1460272C(D)NF02	50		
Injury Prevention and Control Research and	93.136	1175837B(C)DH02	5,000	-	-
State and Community Based Programs					
Office of Population Affairs Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services:					
Family Planning Services	93.217	13A1592B(C)FP02	26,406	-	-
PPHF Capacity Building Assistance to Strengthen Public Health Immunization Infrastructure	93.539	1331627EVP02	11,712	-	-
and Performance financed in part by Prevention and Public Health Funds					
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant funded solely with Prevention and Public Health Funds (PPHF)	93.758	12615503PF(00)02	39,984	-	-

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<u>Health Resources and Services Administration</u> Passed-through N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.994	13A15740AP(00)02	26,386	19,791	-
HIV Cluster (Note 4): Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Prevention and Control Grants Total HIV Cluster	93.977	1311462D(E)NB02	<u>692</u> 692		
Total U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services			2,595,238	111,145	
Total federal awards			3,638,695	124,143	
State Awards: N.C. Dept. of Administration		022118 2570		2 175	
Veterans Service N.C. Dept. of Cultural and Natural Resources		032118-2579		2,175	
Division of State Library State Aid to Public Libraries		566000272-2018	-	100,110	-
NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) Project Rocky Face Park Phase 2		2013-0739		112,408	
Total N.C. Dept. of Cultural and Natural Resources N.C. Department of Environmental Quality			-	212,518	-
Division of Water Resources NRCS Equipment Projects-Stream Restoration Project		536990		41,742	<u> </u>
<u>N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services</u> Division of Aging and Adult Services					
Passed-through Western Piedmont Council of Governments Senior Center General Purpose Funds		ZGA370-11		3,647	-
Division of Social Services DCD Smart Start			_	16,000	_
St Child Welfare/CPS/CS LD			-	151,212 618	-
AFDC Incent/Prog Integrity Extended FC/Max Non IV-E - direct benefits			-	30,283	-
F/C At Risk Maximization - direct benefits SFHF Maximization - direct benefits			-	550 13,314	-
State Foster Home - direct benefits				23,107	
Total Division of Social Service			-	235,084	-
Division of Public Health General Aid to Counties		116141100002	-	85,275	-
General Communicable Disease Control		117545100002	-	10,112	-
Family Planning - State		13A157350002	-	7,459	-
Women Health Service Fund Food and Lodging Fees		13A16018FR02 11534752SZ02	-	6,731 7,222	-
School Nurse Funding Initiative		133253580002	_	150,000	_
Maternal Health		13A157400002	-	6,898	-
HIV/STD State		13114536BN(RQ)02	-	500	-
Gonorrhea Partner Services		13114601BN02	-	279	-
STD Drugs		13114601RQ02	-	75	-
TB Control Total Division of Public Health		14604551(4)0002		2,951	
Total N. C. Department of Health and Human Services			-	516,233	
N.C. Dept. of Public Instruction					
Public School Building Capital Fund - Lottery Total N.C. Dept. of Public Instruction		4.9006.076(077).529		45,063	<u>45,063</u> 45,063
N.C. Dept. of Public Safety		TO 2017 1700		07.1	
North Carolina Tier II Juvenile Crime Prevention Programs Total N.C. Dept. of Public Safety		T2-2017-1708 536301		974 108,725 109,699	- 
Golden Leaf Foundation Shurtape Wastewater Extension		FY2015-049		930,560	
Total state awards		1 12013-047		1,857,990	45,063
Total federal and state awards			\$ 3,638,695	\$ 1,982,133	\$ 45,063
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	Federal	Pass-through	(Direct &		Passed-through
Grantor/Pass-through	CFDA	Grantor's	Pass-through)	State	to
Grantor/Program Title	Number	Number	Expenditures	Expenditures	Subrecipients

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Financial Awards:

#### Note 1: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards (SEFSA) includes the federal and state grant activity of Alexander County under the programs of the federal government and the State of North Carolina for the year ended June 30, 2018. The information in this SEFSA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 US Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Alexander County, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of Alexander County.

#### Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported in the SEFSA are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

#### Note 3: Indirect Cost Rate

Alexander County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### Note 4: Cluster of Programs

The following are clustered by the NC Department of Health and Human Services and are treated separately for state audit requirement purposes: Subsidized Child Care Cluster, HIV Cluster, Special Children Adoption Fund Cluster, and Foster Care and Adoption Cluster.