County of Lamar, Georgia

Financial Statements for the
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016
Independent Auditor's Report



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Annual Financial Report

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

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Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable Chairman and
Members of the County Commissioners
Lamar County, Georgia

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component opinion units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Lamar County, Georgia's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

We did not audit the financial statements of the Lamar County Department of Public Health and Lamar County Solid Waste Authority which represents 97.8 percent of the assets and 90 percent of the revenues of the component unit columns. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us and our opinions, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Lamar County Department of Health and Lamar County Solid Waste Authority, are based on the report of the other auditors.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Lamar County's 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 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.

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 County'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 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 aggregate discretely presented component opinion units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lamar County as of December 31, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, beginning on page three, and the pension schedule on page 46-52 and the budgetary comparisons be presented to supplement the basic financial statements, beginning on page 53. The supplementary 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. 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. The supplementary information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Auditing Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Lamar County's basic financial statements including the combining and individual fund statements and schedules. 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. The supplementary 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 supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not required part of the financial statements and in the auditor's opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the 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 July 3, 2017 on our consideration of Lamar 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 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 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 Lamar County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

J. Robyn Underwood, CPA
Barnesville, Georgia
July 3, 2017

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Lamar County, Georgia, we offer readers of our financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Lamar County for the year ended December 31, 2016. 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

Key financial highlights for 2016 are as follows:

The County's combined net positions totaled $16,882,400 million. Of this amount, unrestricted net positions amounted to $< 379,068>.

Combined revenue totaled $11.1 million.

Overall expenses totaled $10.6 million.

Overall the net change in fund balance was an increase of $778,978 as a result of expenditures decreasing from the prior year.

The net change in the General Fund balance was an increase of $443,091.

As of December 31, 2016, the County's General Fund reported an unassigned fund balance of $1,437,138.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Lamar County, Georgia's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements consist of the following elements:

Government-wide Financial Statements

Government-wide financial statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the County's overall financial condition. Changes in the County's financial position may be measured over time by increases and decreases in the Statement of Net Positions. Information on how the County's net positions changed during the fiscal year is presented in the Statement of Activities.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the County, reporting the County's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements. Fund financial statements include the statements for governmental proprietary and fiduciary funds. Financial statements for the County's component units are also presented.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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

Refer to Note 1 to the financial statements for more detailed information on the elements of the financial statements. Table 1 (shown below) summarizes the major features of the basic financial statements.

Table 1: Major Features of the Basic Financial Statements

	Government-wide Financial Statements	Fund Financial Statements	
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds
Scope	Entire State government (except fiduciary funds) and the County's component units	• Activities of the County that are not proprietary or fiduciary	Activities of the County that are operated similar to private business
Required Financial Statements	• Statement of Net Positions • Statement of Activities	• Balance Sheet • Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances	• Statement of Net Positions • Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Net Positions • Statement of Cash Flows
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	• Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year • Expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

Government-wide Financial Analysis

Condensed Statement of Net Positions

Table 2 (shown below) presents the County's condensed statement of net positions as of December 31, 2016 and 2015

Table 2: Condensed Statement of Net Positions

	Governmental Activities	
	2016	2015
Assets		
Current and Other Assets	$ 2,054,712	$ 1,190,517
Capital Assets	16,730,644	16,802,412
Total Assets	$ 18,785,356	$ 17,992,929
Deferred Outflows	$ 499,941	$ 449,312
Liabilities		
Other Liabilities	$ 596,741	$ 479,682
Long-term Liabilities	1,788,252	1,596,630
Total Liabilities	$ 2,384,993	$ 2,076,312
Deferred Inflows	$ 17,904	$ -----
Net Positions		
Investment in Capital Assets	$ 16,380,327	$ 16,481,743
Restricted	881,141	410,075
Unrestricted	< 379,068>	< 525,889>
Total Net Positions	$ 16,882,400	$ 16,365,929

The largest component of the County's net positions is its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, infrastructure, buildings, equipment, and others), less any related debt outstanding that was needed to acquire or construct the assets. The County uses these capital assets to provide services to the citizens and businesses in the County; consequently, these net positions are not available for future spending. Restricted net positions represent resources that are subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation on how they can be used. The remaining portion of net positions is unrestricted, which can be used to finance government operations.

Condensed Statement of Activities

Table 3 (shown below) presents the County's condensed statement of activities for the year ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. Over time, increases and decreases in net positions measure whether the County's financial position is improving or deteriorating.

Table 3: Condensed Statement of Activities

	Governmental Activities	
	2016	2015
Revenues		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	$ 1,714,494	$ 1,582,982
Operating Grants and Contributions	222,908	258,791
Capital Grants and Contributions	371,438	386,527
General Revenues		
Property Taxes	5,685,607	5,509,288
Other Taxes	2,994,004	3,011,294
Other Revenues	181,409	150,840
Total Revenues	$ 11,169,860	$ 10,899,722
Expenses		
General Government	$ 1,779,958	$ 1,780,186
Judicial	1,206,084	1,326,112
Public Safety	4,192,076	4,644,714
Public Works	1,338,445	1,407,664
Health and Welfare	327,992	369,347
Culture and Recreation	716,808	739,233
Housing and Development	1,041,275	1,076,258
Interest on Long-term Debt	50,751	55,085
Total Expenses	$ 10,653,389	$ 11,398,599
Increase <Decrease> in Net Positions	$ 516,471	$< 498,877>
Change in Net Positions	$ 516,471	$< 498,877>
Beginning Net Positions	16,365,929	17,524,762
Restatement	-----	< 659,956>
Ending Net Positions	$ 16,882,400	$ 16,365,929

During the year ending December 31, 2016, the net positions of the government activities increased $516,471 or 3.16%. Total revenues for 2016 increased by $212,045 or 2%. Charges for services increased $131,512 or 8.3%. The LOST and SPLOST revenue remained relatively the same from the prior year. Total expenses for 2016 decreased by $803,303 or 7%. The main reason for the decrease in expenses in 2016 was due to budget reductions.

Approximately 50% of the County's revenues came from property taxes and approximately 26.9% came from other taxes. Approximately 15.4% of the County's revenues came from charges for services and approximately 4.8% came from grants and other revenues. Although a majority of the County's expenses are financed by property taxes and other taxes, the County continues to rely heavily on revenues from charges for services to fund its budget. The County's expenses cover a range of services with 39.1% related to public safety, 12.6% related to public works, 16.8% related to general governmental

activities which includes the tax commissioner and tax assessor, and 11.2% related to judicial activities. The total expenses have decreased and there has only been a minor shift in the allocation of resources.

Program Expenses and Revenues for Governmental Activities

Table 4 (shown below) presents program expenses and revenues for governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

Table 4: Program Expenses and Revenues for Governmental Activities

2016

Programs	Program Expenses	Program Revenues	*Net Program Expenses (Revenues)
General Government	$ 1,779,958	$ 309,858	$ 1,470,100
Judicial	1,206,084	567,580	638,504
Public Safety	4,192,076	768,713	3,423,363
Public Works	1,338,445	389,138	949,307
Health and Welfare	327,992	32,333	295,659
Culture and Recreation	716,808	158,268	558,540
Housing and Development	1,041,275	82,950	958,325
Interest on Long-term Debt	50,751	-----	50,751
Totals	$ 10,653,389	$ 2,308,840	$ 8,344,549

2015

Programs	Program Expenses	Program Revenues	*Net Program Expenses (Revenues)
General Government	$ 1,780,186	$ 312,942	$ 1,467,244
Judicial	1,326,112	555,329	770,783
Public Safety	4,644,714	738,123	3,906,591
Public Works	1,407,664	399,058	1,008,606
Health and Welfare	369,347	64,353	304,994
Culture and Recreation	739,233	98,755	640,478
Housing and Development	1,076,258	59,740	1,016,518
Interest on Long-term Debt	55,085	-----	55,085
Totals	$ 11,398,599	$ 2,228,300	$ 9,170,299

** Net program expenses are mainly supported by taxes.*

Program revenues are allocated based on which program collects the revenue. Therefore, judicial program expenses were adequately covered by charges for services due to the allocation of traffic fines issued by public safety, but collected by Probate Court. Overall, program revenues were not sufficient to cover program expenses for governmental activities. The net program expenses of these governmental activities were therefore supported by general revenues, mainly taxes.

Financial Analysis of the County's Funds

The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows and outflows and the balance of resources available for spending. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the close of the year, the County's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of $1,664,916 with $845 reported as non-spendable, $881,141 reported as restricted, $18,723 reported as assigned, and $764,207 as unassigned fund balance.

The General Fund is the operating fund of the County. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was $1,437,138 and total fund balance was $1,456,706. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 16.17% of total General Fund expenditures, while the total fund balance represents 16.39% of total General Fund expenditures. The net change in the General Fund's fund balance for the year ended December 31, 2016, was an increase of $443,091 or 43.7%. The reason for the increase in the fund balance was mainly due to decreases in expenditures.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the year, the County may revise 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 once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as Federal and State grants; 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services. The year ended December 31, 2016 budget was amended.

The actual operating revenues of the General Fund did not exceed the final budgeted amounts by $94,089. The major factor contributing to the unfavorable variance was due to the collected taxes not reaching the projected amount.

The actual operating expenditures of the General Fund did not exceed the final budgeted amounts by $415,183. The main reason for the favorable variance was due to the capital expenditures associated with the Public Works were performed and completed from the Splost 2011 fund and various budget reductions were implemented.

Capital Asset and Long-term Debt Activity

At December 31, 2016, the County reported $16,730,644 in capital assets for governmental activities. Major capital asset transactions during the year were several paving and resurfacing projects, and other building improvements. Also, equipment was purchased for the courthouse, sheriff department as well as public works. Refer to Note 3-D to the financial statements for additional information on capital assets.

At December 31, 2016, the County reported capital lease debt of $350,317. Refer to Note 3-G to the financial statements for additional information on capital leases.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

As with the rest of the State of Georgia, Lamar County's economic climate for 2016 has been a slow recovery. The Special Local Option Sales Tax as well as Federal and State grants continues to assist the County in funding much needed capital outlay projects such as resurfacing infrastructure and purchasing needed equipment for public safety and public works. The county continues to strive to provide its citizens with public safety, adequate roads and bridges, recreation, and housing needs.

The development of the 2016 budget was challenging. Although the County has added new industry, their economic impact will not be felt for a couple more years. Also the County is still in a slow economic recovery. The slow recovery is compounded by the inability of the Federal Government to make meaningful decisions that will avoid another recession. The economic effect of the global economy will have a definite affect on our economy as several countries are in economic decline.

Difficult choices have been made as the 2016 budget was developed, and it represents a balance between available resources and needs. This balance was achieved using the objectives and priorities established by the Board of Commissioners.

Contacting the County's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to demonstrate the County's accountability for the money it receives. Questions about this report or requests for additional financial information may be addressed to:

Lamar County Board of Commissioners
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Basic Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements

Lamar County, Georgia
Statement of Net Positions
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Primary Government	Component Units		
		Lamar County		
	Governmental Activities	Lamar County Board of Health	Regional Solid Waste Authority	Barnesville Lamar County Library
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 1,745,849	$ 228,739	$ 807,367	$ 72,311
Investments	-----	-----	-----	148,526
Inventory	845	-----	-----	-----
Receivables				
Taxes	224,485	-----	-----	-----
Due from Other Governments	-----	43,472	-----	-----
Accounts	83,533	7,917	142,797	-----
Restricted Cash	-----	-----	267,292	-----
Bond and Loan Costs (Net)	-----	-----	319,769	-----
Capital Assets				
Non-Depreciable	1,954,000	-----	5,975,412	-----
Depreciable (Net)	14,776,644	5,034	4,040,662	50,038
Restricted Debt Sinking Fund	-----	-----	245,652	-----
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,785,356	$ 285,162	$11,798,951	$ 270,875
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS of Resources				
Related to Pensions	$ 499,941	$ 71,002	$ -----	$ -----
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	$19,285,297	$ 356,164	$11,798,951	$ 270,875
LIABILITIES				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	$ 211,051	$ 9,380	$ 10,178	$ 490
Accrued Liabilities	178,741	-----	1,612	-----
Bonds Payable	-----	-----	245,000	-----
Lease Payable	206,630	-----	-----	-----
Compensated Absences	-----	16,616	-----	-----
Due to Other Governments	-----	-----	10,400	-----
Non-Current Liabilities				
Loan Issuance Fees	-----	-----	22,917	-----
Bonds Payable	-----	-----	1,050,000	-----
GEFA Note Payable	-----	-----	4,886,939	-----
Lease Payable	143,691	-----	-----	-----
Compensated Absences	-----	36,102	-----	-----
Net Pension Liability	1,644,880	376,740	-----	-----
Landfill Postclosure	-----	-----	413,332	-----
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 2,384,993	$ 438,838	$ 6,640,378	$ 490
DEFERRED INFLOWS of Resources				
Related to Pensions	$ 17,904	$ 41,195	$ -----	$ -----
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS	$ 2,402,897	$ 480,033	$ 6,640,378	$ 490
NET POSITIONS				
Investment in Capital Assets	$16,380,323	$ 5,034	$ 3,834,135	$ 50,037
Restricted For				
Capital Projects	853,194	-----	-----	491
Prior Year Income	-----	174,452	-----	-----
Special Revenue				
Drug Fund & Law Library	27,947	-----	-----	-----
Unrestricted	< 379,064>	< 303,355>	1,324,438	219,857
TOTAL NET POSITIONS	$16,882,400	$< 123,869>	$ 5,158,573	$ 270,385
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS & NET POSITIONS	$19,285,297	$ 356,164	$11,798,951	$ 270,875

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Lamar County, Georgia
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues: Charges for Services	Program Revenues: Operating Grants & Contributions	Program Revenues: Capital Grants & Contributions	Net (Expenses) Revenue and Changes in Net Positions: Primary Government: Governmental Activities	Component Units: Board of Health for Year Ended 6/30/16	Component Units: Lamar County: Regional Solid Waste Authority	Component Units: Lamar County: Barnesville Lamar County Library
Primary Government								
Governmental Activities								
General Government	$ 1,779,958	$ 309,858	$ -----	$ -----	$< 1,470,100>	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Judicial	1,206,084	479,299	88,281	-----	< 638,504>	-----	-----	-----
Public Safety	4,192,076	723,783	44,930	-----	< 3,423,363>	-----	-----	-----
Public Works	1,338,445	17,700	-----	371,438	< 949,307>	-----	-----	-----
Health & Public Service	327,992	-----	32,333	-----	< 295,659>	-----	-----	-----
Culture & Recreation	716,808	112,904	45,364	-----	< 558,540>	-----	-----	-----
Housing & Development	1,041,275	70,950	12,000	-----	< 958,325>	-----	-----	-----
Interest on Long-Term Debt	50,751	-----	-----	-----	< 50,751>	-----	-----	-----
Total Governmental Activities	$ 10,653,389	$ 1,714,494	$ 222,908	$ 371,438	$< 8,344,549>	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Component Units								
Board of Health	$ 489,335	$ 210,981	$ 282,744	$ -----	$ -----	$ 4,390	$ -----	$ -----
Regional Solid Waste Authority	1,924,325	1,739,896	-----	-----	-----	-----	< 202,429>	-----
Barnesville-Lamar Co. Library	226,157	10,074	219,857	18,716	-----	-----	-----	22,490
Total Component Units	$ 2,639,817	$ 1,960,951	$ 502,601	$ 18,716	$ -----	$ 4,390	$< 202,429>	$ 22,490
General Revenues								
Taxes								
Property Taxes					$ 5,685,607	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Special Local Option Sales Tax					1,509,591	-----	-----	-----
Local Option Sales Tax					845,470	-----	-----	-----
Insurance Premium Tax					605,760	-----	-----	-----
Other Tax					33,183	-----	-----	-----
Interest and Other					181,409	648	439	2,383
Total General Revenues					$ 8,861,020	$ 648	$ 439	$ 2,383
Special Items - Gain of Disposition of Assets					-----	-----	-----	-----
Increase/<Decrease> in market value of stock					-----	-----	-----	< 1,600>
Change in Net Positions					$ 516,471	$ 5,038	$< 201,990>	$ 23,273
Net Positions - Beginning of Year					$ 16,365,929	$ 230,171	$ 5,360,563	$ 247,112
Net Positions - End of Year					$ 16,882,400	$< 157,312>	$ 5,158,573	$ 270,385

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental Funds

Lamar County, Georgia
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Major Governmental Funds				
	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects SPLOST 2011	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 730,550	$ 60,556	$ 931,620	$ 23,123	$ 1,745,849
Receivables					
Taxes	224,485	-----	-----	-----	224,485
Accounts	48,152	34,284	-----	1,097	83,533
Due from Other Funds	758,753	-----	-----	3,727	762,480
Inventory	845	-----	-----	-----	845
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 1,762,785	$ 94,840	$ 931,620	$ 27,947	$ 2,817,192
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	$ 123,607	$ 9,018	$ 78,426	$ -----	$ 211,051
Accrued Liabilities	178,745	-----	-----	-----	178,745
Due to Other Funds	3,727	758,753	-----	-----	762,480
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 306,079	$ 767,771	$ 78,426	$ -----	$ 1,152,276
FUND BALANCE					
Restricted for:					
Law Enforcement and Books	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ 27,947	$ 27,947
Capital Projects- Infrastructure	-----	-----	853,194	-----	853,194
Non-Spendable Inventory	845	-----	-----	-----	845
Assigned					
Jail Construction	18,723	-----	-----	-----	18,723
Unassigned					
General Fund	1,437,138	-----	-----	-----	1,437,138
Special Revenue – E911	-----	< 672,931>	-----	-----	< 672,931>
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	$ 1,456,706	$< 672,931>	$ 853,194	$ 27,947	$ 1,664,916
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	$ 1,762,785	$ 94,890	$ 931,620	$ 27,947	$ 2,817,192

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Positions are different because:	$ 1,664,916
Capital Assets are used in Governmental Activities, are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	16,730,644
The Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions is included in the Statement of Net Positions.	< 17,904>
The Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions, is included in the Statement of Net Positions	499,941
The General Long-Term Liabilities, which consists of Net Pension Liability, is included in the Statement of Net Positions.	<1,644,880>
The General Long-Term Liabilities, which consists of Long-Term Debt, is included in the Statement of Net Positions.	< 350,317>
	$16,882,400

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Lamar County, Georgia
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Major Funds			Non-Major Funds	
	General Fund	Special Revenue E911	Capital Projects SPLOST 2011	Other Governmental Funds	Total
REVENUES					
Taxes	$ 7,170,020	$ -----	$ 1,509,591	$ -----	$ 8,679,611
Licenses, Permits and Fees	224,837	-----	-----	-----	224,837
Intergovernmental Revenues	545,159	-----	-----	-----	545,159
Charges for Services	710,640	192,772	-----	-----	903,412
Fines and Forfeitures	454,667	-----	-----	67,986	522,653
Investment Income	491	56	-----	6	553
Miscellaneous Revenues	190,178	-----	-----	-----	190,178
Donations and Sponsors	45,364	-----	-----	-----	45,364
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 9,341,356	$ 192,828	$ 1,509,591	$ 67,992	$11,111,767
EXPENDITURES					
Current Expenditures					
General Government	$ 1,638,697	$ -----	$ -----	$ 36,150	$ 1,674,847
Judicial	1,160,452	-----	-----	-----	1,160,452
Public Safety	3,413,365	289,877	-----	30,198	3,733,440
Public Works	1,218,171	-----	-----	-----	1,218,171
Health and Public Services	323,012	-----	-----	-----	323,012
Culture and Recreation	645,340	-----	-----	-----	645,340
Housing and Development	408,222	-----	-----	-----	408,222
Intergovernmental Expenditures					
Cities	-----	-----	618,932	-----	618,932
Capital Outlay	-----	19,990	482,055	27,225	529,270
Debt Service					
Principle	35,814	-----	175,116	-----	210,930
Interest	43,046	-----	7,705	-----	50,751
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 8,886,119	$ 309,867	$ 1,283,808	$ 93,573	$10,573,367
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)Expenditures	$ 455,237	$< 117,039>	$ 225,783	$< 25,581>	$ 538,400
OTHER SOURCES (USES)					
Debt Proceeds	$ 240,578	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ 240,578
Transfer In	-----	-----	252,724	-----	252,724
Transfer Out	< 252,724>	-----	-----	-----	< 252,724>
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES (USES)	$< 12,146>	$ -----	$ 252,724	$ -----	$ 240,578
Net Change in Fund Balance	$ 443,091	$< 117,039>	$ 478,507	$< 25,581>	$ 778,978
Fund Balance – Beginning of Year	1,013,615	< 555,892>	374,687	53,528	885,938
Fund Balance – End of Year	$ 1,456,706	$< 672,931>	$ 853,194	$ 27,947	$ 1,664,916

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Lamar County, Georgia

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

Adjustments to the Statements of Activities		
Net Change in Fund Balances – Total Governmental Funds		$ 778,978
Governmental Funds report capital outlays as expenditure. However, in this statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.		
Capital Outlay	$ 999,399	
Depreciation Expense	<1,071,167>	
		< 71,768>
Payment of the Current Pension Contribution by the State Of Georgia on behalf of the GFP and the Constitutional Officers		$ 58,093
The payment on debt is not recognized in the statement of activities, whereas in the governmental funds, the debt payment is included. This represents the principal paid on long-term debt.		$ 210,930
The debt proceeds are not recognized in the statement of activities, whereas in the governmental funds, the debt proceeds are other funding sources. This represents the debt proceeds received in the current year.		< 240,578>
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds.		
Net Pension Expense		< 415,030>
Pension Expense – GFP and Constitutional Officers		< 58,093>
Some expenditures reported in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances are for prior periods and are not considered the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenses in the Statement of Net Positions.		< 253,939>
Prior Year Pension Contributions		
Changes in net positions of governmental activities		$ 516,471

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds

Lamar County, Georgia
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
Fiduciary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Agency Funds
ASSETS	
Cash	$ 497,715
Other Receivables	-----
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 497,715
LIABILITIES	
Other Liabilities	$ 497,715
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 497,715

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The County of Lamar, Georgia (the "County"), which was founded in 1921, has a population of 16,000 plus living within an area of 185.8 square miles. The County is a Georgia municipal corporation and operates under County Administrator/ Chairman and Commissioner Form of government.

The County of Lamar, Georgia provides the following services:

Public Safety
Roads
Public Improvements
Planning and Zoning
Courts
Tax Assessment and Collection
Health and Social Services
Culture – Recreation
General Administrative Services

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the County have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) as applied to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. The County also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental and business-type activities at the government-wide financial reporting level and to its enterprise funds at the fund reporting level, provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

The most significant of the County's accounting policies are described below.

1-A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, and component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading.

The component unit is a legally separate organization for which the County is financially accountable. The County is financially accountable for an organization if the County appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the County is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organizations; (2) the County is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the County is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; the County is obligated for the debt of the organization.

The discretely presented component unit generally is reported only at the government-wide financial reporting level. The component unit columns included on the government-wide financial statements identifies the financial data of the County's discretely presented component units. They are reported separately to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County.

The following component units are discretely presented in the reporting entity:

Discretely Presented Component Units	Brief Description of Activities and Relationship to the County
Lamar County Department of Public Health	Provide medical services and health education to the citizens of Lamar County. The County Board of Commissioners has the authority to modify and approve the Department of Public Health budget. Financial Statements can be obtained at Academy Drive, Barnesville, Georgia.
Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority	Provide residents and surrounding areas with disposal service of residential and commercial solid waste. Financial Statements can be obtained at 172 Roger Brown Drive, Barnesville, Georgia.
Barnesville- Lamar County Library	Provide residents and surrounding areas with educational, research, recreational reading material as well as computer services. Financial Statements can be obtained at 401 Thomaston Street, Barnesville, Georgia.

1-B. Basis of Presentation

The County's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net positions and a statement of activities and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Financial Statements – The government-wide financial statements include a statement of net positions and a statement of activities. These statements report financial information for the County as a whole. All funds other than fiduciary activities are included at the government-wide reporting level. Individual funds are not displayed at this reporting level, but the statements distinguish governmental activities, generally supported by taxes and County general revenues, from business-type activities, generally financed in whole or in part with fees charged to external customers.

The statement of net positions presents the financial position of the governmental and business-type activities of the County.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the County's governmental activities and for each identifiable activity of the business-type activities of the County. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a function and therefore clearly identifiable to that particular function. The County does not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the statement of activities.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly related to the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services which report fees and other charges to users of the County's services; (2) operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities including restricted investment income; and (3) capital grants and contributions which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to these program uses. For identifying to which function program revenue pertains, the determining factor for charges for services is which function generates the revenue. For grants and contributions, the determining factor is to which function the revenues are restricted.

Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues of the County. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function and each identifiable business activity is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

Fund Financial Statements – During the year, the County segregates transactions related to certain County functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the County at this more detailed level. Fund financial statements are provided for governmental and fiduciary funds.

Major individual governmental funds are reported in separate columns with composite columns for non-major funds. The fiduciary funds are reported by type.

Fund Accounting – The County uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The County uses two categories of funds: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Fund liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be liquidated. The County reports the difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities as fund balance. The following are the County's major governmental funds:

> ***General Fund*** – Major Fund - The general fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds. The general fund's fund balance is available to the County for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Georgia.
>
> ***Special Revenue Fund*** – Major Fund – The fund accounts for all financial resources of the Emergency 911 fund.
>
> ***Capital Projects Fund*** – Major Fund – The fund accounts for all financial resources of Special Purpose Sales Tax revenue for 2011. Also the funds expend resources for the approved capital projects.

Proprietary Funds – Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net positions, financial position and cash flows. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise funds.

> ***Lamar County Solid Waste*** – Component Unit – This fund is used to account for the operations of the County's sanitation systems.

Fiduciary Funds – Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on assets held in a custodial manner.

> ***Agency Funds –***Tax Commissioner, Magistrate Court, Probate Court, Sheriff's Office, and Clerk of Superior Court These funds are used to account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

1-C. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements – The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the County are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities reports revenues and expenses, including depreciation.

Fund Financial Statements – All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus in these financial statements. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide

financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the governmental fund statements.

Like the government-wide statements, all proprietary fund types and fiduciary fund types are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus on both financial reporting levels. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statements of net positions. The statements of changes in fund net positions present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total positions. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the County finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

1-D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. At the fund reporting level, governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary funds use the accrual basis of accounting on both reporting levels. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

Revenues – Exchange Transactions – Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On the modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded when the exchange takes place and in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the County, the phrase "available for exchange transactions" means expected to be received within twelve months of year-end.

Revenues – Non-exchange Transactions – Non-exchange transactions in which the County receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include sales taxes, property taxes, grants, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the period in which the taxable sale takes place and on the modified accrual basis, it is recognized in the year received (i.e., when considered available). Revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (Note 4-C). Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the County must

provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the County on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions also must be available (i.e., collected within 60 days) before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be susceptible to accrual: property taxes, sales taxes, interest and federal and state grants.

Deferred Revenue – Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. On governmental fund financial statements (i.e., on the modified accrual basis), receivables that will not be collected within the available period have been reported as deferred revenue (i.e., they are measurable but not available) rather than as revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met (e.g., cash advances) are recorded as deferred revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures – On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. On the modified accrual basis, expenditures generally are recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred and due, if measurable. Expenditure recognition for prepaids in governmental funds is recognized during the benefiting periods.

Deferred Inflows/Outflows – Deferred inflows/outflows are classified as neither assets nor liabilities. Deferred inflows/outflows do not meet the description of asset or liability. Examples are bond premiums and discounts; these items are classified as deferred inflows/outflows on the governmental fund financial statements, proprietary fund financial statements as well as the government-wide financial statements.

1-E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

1-E-1. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the County.

Investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices.

Georgia law authorizes the County to invest in the following type of obligations:

- Obligations of the State of Georgia or of any other states
- Obligations of the United States Government
- Obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the government or governmental agency
- Obligations of any corporation of the government
- Prime bankers' acceptances
- The State of Georgia local government investment pool (i.e., Georgia Fund I)
- Repurchase agreements
- Obligations of the other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia

Any investment or deposit in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured amount must be secured by 110% of an equivalent amount of State or U.S. obligations.

1-E-2. Receivables

All trade and property tax receivables are reported net of an allowance for un-collectibles, where applicable.

1-E-3. Interfund Balances

On the fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the government-wide statement of net positions, except for any net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are reclassified and presented as internal balances.

1-E-4. Consumable Inventories

On the government-wide financial statements, inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-our basis and are expensed when used (i.e., the consumption method).

On the fund financial statements, inventories of governmental funds are stated at cost. For all funds, cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis. The cost of inventory items is recorded as expenditure in the governmental fund types when consumed.

1-E-5. Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in governmental funds. The County reports these assets in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net positions but does not report these assets in the governmental fund financial statements. Capital assets utilized by enterprise funds are reported both in the business-type activities column of the government-wide statement of net positions and in the enterprise funds' statement of net positions.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The County maintains a capitalization threshold of two thousand five hundred dollars. The County's infrastructure consists of roads, bridges and water and sewer lines. Improvements (i.e., betterments) to capital assets are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are expensed. Interest incurred during the construction of capital assets utilized by the enterprise funds is capitalized. Infrastructures acquired prior to implementation of statement 34 are reported.

All reported capital assets are depreciated except for land, and construction in progress. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Useful lives for infrastructure were estimated based on the County's historical records of necessary improvements and replacement. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Governmental Activities Estimated Lives	Component Unit Estimated Lives
Land Improvements	20 - 50 years	20 - 50 years
Buildings and Plant	20 - 50 years	20 - 50 years
Machinery and Equipment	5 - 10 years	5 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 - 10 years	5 - 10 years
Infrastructure	40 - 50 years	40 - 50 years

1-E-6. Compensated Absences

Vacation and sick leave benefits due at termination have been accrued. Vested or accumulated vacation leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and fund liability of the liable fund.

1-E-7. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of these funds.

1-E-8. Bond Premiums, Discounts and Issuance Costs

On the government-wide statement of net positions and the proprietary fund type statement of net positions, bond premiums and discounts are netted against bonds payable and bond issuance costs are reported as current charges. On the government-wide and proprietary fund type statement of activities, bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight line method.

At government fund reporting level, bond premiums and discounts are reported as other financing sources and uses, separately from the face amount of the bonds issued. Bond issuance costs are reported as an expenditure.

**The Component Unit Auditors' of the Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority do not follow GASB 65. Therefore, the bond issuance cost and loan cost are not expensed.*

1-E-9. Fund Equity

The County implemented GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, as of January 1, 2010. This new standard changed the overall definitions and classifications of governmental fund balances.

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as "fund balance." Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net positions."

Fund Balance – Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the assets and liabilities under the current financial resources measurement focus of accounting. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Fund balances are classified as follows:

- **Nonspendable** – Fund balances are reported as nonspendable when amounts cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form (i.e., items that are not expected to be converted to cash) or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- **Restricted** – Fund balances are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- **Committed** – Fund balances are reported as committed when they can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the County Commissioners through the adoption of a resolution. Only the County Commissioners may modify or rescind the commitment.
- **Assigned** – Fund balances are reported as assigned when amounts are constrained by the County's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Through resolution, the County Commissioners have authorized the County's Administrator to assign fund balances.
- **Unassigned** – Fund balances are reported as unassigned as the residual amount when the balances do not meet any of the above criterion. The County reports positive unassigned fund balance only in the general fund. Negative unassigned fund balances may be reported in all funds.

Flow Assumptions – When both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balances are available for use for expenditures incurred, it is the County's policy to use restricted amounts first and then unrestricted amounts as they are needed. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is the County's policy to use fund balance in the following order: 1) committed, 2) assigned, and 3) unassigned.

Net Positions – Net positions represent the difference between assets and liabilities in reporting which utilizes the economic resources measurement focus. Net positions investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used (i.e., the amount that the County has spent) for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net positions are reported as restricted using the same definition as used for restricted fund balance as described in the section above. All other net positions are reported as unrestricted. The flow assumptions for fund balances also apply to net positions.

1-E-10. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the County, these revenues are charges for services of the enterprise component units. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the good or service that are the primary activity of each program.

1-E-11. Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses

Non-operating revenues are those revenues not generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the County, these revenues are interest revenues generated from cash holdings of the component units. Non-operating expenses are not considered necessary costs incurred to provide the good or service related to the primary activity of each program.

1-E-12. Contributions of Capital

Contributions of capital in proprietary fund financial statements arise from outside contributions of capital assets, tap-in fees to the extent they exceed the cost of the connection to the system, or from grants or outside contributions of resources restricted to capital acquisition and construction.

1-E-13. Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as Interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and the after non-operating revenues/expenses section in proprietary funds. Repayments from fund responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements (i.e., they are netted).

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide statement of activities are reported as general revenues. Transfers between funds reported in the governmental activities column are eliminated. Transfers between funds reported in the business-type activities column are eliminated.

1-E-14. Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

1-E-15. Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year have been presented only for individual funds in the fund financial statements in order to provide an understanding of the changes in the financial position and operations of these funds. Also, certain amounts presented in the prior year data have been reclassified to be consistent with the current year's presentation.

Note 2 – Changes in Accounting Principles, Fund Reclassifications and Restatement of Equity Balances

2-A. Changes in Accounting Principles/Restatement

The County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) statement 68. Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (an amendment to GASB Statement No. 27) in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015. The implementation of the statement required the County to record beginning net position liability and the effects of net position of contributions made by the County during the measurement period (fiscal year ending December 31, 2015). As a result, net position for the governmental activities decreased by $659,956.

Note 3 – Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

3-A. Budgetary Information

The County adopts an annual operating budget for the general fund, each special revenue fund and debt service fund. A project budget is adopted for each projects fund. The budget resolution reflects the total of each department's appropriation in each fund.

The governmental funds' budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with GAAP, except that outstanding encumbrances at year-end are reported as budgetary expenditures. Enterprise fund budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with GAAP, except that outstanding encumbrances at year-end are reported as budgetary expenses.

The level of legal budgetary control (the level at which expenditures may not exceed appropriations) is the department level with the following provisions:

- The County Administrator may transfer funds from one object or purpose to another within the same department
- The Board of Commissioners may amend the budget by motion during the fiscal year.
- Appropriations must equal the anticipated funding sources of each fund.
- Actual expenditures of each fund may not exceed actual funding sources.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as management control device during the year for all budgeted funds.

3-B. Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

The following funds reported expenditures/expenses over appropriations:

Fund	Appropriation	Encumbrances/ Expenditures	Over-Appropriation
General Fund			
General Government	$ 1,632,875	$ 1,638,697	$ 5,822
Health & Public Services	288,177	323,012	34,835
Public Works	1,204,844	1,218,171	13,327
Culture and Recreation	593,641	645,340	51,699
Housing and Development	396,771	408,222	11,451
Transfers Out	134,143	252,724	118,581

Note 4 – Detailed Notes on All Funds

4-A. Deposits and Investments

Deposits – The bank balance is classified into three categories of credit risk: 1) cash that is insured or collateralized with securities held by the County or by its agent in its name, 2) cash collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the County's name, and 3) uncollateralized bank accounts including any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent but not in the County's name. The Georgia Fund One is sponsored by the State of Georgia (Oversight Agency) for the investment of local government funds. The County does not have any investments in the Georgia Fund One.

The County's deposits are classified as follows at December 31, 2016:

(in thousands of dollars)	Category			Bank Balance	Carrying Amount
	1	2	3		
Primary Government (including agencies)	$ 500	$ -----	$1,783.5	$2,283.5	$2,243.5
Component Unit:					
Lamar County Department of Public Health	$ 234	$ -----	$ -----	$ 234	$ 229
Lamar County Solid Waste Authority	817	513	-----	1,330	1,320
Barnesville-Lamar County Library	147	-----	-----	147	154
Total Component Units	$ 1,198	$ 513	$ -----	$ 1,711	$ 1,703

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits – Primary Government – The County has deposits that are not completely collateralized within the meaning of the pledged securities held as collateral not in the County's name. Category 3 balances are acceptable under Georgia Law. The credit risks of the County could face with uncollateralized deposits is critical financial stress on the depositor financial institution or theft on uncollateralized deposits. The County has not adopted a credit risk policy.

Cash and Cash Equivalents Reconciliation:

	Primary Government
Fund Reporting Level:	
Governmental Funds – Balance Sheet	$ 1,745,849
Fiduciary Fund – Balance Sheet	497,715
Total Carrying Amount	$ 2,243,564

Investments – Primary Government – Investments of the County are categorized below to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the County at year-end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the County's agent in the County's name holds the securities. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the counterparty's trust department or agent in the County's name holds the securities. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty or by its trust department or agent but not in the County's name.

The State statutes, county bond ordinances and county resolutions authorize the County's investments. The county is authorized to invest in U.S Government obligations and its agencies or instrumentalities, collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by federal agency or instrumentality, and insured or collateralized certificates of deposit.

Barnesville-Lamar Co. Library Component Unit (in thousands of dollars)	Category			
	1	2	3	Fair Market Value
Coca-Cola Stock	$ 66,500			$ 66,500

4-B. Receivables

Receivables at December 31, 2016, consisted of taxes, fines, and accounts (billings for user charges). Receivables and payables are recorded on the County's financial statements to the extent that the amounts are determined to be material and substantiated not only by supporting documentation, but also by a reasonable, systematic method of determining their existence, completeness, valuation, and in the case of receivables, collectability.

As of December 31, 2016, Government Receivables consist of inmate housing due from other counties, local option sales tax due from the State of Georgia and Franchise tax due.

4-***C. Property Taxes***

Normally, property tax levies are set by the County Commissioners in August of each year for collection in the following fiscal year beginning January 1. Lamar County spreads all levies over assessable property. Taxes are levied annually by the

County and for the year ended December 31, 2016, the levy occurred on October 20, 2016. Real and personal property taxes were due on November 20, 2016. Property taxes receivable become a lien on March 19, 2017.

4-D. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2016, was as follows:

(in thousands of dollars)	Balance 01/01/16	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/16
Governmental Activities:				
Capital Assets not being Depreciated:				
Land	$ 1,954	$ -----	$ -----	$ 1,954
Total Assets not being Depreciated	$ 1,954	$ -----	$ -----	$ 1,954
Depreciable Capital Assets:				
Buildings and Improvements	$ 15,748	$ 100	$ -----	$ 15,848
Machinery and Equipment	5,242	147	-----	5,389
Vehicles	3,467	88	-----	3,555
Roads and Bridges	51,251	664	-----	51,916
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	$ 75,708	$ 999	$ -----	$ 76,707
Total Non and Depreciable Capital Assets	$ 77,662	$ 999	$ -----	$ 78,661
Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings and Improvements	$ 6,915	$ 391	$ -----	$ 7,306
Machinery and Equipment	5,587	236	522*	5,301
Vehicles	2,701	182	-----	2,883
Roads and Bridges	45,656	784	-----	46,440
Total Accumulated Depreciation	$ 60,859	$ 1,593	$ 522	$ 61,930
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	$ 16,803	$< 594>	$ 522	$ 16,731

*An error was made in the depreciation classification for 2014 and 2015. The amount of $522,000 should have been classified as Roads and Bridges depreciation and not vehicles.

Governmental Activities Depreciation Expense:	
General Government	$ 92
Judicial	2
Public Safety	450
Public Works	456
Health and Welfare	-----
Culture and Recreation	62
Housing and Development	9
Total Governmental Activities Depreciation Expense	$ 1,071

	Balance 01/01/2016	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/16
Component Units				
Capital Assets Not Depreciated				
Lamar County Solid Waste Authority				
Land	$ 1,775	$ -----	$ -----	$ 1,775
Construction in Progress	2,515	1,686	-----	4,201
Total Non Depreciable Assets	$ 4,290	$ 1,686	$ -----	$ 5,976
Lamar County Solid Waste Authority				
Depreciable Capital Assets (Equipment and station)	$ 7,707	$ 50	$ -----	$ 7,757
Less Accumulated Depreciation	< 3,519>	< 198>	-----	< 3,717>
Lamar County Department of Public Health				
Depreciable Capital Assets (Equipment)	95	-----	-----	95
Less Accumulated Depreciation	< 88>	< 2>	-----	< 90>
Barnesville-Lamar County Library				
Capital Assets not Depreciated				
Construction in Progress	-----	19	-----	19
Depreciable Capital Assets (Building & Equipment)	134.5	-----	-----	134.5
Less Accumulated Depreciation	< 102>	< 2>	-----	< 104>
Component Unit Capital Assets, Net	$ 8,517.5	$ 1,553	$ -----	$10,070.5

4-E. Interfund Balances and Transfers

Interfund balances at December 31, 2016, consisted of the following amounts. The interfund balances are not expected to be paid in one year from the date of the financial statements and have existed for more than one year and the original purpose of the interfund balances were to finance capital acquisitions in other funds.

Payable To	Payable From	Amount
General Fund	Special Revenue E-911	$ 758,830
Nonmajor Fund	General Fund	$ 3,727

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2016, consisted of the following:

Transferred From	Transferred To	Amount
General Fund	Capital Projects – SPLOST 2011	$ 252,724

Transfers are used to report revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations; and to return money to the fund from which it was originally provided, once a project is completed.

All County transfers either occur on a regular basis or are consistent with the purpose of the fund making the transfer.

4-F. Obligations under Bonds Payable

The following is a summary of bond transactions of the Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority for the year ended December 31, 2016:

Name	Interest Rate	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions (Reductions) Indebtedness	Balance End of Year
*Series A Bonds	.875% - 3.85%	$ 1,125,000	$< 175,000>	$ 950,000
**Series B Bonds	1.0% - 4.0%	$ 410,000	$< 65,000>	$ 345,000

The annual principal maturities of the debt during the year following 2016:

Year	Series A	Interest	Series B	Interest
2017	$ 180,000	$ 29,020	$ 65,000	$ 11,033
2018	185,000	23,860	65,000	9,099
2019	190,000	17,903	70,000	6,850
2020	195,000	11,210	70,000	4,313
2021	200,000	3,850	75,000	1,500
	$ 950,000	$ 85,843	$ 345,000	$ 32,795

Interest expense on the above bond was $46,216 for the current year.

* original amount of Bond debt - $1,800,000

** original amount of Bond debt - $650,000

4-G. Obligations under Capital Leases

Purpose	Balance Beginning of Year	Addition	Deletion	Balance End of Year	Amount Due in One Year
Fire Truck	$ 212,456	$ -----	$ 104,766	$ 107,690	$ 107,690
Chipper/Spreader	91,146	-----	59,998	31,148	31,148
Roller	17,082	-----	10,339	6,743	6,754
Metal Bld/Equip	-----	204,455	35,827	168,628	43,271
Skidsteer Loader	-----	36,123	-----	36,123	17,778
	$ 320,684	$ 240,578	$ 210,930	$ 350,321	$ 206,641

	Fire Truck- 2.79% Asset Cost- $510,000		Chipper/Spreader- 2.39% Asset Cost- $289,000		Roller- 2.39% Asset Cost- $50,000	
Year	Principal*	Interest	Principal*	Interest	Principal*	Interest
2017	$ 107,690	$ 3,005	$ 31,148	$ 213	$ 6,743	$ -----

	Metal Building & Equipment Asset Cost- $204,455		Skidsteer Loader- 3.1456% Asset Cost- $56,123	
Year	Principal*	Interest	Principal*	Interest
2017	$ 43,271	$ 3,562	$ 17,778	$ 881
2018	40,871	2,358	18,345	315
2019	41,784	1,446	-----	-----
2020	42,702	513	-----	-----
	$ 168,628	$ 7,879	$ 36,123	$ 1,196

**Denotes the present value minimum lease payments.*

Interest expense was $11,518 on the above capital leases for the current year ending December 31, 2016. The expense resulting from amortization of assets recorded under capital leases is included with depreciation expenses. The accumulated amortization expenses at December 31, 2016 are: Fire Truck-$170,000; Chipper/Spreader-$206,855; Roller-$35,715; Metal Building and Equipment-$12,502 and Skidsteer Loader-$8,017.

Capital Leases and Notes Payable- Component Units

Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority (Enterprise Fund)

Lender	Balance Beginning of Year	Addition	Deletion	Balance End of Year	Amount Due in One Year
Bonds Payable	$ 1,535,000	$ -----	$< 240,000>	$ 1,295,000	$ 245,000

Interest on the above debt was $46,216 for 2016 and has been expended in the financial statements.

	Balance Beginning Of Year	Increase	Decrease	Balance End Of Year
Lamar County Solid Waste Authority Landfill Postclosure	$ 433,529	$ -----	$ 20,197	$ 413,332

** other auditors did not disclose current increases and decreases separately*

4-H. Compensated Absences-Long-Term Debt

Component Unit

Lamar County Department of Public Health:

Compensated absences at July 1, 2015	$ 41,645
Increase	6,388
Decrease	11,931
Compensated absences at June 30, 2016	$ 36,102
Due within one year	$ 11,454

The compensated absence liability is to be liquidated by using the General Fund of the Health Department.

4-I. Equity

Net Positions– Net positions on the government-wide statement of net positions as of December 31, 2016 are as follows:

(in thousands of dollars) Investment in capital assets:	Governmental Activities
Cost of Capital Assets	$ 78,661
Less Accumulated Depreciation	< 61,931>
Book Value	16,730
Less Capital Related Debt	< 350>
Investment in capital assets	*$ 16,380

**Actual amount is $16,380,327.*

Fund Balances – Fund balance assignments at the fund reporting level as of December 31, 2016 are as follows:

Assigned Fund Balances:

Nature and Purpose of Assignments	
For Jail Construction and Improvements	$ 18,723

4-J. Pensions Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources to Pensions

ACCG Plan

Plan Description – On September 19, 1977, the County passed an ordinance whereby it adopted a defined benefit pension plan that covers officials and employees with one or more years of service. The plan benefit provisions are established and may be amended under the authority of the County of Lamar's Commission. The County contributes to the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Defined Contribution Plan 401(a), and administered by Government Employee

Benefits Corporation of Georgia (GEB Corp), an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for counties in the State of Georgia**.** GEB Corp. provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. GEB Corp. issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the County. The report may be obtained by writing to:

GEB Corp
1100 Circle 75 Parkway
Atlanta, Ga 30339

At December 31, 2016, the County reported a liability of $1,373,758 including a reduction for the 2016 contribution of $271,122 that was paid March of 2017 for its net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of date not known. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2016 utilizing updated procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's net pension liability was based on a projection of the County's long-term future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan, actuarially determined.

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the County's recognized pension expense of $415,030. At December 31, 2016, 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	$ 244,299	$ 17,904
Changes of assumptions	$ 255,642	-----
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-----	-----
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	-----	-----
Total	$ 499,941	$ 17,904

The contributions made subsequent to the measurement date of $271,122 are reported as a reduction to the net pension liability; however, since the contributions of $271,122 were made in the subsequent year the net pension liability was increased by $271,122, instead of classifying the unpaid contribution as an accounts payable for financial statement presentation. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
2017	$< 99,988>	$ 3,561
2018	< 99,988>	3,561
2019	< 99,988>	3,561
2020	< 99,988>	3,561
2021	< 99,989>	3,561
	$ <499,941>	$ 17,904

Net Pension Liability

	Total Pension Liability (TPL) (a)	Fiduciary Net Position (FNP) (b)	Net Pension Liability (NPL) (a) – (b)
Balances at December 31, 2015	$ 5,118,845	$ 3,921,721	$ 1,197,124
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	131,307	-----	131,307
Interest	375,770	-----	375,770
Differences between expected and actual experience	< 22,380>	-----	< 22,380>
Contributions - employer	-----	271,122	< 271,122>
Assumption change	184,524	-----	184,524
Net investment income	-----	283,889	< 283,889>
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee changes	< 217,138>	< 217,138>	-----
Administrative expense	-----	< 19,861>	19,861
Other	-----	< 42,563>	42,563
Net changes	$ 452,083	$ 275,449	$ 176,634
Balances at December 31, 2016	$ 5,570,928	$ 4,197,170	$ 1,373,758

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 -percentage-point lower (6.25%) or 1 -percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	6.25%	7.25%	8.25%
Total Pension Liability	$ 6,412,546	$ 5,570,928	$ 4,885,794
Fiduciary Net Position	4,197,170	4,197,170	4,197,170
Net pension Liability	$ 2,215,376	$ 1,373,758	$ 688,624

Asset Allocation Policy

ACCG Pension Plan and Trust

The Trustees shall rebalance the portfolio at least annually for asset allocation purposes. The guidelines for allocations are: equities shall not exceed 70% of total Plan assets, valued at cost. Fixed Income shall be targeted at 30% of total Plan assets, valued at cost.

The Trustees' guidelines for asset allocation are as follows:

	Target Allocation	Range
Fixed Income:	30%	25% - 35%
Equities:	70%	65% - 75%
Large Cap	30%	25% - 35%
Mid Cap	5%	2.5% - 10%
Small Cap	5%	2.5% - 10%
REIT	5%	2.5% - 10%
International	15%	10 – 20%
Multi Cap	5%	2.5% - 10%
Global Allocation	5%	2.5% - 10%

Summary of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

1. Investment Return: 7.25% per year

   Based on analysis performed by the Board of Trustees in 2016.

2. Future Salary Increases: 4.00% per year with an age based scale as follows:

Age	Salary Increase
Under 30	4.0% rate plus 1.5%
30-39	4.0% rate plus 1.0%
40-49	4.0% rate less 0.5%
50+	4.0% rate less 1.0%

Based on results of the February 2014 experience study

Future Payroll Growth
(For level percentage compensation amortization): 5.5% per year

3. Mortality: RP-2000 projected with Scale AA. The Society of Actuaries are developing a new mortality table for governmental employees. Until such time as the new mortality table for governmental employees is released, the RP-2000 Mortality Table shall be used, as it represents the most up to date table pending this release. The RP-2000 Mortality Table was revised to project mortality improvements with Scale AA.

4. Termination: An experience based, age and service based set of rates; Sample rates as follows:

Age	Probability of Termination	Age	Probability of Termination
25	10.8%	45	5.5%
35	8.3%	55	0.0%

(Linear interpolation between ages)

Years of Service	Probability of Termination
3 or less	175% of the age-based assumption
4	150% of the age-based assumption
5	125% of the age-based assumption
6	Same as the age-based assumption

5. Disability: Male rates (used for both sexes) derived from a 1977 Social Security Administration study. Incidence of disability resulting in eligibility for both disability benefits under the County retirement plan and the Social Security: sample rates as follows:

Age	Probability of Disability	Age	Probability of Disability
Under 20	0.0000%	20	0.0100%
25	0.1131%	30	0.1900%
35	0.2712%	40	0.4000%
45	0.6331%	50	1.0400%
55 & over	0.0000%		

(For valuation purposes, rates are used with a one-year set forward.)
Professional judgment was used to select the above disability rates.

6. Retirement:

	Probability of Retirement
Age 55 to 60	10%
Ages 61 to 64	20%
Ages 65 to age 69	30%
Age 70	100

Based on results of the February 2014 experience study

7. Administrative Expenses: The contribution payable as of the end of the Plan Year includes administrative fees set by contract between the Association County Commissioners of Georgia and GEBCorp.

8. Actuarial Value of Assets: Smoothed market value with a 5-year smoothing period.

9. Actuarial Cost Method: Entry Age Normal: A method under which the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in an actuarial valuation is allocated on a level basis over the service of the individual between entry age and assumed exit age(s).

10.	Beneficiary:	The plan provides either a lump-sum benefit or an annuity for a fixed period Of time to the beneficiary of a deceased active or inactive participant. Therefore, all participants are assumed to have a beneficiary and such Beneficiary is assumed to be the same age as the participant.
11.	Participants on Sick Leave:	Participants that are currently on sick leave, but still considered employees of The county, are included in the valuation and a liability is maintained for such Participants.
12.	Cost of Living Adjustment:	N/A

Summary of Main Plan Provisions for Valuation Purposes

1.	Effective Date:	January 1, 1983, restated January 1, 1986, amended and restated January 1, 2000, amended and restated January 1, 2010
2.	Participant:	Any full-time employee meeting the provisions as set out in the Adoption Agreement.
3.	Eligibility:	The January 1 coincident with or following the date the employee completes three years of Service.
4.	Plan Year:	Period from January 1 to the next December 31, inclusive.
5.	Service:	Complete years and months, from the date of employment to the date on which an employee ceases to be an employee.
6.	Average Annual Compensation:	The highest average of the Participant's compensation over five consecutive plan years during the ten plan years preceding the Participant's date of retirement or other termination.
7.	Eligibility for Benefits:	
	a. Normal Retirement	Attained age 65 and 5 years of Vesting Service
	b. Late Retirement	Any date subsequent to Normal Retirement
	c. Early Retirement	Attained age 60, 10 years of Service and 3 years of plan participation.
	d. Disability Retirement	Ten years of Service and deemed to be totally disabled by the Federal Social Security Administration. Payments will not begin prior to age 50.
	e. Vested Termination	One hundred percent vested after five years of Service.
	f. Pre-Retirement Death Benefit	i. Lump-Sum Active Participants
		ii. Lump Sum Terminated vested Participants and participants receiving a Disability benefit and not yet age 65.
	g. Post-Retirement Death Benefit	Termination of employment due to Early, Normal or Late Retirement. Participants receiving a Disability Retirement benefit and who have attained normal retirement age are also eligible.
8.	Accrued Benefit	1.00% of Average Annual Compensation up to $6,600 plus 1.50% of Average Annual Compensation in excess of $6,600 plus $36 multiplied by years of Service.

9. Benefit Amounts:

a. Normal Retirement		A benefit payable monthly for life equal to the Participant's Accrued Benefit at Normal Retirement.
b. Late Retirement		A benefit payable monthly for life equal to the Participant's Accrued Benefit at Late Retirement.
c. Early Retirement		A benefit payable monthly for life equal to the Participant's Accrued Benefit at Early Retirement.
d. Disability Retirement		A benefit payable monthly for life equal to the Participant's Accrued Benefit at Disability Retirement.
e. Vested Termination		A benefit payable monthly for life beginning at Normal Retirement equal to the Participant's Accrued Benefit at termination. Participants with 10 years of Service may elect to receive benefits at an Early Retirement date calculated in The same manner as an early retirement benefit.
f. Pre-Retirement Death Benefit:	i. Lump-Sum	The Beneficiary of active Participants eligible for this benefit will receive a lump-sum death benefit equal to 50 times the projected monthly benefit based on level earnings and continued Service to Normal Retirement.
	ii. Lump-Sum	The beneficiary of Participants eligible for this benefit equal to 50 times for the Participant's Accrued Benefit to $50,000.
g. Post-Retirement Death Benefit:		The beneficiary will receive a lump-sum death benefit based on the retiree's benefit payable under the normal form in the amount of 50 times the pension benefit limited to $15,000.

10. Form of Benefit: The normal form of benefit is a straight life annuity. Other forms of payment are available and are actuarially equivalent to the normal form.

11. Contributions: No contributions are required of or permitted by Participants. The County meets all costs of the plan.

12. Changes Since Prior Valuation: There have been no substantive changes since the last actuarial valuation.

Discount Rate For the Measurement Period Ended December 31, 2016

The discount rate is determined through a blend of using a building blocks approach based on 20-year benchmarks (25%) and 30-year benchmarks (25%), as well as the forward-looking capital market assumptions for a moderate asset allocation (50%), as determined by UBS.

Building block expected return based on 20-year benchmarks (see following page for details).	7.44%
Building block expected return based on 30-year benchmarks (see following page for details).	9.49%
UBS capital market assumption for a moderate asset allocation	6.30%
20-year building blocks return (7.44% x .25):	1.86%
30-year building blocks return (9.49% x .25):	2.37%
UBS capital market assumption for a moderate asset allocation (6.30% x .50):	3.15%
Discount Rate (rounded to the nearest .25%):	7.38%
	7.50%

Discount Rate Building Blocks For the Measurement Period Ended December 31, 2016

Benchmark	Asset Allocation	Average 20 Year Return	Weighted 20 Year Return	Average 30 Year Return	Weighted 30 Year Return
S&P 500	30%	7.91%	2.37%	10.22%	3.07%
Barlay's Agg.	30%	5.60%	1.68%	6.56%	1.97%
MSCI EAFE	15%	4.29%	0.64%	5.73%	0.86%
Citi Non US WEBI	5%	4.66%	0.23%	5.98%	0.30%
NAREIT Equity	5%	10.79%	0.54%	10.44%	0.52%
Russell 2000	5%	8.06%	0.40%	9.33%	0.47%
Russell 3000	5%	8.03%	0.40%	10.14%	0.51%
S&P Mid Cap	5%	11.22%	0.56%	11.53%	0.58%
Weighted Return			6.82%		8.28%

Asset Projection For the Measurement Period Ended December 31, 2016

- Projected assets are sufficient to pay all projected benefits promised to current plan participants.
- In projecting plan assets, the assumed contribution was based on the average contribution made to the plan over the prior five years.
- The expected long-term rate of return (7.25%) was used to discount all projected benefit payments.

Plan Investments For the Measurement Period Ended December 31, 2016

- ACCG acts as Trustee of the Plan and Trust established by each Employer under this Plan in accordance with and subject to the terms, conditions and provisions set forth in the Plan and Trust, including the Adoption Agreement

executed by each separate employer. The Plan is managed by a Board of Trustees (the "Trustees") appointed by the Board of Managers of the ACCG.

Contributions to the Plan are held, managed and invested by the Trustees in accordance with the investment guidelines (detailed in the Statement of Investment Objectives and Guidelines executed by the Trustees on June 8, 2012) and with investment management agreements between the ACCG Pension Trust and one or more asset managers. The Trustees also engage UBS Financial Services, Inc. as an independent investment consulting firm to assist the Plan in the attainment of its objective and to monitor compliance with the adopted objectives and guidelines.

A. To achieve a total rate of investment return consistent with investment benchmarks and guidelines and actuarial assumptions;

B. To earn a real return that exceeds inflation (CPI) over any rolling three-to-five year period or market cycle; and

C. To satisfy all fiduciary and other controlling laws and regulations.

These objectives shall be accomplished using a portfolio of fixed income and equity investments in a total mix which has been assigned to each Manager and which the Trustees feel is conducive to participation in rising markets while allowing for adequate protection in falling markets. It is the intention of the Trustees to give each Manager full investment discretion with the exception of any restrictions specifically noted to each investment manager.

- There were no significant investment policy changes during 2016.
- The fair market value of plan assets is determined by using methodologies detailed in the Standard + Poor's Securities Evaluations (SPSE) and pricing data provided by Interactive Data Pricing and Reference Data LLC.
- According to the terms of the plan's investment policy, no more than 5% of the portfolio may be invested in one corporate issue.

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Actuarial Valuation and Review Report from the:

Association of County Commissioner of Georgia
191 Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 700
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Constitutional Officers and Firefighters Pension Plans – The County's Constitutional Officers and some of their staff and firefighters belong to one of six pension plans, listed below, established by the Georgia General Assembly for the purpose of providing retirement benefits for these participants. These plans are cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plans.

Name of Pension Plan	Plan Website
Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund of Georgia	pjrf.georgia.gov
Magistrates Retirement Fund of Georgia	mrf.georgia.gov
Georgia Judicial Retirement System – Clerk of Superior Court	ers.ga.gov
Sheriffs' Retirement Fund of Georgia	georgiasheriffs.org
Peace Officers' Annuity & Benefit Fund of Georgia	poab.georgia.gov
Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund	gfpf.org

Pension liabilities and pension expense with all plans above combined and summarized as follows:

Lamar County's proportionate share of net pension liability	$ -----
State of Georgia's proportionate share of net pension liability associated with Lamar County	377,801
Total	$ 377,801
Lamar County recognized pension expense	$ 58,093
Lamar County recognized revenue from State of Georgia support	58,093

These plans are considered to be special funding situations; and 100% of the collective net pension liabilities are allocated to the State of Georgia. The County makes no contributions to any of these plans.

Pension plan descriptions, assumptions and related disclosures may be found in separately issued reports at June 30, 2015 for each of these plans, and are available at the websites listed above.

4-J-1. Pensions Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources to Pensions – Lamar County Board of Health – Component Unit

General Information about the Pension Plan

a. Plan Description

The Employees' Retirement System of Georgia, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established by the Georgia General Assembly during the 1949 Legislative Session for the purpose of providing retirement allowances for employees of the State of Georgia and its political subdivisions. ERS is directed by a Board of Trustees and has the powers and privileges of a corporation. The Plan is administered by the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia. The Plan is being funded in conformity with the minimum funding standard set forth in Code Section 47-20-10 of the Public Retirement Systems Standards Law and the funding policy adopted by the Board. Each plan and fund, including benefit contribution provisions, was established and can be amended by state law. The Plan issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.ers.ga.gov.

b. Benefits Provided

The ERS Plan supports three benefits tiers: Old Plan, New Plan, and Georgia State Employees' Pension and Savings Plan 9GSEPS). Employees under the old plan started membership prior to July 1, 1982 and are subject to plan provisions in effect prior to July 1, 1982. Members hired on or after July 1, 1982 but prior to January 1, 2009 are new plan members subject to modified plan provisions. Effective January 1, 2009, new state employees and rehired state employees who did not retain membership rights under the Old or New Plans are members of GSEPS. ERS members hired prior to January 1, 2009 also have the option to irrevocably change their memberships to GSEPS.

Under the old plan, the new plan, and GSEPS, a member may retire and receive normal retirement benefits after completion of 10 years of creditable service and attainment of age 60 or 30 years of creditable service regardless of age. Additionally, there are some provisions allowing for early retirement after 25 years of creditable service for members under age 60.

Retirement benefits paid to members are based upon the monthly average of the member's highest 24 consecutive calendar months, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, multiplied by the applicable benefit factor. Annually, postretirement cost-of-living adjustments may also be made to members' benefits, provided the members were hired prior to July 1, 2009. The normal retirement pension is payable monthly for life; however, options are available for distribution of the member's monthly pension, at reduced rates, to a designated beneficiary upon the member's death. Death and disability benefits are also available through ERS.

c. Contributions

Member contributions under the old plan are 4% of annual compensation, up to $4,200, plus 6% of annual compensation in excess of $4,200. Under the old plan, the state pays member contributions in excess of 1.25% of annual compensation. Under the old plan, these state contributions are included in the members' accounts for refund purposes and are used in the computation of the members' earnable compensation for the purpose of computing retirement benefits. Member

contributions under the new plan and GSEPS are 1.25% of annual compensation. The Health Department's contractually required contribution rate, actuarially determined annually, for the year ended June 30, 2016 was 24.72% of annual covered payroll for old and new plan members and 21.69% for GSEPS members. The Health Department's contributions to ERS totaled $62,345 for the year ended June 30, 2016. Contributions are expected to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

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

At June 30, 2016, the Health Department reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2015 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The Health Department's proportion of the net pension liability was based on contributions to ERS during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. At June 30, 2015, the Health Department's proportion was 0.009299%, which was an increase (decrease) of (0.000393)% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the Department recognized pension expense of $27,918. At June 30, 2016, the Department 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	-0-	3,010
Changes of assumptions	-0-	-----
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on Pension plan investments	-0-	27,182
Changes in proportion and differences between Employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	8,657	11,003
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	62,345	-----
Total	71,002	41,195

$62,345 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Department contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2017. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2017	(12,801)
2018	(16,787)
2019	(12,116)
2020	9,166
Thereafter	-0-

e. Actuarial Assumptions

The Total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0%
Salary Increase	5.45-9.25%, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.50%, net pension plan investment expense, incl. inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table for the periods after service retirement, for dependent beneficiaries, and for deaths in active service, and the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table set back eleven years for males for the period after disability retirement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 3013 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2009.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges 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 target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset class	Target allocation	Long-term Expected real Rate of return*
Fixed income	30.00%	3.00%
Domestic large stocks	39.70%	6.50%
Domestic mid stocks	3.70%	10.00%
Domestic small stocks	3.70%	13.00%
International developed market stocks	18.90%	6.50%
International emerging market stocks	6.10%	11.00%
Total	100.00%	

* Rates shown are net of the 3.00% assumed rate of inflation

f. Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

g. Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 –percentage-point lower (6.50%) or 1 –percentage-point higher (8.50%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Current Discount rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
Employer's proportionate share of net Pension liability	$ 534,042	$ 376,740	$ 242,633

h. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Positions

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ERS Comprehensive Annual Report at www.ers.ga.gov/firmspubs/formspubs.

4-K. Other Required Individual Fund Disclosures

The Special Revenue Fund, E-911, sustained a deficit of $117,039. The E-911 Fund has $672,931 negative funds to offset future deficits.

The Non-Major Special Revenue Funds, Drug Seizure, and Drug court sustained a deficit of $<12,938>, and $ <15,474> respectively. The Drug Seizure, and Drug Court Fund have $6,222 and $10,446 respectively, of surplus funds to offset future deficits.

Deficit fund balances or net position balances of individual funds: Special Revenue Fund – E911 at December 31, 2016 in the amount of $672,931.

Note 5– Other Notes

5-A. Risk Management

Risk Pool

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; error and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County participates in public entity risk pools (GSIWCF and IRMA) covering each of the above risks of loss.
There were no significant reductions of insurance coverage in the prior year. Management believes that the coverage is adequate to preclude any significant uninsured risk exposure to the County. Settled claims in the past three years have not exceeded the coverage.

The County has elected to be a member of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Group Self Insurance Workers' Compensation Fund (GSIWCF) and the Interlocal Risk Management Association (IRMA), self-insurance risk pools created under Georgia law. As a participant in the GSIWCF and IRMA, the County has no legal obligation to pay its own workers' compensation or property and liability claims. The County is required to make an annual contribution to the fund in an amount that is determined on the basis of actuarial projections of losses. With payment of the County's annual

contribution, the County has effectively transferred the risk and responsibility for payment of its workers' compensation claims. However, the enabling statute creating the GSIWCF and IRMA permits the funds to levy an assessment upon its members to make up any deficiency the fund may have in surplus or reserves. Since excess insurance is purchased by the GSIWCF and IRMA to protect the fund from catastrophic losses, no amount has been recorded in the financial statements for this contingency as management believes the likelihood for assessment is remote.

5-B. Contingent Liabilities

The County has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies or their designee. These audits could result in a request for reimbursement to the grantor agency for costs disallowed under terms of the grant. Based on prior experience, the County believes such disallowances, if any, will be immaterial.

Any pending lawsuits at December 31, 2016 are covered by insurance and should not materially affect the financial statements of Lamar County, Georgia.

5-C. Emergency 911 Funds

Under code section 36-81-7, the County certifies that 911 funds were collected and expended in compliance with the expenditure requirements.

5D. Change in Accounting Principles/Restatement

The County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) statement 68. Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (an amendment to GASB Statement No. 27) in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015. The implementation of the statement required the County to record beginning net pension liability and the effects on net position. As a result, net position for the governmental activities decreased by $659,956.

5E. Joint Venture

Under Georgia law, the County, in conjunction with other municipalities and counties in the five county Central Georgia area, is a member of the McIntosh Trail Regional Development (RDC). Membership in the RDC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34, which provides for the organizational structure of the RDC in Georgia. The RDC Board membership includes representation from each county and municipality of the area, as well as representatives from the private sector and other governmental entities. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of an RDC. Separate financial statements for the RDC are available from:

McIntosh Trail Regional Development
Hill Street
Griffin, GA 30223

Required Supplementary Information

Lamar County, Georgia
Required Supplementary Information
Lamar County Defined Benefit Plan

	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	$ 262,081	$ 253,939
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	271,122	253,939
Contribution deficiency (excess)	$ 9,041	$ -----
County's covered-employee payroll	$ 2,686,516	$ 2,798,264
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	10.10%	9.07%

Information is not required to be presented retroactively. This schedule will NOT present 10 years' worth of information until fiscal year 2024.

Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	75.3%	84.96%

Lamar County, Georgia
Lamar County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Required Supplementary Information
Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund

	2016	2015
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (%)	0.00%	0.00%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability ($)	$ -----	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with Lamar County	$ 183,880	$ 66,105
Total	$ 183,880	$ 66,105
County's covered-employee payroll	$ 116,380	$ 106,740
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.00%	0.00%
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.090368%	0.075809%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	79.03%	89.72%

*The amounts presented are for the prior fiscal year.

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Lamar County, Georgia
Lamar County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Required Supplementary Information
Last Fiscal Year*
Superior Court Clerk's Retirement Fund of Georgia

	2016	2015
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (%)	0.00%	0.00%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability ($)	$ -----	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with Lamar County	$ 61,367	$ 89,655
Total	$ 61,367	$ 89,655
County's covered-employee payroll	$ 64,776	$ 57,986
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.617284%	0.617284%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	109.32%	116.09%

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Lamar County, Georgia
Lamar County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Required Supplementary Information
Last Fiscal Year*
Magistrate's Retirement Fund of Georgia

	2016	2015
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (%)	0.00%	0.00%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability ($)	$ -----	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with Lamar County	$ 42,961	$ 43,482
Total	$ 42,961	$ 43,482
County's covered-employee payroll	$ 56,381	$ 50,170
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.722617%	0.708852%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	141.61%	151.09%

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Lamar County, Georgia
Lamar County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Required Supplementary Information
Last Fiscal Year*
Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund of Georgia

	2016	2015
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (%)	0.00%	0.00%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability ($)	$ -----	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with Lamar County	$ 113,897	$ 116,505
Total	$ 113,897	$ 116,505
County's covered-employee payroll	$ 79,260	$ 72,357
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.657895%	0.645161%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	128.56%	131.22%

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Lamar County, Georgia
Lamar County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Required Supplementary Information
Last Fiscal Year*
Sheriff's Retirement Fund of Georgia

	2016	2015
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (%)	0.00%	0.00%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability ($)	$ -----	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with Lamar County	$ 402,696	$ 124,539
Total	$ 402,696	$ 124,539
County's covered-employee payroll	$ 62,422	$ 61,828
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.6289308%	0.6289308%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	56.67	81.88%

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Lamar County, Georgia

Lamar County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Required Supplementary Information
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016
Peace Officer's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Georgia

	2016	2015
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (%)	0.00%	0.00%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability ($)	$ -----	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with Lamar County	$ 9,450	$ 19,545
Total	$ 9,450	$ 19,545
County's covered-employee payroll	$	$ -----
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.76858%	0.76858%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	98.28%	103.75%

Lamar County, Georgia
General Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	General Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
REVENUES				
Taxes	$ 7,631,610	$ 7,631,610	$ 7,170,020	$< 461,590>
Licenses, Permits and Fees	184,850	187,250	224,837	37,587
Intergovernmental Revenues	503,061	698,411	545,159	< 153,252>
Charges for Services	479,797	479,047	710,640	231,593
Fines and Forfeitures	398,000	398,000	454,667	56,667
Investment Income	675	675	491	< 184>
Miscellaneous Revenues	40,452	40,452	190,178	149,726
Donations and Sponsors	-----	-----	45,364	45,364
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 9,238,445	$ 9,435,445	$ 9,341,356	$< 94,089>
EXPENDITURES				
Current Operations				
General Government	$ 1,632,945	$ 1,632,875	$ 1,638,697	$< 5,822>
Judicial	1,179,462	1,165,462	1,160,452	5,010
Public Safety	3,698,939	3,698,939	3,413,365	285,574
Public Works	1,248,887	1,204,844	1,218,171	< 13,327>
Health and Public Services	121,150	288,177	323,012	< 34,835>
Culture and Recreation	782,241	593,641	645,340	< 51,699>
Housing and Development	396,771	396,771	408,222	< 11,451>
Debt Service	276,550	320,593	78,860	241,733
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 9,336,945	$ 9,301,302	$ 8,886,119	$ 415,183
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$< 98,500>	$ 134,143	$ 455,237	$ 321,094
OTHER SOURCES/(USES)				
Loan Proceeds	$ 98,500	$ -----	$ 240,578	$ 240,578
Transfer <Out>	-----	< 134,143>	< 252,724>	$< 118,581>
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES/(USES)	$ 98,500	$< 134,143>	$< 12,146>	$ 121,997
Net Change in Fund Balance	$ -----	$ -----	$ 443,091	$ 443,091
FUND BALANCE – Beginning of Year	$ -----	-----	1,013,615	-----
FUND BALANCE – End of Year	$ -----	$ -----	$ 1,456,706	$ -----

Lamar County, Georgia
Special Revenue – Major Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	E-911 Fund		
	Original & Final Budget	Actual	Variance
REVENUES			
E-911 Fees	$ 196,950	$ 192,772	$< 4,178>
Interest Income	50	56	6
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 197,000	$ 192,828	$< 4,172>
EXPENDITURES			
Current Operations			
BellSouth Service	$ 80,245	$ 47,599	$ 32,646
Salaries and Benefits	334,769	242,278	92,491
Capital Outlay			
Current Operations	25,755	19,990	5,765
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 440,769	$ 309,867	$ 130,902
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$< 243,769>	$< 117,039>	$ 126,730
FUND BALANCE – Beginning of Year	$ -----	$< 555,892>	$< 555,892>
FUND BALANCE – End of Year	$< 243,769>	$< 672,931>	$< 429,162>

Lamar County, Georgia
Capital Projects Fund – Major Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	SPLOST 2011		
	Original & Final Budget	Actual	Variance
REVENUES			
Taxes	$ 9,564,519	$ 1,509,591	$<8,054,928>
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 9,564,519	$ 1,509,591	$<8,054,928>
EXPENDITURES			
Intergovernmental	$ 4,208,388	$ 618,932	$ 3,589,456
Capital Outlay			
Current Operations	-----	482,055	< 482,055>
Debt Service			
Principal	5,356,131	175,116	5,181,015
Interest	-----	7,705	< 7,705>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 9,564,519	$ 1,283,808	$ 8,280,711
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$ -----	$ 225,783	$ 225,783
OTHER SOURCES/(USES)			
Transfer In	$ -----	$ 252,724	$ 252,724
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES/(USES)	$ -----	$ 252,724	$ 252,724
Excess Revenue and Other Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures and Other(Uses)	$ -----	$ 478,507	$ 478,507
FUND BALANCE – Beginning of Year	-----	374,687	374,687
FUND BALANCE – End of Year	$ -----	$ 853,194	$ 853,194

Supplementary Information

Governmental Funds

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
CURRENT OPERATIONS			
General Government			
Board of Commissioners			
Personal Services	$ 311,516	$ 312,306	$< 790>
Operating Services	148,861	139,146	9,715
	$ 460,377	$ 451,452	$ 8,925
Tax Commissioners			
Personal Services	$ 215,338	$ 209,232	$ 6,106
Operating Services	44,151	31,103	13,048
	$ 259,489	$ 240,335	$ 19,154
Tax Assessors			
Personal Services	$ 190,881	$ 173,571	$ 17,310
Operating Services	54,942	44,501	10,441
	$ 245,823	$ 218,072	$ 27,751
Board of Elections			
Personal Services	$ 75,208	$ 74,655	$ 553
Operating Services	64,329	74,724	< 10,395>
	$ 139,537	$ 149,379	$< 9,842>
Courthouse Building			
Personal Services	$ 167,742	$ 168,603	$< 861>
Operating Services	51,319	84,622	< 33,303>
	$ 219,061	$ 253,225	$< 34,164>
Tag Office Bldg			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	13,244	11,939	1,305
	$ 13,244	$ 11,939	$ 1,305
Data Processing/MIS			
Personal Services	$ 50,149	$ 51,239	$< 1,090>
Operating Services	36,376	31,568	4,808
	$ 86,525	$ 82,807	$ 3,718
Administrative Building			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	25,905	22,840	3,065
	$ 25,905	$ 22,840	$ 3,065
Accountability Court Building			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	8,334	9,932	< 1,598>
	$ 8,334	$ 9,932	$< 1,598>
Risk Management			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	158,729	171,338	< 12,609>
	$ 158,729	$ 171,338	$< 12,609>
Total General Government	$ 1,617,024	$ 1,611,319	$ 5,705

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
Judicial			
Clerk of Courts			
Personal Services	$ 327,609	$ 323,635	$ 3,974
Operating Services	36,100	37,164	< 1,064>
	$ 363,709	$ 360,799	$ 2,910
Superior Court			
Personal Services	$ 25,836	$ 25,746	$ 90
Operating Services	363,907	386,304	< 22,397>
	$ 389,743	$ 412,050	$< 22,307>
Probate Court			
Personal Services	$ 202,524	$ 208,175	$< 5,651>
Operating Services	18,656	10,758	7,898
	$ 221,180	$ 218,933	$ 2,247
District Attorney			
Personal Services	$ 23,718	$ 23,683	$ 35
Operating Services	9,543	9,054	489
	$ 33,261	$ 32,737	$ 524
Magistrate Court			
Personal Services	$ 142,889	$ 121,705	$ 21,184
Operating Services	14,680	14,228	452
	$ 157,569	$ 135,933	$ 21,636
Total Judicial	$ 1,165,462	$ 1,160,452	$ 5,010

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
Public Safety			
Sheriff's Office			
Personal Services	$ 1,910,426	$ 1,406,357	$ 504,069
Operating Services	295,400	430,311	< 134,911>
	$ 2,205,826	$ 1,836,668	$ 369,158
Prisoner Support			
Personal Services	$ 789,765	$ 769,376	$ 14,468
Operating Services	161,334	219,922	< 52,667>
	$ 951,099	$ 989,298	$< 38,199>
Coroner			
Personal Services	$ 11,018	$ 10,617	$ 401
Operating Services	11,680	16,910	< 5,230>
	$ 22,698	$ 27,527	$< 4,829>
Emergency Management			
Personal Services	$ 28,970	$ 29,334	$< 364>
Operating Services	56,863	17,545	< 39,318>
	$ 85,833	$ 46,879	$ 38,954
Ambulance Services			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	-----	-----	-----
	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Fire Department			
Personal Services	$ 201,777	$ 202,719	$< 942>
Operating Services	45,554	44,120	1,434
	$ 247,331	$ 246,839	$ 492
Ambulance and Fire Building			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	38,943	28,842	10,101
	$ 38,943	$ 28,842	$ 10,101
Jail Building			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	104,666	134,572	< 29,906>
	$ 104,666	$ 134,572	$< 29,906>
Victims of Crime Act			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	42,543	10,269	10,269
	$ 42,543	$ 10,269	$ 10,269
Total Public Safety	$ 3,698,939	$ 3,320,894	$ 378,045

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
Public Works			
Road Department			
Personal Services	$ 702,656	$ 702,957	$< 301>
Operating Services	182,642	164,934	17,708
	$ 885,298	$ 867,891	$ 17,407
Total Public Works	$ 885,298	$ 867,891	$ 17,407
Health and Public Services			
Health Department			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	99,750	99,750	-----
	$ 99,750	$ 99,750	$ -----
Family and Children Services			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	16,150	15,000	1,150
	$ 16,150	$ 15,000	$ 1,150
Senior Citizens Center			
Personal Services	$ 69,188	$ 68,102	$ 1,086
Operating Services	60,190	98,886	< 38,696>
	$ 129,378	$ 166,988	$< 37,610>
Service Center Building			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	37,649	34,711	2,938
	$ 37,649	$ 34,711	$ 2,938
Public Transportation			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	5,250	6,563	< 1,313>
	$ 5,250	$ 6,563	$< 1,313>
Total Health and Public Services	$ 288,177	$ 323,012	$< 34,835>

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
Culture and Recreation			
Recreation Center			
Personal Services	$ 292,329	$ 284,546	$ 7,783
Operating Services	87,088	146,368	< 59,280>
	$ 379,417	$ 430,914	$< 51,497>
Old Jail Museum Buildings			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	1,841	2,043	< 202>
	$ 1,841	$ 2,043	$< 202>
Barnesville-Lamar County Library			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	212,383	212,383	-----
	$ 212,383	$ 212,383	$ -----
Total Culture and Recreation	$ 593,641	$ 645,340	$< 51,699>
Housing and Development			
Zoning Administration			
Personal Services	$ 182,825	$ 201,135	$< 23,958>
Operating Services	17,601	12,964	4,637
	$ 200,426	$ 219,747	$< 19,321>
County Extension Office			
Personal Services	$ 50,981	$ 51,711	$< 730>
Operating Services	20,290	14,552	5,738
	$ 71,271	$ 66,263	$ 5,008
Forestry Service			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	8,901	8,601	300
	$ 8,901	$ 8,601	$ 300
Soil and Water Conservation			
Personal Services	$ 49,673	$ 47,111	$ 2,562
Operating Services	-----	-----	-----
	$ 49,673	$ 47,111	$ 2,562
Industrial Development Authority			
Personal Services	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Operating Services	66,500	66,500	-----
	$ 66,500	$ 66,500	$ -----
Total Housing and Development	$ 396,771	$ 408,222	$< 11,451>
TOTAL CURRENT OPERATIONS	$ 8,645,312	$ 8,337,130	$ 308,182

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
General Government			
Board of Commissioners	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Tax Commissioners	-----	-----	-----
Tax Assessors	-----	-----	-----
Data Processing/MIS	15,851	5,482	10,369
Courthouse Building	-----	21,896	< 21,896>
Courthouse Annex	-----	-----	-----
Administration Building	-----	-----	-----
	$ 15,851	$ 27,378	$< 11,527>
Judicial			
Clerk of Courts	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Superior Court	-----	-----	-----
Probate Court	-----	-----	-----
District Attorney	-----	-----	-----
Magistrate Court	-----	-----	-----
	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Public Safety			
Sheriff's Office	$ -----	$ 39,344	$< 39,344>
Prisoner Support	-----	-----	-----
Coroner	-----	-----	-----
Emergency Management	-----	53,127	< 53,127>
Ambulance Services	-----	-----	-----
Fire Department	-----	-----	-----
Ambulance and Fire Building	-----	-----	-----
Probation Office	-----	-----	-----
Jail Building	-----	-----	-----
Victims of Crime Act	-----	-----	-----
	$ -----	$ 92,471	$< 92,471>
Public Works			
Road Department	$ 319,546	$ 350,280	$< 30,734>
	$ 319,546	$ 350,280	$< 30,734>
Health and Public Services			
Health Department	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Family and Children Services	-----	-----	-----
Senior Citizens Center	-----	-----	-----
Service Center Building	-----	-----	-----
Public Transportation	-----	-----	-----
	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Expenditures – General Fund
Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance
Culture and Recreation			
Recreation Facilities	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Old Jail Museum	-----	-----	-----
Housing and Development			
Zoning Administration	-----	-----	-----
County Extension Office	-----	-----	-----
Forestry Services	-----	-----	-----
Soil and Water Conservation	-----	-----	-----
Industrial Development Authority	-----	-----	-----
	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	$ 335,397	$ 470,129	$< 134,732>
DEBT SERVICE			
General Government	$ 320,593	$ 78,860	$ 241,733
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	$ 320,593	$ 78,860	$ 241,733
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	$ 9,301,302	$ 8,886,119	$ 415,183

Non-Major Special Revenue Funds

Lamar County, Georgia

Combined Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Non-Major Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Non-Major Special Revenue Funds
Revenues	
Charges for Services	$ 67,986
Investment Earnings	6
Total Revenues	$ 67,992
Expenditures	
Current	
General Government	$ 66,344
Capital Outlay	27,225
Total Expenditures	$ 93,569
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$< 25,577>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	
Transfers In	$ -----
Transfers Out	-----
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	$ -----
Net Change in Fund Balances	$< 25,577>
Fund Balance – Beginning of Year	52,524
Fund Balance – End of Year	$ 27,947

Lamar County, Georgia

Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Non-Major Governmental Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Non-Major Capital Projects Funds
Revenues	
Income Proceeds	$ -----
Interest Income	-----
Total Revenues	$ -----
Expenditures	
Supplies	$ 4
Miscellaneous	-----
Capital Outlay	$ -----
Total Expenditures	$ 4
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	
Transfers In	$ -----
Transfers Out	-----
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	$ -----
Net Change in Fund Balances	$< 4>
Fund Balance – Beginning of Year	4
Fund Balance – End of Year	$ -----

Lamar County, Georgia

Combining Balance Sheet

Non-Major Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Drug Seizure Fund	Law Library Fund	Drug Court Fund	Totals
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 6,222	$ 11,279	$ 5,622	$ 23,123
Accounts Receivable	-----	-----	1,097	1,097
Due from General Fund	-----	-----	3,727	3,727
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 6,222	$ 11,279	$ 10,446	$ 27,947
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Due to Other Funds	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Total Liabilities	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Fund Balances				
Fund Balance -Restricted	$ 6,222	$ 11,279	$ 10,446	$ 27,947
Total Fund Balances	$ 6,222	$ 11,279	$ 10,446	$ 27,947

Lamar County, Georgia

Combining Statements of Revenues,
Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances

Non-Major Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Drug Seizure Fund	Law Library Fund	Drug Court Fund	Totals
REVENUES				
Interest Income	$ 1	$ -----	$ 5	$ 6
Drug Seizures	44,484	-----	-----	44,484
Fines	-----	9,173	14,329	23,502
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 44,485	$ 9,173	$ 14,334	$ 67,992
EXPENDITURES				
Current Operations				
Supplies	$ 30,198	$ 4,138	$ -----	$ 34,336
Fees and Certifications	-----	-----	29,808	29,808
Salaries and Benefits	-----	2,200	-----	2,200
Capital Outlay	27,225	-----	-----	27,225
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 57,423	$ 6,338	$ 29,808	$ 93,569
Excess Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures	$< 12,938>	$ 2,835	$< 15,474>	$< 25,577>
OTHER SOURCES (USES)				
Operating Transfer In/Out	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES (USES)	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Excess Revenues and Other Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures and Other(Uses)	$< 12,938>	$ 2,835	$< 15,474>	$< 25,577>
FUND BALANCE – Beginning of Year	19,160	8,444	25,920	53,524
FUND BALANCE – End of Year	$ 6,222	$ 11,279	$ 10,446	$ 27,947

Fiduciary Funds

Lamar County, Georgia

Combining Schedule of Assets and Liabilities

Agency Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Balance as of 12/31/15	Additions	Deletions	Balance as of 12/31/16
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS				
ASSETS				
Cash	$ 750,327	$16,522,482	$16,775,094	$ 497,715
Due from Other Funds	-----	-----	-----	-----
Other Receivables	-----	-----	-----	-----
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 750,327	$16,522,482	$16,775,094	$ 497,715
LIABILITIES				
Due to Other Funds	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Taxes Due to General Fund	-----	-----	-----	-----
Other Liabilities	750,327	16,522,482	16,775,094	497,715
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 750,327	$16,522,482	$16,775,094	$ 497,715

Lamar County, Georgia

Combining Schedule of Assets and Liabilities

Agency Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Balance as of 12/31/15	Additions	Deletions	Balance as of 12/31/16
PROBATE COURT				
ASSETS				
Cash	$ 65,238	$ 456,840	$ 429,237	$ 92,841
Due from Other Funds	-----	-----	-----	-----
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 65,238	$ 456,840	$ 429,237	$ 92,841
LIABILITIES				
Due to Other Funds	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Other Liabilities	65,238	456,840	429,237	92,841
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 65,238	$ 456,840	$ 429,237	$ 92,841
SHERIFF				
ASSETS				
Cash	$ 111,953	$ 103,100	$ 116,709	$ 98,344
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 111,953	$ 103,100	$ 116,709	$ 98,344
LIABILITIES				
Due to Other Funds	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Other Liabilities	111,953	103,100	116,709	98,344
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 111,953	$ 103,100	$ 116,709	$ 98,344
CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT				
ASSETS				
Cash	$ 138,189	$ 264,365	$ 319,402	$ 83,152
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 138,189	$ 264,365	$ 319,402	$ 83,152
LIABILITIES				
Other Liabilities	$ 138,189	$ 264,365	$ 319,402	$ 83,152
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 138,189	$ 264,365	$ 319,402	$ 83,152

Lamar County, Georgia

Combining Schedule of Assets and Liabilities (Continued)

Agency Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Balance as of 12/31/15	Additions	Deletions	Balance as of 12/31/16
MAGISTRATE COURT				
ASSETS				
Cash	$ 47,388	$ 147,534	$ 134,622	$ 60,300
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 47,388	$ 147,534	$ 134,622	$ 60,300
LIABILITIES				
Due to Other Funds	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Other Liabilities	47,388	147,534	134,622	60,300
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 47,388	$ 147,534	$ 134,622	$ 60,300
TAX COMMISSIONER				
ASSETS				
Cash	$ 387,559	$15,550,643	$15,775,124	$ 163,078
Other Receivables	-----	-----	-----	-----
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 387,559	$15,550,643	$15,775,124	$ 163,078
LIABILITIES				
Taxes Due to General Fund	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----	$ -----
Other Liabilities	387,559	15,550,643	15,775,124	163,078
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 387,559	$15,550,643	$15,775,124	$ 163,078

SPLOST Reporting

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Independent Auditor's Report on Special County 1 Percent Sales and Use Tax Approved in special Election

Honorable Chairman and
Members of the County Commissioners
Lamar County, Georgia

We have audited the accompanying Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax for Lamar County, Georgia for the year ended December 31, 2016. This schedule is the responsibility of Lamar County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax is free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax was prepared for the purpose of complying with the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, 48-8-121, on the modified accrual basis of accounting and is not intended to be a complete presentation of Lamar County's revenues and expenditures.

In our opinion, the Schedule of Special Purpose of Local Option Sales Tax referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the original estimated cost, the current estimated costs, and the current and prior year expenditures for each project in Lamar County's resolution or ordinance called for the tax for the year ended December 31, 2016, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

J. Robyn Underwood, CPA
July 3, 2017

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Projects Constructed with Special Sales Tax Proceeds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

SPLOST 2011
Expenditures

Project 2011	Original Estimated Cost	Prior Year	Current Year	Total	Estimated Percentage of Total Completion
City of Barnesville	$ 3,730,162	$ 2,490,558	$ 618,932	$ 3,109,490	83%
City of Milner	382,581	382,581	-----	382,581	100%
Town of Aldora	95,645	95,645	-----	95,645	100%
Lamar County					
Service Center	250,000	209,185	19,773	228,958	92%
Recreation Facilities	350,000	116,943	81,055	197,998	57%
Fire Truck	680,000	510,000*	-----	510,000*	75%
Fire Protection Improvements	50,000	-----	-----	-----	0%
Public Works Equipment	660,000	701,854*	-----	701,854	106%
Roads and Bridges	3,366,131	1,934,241	381,227	2,315,468	67%
Bank Charges	-----	197	-----	197	-
		$ 6,441,204	$ 1,100,987	$ 7,542,191	

Sales Tax Collected in 2016: $1,509,591.

***$849,600 of this amount was financed by debt proceeds and are being paid by debt service as follows:*

	Prior Year	Current Year	Total
Reconciling Items:			
Fire Truck Debt Payments	$ 332,082	$ 110,694	$ 442,776
Public Works Debt Payments	251,558	72,127	323,685
	$583,640	$ 182,821	$ 766,461

Report on Internal Control

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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*

(No Material Weaknesses Identified; Significant Deficiencies Identified; and No Reportable Instances of Noncompliance and Other Matters Identified)

Honorable Chairman and
Members of the County Commission
Lamar, Georgia

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 activity, the aggregate discretely component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County of Lamar (the "County") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 3, 2017.

We did not audit the financial statements of the Lamar County Department of Public Health and Lamar County Solid Waste Authority which represents 97.8 percent of the assets and 90 percent of the revenues of the component unit columns. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us and our opinions, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Lamar County Department of Health and Lamar County Solid Waste Authority, are based on the report of the other auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the County'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. We did identify deficiencies in the internal control. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings and responses to be a significant deficiency.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County of Lamar's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective in our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests did not disclose an instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing* Standards.

Lamar County's Response to Findings
The County's response to the findings identified in the audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. We did not audit the County's response and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 result 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 County's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

J. Robyn Underwood, CPA
Barnesville, Georgia
July 3, 2017

Schedule of Audit Findings

Lamar County, Georgia
Schedule of Audit Findings and Responses
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

As of December 31, 2016, the schedule of findings and questioned costs pertain to the following:

Findings: (Internal Control Structure) related to the financial statements which are to be reported in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.

16 – 1 Expenditures Exceeded Appropriations

Condition and Criteria:	The County exceeded its budgeted appropriations on several line items. (A prior year finding)
Effect:	Exceeding budgeted appropriations caused the County's liquid assets to deplete.
Recommendation:	The County's management should review the budget process on a monthly basis and control expenditures when revenues cannot reflect an increase.
Management Response:	We Concur. We are making strides in the budgetary process by involving the department heads more extensively in the monthly spending process. We are reviewing the budget on a monthly basis and implementing controls over specific line items.

As of December 31, 2016 the schedule of findings and questioned costs pertain to the following:

Findings: No findings or questioned costs were noted pertaining to Federal Awards.

Prior Year Findings

(Internal Control Structure) related to the financial statements which are to be reported in accordance with Government Auditing Standards:

15 – 1 Expenditures Exceeded Appropriations

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