TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF **JUNE 30, 2016**
TOGETHER WITH AUDITOR'S REPORT

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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I. FINANCIAL SECTION

- **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**
- **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners
of Telfair County, Georgia
McRae, Georgia

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Telfair County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We did not audit the financial statements of the Telfair County Department of Leisure Services, the Telfair County Hospital Authority, the Development Authority of Telfair County or the Telfair County Board of Health which collectively represent 100% of the assets, net position, and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Telfair County Department of Leisure Services, the Telfair County Hospital Authority, the Development Authority of Telfair County or the Telfair County Board of Health, which represent 100 percent of the assets, net position, and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the aggregate discretely presented component units, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation

of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Telfair County Georgia, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the schedule of changes in the net pension liability and related ratios on page 43, the schedule of contributions on page 44, and the budgetary comparison information on pages 45 through 48, as well as the note to required supplementary information on page 49 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. 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 Telfair County, Georgia's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements on pages 50 through 56 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required

part of the financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of special purpose local option sales tax proceeds on page 57 is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Official Code of Georgia 48-8-121, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The revolving loan fund schedule of expenditures of federal awards on page 58 and the revolving loan fund schedule of program loans on page 59 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedule of expenditures of special purpose local option sales tax proceeds, the revolving loan fund schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the revolving loan fund schedule of program loans are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate 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 financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedules of expenditure of special purpose local option sales tax proceeds, the revolving loan fund schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the revolving loan fund schedule of program loans are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 30, 2016, on our consideration of Telfair County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of 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 Telfair County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Tifton, Georgia
December 30, 2016

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2016

	Primary Government			Component
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Units
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 9,192,372	$ 511,428	$ 9,703,800	$ 2,203,667
Investments	-	-	-	200,778
Taxes receivable -				
net of uncollectible accounts	710,739	-	710,739	-
Notes receivable	20,027	-	20,027	-
Other receivables	191,400	141,719	333,119	44,536
Internal balances	(817,294)	817,294	-	-
Prepaids	64,769	-	64,769	-
Capital assets:				
Nondepreciable	452,314	873,848	1,326,162	134,368
Depreciable, net	7,417,148	2,928,123	10,345,271	1,307,302
Total assets	17,231,475	5,272,412	22,503,887	3,890,651
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Related to defined benefit pension plan	301,286	21,038	322,324	71,696
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	571,704	832,158	1,403,862	64,739
Other liabilities	81,307	-	81,307	103,533
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Due within one year:				
Capital lease payable	86,504	213,693	300,197	-
Notes payable	38,934	-	38,934	25,000
Due in more than one year:				
Capital lease payable	529,147	189,044	718,191	-
Notes payable	132,403	-	132,403	243,750
Closure/post closure accrued liability	-	1,770,827	1,770,827	-
Net pension liability	575,253	40,168	615,421	354,497
Total liabilities	2,015,252	3,045,890	5,061,142	791,519
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Related to defined benefit pension plan	-	-	-	28,410
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	7,082,474	3,399,234	10,481,708	1,172,920
Restricted:				
Special revenue	86,425	-	86,425	-
Capital projects	6,845,725	-	6,845,725	-
Prior year program income	-	-	-	144,070
Unrestricted	1,502,885	(1,151,674)	351,211	1,825,428
Total net position	$ 15,517,509	$ 2,247,560	$ 17,765,069	$ 3,142,418

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues: Charges for Services	Program Revenues: Operating Grants and Contributions
Primary government:			
Governmental activities:			
General government	$ 1,472,382	$ 30,878	$ -
Judicial	635,439	172,557	-
Public safety	2,859,914	674,685	-
Public works	1,245,959	-	-
Health and welfare	454,498	201,831	-
Culture and recreation	192,589	-	-
Housing and development	208,262	1,024	-
Interest on long-term debt	22,163	-	-
Total governmental activities	7,091,206	1,080,975	-
Business-type activities -			
Landfill	817,820	433,744	-
Total business-type activities	817,820	433,744	-
Total primary government	7,909,026	1,514,719	-
Component units:			
Governmental type	808,753	363,834	492,072
Total component units	$ 808,753	$ 363,834	$ 492,072

General revenues:
Property taxes
Timber taxes
Local Option Sales taxes
Special Purpose Local Option Sales taxes
Transportation Local Option Sales taxes
Hotel and motel taxes
Beer and wine taxes
Insurance premium taxes
Other taxes
Investment earnings
Sale of assets
Miscellaneous
Transfers
Total general revenues and transfers

Change in net position
Net position - beginning

Net position - ending

Program Revenues	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
	Primary Government			Component Unit
Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Component Units
$ 40,513	$ (1,400,991)	$ -	$ (1,400,991)	
-	(462,882)	-	(462,882)	
2,750	(2,182,479)	-	(2,182,479)	
544,519	(701,440)	-	(701,440)	
11,794	(240,873)	-	(240,873)	
-	(192,589)	-	(192,589)	
-	(207,238)	-	(207,238)	
-	(22,163)	-	(22,163)	
599,576	(5,410,655)	-	(5,410,655)	
-	-	(384,076)	(384,076)	
-	-	(384,076)	(384,076)	
599,576	(5,410,655)	(384,076)	(5,794,731)	
-				47,153
$ -				47,153
	4,528,282	-	4,528,282	-
	174,772	-	174,772	-
	415,331	-	415,331	-
	1,107,681	-	1,107,681	-
	261,350	-	261,350	-
	8,307	-	8,307	-
	1,855	-	1,855	-
	306,032	-	306,032	-
	93,413	-	93,413	-
	4,492	212	4,704	11,851
	-	280,054	280,054	24,988
	212,648	-	212,648	16,703
	(508,305)	508,305	-	
	6,605,858	788,571	7,394,429	53,542
	1,195,203	404,495	1,599,698	100,695
	14,322,306	1,843,065	16,165,371	3,041,723
	$ 15,517,509	$ 2,247,560	$ 17,765,069	$ 3,142,418

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2016

	General	SPLOST	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,077,676	$ 5,878,089	$ 1,236,607	$ 9,192,372
Taxes receivable - net of allowance for uncollectibles	582,364	106,922	21,453	710,739
Notes receivable, net	20,027	-	-	20,027
Other receivables, net	190,888	-	512	191,400
Due from other funds	90,925	-	-	90,925
Prepaids	64,769	-	-	64,769
Total assets	$ 3,026,649	$ 5,985,011	$ 1,258,572	$10,270,232
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	$ 260,271	$ 309,701	$ 1,732	$ 571,704
Other liabilities	81,307	-	-	81,307
Due to other funds	908,219	-	-	908,219
Total liabilities	1,249,797	309,701	1,732	1,561,230
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	426,077	-	-	426,077
Total deferred inflows of resources	426,077	-	-	426,077
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	64,769	-	-	64,769
Restricted	-	5,675,310	1,256,840	6,932,150
Unassigned	1,286,006	-	-	1,286,006
Total fund balances	1,350,775	5,675,310	1,256,840	8,282,925
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	$ 3,026,649	$ 5,985,011	$ 1,258,572	$10,270,232

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2016

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Total governmental fund balances		$ 8,282,925
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources, and therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Cost of capital assets	$ 13,689,769	
Less accumulated depreciation	(5,820,307)	7,869,462
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue in the funds.		426,077
Some liabilities, including net pension obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Net pension liability		(575,253)
Deferred outflow and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflow of employer contributions after the measurement date		120,741
Asset (gain)/loss		112,146
Liability (gain)/loss		21,761
(Gain)/loss due to assumption change		46,638
Long-term liabilities, such as compensated absences and capital leases are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		(786,988)
Net position of governmental activities		$ 15,517,509

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TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	General	SPLOST	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
General property taxes	$ 4,726,609	$ -	$ -	$ 4,726,609
Other taxes	816,631	1,107,681	269,657	2,193,969
Charges for services	622,207	-	30,166	652,373
Intergovernmental	226,753	193,558	363,097	783,408
Fines and forfeitures	236,201	-	-	236,201
Investment earnings	4,201	2,408	291	6,900
Miscellaneous	212,648	-	6,161	218,809
Total revenues	6,845,250	1,303,647	669,372	8,818,269
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	1,361,370	-	35,035	1,396,405
Judicial	630,473	-	3,618	634,091
Public safety	2,708,272	-	13,123	2,721,395
Public works	520,171	5,144	3,224	528,539
Health and welfare	450,562	-	3,266	453,828
Culture and recreation	157,400	-	-	157,400
Housing and development	204,249	-	3,650	207,899
Intergovernmental	-	285,204	-	285,204
Debt service:				
Principal	72,057	95,376	11,041	178,474
Interest	9,246	12,491	426	22,163
Capital outlay :				
Public safety	281,663	225,902	11,760	519,325
Public works	223,797	816,295	172,337	1,212,429
Health and welfare	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	6,619,260	1,440,412	257,480	8,317,152
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Capital lease proceeds	223,797	-	-	223,797
Loan proceeds	200,000	-	-	200,000
Sale of general capital assets	-	-	-	-
Transfers in (out)	(44,655)	(500,000)	36,350	(508,305)
Total other financing sources	379,142	(500,000)	36,350	(84,508)
Net change in fund balances	605,132	(636,765)	448,242	416,609
Fund balances, beginning	745,643	6,312,075	808,598	7,866,316
Fund balances, ending	$ 1,350,775	$ 5,675,310	$ 1,256,840	$ 8,282,925

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR 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 JUNE 30, 2016

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		$ 416,609
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.		
Capital outlay	$ 1,731,754	
Depreciation expense	(670,830)	1,060,924
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		
Property taxes:		
Unavailable revenue - property taxes at June 30, 2016	$ 426,077	
Unavailable revenue - property taxes at June 30, 2015	(449,632)	(23,555)
Governmental funds report pension contributions as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported as pension expense.		
Pension contributions	$ 120,741	
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions	(134,193)	(13,452)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases), provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.		
Capital lease proceeds	$ (223,797)	
Loan proceeds	(200,000)	
Principal repayments	178,474	(245,323)
Change in net position of governmental activities		$ 1,195,203

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2016

	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund Landfill
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash	$ 511,428
Accounts receivable, net	141,719
Due from other funds	908,219
Total current assets	1,561,366
Noncurrent assets -	
Capital assets:	
Land, nondepreciable	707,670
Construction in progress, nondepreciable	166,178
Equipment, depreciable	5,245,349
Buildings and improvements, depreciable	40,257
Less - accumulated depreciation	(2,357,483)
Total noncurrent assets	3,801,971
Total assets	5,363,337
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	21,038
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	832,158
Due to other funds	90,925
Capital lease payable	213,693
Total current liabilities	1,136,776
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Capital lease payable	189,044
Net pension liability	40,168
Closure/post closure accrued liability	1,770,827
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,000,039
Total liabilities	3,136,815
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	3,399,234
Unrestricted	(1,151,674)
Total net position	$ 2,247,560

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund
	Landfill
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for services	$ 433,744
Total operating revenues	433,744
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Personnel services	101,235
Employee benefits	48,938
Professional services	24,700
Repairs and maintenance	18,941
Communication services	2,155
Other purchased services	215,166
Supplies	10,288
Utilities	5,928
Gasoline / diesel	18,515
Depreciation	215,076
Closure / post closure	140,315
Other operating	3,299
Total operating expenses	804,556
Operating income (loss)	(370,812)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Investment earnings	212
Sale of assets	280,054
Interest expense	(13,264)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	267,002
Income before transfers	(103,810)
Transfers in (out)	508,305
Change in net position	404,495
Net position, beginning	1,843,065
Net position, ending	$ 2,247,560

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund Landfill
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Receipts from customers	$ 332,646
Payments to suppliers for goods and services	519,972
Payments to employees for services	(101,235)
Payments for employee taxes and benefits	(48,001)
Receipts from other funds	90,925
Net cash provided by operating activities	794,307
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Principal paid on capital leases	(177,276)
Interest paid on capital leases	(13,264)
Proceeds from capital leases	267,200
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	280,054
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(1,178,337)
Receipts from SPLOST Fund	500,000
Receipts from General Fund	8,305
Net cash used by operating activities	(313,318)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Interest on investments	212
Net cash provided by investing activities	212
Net increase in cash	481,201
Cash, beginning of year	30,227
Cash, end of year	$ 511,428
Reconciliation of income from operations to net cash used by operating activities:	
Income from operations	$ (370,812)
Depreciation	215,076
Change in accounts receivable	(101,098)
Change in due from other funds	90,925
Change in accounts payable	818,964
Change in net pension liability and related deferrals	937
Change in accrued closure/post closure	140,315
Net cash provided by operating activities	$ 794,307

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AGENCY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2016

ASSETS		
Cash	$	200,031
Taxes receivable (net allowance for uncollectible accounts)		515,196
Total assets	$	715,227
LIABILITIES		
Due to expendable trust fund	$	512
Other liabilities		714,715
Total liabilities	$	715,227

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of government-wide financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external customers for support. Likewise, the *primary government* is reported separately from certain legally separate *component units* for which the primary government is financially accountable.

B. Reporting entity

Telfair County, Georgia (the County), was incorporated December 10, 1807, under provisions of the laws of the State of Georgia. The County is governed by a five-member elected board of commissioners and provides the following services in addition to general administrative responsibilities: public safety, roads and bridges, health, recreation activities and sanitation. The accompanying financial statements present the County and its component units, entities for which the County is considered to be financially accountable.

In evaluating the County as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting entities) for which the County may be financially accountable and, as such, should be included within the County's financial statements. The County (the primary government) is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) it is able to impose its will on the organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial burden on the County. Additionally, the primary government is required to consider other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The component units are discretely presented and are reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County.

Brief descriptions of discretely presented component units follow:

Telfair County Department of Leisure Services - Actively serves the Community by planning and providing recreational activities for the children and youth of the community. The County appoints the majority of the Board of Directors and has a significant relationship with the Department.

Telfair County Hospital Authority - Actively serves the community by providing for the planning and availability of health care facilities, encouraging physicians and other necessary medical personnel to locate and practice within the County and to assist in funding indigent care. The County appoints the majority of the Board of Directors and has a significant relationship with the Authority.

Development Authority of Telfair County - Provides for the development and promotion for the public good, trade, commerce industry and employment opportunities and to promote the general welfare of the State of Georgia. The County appoints the majority of the Board of Directors and has a significant relationship with the Authority.

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Telfair County Board of Health - Provides for various health services for citizens in Telfair County under a contract with the Georgia Department of Human Resources. The County appoints the majority of the Board of Directors and has a significant relationship with the Board of Health.

A complete copy of the component unit financial statements can be obtained from the Telfair County Board of Commissioners, 713 Telfair Avenue, McRae, Georgia 31055.

Governmental accounting standards require reasonable separation between the Primary Government and it's discretely presented component units, both in the financial statements and in the related notes and required supplementary information. Because the discretely presented component units, although legally separate, have been and are operated as if each is part of the primary government, there are limited instances where special note reference or separation will be required. If no separate note reference or categorization is made, the user should assume that information presented is equally applicable.

C. Basis of presentation – government-wide financial statements

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds, while business-type activities incorporate data from the government's enterprise fund. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements.

As discussed earlier, the County has four discretely presented component units. While none are considered to be a major component unit, they are nevertheless shown in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements.

D. Basis of presentation – fund financial statements

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

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

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

SPLOST Fund is a capital projects fund and accounts for 1% sales tax proceeds required to be used for capital outlay projects for purposes authorized by local referendum.

The County reports the following major proprietary fund:

Landfill Fund is a proprietary fund which accounts for the operations of the landfill and is treated similar to a private business enterprise.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of revenue sources other than special assessments that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. They include the Revolving Loan Fund, Multipurpose Grant Fund, Sheriff Commissary Fund, Expendable Trust Fund and Hotel-Motel Tax Fund.

Capital Projects Funds – Capital Projects Funds are used to account for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities other than those financed by proprietary funds and trust funds. They include the SPLOST Fund, T-SPLOST Fund and LMIG Program Fund.

Agency Funds - Agency 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.

During the course of operations the County has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds. While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Balances between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities (i.e., the enterprise funds) are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the business-type activities column.

Further, certain activity occurs during the year involving transfers of resources between funds. In fund financial statements these amounts are reported at gross amounts as transfers in/out. While reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Transfers between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the business-type activities column.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

E. Measurement focus and basis of accounting

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

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year-end). All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

The proprietary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The agency funds have no measurement focus but utilizes the *accrual basis of accounting* for reporting their assets and liabilities.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

G. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and net position/fund balance

1. ***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.

   State statutes authorize the County to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds, repurchase agreements and investment pools. Investments in non-negotiable certificates of deposit are stated using a cost-based measure.

   The investments of the Telfair County Hospital Authority consist of Marketable Debt Securities with a cost of $200,778 and a market value of $210,360.

   The Telfair County Board of Health certificate of deposits balance at 6/30/2016 was $393,529.

2. ***Short-term Interfund Receivables/Payables*** - During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. The purpose of the interfund balances is to account for those transactions that have not been settled as of the financial statement date. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the respective fund's balance sheet and as internal balances on the statement of net position. All interfund balances shown are expected to be settled within one year.

3. ***Taxes Receivable and Other Receivables*** - Taxes receivable and other receivables, are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts. The allowance for general government accounts receivable is derived from the age of the individual receivable and consists of a percentage of the receivable, based upon actual historical losses.

4. ***Prepaid Items*** - Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2016, are recorded as prepaid items.

5. ***Capital Assets*** - Capital assets purchased or acquired are carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are recorded at fair market value as of the date donated. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized in the government-wide financial statements to the extent the County's capitalization threshold of $5,000 is met. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on capital assets is calculated on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets as follows:

• Buildings and plant	40 years
• Machinery and equipment	5 - 20 years

6. ***Compensated Absences*** - National Council on Governmental Accounting Statement 4, effective for fiscal years beginning after December 31, 1982, requires that vacation and sick pay benefits be accrued when: 1) the employer's obligation to employees' right to receive compensation for future benefits is attributable to employee's service already rendered; 2) the obligation relates to rights that vest or accumulate; 3) payment of the compensation is probable; and 4) the amount can be reasonably estimated.

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The County compensates all employees for unused vacation at fiscal year-end; therefore, no accrual for vacation is necessary at June 30, 2016.

There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the County does not have a policy to pay any amounts when the employees separate from service with the County.

7. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/ expenditure) until then. Under the full accrual method of accounting, the County has reported certain actuarial changes and the contributions to the defined benefit pension plan subsequent to the measurement date and prior to the fiscal year end as deferred outflows of resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources,* represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has reported various actuarial changes in its defined benefit pension plan. Additionally, the item, *unavailable revenue,* is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from one source: property taxes. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

8. Fund Equity:

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

Fund Balance - Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities. 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 (ie., 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

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- **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. The County Commissioners also 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 purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. Through resolution, the County Commissioners have authorized the Chairman 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.

9. Fund balance flow assumptions

Sometimes the County will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the County's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

10. Net position flow assumption

Sometimes the County will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted – net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied.

It is the County's policy to consider restricted – net position to have been depleted before unrestricted - net position is applied.

11. Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

H. Revenues and expenditures/expenses

1. Program revenues

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions (including special assessments) that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

2. Proprietary Funds Operating and Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the landfill fund are charges to customers for landfill usage. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary basis of accounting

The County's procedures in establishing, maintaining and revising budgetary data reflected in the financial statements are as follows: Prior to July 1, the Board of Commissioners (the Board) prepares a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and expected means of financing. Public hearings are conducted in the Board's Office to obtain taxpayer comments. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally enacted through approval by the Board.

The Board is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General and Special Revenue Funds. Budgets for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. All appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year on June 30th.

B. Encumbrances

Encumbrances accounting, the method by which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for expenditures of funds are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation of expected revenues, is not utilized by the County because it is, at present, not considered necessary to assure effective budgetary control or to facilitate effective cash planning and control.

II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

C. Expenditures exceed appropriations

During the year ended June 30, 2016, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the following functions:

Fund	Department	Expenditures Over Budget
General	General administration	$ 131,972
	General government buildings and plant	1,652
	Superior court	5,933
	Clerk of court	4,959
	Magistrate court	2,622
	Law enforcement administration	153,271
	Fire administration	10,844
	Emergency medical services	85,537
	Emergency management agency	2,104
	Enhanced 911	8,131
	Solid waste and recycling	10,956
	Senior citizens center	4,528
	Conservation administration	525
	Farmers market	145
	Capital outlay:	
	Law enforcement administration	40,760
	Emergency medical services	25,903

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

A. Deposits and Investments

A summary of the County's deposits and investments at June 30, 2016 follows:

Account Balances	
Petty cash	$ 854
Demand deposits	11,478,017
Certificates of deposit	428,596
Investments	200,778
Total reporting entity	$ 12,108,245

Ownership of Funds	
Primary Government -	
Governmental funds:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 9,192,372
Proprietary fund -	
Cash	511,428
Total primary government	$ 9,703,800
Component Units:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,203,667
Investments	200,778
Total component units	2,404,445
Total reporting entity	$ 12,108,245

Custodial Credit Risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits (in excess of FDIC insurance) may not be returned to us.

***Deposits**:*

The County's deposits at year-end were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the County's custodial banks in the County's name.

Investments:

Interest Rate Risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the value of an investment. The County does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

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Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The County has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices from those authorized and listed in Note I G 1.

B. Taxes Receivable and Allowances for Uncollectible Accounts

Taxes receivable and allowances for uncollectible accounts at June 30, 2016 are as follows:

	Receivable	Allowance	Net
General fund-			
Property taxes	$ 573,035	$ (30,768)	$ 542,267
Special purpose local option sales tax	106,922	-	106,922
Transportation SPLOST	21,453	-	21,453
Local option sales taxes	40,097	-	40,097
Total	$ 741,507	$ (30,768)	$ 710,739

Property taxes for 2015-2016 were levied September 18, 2015 and due December 20, 2015 on property valued as of January 1, 2015. The tax rate to finance general governmental services for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 was $16.389 per $1,000 of assessed taxable property value for the unincorporated areas of Telfair County, and $16.389 per $1,000 of assessed taxable property value for the incorporated areas. Property tax revenues are recognized when they have become available. Available means when due, or past due and receivable within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Taxes relating to the current budget and collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end are recognized as revenue currently.

C. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Generally, outstanding balances between funds reported as due to/from other funds includes outstanding charges by one fund to another for services or goods, subsidy commitments outstanding, and other miscellaneous receivables and payables between funds. Balances to which a fiduciary fund is a party are treated as external receivables and payables.

A summary of interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2016 follows:

	Payable to:
Payable from -	Landfill
General fund	$ 908,219

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D. Transfers

A summary of fund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2016 follows:

	Transfers in:		
	Nonmajor Multipurpose		Total Transfer
Transfer out:	Grant	Landfill	Out
General Fund	36,350	8,305	$ 44,655
SPLOST	-	500,000	$ 500,000
Total transfer in	$ 36,350	$ 508,305	

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them; to move unrestricted revenues collected in the funds to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations; and to segregate money for anticipated capital projects.

The voter referendum which created the SPLOST Fund authorized a portion of the SPLOST proceeds to be used for roads and bridges as well as for the landfill. From time to time, such expenditures of the SPLOST Fund for these approved projects are reported as a transfer out of the SPLOST Fund to either the General Fund or Landfill Fund. Therefore, the related improvements are reported in these respective funds.

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

E. Capital Assets

Following is a summary of changes in Capital Assets:

Primary Government:

	Balance June 30, 2015	Additions	Retirements or Transfers	Balance June 30, 2016
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated -				
Land	$ 217,535	$ 86,976	$ -	$ 304,511
Construction in progress	8,877	138,926	-	147,803
Total not being depreciated	226,412	225,902	-	452,314
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Equipment	5,517,584	532,383	-	6,049,967
Buildings and improvements	6,214,019	973,469	-	7,187,488
Total being depreciated	11,731,603	1,505,852	-	13,237,455
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	4,051,927	395,592	-	4,447,519
Buildings and improvements	1,097,550	275,238	-	1,372,788
Total accumulated depreciation	5,149,477	670,830	-	5,820,307
Total being depreciated, net	6,582,126	835,022	-	7,417,148
Governmental activities capital assets, net	$ 6,808,538	$ 1,060,924	$ -	$ 7,869,462

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

	Balance June 30, 2015	Additions	Retirements or Transfers	Balance June 30, 2016
Business-type activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated -				
Land	$ 707,670	$ -	$ -	$ 707,670
Construction in progress	-	166,178	-	166,178
Total not being depreciated	707,670	166,178	-	873,848
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Equipment	4,365,877	1,012,159	(132,687)	5,245,349
Buildings and improvements	40,257	-	-	40,257
Total being depreciated	4,406,134	1,012,159	(132,687)	5,285,606
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	2,254,591	214,069	(132,687)	2,335,973
Buildings and improvements	20,503	1,007	-	21,510
Total accumulated depreciation	2,275,094	215,076	(132,687)	2,357,483
Total being depreciated, net	2,131,040	797,083	-	2,928,123
Business-type activities capital assets, net	$ 2,838,710	$ 963,261	$ -	$ 3,801,971

Depreciation expense was charged to functions / programs as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	$ 69,909
Public safety	134,688
Public works	431,044
Culture and recreation	35,189
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	$ 670,830
Business-type activities -	
Landfill	$ 215,076
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	$ 215,076

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Component Units:

	Balance June 30, 2015	Additions	Retirements or Transfers	Balance June 30, 2016
Capital assets, not being depreciated -				
Land	$ 235,780	$ -	$ (101,412)	$ 134,368
Total not being depreciated	235,780	-	(101,412)	134,368
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Equipment	76,105	-	(60,221)	15,884
Buildings and improvements	1,749,494	-	-	1,749,494
Total being depreciated	1,825,599	-	(60,221)	1,765,378
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	70,554	2,130	(60,221)	12,463
Buildings and improvements	398,241	47,372	-	445,613
Infrastructure	-	-	-	-
Total accumulated depreciation	468,795	49,502	(60,221)	458,076
Total being depreciated, net	1,356,804	(49,502)	-	1,307,302
Governmental activities capital assets, net	$ 1,592,584	$ (49,502)	$ (101,412)	$ 1,441,670

Depreciation expense was charged to functions / programs as follows:

Component units:	
Telfair County Department of Leisure Services	$ 1,436
Telfair County Hospital Authority	12,830
Development Authority of Telfair County	34,542
Telfair County Board of Health	694
Total depreciation expense - component units	$ 49,502

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

F. Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations of the County for the year ended June 30, 2016

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Payments/ Retirements	Ending Balance	Current Portion	Long-term Portion
Primary Government:						
Governmental activities:						
Capital lease payables	$ 530,624	$ 223,797	$ (138,770)	$ 615,651	$ 86,504	$ 529,147
BB&T note payable	-	200,000	(28,663)	171,337	38,934	132,403
USDA note payable #2	1,479	-	(1,479)	-	-	-
USDA note payable #3	9,562	-	(9,562)	-	-	-
Governmental activity - long-term liabilities	$ 541,665	$ 423,797	$ (178,474)	$ 786,988	$ 125,438	$ 661,550
Business-type activities -						
Capital lease payables	$ 312,813	$ 267,200	$ (177,276)	$ 402,737	$ 213,693	$ 189,044
Closure/post closure	1,630,512	140,315	-	1,770,827	-	1,770,827
Business-type activity - long-term liabilities	$ 1,943,325	$ 407,515	$ (177,276)	$2,173,564	$ 213,693	$ 1,959,871

Capital Leases

During fiscal year 2011 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with TCF Equipment Finance, Inc. for the purchase of a Peterbilt garbage truck for use by the solid waste department with an original amount of $201,140. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $45,104 beginning in October of 2011 and ending in October of 2015 at an interest rate of 3.87%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased vehicle was $143,312. This year, $10,057 was included in depreciation expense. The capital lease was paid out during fiscal year 2016.

During fiscal year 2012 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of a Caterpillar 416E Backhoe Loader for use by the highways and streets department with an original amount of $62,263. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $13,770 beginning in June of 2012 and ending in June of 2016 at an interest rate of 3.45%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $0 This year, $12,453 was included in depreciation expense. The capital lease was paid out during fiscal year 2016.

During fiscal year 2012 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of a Caterpillar 12M Motorgrader for use by the highways and streets department with an original amount of $112,498. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $24,958 beginning in June of 2012 and ending in June of 2016 at an interest rate of 3.45%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $0. This year, $22,499 was included in depreciation expense. The capital lease was paid out during fiscal year 2016.

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During fiscal year 2013 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of a Caterpillar 12M2 Motorgrader for use by the highways and streets department with an original amount of $120,984. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $26,146 beginning in July of 2014 and ending in July of 2018 at an interest rate of 2.64%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $96,126. This year, $50,153 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $74,473 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $3,966 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 24,180	$ 1,966	$ 26,146
2018	24,818	1,328	26,146
2019	25,475	672	26,147
Total	$ 74,473	$ 3,966	$ 78,439

During fiscal year 2015 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of a Caterpillar 12M2 Motorgrader for use by the highways and streets department with an original amount of $255,257. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $30,964 beginning in July of 2015 and ending in July of 2019 with a balloon payment of $125,500 due July 2019 at an interest rate of 2.45%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $123,944. This year, $23,989 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $230,547 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $18,810 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 25,316	$ 5,648	$ 30,964
2018	25,936	5,028	30,964
2019	26,572	4,392	30,964
2020	152,723	3,742	156,465
Total	$ 230,547	$ 18,810	$ 249,357

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

During fiscal year 2015 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of a Caterpillar 416F Backhoe for use by the highways and streets department with an original amount of $96,566. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $12,026 beginning in August of 2015 and ending in August of 2019 and a balloon payment of $46,000 due August 2019 at an interest rate of 2.35%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $87,752. This year, $17,263 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $86,834 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $6,897 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 9,963	$ 2,063	$ 12,026
2018	10,200	1,826	12,026
2019	10,442	1,584	12,026
2020	56,229	1,424	57,653
Total	$ 86,834	$ 6,897	$ 93,731

During fiscal year 2016 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of a Caterpillar wheel loader for use by the highways and streets department with an original amount of $223,797. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $32,339 beginning in August of 2016 and ending in August of 2020 and a balloon payment of $82,000 due August 2020 at an interest rate of 2.30%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $197,154. This year, $26,643 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $223,798 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $19,895 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 27,045	$ 5,294	$ 32,339
2018	27,697	4,642	32,339
2019	28,350	3,989	32,339
2020	29,019	3,320	32,339
2021	111,687	2,650	114,337
Total	$ 223,798	$ 19,895	$ 243,693

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

During fiscal year 2012 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Komatsu Financial for the purchase of a Komatsu Dozier for use at the County landfill with an original amount of $132,687. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $24,613 beginning in April of 2012 and ending in April of 2016 and a balloon payment of $56,938 due April 2015 at an interest rate of 5.25%. The capital lease was paid out during fiscal year 2016 and the dozier was traded in on a new D61 dozier.

During fiscal year 2012 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Chesapeake Industrial Leasing Co., Inc. for the purchase of a Bomag landfill compactor for use at the County landfill with an original amount of $353,940. The agreement calls for sixty monthly payments of $5,743 beginning in May of 2012 and ending in April of 2017 and a balloon payment of $79,588 due April 2017 at an interest rate of 6.209%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $58,990. This year, $70,788 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $126,347 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $4,924 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 126,347	$ 4,924	$ 131,271

During fiscal year 2012 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Komatsu Financial for the purchase of a Komatsu Excavator for use at the County landfill with an original amount of $139,300. The agreement calls for five annual payments of $20,946 beginning in March of 2012 and ending in March of 2016 and a balloon payment of $52,936 due March 2017 at an interest rate of 4.74%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $20,895. This year, $27,860 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $52,936 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $2,564 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 52,936	$ 2,564	$ 55,500

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

During fiscal year 2016 the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Komatsu Financial for the purchase of a Komatsu Dozier for use at the County landfill with an original amount of $267,200. The agreement calls five annual payments of $43,746 beginning in April of 2016 and ending in April of 2020 and a balloon payment of $80,160 due April 2016 at an interest rate of 4.10%. As of June 30, 2016 the net book value of this leased equipment was $258,293. This year, $8,907 was included in depreciation expense. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $223,454 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $27,474 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 34,410	$ 9,336	$ 43,746
2018	35,848	7,898	43,746
2019	37,345	6,401	43,746
2021	115,851	3,839	119,690
Total	$ 223,454	$ 27,474	$ 250,928

BB&T Note Payable

During fiscal year 2016, the County received a loan from in the amount of $200,000 for the purchase of an ambulance and related equipment for use by the EMS department. The loan is payable in quarterly installments of $10,569 beginning in October 2015 and ending in July of 2020 at a rate of 2.13%. The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of $171,337 as of June 30, 2016, including interest payments of $8,328 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 38,934	$ 3,340	$ 42,274
2018	39,770	2,504	42,274
2019	40,624	1,650	42,274
2020	41,496	778	42,274
2021	10,513	56	10,569
Total	$ 171,337	$ 8,328	$ 179,665

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

USDA Note Payable #2

During fiscal year 2011, the County received a loan from the USDA in the amount of $6,900 for the purchase of public safety equipment. The loan is payable in five annual installments of $1,540 beginning in December 2011 at a rate of 3.75%. The note was paid out during fiscal year 2016.

USDA Note Payable #3

During fiscal year 2011, the County received a loan from the USDA in the amount of $44,500 for the purchase of public safety equipment. The loan is payable in five annual installments of $9,927 beginning in December 2011 at a rate of 3.75%. The capital lease was paid out during fiscal year 2016.

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations of the component units for the year ended June 30, 2016

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Payments/ Retirements	Ending Balance	Current Portion	Long-term Portion
Component Units:						
Development Authority of Telfair County:						
One Georgia loan	$ 293,750	$ -	$ (25,000)	$ 268,750	$ 25,000	$ 243,750
Security State Bank Loan	110,012	-	(110,012)	-	-	-
Total component units long-term liabilities	$ 403,762	$ -	$ (135,012)	$ 268,750	$ 25,000	$ 243,750

Component unit long-term debt – Development Authority of Telfair County

The annual requirements to amortize the remaining balance of principal and interest are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	One Georgia Loan		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	$ 25,000	$ -	$ 25,000
2018	25,000	-	25,000
2019	25,000	-	25,000
2020	25,000	-	25,000
2021	25,000	-	25,000
2022-2026	125,000	-	125,000
2027	18,750	-	18,750
	$ 268,750	$ -	$ 268,750

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

G. Fund Equity

Fund Balances:

- ***Nonspendable*** – The following fund balances are nonspendable because they are allocated to:

General fund -	
Prepaids	$ 64,769

- ***Restricted*** - The following fund balances are restricted for:

Capital Projects Funds:

Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax Fund (SPLOST) –	
used to account for capital projects financed with SPLOST.	$ 5,675,310
Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (T-SPLOST)	
used to account for capital projects financed with T-SPLOST.	823,327
LMIG Program	
used to account for road projects financed with LMIG funds.	347,088

Special Revenue Funds:

Multipurpose Grant Fund -	
used to account for the proceeds of revenue sources legally restricted to expenditures for specific capital or operating projects.	25,074
Sheriff Commissary -	
used to account for the activities of the inmate canteen	2,798
Expendable Trust Fund -	
used to account for the operations of the County law library.	58,553
	$ 6,932,150

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

Net Position:

Net investment in capital assets reported on the government-wide statement of net position as of June 30, 2016 are as follows:

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
Net investment in capital assets		
Cost of capital assets	$ 13,689,769	$ 6,159,454
Less accumulated depreciation	(5,820,307)	(2,357,483)
Book value	7,869,462	3,801,971
Less capital related debt	(786,988)	(402,737)
Net investment in capital assets	$ 7,082,474	$ 3,399,234

H. Commitments and Contingencies

The County receives grant monies for various purposes. All grant monies received by the County are subject to examination and adjustment by the applicable governmental agency or their designee. However, in the opinion of the County officials, adjustments resulting from such examination are not expected to differ materially from amounts reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

There are several lawsuits pending in which the County is involved. The County Attorney has advised that potential claims against the County resulting from such litigation are such that they would not materially affect the financial statements of the County.

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to tort; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County has joined together with other municipalities in the state as part of the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency Property and Liability.

The County is also part of the ACCG Group Self-Insurance Workers Compensation Fund, a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member local governments.

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

As part of this risk pool, the Government is obligated to pay all contributions and assessments as prescribed by the pool, to cooperate with the pool's agents and attorneys, to follow loss reduction procedures established by the fund, and to report as promptly as possible, and in accordance with any coverage descriptions issued, all incidents which could result in the fund being required to pay any claim of loss. The County is also to allow the pool's agents and attorneys to represent the County in investigation, settlement discussions and all levels of litigation arising out of any claim made against the County within the scope of loss protection furnished by the funds.

The responsibilities of the pool are to defend, in the name of and on behalf of the members, any suits or other proceedings which may at any time be instituted against them on account of injuries or death within the preview of the Workers' Compensation Law of Georgia, or on the basis of employer's liability. The pool is to pay all costs taxed against members in any legal proceeding defended by the members, all interest accruing after entry of judgment and all expenses incurred for investigation, negotiation or defense.

B. Landfill Closure and Post closure Care Costs

Under state and federal laws and regulations, the County is required to place a final cover upon closure and to continue to perform various maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site for a period of 30 years after closure. The expense and related liability are based on landfill capacity used to date. The estimated total cost of the landfill closure and postclosure care is estimated to be $2,866,344. This amount is based on equipment, facilities, and services necessary to close, monitor, and maintain the landfill. However, the actual cost may vary due to inflation or deflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations. To date, the County has used 58% of the landfill capacity and the landfill has an estimated remaining life of 13.22 years.

C. Joint Venture

Telfair County, in conjunction with cities and counties in the sixteen (16) county Heart of Georgia area are members of the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission (RC). Membership in an RC is automatic for each municipality and county in the state. The official Code of Georgia Section 50-8-34 (Georgia Planning Act of 1989) provides for the organizational structure of the RCs. Each county and municipality in the state is required by law to pay minimum annual dues to the RC. The county paid annual dues in the amount of $4,532 to the RC for the year ended June 30, 2016. The RC Board membership includes the chief elected official of each county and the chief elected official of each municipality. The County board members and municipal board members from the same county elect one member of the Board who is a resident (but not an elected or appointed official or employee of the County or municipality) to serve as the nonpublic Board member from a County. Copies of the RC's financial statements may be obtained from the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission.

The Georgia Planning Act of 1989 (O.C.G.A. 50-8-34) defines RDCs as "public agencies and instrumentalities of their members". Georgia laws also provide that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of a RC beyond its resources. (O.C.G.A. 50-8-39.1)

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

D. Hotel/Motel Tax

The County levies a hotel/motel tax under the provisions of O.C.G.A. 48-13-51. The code section provides that the County shall expend for the purpose of promoting tourism, conventions, and trade shows a percentage of the total taxes collected under this Code section which is not less than the percentage of such tax collections expended for such purposes during the immediately preceding fiscal year. For the year ended June 30, 2016, the County received $8,307 in hotel/motel tax. The County distributed $3,650 to the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce for the promotion of tourism and retained $4,657 for general government purposes. The expended amounts total 100% of the amount received by the County.

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the County has complied with the expenditure requirements of code section 48-13-51.

E. Note Receivable

In April 2008, the Development Authority of Telfair County borrowed $90,000 from the Revolving Loan Fund of Telfair County. During the year ended June 30, 2011 the General fund repaid the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) the remaining balance of this loan of $72,174. The loan to the Development Authority of Telfair County is now being collected and accounted for in the general fund and is due in monthly installments of $954.59. The note bears an interest rate of 3.0%. As of June 30, 2016 the balance on this note was $20,027.

F. Retirement Plan

Plan Description

The County sponsors the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Restated Pension Plan for Telfair County Employees (The Plan), which is a defined benefit pension plan.

The Plan provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan participants and beneficiaries. The Plan, through execution of the adoption agreement, is affiliated with the Association County Commissioners of Georgia Third Restated Defined Benefit Plan (The ACCG Plan), an agent multiple-employer pension plan, administered by GEBCorp. The ACCG, in its role as the Plan Sponsor, has the sole authority to amend the provisions of the ACCG Plan, as provided in Section 19.03 of the ACCG Plan document. The County has the authority to amend the adoption agreement, which defines the specific benefit provisions of the Plan, as provided in Section 19.02 of the ACCG Plan document.

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

All full-time County employees are eligible to participate in the Plan after completing three years of service. Benefits vest after five years of service. Participants become eligible to retire at age 65 with 3 years of participation in the Plan. Upon eligibility to retire, participants are entitled to a monthly benefit for life equal to 1.0% of average annual compensation plus $36.00 for each year of service. Average annual compensation is the highest average of the Participant's annual compensation over five consecutive years during the ten plan years preceding the date of retirement or termination. The Plan also provides benefits in the event of death or disability. These benefit provisions were established by an adoption agreement executed by the County Board of Commissioners.

The following is the plan membership at January 1, 2016

Active plan participants	45
Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	34
Active or terminated plan participants entitled to, but not yet receiving benefits	36
Total	115

Copies of the Plan's financial statements may be obtained by contacting:

Government Employee Benefits Corporation of Georgia
400 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1250
Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Contributions

The County employees are not required to contribute to the Plan. The County is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate annually to the Plan's trust. The contribution amount is determined using actuarial methods and assumptions approved by the ACCG Plan trustees and must satisfy the minimum contribution requirements contained in the State of Georgia statutes. The County can always meet its funding obligation by making the Recommended Contribution.

The Georgia Constitution enables the governing authority of the County, the Board of County Commissioners, to establish and amend from time to time the contribution rates for the County and its plan participants.

The County's funding policy is to contribute at least the minimum actuarially determined contribution in accordance with the State of Georgia's requirements. There are no legal or contractual maximum contributions to the plan. The County's contributions to the Plan totaled $129,172 for the year ended June 30, 2016.

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

Net Pension Liability

The County's net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuations were determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation:	3.25%
Salary increases:	3.00% per year with an aged based scale as follows:
Age	Salary increase
Under 30	3.0% rate plus 1.5%
30-39	3.0% rate plus 1.0%
40-49	3.0% rate less 0.5%
50+	3.0% rate less 1.0%
Investment rate of return:	7.50% per year
Mortality rates:	RP-2000, Combined

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investments 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 Trustees shall rebalance the portfolio at least annually for asset allocation purposes. The guidelines for allocation 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 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%

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

Discount rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50 %. 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. 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.

Building block expected return based on 20-year benchmarks	7.44%
Building block expected return based on 30-year benchmarks	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 (7.38% rounded to nearest .25%)	7.50%

	Total Pension Liability (a)	Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)
Balances at December 31, 2013	$ 2,399,170	$ 1,993,230	$ 405,940
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	$ 35,838	$ -	$ 35,838
Interest	174,410	-	174,410
Differences between expected and actual experience	34,367	-	34,367
Assumption change	73,656	-	73,656
Contributions - employer	-	127,232	(127,232)
Net investment income	-	15,428	(15,428)
Benefit payments	(147,406)	(147,406)	-
Administrative expense	-	(6,748)	6,748
Other	-	(27,122)	27,122
Net changes	$ 170,865	$ (38,616)	$ 209,481
Balances at December 31, 2014	$ 2,570,035	$ 1,954,614	$ 615,421

Sensitivity of the net pension liability changes in the discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the County's 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:

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Current Discount Rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
Total pension liability	$ 2,832,576	$ 2,570,035	$ 2,346,283
Fiduciary net position	1,954,614	1,954,614	1,954,614
Net pension liability	$ 877,962	$ 615,421	$ 391,669

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued GEBCorp financial report.

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the County recognized pension expense of $143,561. At June 30, 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
Asset (Gain)/Loss	$ 119,975	$ -
Liability (Gain)/Loss	$ 23,281	
Changes of assumptions	49,896	-
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	129,172	-
Total	$ 322,324	$ -

The County's contributions subsequent to the measurement date of $127,232 are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2016. There were no other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

	Fiscal Year End									
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total pension liability										
Service cost	$ 35,838	$ 30,411								
Interest	174,410	175,522								
Differences between expected and actual experience	34,367	-	(Historical information prior to implementation of GASB 67/68 is not required)							
Changes of assumptions	73,656	-								
Changes of benefit terms	-	-								
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(147,406)	(147,056)								
Net change in total pension liability	170,865	58,877	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total pension liability - beginning	2,399,170	2,340,293								
Total pension liability - ending (a)	$ 2,570,035	$ 2,399,170	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Plan fiduciary net position										
Contributions - employer	$ 127,232	$ 115,554								
Contributions - employee	-	-								
Net investment income	15,428	140,261								
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(147,406)	(141,741)	(Historical information prior to implementation of GASB 67/68 is not required)							
Administrative expense	(6,748)	(5,903)								
Other	(27,122)	(42,347)								
Net change in fiduciary net position	(38,616)	65,824	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	1,993,230	1,927,406								
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	$ 1,954,614	$ 1,993,230	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
	$ -									
Net pension liability - ending: (a)-(b)	$ 615,421	$ 405,940	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	76.05%	83.08%								
Covered-employee payroll	$ 811,582	$ 709,626	(Historical information prior to implementation of GASB 67/68 is not required)							
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	75.83%	57.20%								

Refer to Notes To Required Supplementary Information

CITY OF MCRAE-HELENA, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

	Fiscal Year End									
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Actuarially determined contribution	$ 127,232	$ 115,554	$ 131,152							
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	$ 127,232	$ 115,554	131,152							
Contribution deficiency (excess)	-	-	-	(Historical information prior to implementation of GASB 67/68 is not required)						
Covered-employee payroll	$ 811,582	$ 709,626	756,495							
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	15.68%	16.28%	17.34%							

Refer to Notes To Required Supplementary Information

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget - Over (Under)
	Original	Final	Actual	
REVENUES				
Taxes	$ 5,082,097	$ 5,082,097	$ 5,543,240	$ 461,143
Charges for services and fines	748,500	748,500	858,408	109,908
Other	495,524	495,524	443,602	(51,922)
Total revenues	6,326,121	6,326,121	6,845,250	519,129
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government:				
General government	141,266	141,266	124,867	(16,399)
Elections	91,274	91,274	90,932	(342)
General adminstration	444,511	444,511	576,483	131,972
Tax Commisioner	267,187	267,187	265,762	(1,425)
Tax Assessor	235,941	235,941	217,802	(18,139)
General government buildings and plant	83,872	83,872	85,524	1,652
Judicial:				
Superior court	166,054	166,054	171,987	5,933
Clerk of court	188,652	188,652	193,611	4,959
Magistrate court	110,469	110,469	113,091	2,622
Probate court	165,783	165,783	151,784	(13,999)
Public safety:				
Law enforcement administration	850,518	850,518	1,003,789	153,271
School resources - Sheriff	-	-	-	-
Jail operations	605,957	605,957	544,133	(61,824)
Dispatcher	-	-	-	-
Fire administration	17,000	17,000	27,844	10,844
Emergency medical services	782,482	782,482	868,019	85,537
Emergency Management Agency	14,449	14,449	16,553	2,104
Coroner / medical examiner	25,711	25,711	24,487	(1,224)
Enhanced 911	215,316	215,316	223,447	8,131
Public works:				
Highways and streets	515,081	515,081	479,299	(35,782)
Solid waste and recycling	29,916	29,916	40,872	10,956
Health and welfare:				
Public health administration	95,010	95,010	95,010	-
Health department building	31,940	31,940	31,646	(294)
Intergovernment - Welfare	4,000	4,000	3,071	(929)
Senior citizens center	141,957	141,957	146,485	4,528

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget - Over
	Original	Final	Actual	(Under)
EXPENDITURES (Continued)				
Current:				
Community services	68,800	68,800	62,283	(6,517)
Transportation services	120,400	120,400	112,067	(8,333)
Culture and recreation:				
Culture and recreation administration	100,000	100,000	100,000	-
Library administration	57,400	57,400	57,400	-
Housing and development:				
Conservation administration	32,994	32,994	33,519	525
Agricultural resources	61,179	61,179	57,419	(3,760)
Forest resources	38,250	38,250	38,222	(28)
Economic development	55,950	55,950	51,150	(4,800)
Airport	50,150	50,150	10,744	(39,406)
Farmers Market	13,050	13,050	13,195	145
Debt Service:				
Principal	178,169	178,169	72,057	(106,112)
Interest	17,453	17,453	9,246	(8,207)
Capital outlay :				
General adminstration	17,980	17,980	-	(17,980)
Tax Assessor	-	-	-	-
Law enforcement administration	55,000	55,000	95,760	40,760
Emergency medical services	160,000	160,000	185,903	25,903
Highways and streets	-	-	223,797	223,797
Community services	75,000	75,000	-	(75,000)
Total expenditures	6,326,121	6,326,121	6,619,260	293,139
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Capital lease proceeds	-	-	223,797	223,797
Loan proceeds	-	-	200,000	
Sale of general capital assets	-	-	-	-
Transfers in (out)	-	-	(44,655)	(44,655)
Total other financing sources	-	-	379,142	179,142
Net change in fund balance	$ -	$ -	605,132	$ 405,132
Fund balance, beginning			745,643	
Fund balance, ending			$ 1,350,775	

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - SECTION 18
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Original and Final Budgeted Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Over (Under)
REVENUES			
Georgia Department of Transportation	$ 70,000	$ 97,566	$ 27,566
Fares and other	15,000	17,327	2,327
Total revenues	85,000	114,893	29,893
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Heart of Georgia CAC Administration	110,000	109,796	(204)
Repairs and maintenance	10,000	1,722	(8,278)
Other purchased services	250	-	(250)
General supplies and materials	150	549	399
Travel	-	-	-
Total expenditures	120,400	112,067	(8,333)
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	$ (35,400)	$ 2,826	$ 38,226

Note:
The Department of Transportation is included in the Health and Welfare department of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - HEART OF GEORGIA - COUNCIL ON AGING
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Original and Final Budgeted Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Over (Under)
REVENUES			
Council on Aging - receipts	$ 70,000	$ 86,938	$ 16,938
Total revenues	70,000	86,938	16,938
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Salaries	46,628	47,747	1,119
Employee benefits	26,829	25,646	(1,183)
Repairs and maintenance	3,900	5,229	1,329
Communications	1,800	1,656	(144)
Advertising	150	-	(150)
Travel	200	85	(115)
Education and training	150	-	(150)
Small equipment	500	977	477
Other purchased services	50,000	54,211	4,211
Supplies and materials	1,600	2,287	687
Utilities	10,200	8,647	(1,553)
Total expenditures	141,957	146,485	4,528
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	$ (71,957)	$ (59,547)	$ 12,410

Note:
The Heart of Georgia Council on Aging is included in the Health and Welfare department of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.

PENSION

1. Changes of Assumptions

There were no changes in assumptions or benefits that affect the measurement of the total pension liability since the prior measurement date.

2. Method and Assumptions Used in Calculations of Actuarially Determined Contributions

The actuarially determined contribution rate was determined as of December 31, 2015, with an interest adjustment to the fiscal year. Contributions in relation to this actuarially determined contribution rate will be reported for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Amortization method	Level dollar, open
Remaining amortization period amortization period of 10 years	Remaining amortization period varies for the bases, with a net effective
Asset valuation method	Sum of actuarial value at beginning of year and the cash flow during the year plus the assumed investment return, adjusted by 10% of the amount that the value exceeds or is less than the market value at end of year. The actuarial value is adjusted, if necessary, to be within 20% of market value.
Actuarial assumptions:	
Net investment rate of return	7.50%
Projected salary increases	3.00% plus service based merit increases
Cost of living adjustments	0.00%
Inflation rate	3.25%

BUDGET

1. Budgetary basis of accounting

The County's procedures in establishing, maintaining and revising budgetary data reflected in the financial statements are as follows: Prior to July 1, the Board of Commissioners (the Board) prepares a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and expected means of financing. Public hearings are conducted in the Board's Office to obtain taxpayer comments. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally enacted through approval by the Board.

The Board is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General and Special Revenue Funds. Budgets for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. All appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year on June 30th.

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Special Revenue		
	Multipurpose Grant	Sheriff Commissary	Expendable Trust Fund
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 25,074	$ 4,530	$ 58,041
Taxes receivable, net	-	-	-
Other receivables, net	-	-	512
Total assets	$ 25,074	$ 4,530	$ 58,553
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	$ -	$ 1,732	$ -
FUND BALANCES			
Restricted	25,074	2,798	58,553
Total fund balances	25,074	2,798	58,553
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 25,074	$ 4,530	$ 58,553

Special Revenue	Capital Projects		Total Nonmajor
Hotel/Motel Tax	T-SPLOST	LMIG Program	Governmental Funds
$ -	$ 801,874	$ 347,088	$ 1,236,607
-	21,453	-	21,453
-	-	-	512
$ -	$ 823,327	$ 347,088	$ 1,258,572
$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,732
-	823,327	347,088	1,256,840
-	823,327	347,088	1,256,840
$ -	$ 823,327	$ 347,088	$ 1,258,572

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Special Revenue		
	Multipurpose Grant	Sheriff Commissary	Expendable Trust Fund
REVENUES			
Charges for services	$ -	$ 30,166	$ -
Intergovernmental	14,544	-	-
Other taxes	-	-	-
Investment earnings	44	-	247
Miscellaneous	-	-	6,161
Total revenues	14,588	30,166	6,408
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	-	30,378	-
Judicial	-	-	3,618
Public safety	13,123	-	-
Public works	-	-	-
Health and welfare	3,266	-	-
Housing and development	-	-	-
Debt service:			
Principal	11,041	-	-
Interest	426	-	-
Capital outlay:			
Public safety	11,760	-	-
Public works	-	-	-
Total expenditures	39,616	30,378	3,618
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers in	36,350	-	-
Total other financing sources	36,350	-	-
Net change in fund balances	11,322	(212)	2,790
Fund balances, beginning	13,752	3,010	55,763
Fund balances, ending	$ 25,074	$ 2,798	$ 58,553

Special Revenue	Capital Projects		Total Nonmajor
Hotel/Motel Tax	T-SPLOST	LMIG Program	Governmental Funds
$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 30,166
-	-	348,553	363,097
8,307	261,350	-	269,657
-	-	-	291
-	-	-	6,161
8,307	261,350	348,553	669,372
4,657	-	-	35,035
-	-	-	3,618
-	-	-	13,123
-	-	3,224	3,224
-	-	-	3,266
3,650	-	-	3,650
-	-	-	11,041
-	-	-	426
-	-	-	11,760
-	-	172,337	172,337
8,307	-	175,561	257,480
-	-	-	36,350
-	-	-	36,350
-	261,350	172,992	448,242
-	561,977	174,096	808,598
$ -	$ 823,327	$ 347,088	$ 1,256,840

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AGENCY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2016

	Agency Funds					
	Clerk of Superior Court	Sheriff	Judge of Probate Court	Tax Commissioner	Magistrate Court	Total Fiduciary Funds
ASSETS						
Cash	$ 82,522	$ 11,755	$ 6,185	$ 86,415	$ 13,154	$ 200,031
Taxes receivable (net allowance for uncollectible accounts)	-	-	-	515,196	-	515,196
Total assets	$ 82,522	$ 11,755	$ 6,185	$ 601,611	$ 13,154	$ 715,227
LIABILITIES						
Due to expendable trust fund	$ 72	$ -	$ 240	$ -	$ 200	$ 512
Other liabilities	82,450	11,755	5,945	601,611	12,954	714,715
Total liabilities	$ 82,522	$ 11,755	$ 6,185	$ 601,611	$ 13,154	$ 715,227

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AGENCY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Balance June 30, 2015	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2016
Clerk of Superior Court:				
ASSETS				
Restricted assets -				
Cash	$ 108,725	$ 155,068	$ (181,271)	$ 82,522
Total assets	$ 108,725	$ 155,068	$ (181,271)	$ 82,522
LIABILITIES				
Payable from resticted assets:				
Due to expendable trust fund	$ 109	$ 1,302	$ (1,339)	$ 72
Other liabilities	108,616	153,766	(179,932)	82,450
Total liabilities	$ 108,725	$ 155,068	$ (181,271)	$ 82,522
Sheriff:				
ASSETS				
Restricted assets -				
Cash	$ 12,159	$ 30,801	$ (31,205)	$ 11,755
Total assets	$ 12,159	$ 30,801	$ (31,205)	$ 11,755
LIABILITIES				
Payable from resticted assets -				
Other liabilities	$ 12,159	$ 30,801	$ (31,205)	$ 11,755
Total liabilities	$ 12,159	$ 30,801	$ (31,205)	$ 11,755
Judge of Probate Court:				
ASSETS				
Restricted assets -				
Cash	$ 5,825	$ 65,716	$ (65,356)	$ 6,185
Total assets	$ 5,825	$ 65,716	$ (65,356)	$ 6,185
LIABILITIES				
Payable from resticted assets:				
Due to expendable trust fund	$ 135	$ 2,400	$ (2,295)	$ 240
Other liabilities	5,690	63,316	(63,061)	5,945
Total liabilities	$ 5,825	$ 65,716	$ (65,356)	$ 6,185

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AGENCY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Balance June 30, 2015	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2016
Tax Commissioner:				
ASSETS				
Restricted assets -				
Cash	$ 92,655	$ 4,997,841	$ (5,004,081)	$ 86,415
Taxes receivable, net	444,748	3,606,936	(3,536,488)	515,196
Total assets	$ 537,403	$ 8,604,777	$ (8,540,569)	$ 601,611
LIABILITIES				
Payable from resticted assets -				
Other liabilities	$ 537,403	$ 4,997,840	$ (4,933,632)	$ 601,611
Total liabilities	$ 537,403	$ 4,997,840	$ (4,933,632)	$ 601,611
Magistrate Court:				
ASSETS				
Restricted assets -				
Cash	$ 14,748	$ 142,936	$ (144,530)	$ 13,154
Total assets	$ 14,748	$ 142,936	$ (144,530)	$ 13,154
LIABILITIES				
Payable from resticted assets:				
Due to expendable trust fund	$ 175	$ 2,175	$ (2,150)	$ 200
Other liabilities	14,573	140,761	(142,380)	12,954
Total liabilities	$ 14,748	$ 142,936	$ (144,530)	$ 13,154

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
COMPONENT UNITS
JUNE 30, 2016

	Leisure Services	Hospital Authority	Development Authority	County Board of Health	Total
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 274	$ 1,155,640	$ 270,736	$ 777,017	$ 2,203,667
Investments	-	200,778	-	-	200,778
Other receivables, net	-	-	-	44,536	44,536
Capital assets:					
Nondepreciable	-	15,000	119,368	-	134,368
Depreciable, net	1,993	359,386	944,495	1,428	1,307,302
Total assets	2,267	1,730,804	1,334,599	822,981	3,890,651
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	-	-	-	71,696	71,696
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	64,739	-	-	-	64,739
Other liabilities	3,098	-	67,500	32,935	103,533
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Due within one year -					
Notes payable	-	-	25,000	-	25,000
Due in more than one year -					
Notes payable	-	-	243,750	-	243,750
Proportionate share of collective net pension liability	-	-	-	354,497	354,497
Total liabilities	67,837	-	336,250	387,432	791,519
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	-	-	-	28,410	28,410
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets	1,993	374,386	795,113	1,428	1,172,920
Restricted	-	-	-	144,070	144,070
Unrestricted	(67,563)	1,356,418	203,236	333,337	1,825,428
Total net position	$ (65,570)	$ 1,730,804	$ 998,349	$ 478,835	$ 3,142,418

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
COMBINING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
COMPONENT UNITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues: Charges for Services	Program Revenues: Operating Grants and Contributions	Program Revenues: Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position: Component Units: Leisure Services	Hospital Authority	Development Authority	County Board of Health	Total Component Units
Component units:									
Leisure Services	$ 223,038	$ 16,520	$ 145,120	$ -	$ (61,398)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ (61,398)
Hospital Authority	23,936	30,000	-	-	-	6,064	-	-	6,064
Development Authority	77,586	77,280	55,350	-	-	-	55,044	-	55,044
County Board of Health	484,193	240,034	291,602	-	-	-	-	47,443	47,443
Total component units	$ 808,753	$ 363,834	$ 492,072	$ -	(61,398)	6,064	55,044	47,443	47,153
General revenues:									
Investment earnings					-	11,700	151	-	11,851
Gain on sale of assets					-	-	24,988	-	24,988
Miscellaneous					-	-	1,500	15,203	16,703
Total general revenues					-	11,700	26,639	15,203	53,542
Change in net position					(61,398)	17,764	81,683	62,646	100,695
Net position - beginning					(4,172)	1,713,040	916,666	416,189	3,041,723
Net position - ending					$ (65,570)	$ 1,730,804	$ 998,349	$ 478,835	$ 3,142,418

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROCEEDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Project Description Per SPLOST Referendum	Original Estimated Cost	Amended Estimated Cost	Expenditures			Estimated Percentage of Completion
			Prior Years	Current Year	Total	
2004 - SPLOST						
Roads and bridges	$ 2,250,000	$ 2,402,976	$ 2,402,976	$ -	$ 2,402,976	100.00%
Courthouse renovation	1,000,000	1,000,000	879,068	-	879,068	87.91%
City of McRae	652,925	652,925	652,925	-	652,925	100.00%
City of Lumber City	303,625	303,625	303,625	-	303,625	100.00%
City of Helena	561,575	561,575	561,575	-	561,575	100.00%
City of Milan	140,700	140,700	140,700	-	140,700	100.00%
City of Scotland	62,475	62,475	62,475	-	62,475	100.00%
City of Jacksonville	28,700	28,700	28,700	-	28,700	100.00%
Recreation facility	500,000	500,000	491,564	-	491,564	98.31%
Total	$ 5,500,000	$ 5,652,976	$ 5,523,608	$ -	$ 5,523,608	
2009 - SPLOST						
Jail (Level 1)	$ 2,000,000	$ 2,000,000	$ 8,877	$ 225,902	$ 234,779	11.74%
Roads and bridges	912,000	912,000	-	929,306	929,306	101.90%
Landfill	500,000	500,000	-	500,000	500,000	100.00%
Recreation facility	150,000	150,000	-	-	-	0.00%
City of McRae	909,600	846,194	846,194	-	846,194	100.00%
City of Lumber City	422,800	393,327	393,327	-	393,327	100.00%
City of Helena	782,400	727,861	727,861	-	727,861	100.00%
City of Milan	196,000	182,338	182,338	-	182,338	100.00%
City of Scotland	87,200	81,122	81,122	-	81,122	100.00%
City of Jacksonville	40,000	37,213	37,213	-	37,213	100.00%
Total	$ 6,000,000	$ 5,830,055	$ 2,276,932	$ 1,655,208	$ 3,932,140	
2014 - SPLOST						
Jail (Level 1)	$ 2,000,000	$ 2,000,000	$ -	$ -	$ -	0.00%
Roads and bridges	392,800	392,800	-	-	-	0.00%
Landfill	550,000	550,000	-	-	-	0.00%
Recreation facility	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	0.00%
Public safety tower	199,600	199,600	-	-	-	0.00%
City of McRae Helena	2,090,400	2,090,400	-	228,634	228,634	10.94%
City of Lumber City	322,000	322,000	-	35,219	35,219	10.94%
City of Milan	81,600	81,600	-	8,925	8,925	10.94%
City of Scotland	79,600	79,600	-	8,707	8,707	10.94%
City of Jacksonville	34,000	34,000	-	3,719	3,719	10.94%
Total	$ 6,000,000	$ 6,000,000	$ -	$ 285,204	$ 285,204	

II. REPORTS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS

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

To the Board of Commissioners
of Telfair County, Georgia
McRae, 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 activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Telfair County, Georgia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Telfair County, Georgia's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 30, 2016.

We did not audit the financial statements of the Telfair County Department of Leisure Services, the Telfair County Hospital Authority, the Development Authority of Telfair County or the Telfair County Board of Health. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the discretely presented component units, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Telfair County, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Telfair County, Georgia's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Telfair County, Georgia's internal control.
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of financial statement findings, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness (Findings 2016-1).

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.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Telfair County, Georgia's Response to Findings

Telfair County, Georgia's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. Telfair County, Georgia's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements 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 results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC

Tifton, Georgia
December 30, 2016

TELFAIR COUNTY, GEORGIA
SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

Findings noted on the 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.

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Criteria:
Duties should be segregated between employees so that the responsibility for authorizing transactions, recording transactions, and maintaining custody of assets are assigned to different personnel.

Condition:
Telfair County, Georgia is a small local government and has a limited amount of resources and employees. Therefore, the County does not have an adequate number of employees to provide for the proper segregation of duties.

Cause of Condition:
Since the County is a small local government, it is not financially feasible for the County to hire additional employees to provide for an adequate segregation of duties.

Effect of Condition:
The County's internal control structure does not contain adequate safeguarding controls provided by segregation of duties that would provide for the prevention or timely detection of unauthorized transactions and unauthorized access to assets that could result in losses that are material to the financial statements.

Response of Management:
Management concurs with the finding and is continually working to improve controls to mitigate the risks associated with this condition.

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