

To the County Commission and Officeholders of Howard County, Missouri

The Office of the State Auditor contracted for an audit of Howard County's financial statements for the 2 years ended December 31, 2018, through the state Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management. The audit includes an audit of each county officer in fulfillment of our duties under Section 29.230.1, RSMo. A copy of this audit, performed by Stopp & VanHoy, Certified Public Accountants, and Business Advisors, LLC, is attached.

Nicole R. Galloway, CPA State Auditor

October 2019 Report No. 2019-102



RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

Recommendations in the contracted audit of Howard County

2018-001	The County address various risks in the environment, including risk of fraud occurring by performing assessments to identify, analyze, and manage these risks.
2018-002	The County keep appropriate minutes for closed session meetings.
2018-003	The County prepare the required budgets for each fund.

The County of Howard Fayette, Missouri Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the County Commission and Officeholders of Howard County, Missouri

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Howard County, Missouri, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Howard County, Missouri's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Missouri law. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement

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

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

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by Howard County, Missouri on the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Missouri law, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Howard County, Missouri as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, or changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances of each fund of Howard County, Missouri as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and their respective cash receipts and disbursements, and budgetary results for the years then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Missouri law as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 19, 2019 on our consideration of Howard County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Howard County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Howard County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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August 19, 2019

Fayette, Missouri Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis For the year ended December 31, 2018

	nd Equivalents	Receipts	Di	isbursements	and Equivalents
<u>Fund</u>	 ary 1, 2018	 2018		2018	 ember 31, 2018
General Revenue	\$ 1,090,819	\$ 1,683,698	\$	1,728,132	\$ 1,046,385
Special Road and Bridge	595,362	821,295		783,557	633,100
Assessment	133,983	175,015		165,685	143,313
Prosecuting Attorney Administrative Handling Cost	907	4,358		235	5,030
Prosecuting Attorney Delinquent	100	1		-	101
Law Officers' Training	985	1,312		1,128	1,169
Prosecuting Attorney Training	150	203		79	274
Recorder's User Fee	10,061	3,958		-	14,019
Recorder's Technology	18,991	2,575		-	21,566
Keller Building	861	154,470		129,849	25,482
Keller Building Maintenance	39,501	560		-	40,061
Victims of Domestic Violence	22,679	1,775		1,000	23,454
Civil Defense	2,829	31,162		29,982	4,009
County Law Enforcement Restitution	4,173	7,767		1,515	10,425
Sheriff's Civil Fees	4,887	12,716		13,171	4,432
Sheriff's Benevolent	1,298	1,365		935	1,728
Sheriff's Revolving Fee	5,977	1,906		5,389	2,494
Inmate Security	4,880	23,783		23,958	4,705
Sheriff's Recoupment	590	324		412	502
Prosecuting Attorney Supplemental	8,596	15,473		9,990	14,079
Election Services	5,291	3,649		7,128	1,812
Economic Development	555,725	31,245		12,821	574,149
Tax Maintenance	44,693	15,485		17,479	42,699
Jail Sales Tax	198	161		-	359
Law Enforcement	9,747	651,147		627,165	33,729
Howard County Water Project	-	-		-	-
Mount Gilead	91,413	1,438		860	91,991
Road and Bridge Special Trust	82,118	279,979		223,898	138,199
Bicentennial Year	· -	· -		-	· -
Local Emergency Planning Commission	14,588	-		205	14,383
Howard County Sheltered Services Board	184,706	753,677		651,663	286,720
Total	\$ 2,936,108	\$ 4,680,497	\$	4,436,236	\$ 3,180,369
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Fayette, Missouri Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis For the year ended December 31, 2017

	Cash and Eq		Receipts	Dis	sbursements	nd Equivalents
<u>Fund</u>	January 1		 2017		2017	 nber 31, 2017
General Revenue	\$	925,243	\$ 1,651,327	\$	1,485,751	\$ 1,090,819
Special Road and Bridge		484,744	908,939		798,321	595,362
Assessment		113,841	173,766		153,624	133,983
Prosecuting Attorney Administrative Handling Cost		91	9,208		8,392	907
Prosecuting Attorney Delinquent		98	2		-	100
Law Officers' Training		1,163	1,526		1,704	985
Prosecuting Attorney Training		712	231		793	150
Recorder's User Fee		6,640	3,421		-	10,061
Recorder's Technology		16,750	2,241		-	18,991
Keller Building		36,720	129,941		165,800	861
Keller Building Maintenance		38,419	1,082		-	39,501
Victims of Domestic Violence		20,685	1,994		-	22,679
Civil Defense		2,110	29,474		28,755	2,829
County Law Enforcement Restitution		6,174	2,578		4,579	4,173
Sheriff's Civil Fees		5,379	7,129		7,621	4,887
Sheriff's Benevolent		1,125	1,211		1,038	1,298
Sheriff's Revolving Fee		13,383	2,717		10,123	5,977
Inmate Security		2,847	10,094		8,061	4,880
Sheriff's Recoupment		599	491		500	590
Prosecuting Attorney Supplemental		5,670	15,137		12,211	8,596
Election Services		4,005	3,126		1,840	5,291
Economic Development		540,969	28,868		14,112	555,725
Tax Maintenance		55,292	15,449		26,048	44,693
Jail Sales Tax		2,693	198		2,693	198
Law Enforcement		12,783	645,604		648,640	9,747
Howard County Water Project		· -	3,612		3,612	-
Mount Gilead		96,074	1,394		6,055	91,413
Road and Bridge Special Trust		40,716	284,033		242,631	82,118
Bicentennial Year		265	-		265	-
Local Emergency Planning Commission		15,596	-		1,008	14,588
Howard County Sheltered Services Board		220,182	416,687		452,163	184,706
Total	\$ 2	,670,968	\$ 4,351,480	\$	4,086,340	\$ 2,936,108
			 			

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash

Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

				General Re	venue	Fund		
		20	18			20	17	
		Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
Receipts								
Property Taxes	\$	365,000	\$	364,013	\$	330,000	\$	361,713
Sales Taxes		762,488		864,398		754,258		787,016
Intergovernmental		120,990		115,661		174,332		169,792
Charges for Services		210,780		254,187		209,050		244,602
Interest		15,000		17,490		15,000		17,212
Other Receipts		52,364		63,549		70,400		70,992
Transfers In		9,350		4,400		7,500		- 1 651 225
Total Receipts		1,535,972		1,683,698		1,560,540		1,651,327
<u>Disbursements</u>								
County Commission		91,360		88,769		89,556		87,159
County Clerk		95,965		95,600		94,254		92,694
Elections		89,675		85,886		44,979		38,930
Buildings and Grounds		70,525		59,766		69,997		53,363
Employee Fringe Benefits		174,750		158,769		169,469		140,297
County Treasurer		41,300		40,505		40,500		39,299
County Collector		82,598		77,961		77,550		74,534
Recorder of Deeds		40,156		33,524		39,517		34,168
Circuit Clerk		24,200		5,380		25,200		4,645
Court Administration		33,170		4,154		32,670		6,325
Public Administrator		71,785		68,768		70,616		70,549
Sheriff		45,000		44,500		5,000		-
Prosecuting Attorney		118,184		114,875		98,631		96,569
Juvenile Office		68,912		62,496		67,639		53,254
County Coroner		33,950		33,773		21,950		21,756
Health and Welfare		234,905		217,271		241,243		229,479
Other Disbursements		385,300		225,771		372,225		185,280
Transfers Out		307,655		306,469		308,093		257,450
Emergency Fund		55,000		3,895		55,000		-
Total Disbursements		2,064,390		1,728,132		1,924,089		1,485,751
Receipts Over (Under)								
Disbursements	\$	(528,418)	\$	(44,434)	\$	(363,549)	\$	165,576
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Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		1,090,819		1,090,819		925,243		925,243
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	562,401	\$	1,046,385	\$	561,694	\$	1,090,819

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

			S	Special Road a	nd Brid	ge Fund		
	1	20	18	•	•	20	17	
		Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
Receipts			_				_	
Property Taxes	\$	277,252	\$	284,022	\$	277,252	\$	284,058
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		451,800		443,286		435,800		447,186
Charges for Services		16,400		6,150		119,290		92,811
Interest		7,800		9,729		7,800		10,264
Other Receipts		-		4,373		-		24,620
Transfers In		73,735		73,735		72,000		50,000
Total Receipts		826,987		821,295		912,142		908,939
<u>Disbursements</u>								
Salaries		285,600		261,026		285,600		251,542
Employee Fringe Benefits		97,750		80,748		97,347		83,168
Supplies		85,000		78,489		79,289		65,300
Insurance		26,748		26,143		29,292		29,292
Road and Bridge Materials		34,000		29,790		34,000		26,587
Equipment Repairs		74,500		62,800		89,290		43,687
Rentals		1,000		602		1,000		-
Equipment Purchases		121,090		79,985		138,090		138,015
Road and Bridge Construction		160,870		132,040		148,870		129,457
Other Disbursements		34,950		31,934		39,650		31,273
Transfers Out		_		-		_		-
Total Disbursements		921,508		783,557		942,428		798,321
Receipts Over (Under)								
Disbursements	\$	(94,521)	\$	37,738	\$	(30,286)	\$	110,618
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		595,362		595,362		484,744		484,744
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	500,841	\$	633,100	\$	454,458	\$	595,362

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash

Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

			Assessm	ent Fun	d		
	20	18			20	17	
	 Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
Receipts			_		_		
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes	-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental	159,540		161,058		158,828		159,733
Charges for Services	11,100		6,629		11,100		5,652
Interest	1,500		2,510		1,500		2,364
Other Receipts	4,300		4,818		5,738		6,017
Transfers In	-		-		-		-
Total Receipts	 176,440		175,015		177,166		173,766
<u>Disbursements</u>							
Salaries	104,400		97,486		101,800		91,017
Employee Fringe Benefits	33,312		25,925		32,719		22,111
Materials and Supplies	20,600		9,636		20,600		10,324
Services	27,000		16,182		17,000		10,237
Other Disbursements	5,000		234		10,000		8,030
Capital Outlay	28,500		16,222		30,000		11,905
Transfers Out	-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements	218,812		165,685		212,119		153,624
Receipts Over (Under)							
Disbursements	\$ (42,372)	\$	9,330	\$	(34,953)	\$	20,142
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1	 133,983		133,983		113,841		113,841
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$ 91,611	\$	143,313	\$	78,888	\$	133,983

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Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

		Prosecutin	ng Atto	rney Admin	istrativ	e Handling	Cost F	und		I	Prosecut	ing Attorn	ttorney Delinquent Fund			
		20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17	
	В	udget	A	Actual	Е	Budget	A	Actual	Ві	ıdget	A	ctual	В	udget	Ac	ctual
<u>Receipts</u>																
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	=	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-		=		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		7,050		4,271		7,800		5,177		400		-		400		-
Interest		-		46		-		6		-		1		-		2
Other Receipts		50		41		-		25		-		-		-		-
Transfers In						4,000		4,000								-
Total Receipts		7,100		4,358		11,800		9,208		400		1		400	'	2
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries		-		-		7,762		7,142		-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		1,128		755		-		-		=		-
Materials and Supplies		4,000		-		400		-		-		-		-		-
Services		2,750		235		1,600		495		400		-		400		-
Other Disbursements		50		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		6,800		235		10,890		8,392		400		-		400		-
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$	300	\$	4,123	\$	910	\$	816	\$	-	\$	1	\$	-	\$	2
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		907		907		91		91		100		100		98		98
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	1,207	\$	5,030	\$	1,001	\$	907	\$	100	\$	101	\$	98	\$	100

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Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

			La	w Officers'	Trainiı	ng Fund					Prosecu	iting Attor	Attorney Training Fund			
		2018 Budget Actual				20	17			20	18			20	17	
	В	udget		Actual	I	Budget	A	Actual	Ві	udget	A	ctual	В	udget	A	ctual
<u>Receipts</u>																
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		1,500		1,296		1,500		1,400		300		200		200		227
Interest		-		16		-		14		-		3		-		4
Other Receipts		-		-		-		112		-		-		-		-
Transfers In												-				
Total Receipts		1,500		1,312		1,500		1,526		300		203		200		231
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries		-		-		-		-		-		-		_		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Services		2,485		1,128		2,663		1,704		300		79		912		793
Other Disbursements		-		-		-		-		-		-		_		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		_		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		-		-		_		-		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		2,485		1,128		2,663		1,704		300		79		912		793
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$	(985)	\$	184	\$	(1,163)	\$	(178)	\$	-	\$	124	\$	(712)	\$	(562)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		985		985		1,163		1,163		150		150		712		712
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	_	\$	1,169	\$	_	\$	985	\$	150	\$	274	\$	-	\$	150

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Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

]	Recorder's U	ser Fe	e Fund			Recorder's Technology Fund								
	20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17		
	Budget		Actual	H	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual	
Receipts																
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Sales Taxes	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Intergovernmental	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Charges for Services	3,311		3,786		3,418		3,296		1,950		2,288		1,800		1,979	
Interest	120		172		65		125		242		287		275		262	
Other Receipts	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	
Transfers In							-				-					
Total Receipts	 3,431		3,958		3,483		3,421		2,192		2,575		2,075		2,241	
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries	_		-		-		-		-		-		_		-	
Employee Fringe Benefits	_		-		-		-		-		-		_		-	
Materials and Supplies	7,868		-		5,868		-		7,244		-		4,000		-	
Services	5,624		-		3,700		-		-		-		_		-	
Other Disbursements	-		-		-		-		-		_		-		-	
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-		13,939		_		12,639		-	
Transfers Out	_		-		-		-		-		-		_		-	
Total Disbursements	13,492		-		9,568		-		21,183		-		16,639		-	
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$ (10,061)	\$	3,958	\$	(6,085)	\$	3,421	\$	(18,991)	\$	2,575	\$	(14,564)	\$	2,241	
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1	 10,061		10,061		6,640		6,640		18,991		18,991		16,750		16,750	
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$ 	\$	14,019	\$	555	\$	10,061	\$	_	\$	21,566	\$	2,186	\$	18,991	

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash

Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

				Keller Bui	lding l	Fund				Kelle	r Building I	Mainte	nance Fund		
		20	18			20	17		20	18			20	17	
	Е	Budget		Actual]	Budget		Actual	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
Receipts															
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		148,620		153,744		151,841		126,960	-		-		-		-
Interest		=		238		765		390	300		560		300		582
Other Receipts		=		488		_		91	-		-		-		500
Transfers In						2,500		2,500			-				-
Total Receipts		148,620		154,470		155,106	·	129,941	300		560		300		1,082
<u>Disbursements</u>															
Salaries		30,986		21,676		28,435		28,310	-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		8,747		4,926		7,995		7,700	-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		1,700		975		2,700		1,627	-		-		-		-
Services		82,472		82,335		82,200		77,525	-		-		-		-
Other Disbursements		4,000		-		8,000		1,212	-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		10,000		9,950		48,000		39,439	38,719		-		38,719		-
Debt Service		10,000		9,987		10,000		9,987	-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		147,905		129,849		187,330		165,800	38,719		-		38,719		-
Receipts Over (Under)															
Disbursements	\$	715	\$	24,621	\$	(32,224)	\$	(35,859)	\$ (38,419)	\$	560	\$	(38,419)	\$	1,082
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		861		861		36,720		36,720	 39,501		39,501		38,419		38,419
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	1,576	\$	25,482	\$	4,496	\$	861	\$ 1,082	\$	40,061	\$	-	\$	39,501

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	Victims of Domestic Victims of Domestic Victims 2018				olence Fund		Civil Defense Fund								
					20	17			20	18			20	17	
	Budget		Actual]	Budget		Actual	F	Budget		Actual]	Budget		Actual
Receipts	 _		_						_		_		_		
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental	-		-		-		-		15,870		15,112		15,395		15,496
Charges for Services	1,658		1,456		1,350		1,670		-		-		-		-
Interest	237		319		250		324		-		50		10		28
Other Receipts	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers In	 				-		-		17,186		16,000		13,950		13,950
Total Receipts	1,895		1,775		1,600		1,994		33,056		31,162		29,355		29,474
<u>Disbursements</u>															
Salaries	-		-		-		-		15,600		15,456		13,874		13,874
Employee Fringe Benefits	-		-		-		-		1,400		1,341		1,260		1,172
Materials and Supplies	-		-		-		-		4,250		3,177		4,610		3,522
Services	-		-		-		-		11,372		10,008		10,642		10,187
Other Disbursements	24,574		1,000		18,700		-		300		-		300		-
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out	-		-		-		-		2,000		-		-		-
Total Disbursements	24,574		1,000		18,700		-		34,922		29,982		30,686		28,755
Receipts Over (Under)															
Disbursements	\$ (22,679)	\$	775	\$	(17,100)	\$	1,994	\$	(1,866)	\$	1,180	\$	(1,331)	\$	719
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1	22,679		22,679		20,685		20,685		2,829		2,829		2,110		2,110
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$ 	\$	23,454	\$	3,585	\$	22,679	\$	963	\$	4,009	\$	779	\$	2,829

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		Cor	unty L	aw Enforcer	nent R	estitution Fu	ınd				,	Sheriff's Civ	il Fees	Fund		
		20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17	
	I	Budget		Actual	E	Budget		Actual	E	Budget		Actual	I	Budget		ctual
Receipts																
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		4,000		5,150		5,000		2,475		10,785		12,572		6,500		7,051
Interest		-		117		-		103		-		78		-		78
Other Receipts		2,500		2,500		-		-		-		66		-		-
Transfers In								_								
Total Receipts		6,500		7,767		5,000		2,578		10,785		12,716		6,500		7,129
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		-		-		5,000		2,500		7,172		5,186		5,629		4,468
Services		-		-		5,700		2,079		8,500		7,985		6,250		3,153
Other Disbursements		10,673		1,515		474		-		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		10,673		1,515		11,174		4,579		15,672		13,171		11,879		7,621
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$	(4,173)	\$	6,252	\$	(6,174)	\$	(2,001)	\$	(4,887)	\$	(455)	\$	(5,379)	\$	(492)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		4,173		4,173		6,174		6,174		4,887		4,887		5,379		5,379
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	_	\$	10,425	\$		\$	4,173	\$		\$	4,432	\$		\$	4,887

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		S	Sheriff's Ben	evolen	t Fund					Sh	eriff's Revol	lving l	Fee Fund		
	20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17	
	Budget		Actual	F	Budget		Actual	F	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
<u>Receipts</u>	 		_		_		_						_		_
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-
Sales Taxes	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services	-		-		-		-		2,575		1,846		2,075		2,573
Interest	-		15		-		11		-		60		-		144
Other Receipts	-		1,350		1,200		1,200		-		-		-		-
Transfers In	 -								-						
Total Receipts	-		1,365		1,200		1,211		2,575		1,906		2,075		2,717
Disbursements															
Salaries	-		-		-		-		-		-		_		-
Employee Fringe Benefits	_		-		-		-		-		-		_		-
Materials and Supplies	798		790		2,325		1,038		-		-		-		-
Services	500		145		-		-		8,552		5,389		15,458		10,123
Other Disbursements	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out	 		-		-						-				-
Total Disbursements	1,298		935		2,325		1,038		8,552		5,389		15,458		10,123
Receipts Over (Under)															
Disbursements	\$ (1,298)	\$	430	\$	(1,125)	\$	173	\$	(5,977)	\$	(3,483)	\$	(13,383)	\$	(7,406)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1	 1,298		1,298		1,125		1,125		5,977		5,977		13,383		13,383
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$ _	\$	1,728	\$		\$	1,298	\$		\$	2,494	\$	_	\$	5,977

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		Inmate Security Fund									Sh	eriff's Reco	upmen	t Fund		
		20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17	
	I	Budget		Actual	E	Budget		Actual	В	udget	A	ctual	В	Budget	A	ctual
Receipts																
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		18,250		21,103		7,000		10,033		500		318		500		480
Interest		-		135		-		61		-		6		-		11
Other Receipts		2,545		2,545		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers In								_								
Total Receipts		20,795		23,783		7,000		10,094		500		324		500		491
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		7,750		6,928		3,700		3,282		590		412		599		-
Services		17,925		17,030		6,147		4,779		500		-		500		500
Other Disbursements		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		25,675		23,958		9,847		8,061		1,090		412		1,099		500
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$	(4,880)	\$	(175)	\$	(2,847)	\$	2,033	\$	(590)	\$	(88)	\$	(599)	\$	(9)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		4,880		4,880		2,847		2,847		590		590		599		599
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	4,705	\$		\$	4,880	\$		\$	502	\$		\$	590

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		Prosecuting Attorney Supplemental Fund										Election Se	rvices	Fund		
		20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17	
	I	Budget		Actual	E	Budget		Actual	E	Budget		Actual	I	Budget	Α	Actual
Receipts																
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		15,000		15,000		15,000		15,000		1,000		372		1,000		1,133
Charges for Services		-		-		-		-		3,045		3,208		2,250		1,911
Interest		-		173		-		104		-		69		-		82
Other Receipts		-		300		-		33		-		-		-		-
Transfers In						7,500		-				-				
Total Receipts		15,000		15,473		22,500		15,137		4,045		3,649		3,250		3,126
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		5,000		2,328		4,065		1,534		-		-		-		-
Services		5,000		2,000		8,350		6,677		9,045		7,128		7,250		1,840
Other Disbursements		5,000		1,262		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		7,350		4,400		11,500		4,000		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		22,350		9,990		23,915		12,211		9,045		7,128		7,250		1,840
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$	(7,350)	\$	5,483	\$	(1,415)	\$	2,926	\$	(5,000)	\$	(3,479)	\$	(4,000)	\$	1,286
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		8,596		8,596		5,670		5,670		5,291		5,291		4,005		4,005
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	1,246	\$	14,079	\$	4,255	\$	8,596	\$	291	\$	1,812	\$	5	\$	5,291

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		E	conomic Dev	elopr	nent Fund					Tax Mainte	nance	Fund		
	20	18			20	17		20	18			20	17	
	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
<u>Receipts</u>	<u> </u>		_		<u>.</u>							_		
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes	-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental	-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Charges for Services	7,400		7,400		6,841		7,400	13,000		14,849		13,000		14,640
Interest	8,400		8,285		8,400		8,109	900		636		900		809
Other Receipts	11,132		15,560		13,360		13,359	-		-		-		-
Transfers In	-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Total Receipts	26,932		31,245		28,601		28,868	13,900		15,485		13,900		15,449
Disbursements														
Salaries	_		-		_		-	-		-		_		-
Employee Fringe Benefits	_		-		_		-	-		_		_		_
Materials and Supplies	_		-		_		-	10,000		_		10,000		1,150
Services	_		-		_		-	21,200		10,875		34,000		23,981
Other Disbursements	582,657		12,821		569,570		14,112	-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-	10,000		6,604		10,000		917
Transfers Out	-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements	582,657		12,821		569,570		14,112	41,200		17,479		54,000		26,048
Receipts Over (Under)														
Disbursements	\$ (555,725)	\$	18,424	\$	(540,969)	\$	14,756	\$ (27,300)	\$	(1,994)	\$	(40,100)	\$	(10,599)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1	 555,725		555,725		540,969		540,969	44,693		44,693		55,292		55,292
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$ 	\$	574,149	\$		\$	555,725	\$ 17,393	\$	42,699	\$	15,192	\$	44,693

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				Jail Sales	Tax F	und					Law Enforce	emen	t Fund		
		20	18			20	17		20	18			20	17	
	В	udget		Actual	F	Budget		Actual	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
<u>Receipts</u>															
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		157		-		166	334,948		337,006		320,709		331,293
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-	69,810		51,474		59,810		48,811
Charges for Services		-		-		-		-	53,000		35,902		53,000		50,380
Interest		-		4		-		32	-		189		-		245
Other Receipts		-		-		-		-	6,251		9,842		22,875		23,875
Transfers In				-					216,734		216,734		212,143		191,000
Total Receipts	\$		\$	161	\$		\$	198	\$ 680,743	\$	651,147	\$	668,537	\$	645,604
<u>Disbursements</u>															
Salaries	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 431,988	\$	387,773	\$	407,536	\$	397,996
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		-		-	101,167		86,654		112,355		101,329
Materials and Supplies		198		-		2,693		2,693	80,470		79,413		69,300		61,613
Services		-		-		-		-	69,164		66,478		74,176		72,669
Other Disbursements		-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-	6,850		6,847		16,679		15,033
Transfers Out		-							-		_				
Total Disbursements	\$	198	\$		\$	2,693	\$	2,693	\$ 689,639	\$	627,165	\$	680,046	\$	648,640
Receipts Over (Under)															
Disbursements	\$	(198)	\$	161	\$	(2,693)	\$	(2,495)	\$ (8,896)	\$	23,982	\$	(11,509)	\$	(3,036)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		198		198		2,693		2,693	9,747		9,747		12,783		12,783
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$		\$	359	\$		\$	198	\$ 851	\$	33,729	\$	1,274	\$	9,747

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		Howard County				oject Fund						Mount Gi	ilead F	und		
		20	18			20	17			20	18			20	17	
	Bud	get	A	ctual	В	udget	A	Actual	I	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
Receipts													,			
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		3,612		3,612		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Interest		-		-		-		-		1,000		1,438		-		1,391
Other Receipts		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		3
Transfers In				-				-								
Total Receipts		-		-		3,612		3,612		1,000		1,438		-		1,394
<u>Disbursements</u>																
Salaries		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Services		-		-		-		-		7,000		840		7,500		6,055
Other Disbursements		-		-		3,612		3,612		2,000		20		2,000		-
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements				-		3,612		3,612		9,000		860		9,500		6,055
Receipts Over (Under)																
Disbursements	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(8,000)	\$	578	\$	(9,500)	\$	(4,661)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1										91,413		91,413		96,074		96,074
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$		\$		\$		\$	_	\$	83,413	\$	91,991	\$	86,574	\$	91,413

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			Road	and Bridge S	Specia	l Trust Fund				Bio	entennia	ıl Year I	Fund		
		20				20			20)18			20	17	
		Budget		Actual		Budget	Actual	Buc	lget	Act	ual	В	udget	A	ctual
Receipts							 								
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Sales Taxes		277,805		277,805		283,146	283,146		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental		-		-		_	-		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services		-		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Interest		600		2,174		-	887		-		-		-		-
Other Receipts		-		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Transfers In		-		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Total Receipts	\ <u></u>	278,405		279,979		283,146	284,033		-		-		-		-
<u>Disbursements</u>															
Salaries		_		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Employee Fringe Benefits		_		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Materials and Supplies		85,000		66,280		122,465	84,300		-		-		265		265
Services		_		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Other Disbursements		55,561		55,561		56,629	56,629		_		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		36,000		-		68,955	40,267		-		-		-		-
Debt Service		102,058		102,057		61,873	61,435		-		-		-		-
Transfers Out		_		-		-	-		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		278,619		223,898		309,922	242,631				-		265		265
Receipts Over (Under)															
Disbursements	\$	(214)	\$	56,081	\$	(26,776)	\$ 41,402	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(265)	\$	(265)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1		82,118		82,118		40,716	40,716						265		265
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$	81,904	\$	138,199	\$	13,940	\$ 82,118	\$		\$		\$		\$	

Comparative Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash

Budget and Actual, All Governmental Funds: Regulatory Basis

	 Loc	al Eme	ergency Plan	ning C	ommission 1	Fund			How	ard Co	ounty Shelter	ed Se	rvices Board	Fund	
	20)18			20)17		'	20	18			20	17	
	Budget		Actual]	Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual		Budget		Actual
Receipts															
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	106,168	\$	126,403	\$	116,990	\$	126,583
Sales Taxes	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental	-		=		-		=		-		-		-		-
Charges for Services	-		-		-		-		746,496		626,184		327,006		289,276
Interest	-		-		-		-		540		1,085		2,500		446
Other Receipts	-		-		-		-		-		5		1,000		382
Transfers In			-				-				-				
Total Receipts	-		-		-		-		853,204		753,677		447,496		416,687
<u>Disbursements</u>															
Salaries	-		-		-		-		368,763		329,223		274,998		191,060
Employee Fringe Benefits	-		-		-		-		105,009		87,986		4,511		40,977
Materials and Supplies	-		-		-		-		21,825		17,348		2,100		4,779
Services	-		-		-		-		295,135		199,340		254,298		209,485
Other Disbursements	-		205		-		1,008		45,597		12,066		-		5,862
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-		6,100		5,700		-		-
Transfers Out	-				-				_		_		_		-
Total Disbursements			205				1,008		842,429		651,663		535,907		452,163
Receipts Over (Under)															
Disbursements	\$ -	\$	(205)	\$	-	\$	(1,008)	\$	10,775	\$	102,014	\$	(88,411)	\$	(35,476)
Cash and Equivalents, Jan 1	 14,588		14,588		15,596		15,596		184,706		184,706		220,182		220,182
Cash and Equivalents, Dec 31	\$ 14,588	\$	14,383	\$	15,596	\$	14,588	\$	195,481	\$	286,720	\$	131,771	\$	184,706

Fayette, Missouri

Statements of Assets and Liabilities Arising From Cash Transactions Agency Funds - Regulatory Basis December 31, 2018 & 2017

		20	018	
	Collector	Recorder	Sheriff	Prosecuting Attorney
Assets				
Cash and Equivalents Total Assets	\$ 6,992,869 6,992,869	\$ 4,296 4,296	\$ 7,000 7,000	\$ 3,929 3,929
Liabilities and Fund Balances		4.00 5	5 000	2.020
Total Liabilities	6,992,869 6,992,869	4,296 4,296	7,000	3,929
Fund Balances	-	<u> </u>	-	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 6,992,869	\$ 4,296	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,929
	Treasurer	Total		
Assets Cash and Equivalents	\$ 41,826	\$ 7,049,920		
Total Assets	41,826	7,049,920		
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Total Liabilities	41,826	7,049,920		
Fund Balances	41,826	7,049,920		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 41,826	\$ 7,049,920		
		20)17	
				Prosecuting
Assets	Collector	Recorder	Sheriff	Attorney
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 5,922,832	\$ 6,230	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
Total Assets	5,922,832	6,230	5,634	3,225
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Total Liabilities	5,922,832	6,230	5,634	3,225
Fund Balances	5,922,832	6,230	5,634	3,225
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Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 5,922,832	\$ 6,230	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
	\$ 5,922,832 Treasurer	\$ 6,230 Total	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances Assets	Treasurer	Total	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances			\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances Assets Cash and Equivalents	Treasurer \$ 39,087	Total \$ 5,977,008	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances Assets Cash and Equivalents Total Assets	Treasurer \$ 39,087 39,087 39,087	Total \$ 5,977,008 5,977,008	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances Assets Cash and Equivalents Total Assets Liabilities and Fund Balances	Treasurer \$ 39,087 39,087	Total \$ 5,977,008 5,977,008	\$ 5,634	\$ 3,225

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organized in 1816, the county of Howard was named after the governor of the Missouri territory, Benjamin Howard. It is a third-class county, and the county seat is Fayette. Howard County's government is composed of a three-member county commission and the following separately elected Constitutional Officers: County Clerk, Collector, Treasurer, Circuit Clerk and *exofficio* Recorder of Deeds, Sheriff, Assessor, Coroner, Public Administrator and Prosecuting Attorney.

As discussed further in Note 1, these financial statements are presented on the regulatory basis of accounting. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Reporting Entity

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to the regulatory basis of accounting, these financial statements present financial accountability of Howard County, Missouri and the Howard County Senate Bill 40 Board.

Howard County's operations include tax assessments and collections, state/county courts, county recorder, public safety, transportation, economic development, social and human services, and cultural and recreation services.

The financial statements referred to above include only the primary government of Howard County, Missouri, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that are considered to comprise Howard County's legal entity. The Howard County Senate Bill 40 Board is controlled by a separate board and is also included under the control of Howard County.

Certain elected County officials, such as the County Collector, Treasurer, and Sheriff, collect and hold monies in a trustee capacity as an agent of an individual, taxing units, or other government. These assets, which are held by these officeholders for the sole benefit of external parties, are included in the Statements of Assets and Liabilities Arising from Cash Transactions - Agency Funds - Regulatory Basis.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements present the receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash of all funds of Howard County, Missouri, and the comparisons of such information with the corresponding budgeted information for all funds of the County. The funds presented are established under statutory or administrative authority, and their operations are under the control of the County Commission or an elected county official. The General Revenue Fund is the County's general operation fund, accounting for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The other funds presented account for financial resources whose use is restricted for specified purposes.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements were prepared using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Missouri law, which differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

As a result of the use of this regulatory basis of accounting, certain assets (such as accounts receivable and capital assets), certain revenues (such as revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected), certain liabilities (such as accounts payable, certificates of participation, bonds, and obligations under capital leases), and certain expenditures (such as expenditures for goods or services received but not yet paid) are not recorded in these financial statements.

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Basis of Accounting (continued)

If Howard County utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting, while the fund financial statements for proprietary fund types, if applicable, would use the accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financials would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

Budget and Budgetary Accounting

In accordance with Chapter 50 RSMo, Howard County adopts a budget for each governmental fund.

On or before January 15th, each elected official and department director will transmit to the County Clerk, who serves as budget officer, the budget request and revenue estimates for their office or department for the budget year.

The County Clerk submits to the County Commission a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1. The proposed budget includes estimated revenues and proposed expenditures for all budgeted funds. Budgeted expenditures cannot exceed beginning available monies plus estimated revenues for the year. Budgeting of appropriations is based upon an estimated unencumbered fund balance at the beginning of the year as well as estimated revenues to be received. The budget to actual comparisons in these financial statements, however, do not present encumbered fund balances, but only compare budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures.

A public hearing is conducted to obtain public comment. Prior to its approval by the County Commission, the budget document is available for public inspection.

Prior to February 1, the budget is legally enacted by a vote of the County Commission.

Subsequent to its formal approval of the budget, the County Commission has the authority to make necessary adjustments to the budget by formal vote of the Commission. Adjustments made during the year are reflected in the budget financial statements.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the County Commission throughout the year.

Budgets are prepared and adopted on the cash basis of accounting.

During our audit, it was noted that the County was not in compliance with Missouri budgetary state statute Chapter 50 RSMo. The following funds did not have a budget prepared in 2018 or 2017: Local Emergency Planning Commission Fund.

Taxes

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied on October 1 and tax bills are mailed to taxpayers in November, at which time they are payable. All unpaid property taxes become delinquent as of January 1 of the following year.

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Taxes (continued)

The assessed valuation of the tangible taxable property, included within Howard County's boundaries for the calendar year 2018 and 2017, respectively, for the purposes of County taxation was as follows:

	2018	2017
Real Estate	\$ 80,719,950	\$ 78,927,090
Personal Property	32,369,492	30,213,509
Railroad and Utilities	15,926,643	15,233,231
	\$ 129,016,085	\$ 124,373,830

The tax levy per \$100 assessed valuation of tangible taxable property for the calendar year 2018 and 2017, respectively, for the purpose of County taxation, was as follows:

	2018	 2017
General Revenue	\$ 0.2706	\$ 0.2830
Special Road and Bridge	0.3063	0.3052
Sheltered Services Board	0.1000	0.1000

The County also receives sales tax collected by the State and remitted based on the County's sales tax rate to the total sales tax collected in the County.

Cash Deposits and Investments

Deposits and investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. Cash balances for all the County Treasurer's funds are pooled and invested to the extent possible. Interest earned from such investments is allocated to each of the funds based on the funds' average daily cash balance. Cash equivalents include repurchase agreements and any other instruments with an original maturity of ninety days or less. State law authorizes the deposit of funds in banks and trust companies or the investment of funds in bonds or treasury certificates of the United States, other interest bearing obligations guaranteed as to both principal and interest by the United States, bonds of the State of Missouri or other government bonds, or time certificates of deposit, provided, however, that no such investments shall be purchased at a price in excess of par. Funds in the form of cash on deposit or time certificates of deposit are required to be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or collateralized by authorized investments held in Howard County's name at third-party banking institutions. Details of these cash balances are presented in Note 2.

Interfund Transactions

During the course of operations, interfund activity occurs for purposes of providing supplemental funding, reimbursements for goods provided or services rendered, or short and long-term financing.

Interfund activities are reported as "transfers in" by the recipient fund and as "transfers out" by the disbursing fund. However, interfund reimbursements have been eliminated from the financial statements in order that reimbursed expenditures are reported only in the funds incurring the costs.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 2 - Deposits and Investments

Howard County maintains a cash and temporary investment pool that is available for use by all funds. Deposits with maturities greater than three months are considered investments. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the statement of receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash arising from cash transactions as "Cash and Equivalents." Cash held for others is displayed on the statement of assets and liabilities arising from cash transactions as "Cash and Equivalents."

Deposits - Missouri statutes require that all deposits with financial institutions be collateralized in an amount at least equal to uninsured deposits.

The bank balances and carrying values of deposits and investments shown below are included in the financial statements at December 31, 2018, as follows:

	Carrying Value	Bank Balances		
Deposits	\$ 10,191,533	\$ 8,307,282		
Investments	38,756	38,756		
Total Deposits and Investments as of December 31, 2018	\$ 10,230,289	\$ 8,346,038		
Total Cash and Equivalents - Governmental Funds	\$ 3,180,369			
Total Cash and Equivalents - Agency Funds	7,049,920			
	\$ 10,230,289			

The bank balances and carrying values of deposits and investments shown below are included in the financial statements at December 31, 2017, as follows:

	Carrying Value		Bank Balances	
Deposits	\$	8,874,487	\$	7,536,439
Investments		38,629		38,629
Total Deposits and Investments as of December 31, 2017	\$	8,913,116	\$	7,575,068
Total Cash and Equivalents - Governmental Funds	\$	2,936,108		
Total Cash and Equivalents - Agency Funds		5,977,008		
	\$	8,913,116		

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

For a deposit, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. At December 31, 2018 and 2017, 100% of Howard County's deposits and investments were covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Company (FDIC) or were collateralized.

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by the party that sold the security to Howard County or its agent but not in the government's name. Howard County does not have a policy for custodial credit risk relating to investments.

All investments, evidenced by individual securities, are registered in the name of Howard County or of a type that are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 2 - Deposits and Investments (continued)

Investment Interest Rate Risk

Investment interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Howard 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.

Concentration of Investment Credit Risk

Concentration of investment credit risk is required to be disclosed by Howard County for any single investment that represents 5% or more of total investments (excluding investments issued by or explicitly guaranteed by the U. S. Government, investments in mutual funds, investments in external investment pools and investments in other pooled investments). Howard County has no policy in place to minimize the risk of loss resulting from over concentration of assets of a specific maturity, specific issuer or specific class of securities.

The following investments represent more than 5%, individually, of total investments:

	Investment				
Issuer	Type	2018 Balance	% of Portfolio	2017 Balance	% of Portfolio
Merchant & Farmers Bank	Cert. of Deposit	\$ 38,756	100%	\$ 38,629	100%

Note 3 - Interfund Transfers

Transfers between funds for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 are as follows:

	2018			2017				
<u>Fund</u>	Tra	Transfers In Transfe		nsfers Out	sfers Out Transfers l		Transfers (
General Revenue	\$	4,400	\$	306,469	\$	-	\$	257,450
Special Road and Bridge		73,735		-		50,000		-
Prosecuting Attorney Administrative Handling Cost		-		-		4,000		-
Keller Building		-		-		2,500		-
Civil Defense		16,000		-		13,950		-
Prosecuting Attorney Supplemental		-		4,400		-		4,000
Law Enforcement		216,734		-		191,000		-
Total	\$	310,869	\$	310,869	\$	261,450	\$	261,450

Note 4 - Long-Term Debt

Capital Leases

In 2012, the County entered into a capital lease agreement with John Deere financial for \$513,962 for three motor graders. The lease had a nominal annual rate of 2.30% and expired on October 31, 2017. Combined principal and interest payments are paid annually in the amount of \$32,904 with a balloon payment of \$405,000 due at the end of the term. This lease was refinanced in September of 2017 with a nominal annual rate of 3.50%. New combined principal and interest payments are paid annually in the amount of \$73,525.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 4 - Long-Term Debt (continued)

Capital Leases (continued)

Balance at	Amount	Amount	Balance at	Amount	Amount	Balance at
12/31/16	Borrowed	Repaid	12/31/17	Borrowed	Repaid	12/31/18
\$ 430,480	\$ -	\$ (96,107)	\$ 334,373	\$ -	\$ (62,288)	\$ 272,085

Interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$11,237 and \$10,322, respectively.

Future minimum payments due on the capital leases are as follows:

Year	P	Principal Inter		Interest	Total
2019	\$	64,502	\$	9,023	\$ 73,525
2020		66,793		6,732	73,525
2021		69,166		4,359	73,525
2023		71,623		1,902	73,525
2022		1			 1
	\$	272,085	\$	22,016	\$ 294,101

Principal payments made on the capital lease are made from the Special Road and Bridge Fund and the Road and Bridge Special Trust Fund.

Notes Payable

In 2012, the County borrowed \$75,557 from the Missouri Department of National Resources to finance the design, acquisition, installation, and implementation of energy conservation measures. Principal payments are due semi-annually on February 1 and August 1 with interest payable at 0%. The loan matures on August 1, 2020.

In 2013, the County borrowed \$68,815 from Exchange Bank of Missouri for the purchase of a Case tractor. Principal payments are due annually with interest payable at 3.75%. This loan matured on September 1, 2018.

In 2015, the County borrowed \$61,710 from Exchange Bank of Missouri for the purchase of a John Deere tractor. Principal payments are due annually with interest payable at 4%. This loan matures on August 17, 2020.

Balance at	Amount	Amount	Balance at	Amount	Amount	Balance at
12/31/16	Borrowed	Repaid	12/31/17	Borrowed	Repaid	12/31/18
,						
\$ 114,257	\$ -	\$ (35,938)	\$ 78,319	\$ -	\$ (36,795)	\$ 41,524

Interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$1,741 and \$2,598, respectively.

Future minimum payments due on the notes payable are as follows:

Year	P	Principal		Interest		Total
2019	\$	22,821	\$	1,061	\$	23,882
2020		18,703		543		19,246
	\$	41,524	\$	1,604	\$	43,128

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 4 - Long-Term Debt (continued)

Notes Payable (continued)

Principal payments made on the notes payable are made from the Keller Building Fund and the Road and Bridge Special Trust Fund.

Note 5 - Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS)

Plan Description

The County participates in the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS), an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for local government entities in Missouri. LAGERS is a defined benefit pension plan which provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. LAGERS was created and is governed by statute, RSMo. Sections 70.600-70.755. As such, it is the system's responsibility to administer the law in accordance with the expressed intent of the General Assembly. The plan is qualified under the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a) and is tax exempt.

The Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System issues a publically available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to LAGERS, P.O. Box 1665, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, by calling (800) 447-4334, or by visiting the LAGERS website at www.molagers.org.

Benefits Provided

Benefits are available to all full-time employees working in a LAGERS covered department. Benefits vest when an employee earns five years (60 months) of service credit in the system. Normal retirement age is 60 (General) or 55 (Police) and early retirement age is 55 (General) and 50 (Police). Benefits are paid out using a formula that is based on the employee's final average salary and the amount of credit service time.

Contributions

Full-time employees of the County contribute 4% to the pension plan. The January 1st statutorily required contribution rates were 6.20% (General) and 7.50% (Police) of annual covered payroll for the year ended December 31, 2018, and 5.20% (General) and 8.10% (Police) of annual covered payroll for the year ended December 31, 2017. The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by the governing body of the political subdivision. The contribution provisions of the political subdivision are established by state statute. For the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the County contributed \$76,490 and \$67,446, respectively.

Note 6 - County Employees' Retirement Fund (CERF)

Plan Description

The County Employees' Retirement Fund is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan covering any county elected or appointed officer or employee whose performance requires the actual performance of duties during not less than one thousand (1,000) hours per calendar year in each county of the state, except for any city not within a county and any county of the first classification having a charter form of government. It does not include county prosecuting attorneys covered under RSMo. Sections 56.800 to 56.840, circuit clerks and deputy circuit clerks covered under the Missouri State Retirement System, county sheriffs covered under RSMo. Sections 57.949 to 57.997, and certain personnel not defined as an employee per RSMo. Section 50.1000(8). The Fund was created by an act of legislature and was effective August 28, 1994.

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Note 6 - County Employees' Retirement Fund (CERF) (continued)

Plan Description (continued)

The general administration and the responsibility for the proper operation of the fund and the investment of the fund are vested in a board of directors of eleven persons.

Benefits Provided

Beginning January 1, 1997, employees attaining the age of sixty-two years may retire with full benefits with eight or more years of creditable service. The monthly benefit for County Employees is determined by selecting the highest benefit calculated using three different prescribed formulas (flat-dollar formula, targeted replacement ratio formula, and prior plan's formula). A death benefit of \$10,000 will be paid to the designated beneficiary of every active member upon his or her death.

Upon termination of employment, any member who is vested is entitled to a deferred annuity, payable at age sixty-two. Early retirement is at age fifty-five. Any member with less than eight years of creditable service forfeits all rights in the fund but will be paid his or her accumulated contributions.

The County Employees' Retirement Fund issues audited financial statements. Copies of these statements may be obtained from the Board of Directors of CERF by writing to CERF, 2121 Schotthill Woods Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65101, by calling (573) 632-9203, or by visiting the CERF website at www.mocerf.org.

Contributions

Prior to January 1, 2003, participating county employees, except for those who participated in LAGERS, were required to make contributions equal to 2% of gross compensation. Effective January 1, 2003, participating county employees hired on or after February 25, 2002, are required to make contributions of 4% if they are in a LAGERS county and contributions of 6% if they are in a non-LAGERS county. If an employee leaves covered employment before attaining 8 years of creditable service, accumulated employee contributions are refunded to the employee. The contribution rate is set by state statute and may be amended only by action of the Missouri Legislature. Counties may elect to make all or a portion of the required 4% contribution on behalf of employees. The County collected and remitted CERF employee contributions of \$8,954 and \$5,505 for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

In addition to the above contributions required of employees, the following fees and penalties prescribed under Missouri law are required to be collected and remitted to CERF by counties covered by the plan:

- Late fees on filing of personal property tax declarations,
- Twenty dollars on each merchants and manufacturers license issued,
- Six dollars on each document recorded or filed with county recorders of deeds, with an additional one on each
 document recorded.
- · Three sevenths of the fee on delinquent property taxes, and
- Interest earned on investment of the above collections prior to remittance to CERF.

The County collected and remitted CERF fees and penalties of \$106,214 and \$86,197 for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Further information related to required contributions, pension benefits, other plan terms, and investments and related return and financial information can be found in the notes to the financial statements of CERF's Annual Financial Report.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 7 - Prosecuting Attorney Retirement Fund

In accordance with state statute Section 56.807 RSMo, Howard County contributes monthly to the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services for deposit to the credit of the Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys' and Circuit Attorneys' Retirement System Fund. Once remitted, the State of Missouri is responsible for administration of this plan. Howard County has contributed \$3,366 and \$3,366, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017.

Note 8 - Other Retirement Plan

Howard County has voluntary 457 and 401(a) plans administered by Empower Retirement (formerly Great-West Retirement Services) which is paid by a deduction from employees' salary. These contributions qualify under the Internal Revenue Code and are tax exempt. Employee contributions collected and remitted by the County for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 for the 457 plan were \$26,011 and \$23,973, respectively. Employee contributions collected and remitted by the County for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 for the 401(a) plan were \$228 and \$201, respectively.

Note 9 - Post-Employment Benefits

Howard County does not provide post-employment benefits except as mandated by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). The requirements established by COBRA are fully funded by employees who elect coverage under the Act, and no direct costs are incurred by Howard County.

Note 10 - Economic Development Loan Program

The County has an economic development loan program whereby it issues small business loans to businesses located within the County for the purpose of capital assistance. Participants in the program owed the County \$38,173 and \$53,198 as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Due to default of a program participant, the balance of the loans as of December 31, 2018 is due and payable in full, however, the County is unable to estimate when the balance will be collected.

Note 11 - Leases in the Statements of Lessors

The County leases out various office spaces to many outside organizations and receives lease payments every year per a written lease contract agreement. The building also houses the County's public health unit, the Prosecuting Attorney, and the 911 office. During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the County received total lease rental payments of \$153,744 and \$126,960, respectively.

Note 12 - Claims, Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation

The County is subject to various claims and legal proceeding covering a wide range of matters that arise in the ordinary course of its business activities. Management believes that any liability that may ultimately result from the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the County.

The County of Howard Fayette, Missouri Notes to the Financial Statements For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Note 12 - Claims, Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

Compensated Absences

Vacation time is accrued for every full-time employee in the county and accrues at different rates up to a maximum of twenty-one days per year. An employee may carry annual vacation leave days over to the following year up to the maximum earned in one year to be taken in the following year. Compensation for unused vacation is at the discretion of the County Commission. The county provides full-time county employees with up to one day of sick leave time per month and may accumulate to an unlimited amount of days. Sick leave is not paid upon termination of employment with the county. Vacation and personal leave amounts are reported as disbursements when they are paid. These have not been subjected to auditing procedures.

Federal and State Assisted Programs

The County receives proceeds from several federal and state grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned. Such audits could result in refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the potential refund of grant monies.

Note 13 - Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters, and has established a risk management strategy that attempts to minimize losses and the carrying costs of insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

The County is a member of the Missouri Association of Counties Self-Insurance Workers' Compensation and Insurance Fund. The county purchases workers' compensation insurance through this fund, a non-profit corporation established to provide insurance coverage to Missouri Counties. The fund is self-insured up to \$500,000 per occurrence and reinsured up to the statutory limit through excess insurance.

Note 14 - Subsequent Events

The County has evaluated events subsequent to December 31, 2018 to assess the need for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Such events have been evaluated through August 19, 2019, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based upon this evaluation, it was determined that no subsequent events occured that required recognition or additional disclosure in the financial statements.



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

To the County Commission and Officeholders of Howard County, Missouri

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the accompanying financial statements of Howard County, Missouri as of and for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Howard County, Missouri's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 19, 2019.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Howard County, Missouri'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 Howard County, Missouri's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Howard County, Missouri's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses that we consider to be a significant deficiency as item 2018-001.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Howard County, Missouri'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 instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2018-002 and 2018-003.

Howard County, Missouri's Responses to Findings

Howard County, Missouri's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Howard County, Missouri's responses were 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.

Creve Coeur, Missouri August 19, 2019

Schedule of Findings and Responses

For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Financial Statement Findings

2018-001 **Condition:** During our audit, we noted there is no formal fraud risk assessment in place.

Effect: Lack of an appropriate fraud risk assessment process may result in certain risks not being identified by County's management. Opportunities to commit and conceal a fraud or irregularity may go undetected by management without proper assessment procedures.

Cause: Management has not prepared documentation of risk assessments, including identifying risks and mitigating controls.

Criteria: Antifraud programs and controls are the policies and procedures put in place by an organization to help ensure that management directives are carried out. They are part of the overall system of internal control established to achieve reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County address various risks in the environment, including risk of fraud occurring by performing assessments to identify, analyze, and manage these risks.

Management's Response: The County is looking into updating the accounting policies and procedures manual to include a fraud risk assessment.

2018-002 **Condition:** During our audit, it was noted that the County failed to keep appropriate minutes for closed session meetings.

Effect: Due to failure to keep appropriate minutes for closed sessions meetings, the County is in violation of Missouri Revised Statutes.

Cause: Oversight

Criteria: RSMo. Section 51.120 requires the clerk of a county commission to keep an accurate record of the orders, rules, and proceedings of the county commission.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County keep appropriate minutes for closed session meetings.

Management's Response: The County is looking into better record-keeping procedures for closed meeting minutes.

Schedule of Findings and Responses For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Financial Statement Findings (continued)

2018-003 **Condition:** During our audit, it was noted that the County was not in compliance with Missouri budgetary state statute Chapter 50 RSMo. The following funds did not have a budget prepared in 2018 or 2017: Local Emergency Planning Commission Fund.

Effect: Due to lack of prepared budget, the County is in violation of Missouri Revised Statutes.

Cause: Oversight

Criteria: Missouri statutes requires Counties to prepare an annual budget as applicable to each fund. Expenditures are not to exceed the budget and funds are not to be budgeted at a deficit.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County prepare the required budgets for each fund.

Management's Response: The County Treasurer was unaware of this account (which was done prior to her coming into office and was under the direction of the prior County Commission) being under the Howard County employer identification number (EIN). It has now been detected, removed from the County's EIN, changed of status at the bank, and included under the EIN of the Local Emergency Planning Commission.

Fayette, Missouri

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, this section reports the auditor's follow-up on action taken by Howard County, Missouri, on the applicable findings in the prior audit report issued for the two years ended December 31, 2014 & 2013.

Prior Year Financial Statement Finding

2014-01 Budgetary Noncompliance on Expenditure Use

Condition: Expenditures were made in 2014 and 2013 from the General Revenue Fund Emergency Fund classification totaling \$3,283 and \$45, respectively, which did not meet the statutory requirement of being emergency-type expenditures.

Criteria: Section 50.540.4 RSMo., states that the expenditures shall be made only for unforeseen emergencies and only on unanimous vote of the county commission.

Cause: The County Commission and County Clerk did not understand the statutory provision for use of the Emergency Fund within the General Revenue Fund.

Effect: The County Commission and the County Clerk did not follow state law and budgetary guidelines on the preparation of budget documents.

Recommendation: The County Commission and County Clerk should only use the Emergency Fund expenditure classification within the General Revenue Fund in accordance with the provisions of the state law.

Management's Response: The Howard County Commission and the County Clerk concur with the recommendation and will use the Emergency Fund expenditure classification within the General Revenue Fund in accordance with the provisions of the state law.

Status: Management has corrected this issue, therefore, this finding will not be repeated.

Prior Year Federal Award Finding

2014-02 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Federal Grantor: U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Transportation General Services Administration Election Assistance Commission

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Pass-Through Grantor: Various Federal CFDA Number: Various Program Title: Various

Pass-through Entity

Identifying Number: n/a

Award Year: 2014 and 2013

Questioned Costs: n/a

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs For the years ended December 31, 2018 & 2017

Prior Year Federal Award Finding (continued)

Condition: The County's Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) contained some errors and omissions of information required by the federal government. Purchases of state surplus property and federal disaster payments were not reported on the 2014 SEFA, and federal awards for the County's public health unit were not properly reported or some not reported on the SEFA for both 2014 and 2013. Also, federal bridge 20% credit or soft match funds distributed to the county totaling \$101,228 for 2014 and \$57,199 for 2013 were also excluded by the county. Total amendments to the County's SEFA for 2014 and 2013 were \$242,263 and \$50,535, respectively.

Criteria: Section .310(b) of Circular A-133, Audit of States, Local Governments, and Non-profit Organizations, requires the county to prepare a SEFA for the period covered by the county's financial statements. The county is required to submit the SEFA to the State Auditor's Office as part of the annual budget.

Cause: The County Commission and County Clerk did not take the appropriate steps to ensure the accuracy of the SEFA.

Effect: The SEFA schedules prepared for the County's federal programs were misstated for both years of 2014 and 2013.

Recommendation: Compilation of the SEFA requires consulting county financial records and requesting information from other departments and/or officials. The county should take steps to ensure all departments and/or officials properly track federal awards to ensure all federal awards are properly reported on the SEFA.

Management's Response: The Howard County Commission and the County Clerk concurs with the recommendation and is taking steps to ensure all departments and/or officials properly track federal awards to ensure all federal awards are properly reported on the SEFA.

Status: This finding is no longer applicable.