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MISSOURI STATE AUDITOR

To the County Commission  
and  
Officeholders of Gasconade County, Missouri

The Office of the State Auditor contracted for an audit of Gasconade County's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, 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 CR Williams & Associates, LLC, Certified Public Accountants, is attached.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Fitzpatrick". The signature is stylized with a large, flowing "S" and a clear, legible "Fitzpatrick".

Scott Fitzpatrick  
State Auditor

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GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI  
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

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## GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI

### List of Elected Officials 2021

#### *County Commission*

Presiding Commissioner  
Commissioner, Northern District  
Commissioner, Southern District

Larry Miskel  
Jim Holland  
Jerry Lairmore

#### *Other Elected Officials*

Assessor  
Circuit Clerk Court/Ex Officio Recorder  
Collector  
County Clerk  
Coroner  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Public Administrator  
Sheriff  
Surveyor  
Treasurer

Paul Schulte  
Pamela R. Greunke  
Shawn Schlottach  
Lesa Lietzow  
Jeffrey Arnold  
Mary Weston  
Kelly Brehe Thomas  
Scott Eiler  
Vincent Klott  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the County Commission and Officeholders of  
Gasconade County, Missouri

### **Unmodified and Adverse Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Gasconade County, Missouri, which comprise the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash - All Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis and the Statement of Fiduciary Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash - Regulatory Basis as of December 31, 2021, and the related Statements of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash – Budget and Actual Regulatory Basis for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### **Unmodified Opinions on Regulatory Basis of Accounting**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash - All Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis and the Statement of Fiduciary Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash - Regulatory Basis as of December 31, 2021, and the related Statements of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash – Budget and Actual Regulatory Basis for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Missouri Law described in Note 1.

### **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 and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the accompanying 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 each fund of the County as of December 31, 2021 or changes in net position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

### **Basis for Unmodified and Adverse Opinion**

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Gasconade County, Missouri, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT- (continued)

### *Matter Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the County on the basis of the financial reporting provisions prescribed or permitted by Missouri law, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of Missouri. 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 and pervasive.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Missouri Law, as described in Note 1. 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Gasconade County, Missouri's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT- (continued)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Gasconade County, Missouri's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Gasconade County, Missouri's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

### **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 3, 2023, on our consideration of Gasconade 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Gasconade 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 Gasconade County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*CRWilliams & Associates LLC*

St. Louis, Missouri  
March 3, 2023

**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**REGULATORY BASIS**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents December 31, 2020</b>	<b>Receipts 2021</b>	<b>Disbursements 2021</b>	<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents December 31, 2021</b>
General Revenue	\$ 335,928	\$ 2,450,647	\$ 2,328,707	\$ 457,868
Special Road and Bridge	407,240	2,414,167	2,430,660	390,747
Assessment	607,758	286,618	366,304	528,072
Union Electric Standard Operating Procedure	42,361	50,849	49,542	43,668
Law Enforcement Training	574	1,160	747	987
Prosecuting Attorney Training	1,529	831	-	2,360
Admin Handling Cost	35,868	1,230	617	36,481
Courthouse Restoration	10,865	1,754	1,680	10,939
Sheriff Revolving CCW Fee	25,579	12,006	6,628	30,957
Family Service & Justice	1,799	2,523	-	4,322
Recorder's Technology	2,563	5,464	4,150	3,877
Election Services	13,129	6,385	14,047	5,467
Victims of Domestic Violence	231	509	500	240
Recorder's Retention of Records	73,592	25,895	34,222	65,265
Inmate Security	2,220	1,271	-	3,491
Tax Maintenance	87,636	23,567	15,896	95,307
American Rescue Plan Act	-	1,431,231	2,997	1,428,234
CARES Act	65,604	1,848	67,452	-
Community Mental Health	238,387	201,102	184,170	255,319
Sheriffs Department Law Enforcement	34,316	23,494	9,475	48,335
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,987,179</b>	<b>\$ 6,942,551</b>	<b>\$ 5,517,794</b>	<b>\$ 3,411,936</b>

See notes to financial statements

**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET**  
**AND ACTUAL**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**REGULATORY BASIS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<b>General Revenue Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	<b>\$ 335,928</b>	<b>\$ 335,928</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
<b>PROPERTY TAX</b>	439,500	425,540
<b>SALES TAX</b>	1,300,000	1,402,905
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES</b>	55,960	33,941
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	437,700	425,139
<b>INTEREST</b>	23,300	10,518
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	384,060	35,792
<b>TRANSFERS IN</b>	122,000	116,812
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>2,762,520</b>	<b>2,450,647</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<b>3,098,448</b>	<b>2,786,575</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
<b>SALARIES AND EMPLOYEES FRINGE BENEFITS</b>	1,445,505	1,366,403
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	59,818	54,988
<b>IMPROVEMENT &amp; REPAIRS</b>	58,500	37,639
<b>OFFICE</b>	881,219	811,642
<b>TRAINING</b>	15,800	14,355
<b>PROFESSIONAL FEES</b>	2,000	2,408
<b>EMERGENCY FUND</b>	71,939	-
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	30,141	41,272
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>2,564,922</b>	<b>2,328,707</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 533,526</b>	<b>\$ 457,868</b>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET**  
**AND ACTUAL**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<b>Special Road and Bridge Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	<b>\$ 407,240</b>	<b>\$ 407,240</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
<b>PROPERTY TAX</b>	708,377	664,286
<b>SALES TAX</b>	780,000	841,743
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES</b>	1,134,527	717,632
<b>INTEREST</b>	5,000	3,696
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	730,957	186,810
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>3,358,861</b>	<b>2,414,167</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<b>3,766,101</b>	<b>2,821,407</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
<b>SALARIES AND EMPLOYEES FRINGE BENEFITS</b>	688,392	631,446
<b>IMPROVEMENT &amp; REPAIRS</b>	2,347,300	1,669,634
<b>OFFICE</b>	17,590	15,127
<b>TRANSFERS OUT</b>	120,000	114,453
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>3,173,282</b>	<b>2,430,660</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 592,819</b>	<b>\$ 390,747</b>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
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	<b>Assessment Fund</b>		<b>Union Electric Standard Operating Procedure Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 607,758	\$ 607,758	\$ 42,361	\$ 42,361
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES</b>	259,400	278,163	-	-
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	1,500	2,030	-	-
<b>INTEREST</b>	3,500	3,403	300	349
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	1,500	3,022	50,000	50,500
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>265,900</u>	<u>286,618</u>	<u>50,300</u>	<u>50,849</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>873,658</u>	<u>894,376</u>	<u>92,661</u>	<u>93,210</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>SALARIES AND EMPLOYEES FRINGE BENEFITS</b>	264,411	211,495	24,759	23,862
<b>OFFICE</b>	127,900	154,809	30,900	23,321
<b>TRANSFERS OUT</b>	-	-	2,000	2,359
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>392,311</u>	<u>366,304</u>	<u>57,659</u>	<u>49,542</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 481,347</u>	<u>\$ 528,072</u>	<u>\$ 35,002</u>	<u>\$ 43,668</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
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	<b>Law Enforcement Training Fund</b>		<b>Prosecuting Attorney Training Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 574	\$ 574	\$ 1,529	\$ 1,529
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	600	654	700	820
<b>INTEREST</b>	8	6	7	11
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	500	500	-	-
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>1,108</u>	<u>1,160</u>	<u>707</u>	<u>831</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>1,682</u>	<u>1,734</u>	<u>2,236</u>	<u>2,360</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>TRAINING</b>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>747</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>747</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 82</u>	<u>\$ 987</u>	<u>\$ 1,536</u>	<u>\$ 2,360</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
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	<b>Admin Handling Cost Fund</b>		<b>Courthouse Restoration Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	<u>\$ 35,868</u>	<u>\$ 35,868</u>	<u>\$ 10,865</u>	<u>\$ 10,865</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	1,500	1,047	-	-
<b>INTEREST</b>	200	183	60	55
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	-	-	5,000	1,699
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>1,230</u>	<u>5,060</u>	<u>1,754</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>37,568</u>	<u>37,098</u>	<u>15,925</u>	<u>12,619</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>COURTHOUSE REMODEL</b>	-	-	15,000	1,680
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	5,200	617	-	-
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>5,200</u>	<u>617</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>1,680</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u><u>\$ 32,368</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 36,481</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 925</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 10,939</u></u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
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	<b>Sheriff Revolving CCW Fee Fund</b>		<b>Family Service &amp; Justice Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 25,579	\$ 25,579	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,799
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	9,000	11,862	3,300	2,507
<b>INTEREST</b>	150	144	40	16
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>12,006</u>	<u>3,340</u>	<u>2,523</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>34,729</u>	<u>37,585</u>	<u>5,139</u>	<u>4,322</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>OFFICE</b>	20,000	3,715	500	-
<b>PROFESSIONAL FEES</b>	-	-	4,500	-
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	2,500	2,913	-	-
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>22,500</u>	<u>6,628</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 12,229</u>	<u>\$ 30,957</u>	<u>\$ 139</u>	<u>\$ 4,322</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**REGULATORY BASIS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<b>Recorder's Technology Fund</b>		<b>Election Services Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 2,563	\$ 2,563	\$ 13,129	\$ 13,129
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	5,400	5,446	3,375	3,993
<b>INTEREST</b>	35	18	40	61
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	-	-	1,800	2,331
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>5,435</u>	<u>5,464</u>	<u>5,215</u>	<u>6,385</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>7,998</u>	<u>8,027</u>	<u>18,344</u>	<u>19,514</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	-	-	9,500	7,671
<b>SOFTWARE</b>	5,910	4,150	-	-
<b>OFFICE</b>	-	-	1,000	740
<b>TRAINING</b>	2,000	-	-	719
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	-	-	5,000	4,917
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>7,910</u>	<u>4,150</u>	<u>15,500</u>	<u>14,047</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 88</u>	<u>\$ 3,877</u>	<u>\$ 2,844</u>	<u>\$ 5,467</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
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	<b>Victims of Domestic Violence Fund</b>		<b>Recorder's Retention of Records Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 231	\$ 231	\$ 73,592	\$ 73,592
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	550	505	25,000	25,505
<b>INTEREST</b>	4	4	350	390
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>554</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>25,350</u>	<u>25,895</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>785</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>98,942</u>	<u>99,487</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	-	-	25,000	-
<b>SOFTWARE</b>	-	-	13,790	34,222
<b>OFFICE</b>	600	500	-	-
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>600</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>38,790</u>	<u>34,222</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 185</u>	<u>\$ 240</u>	<u>\$ 60,152</u>	<u>\$ 65,265</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
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	<b>Inmate Security Fund</b>		<b>Tax Maintenance Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 2,220	\$ 2,220	\$ 87,636	\$ 87,636
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	1,000	1,256	24,293	23,032
<b>INTEREST</b>	10	15	450	535
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>1,010</u>	<u>1,271</u>	<u>24,743</u>	<u>23,567</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>3,230</u>	<u>3,491</u>	<u>112,379</u>	<u>111,203</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	1,500	-	-	-
<b>IMPROVEMENT &amp; REPAIRS</b>	-	-	24,000	4,706
<b>SOFTWARE</b>	-	-	16,000	9,918
<b>OFFICE</b>	-	-	26,150	156
<b>TRAINING</b>	-	-	500	-
<b>PROFESSIONAL FEES</b>	-	-	2,000	300
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	-	-	-	816
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,650</u>	<u>15,896</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 1,730</u>	<u>\$ 3,491</u>	<u>\$ 43,729</u>	<u>\$ 95,307</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**REGULATORY BASIS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<b>American Rescue Plan Act Fund</b>		<b>CARES Act Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65,604	\$ 65,604
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES</b>	1,428,234	1,428,234	-	-
<b>INTEREST</b>	10,000	2,997	180	164
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	-	-	1,684	1,684
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>1,438,234</u>	<u>1,431,231</u>	<u>1,864</u>	<u>1,848</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<u>1,438,234</u>	<u>1,431,231</u>	<u>67,468</u>	<u>67,452</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>CONSTRUCTION &amp; REPAIRS</b>	1,328,234	-		
<b>OFFICE</b>	-	-	67,468	67,452
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	100,000	2,997	-	-
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<u>1,428,234</u>	<u>2,997</u>	<u>67,468</u>	<u>67,452</u>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,428,234</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**REGULATORY BASIS**  
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	<b>Community Mental Health Fund</b>		<b>Sheriffs Department Law Enforcement Fund</b>	
	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, BEGINNING</b>	\$ 238,387	\$ 238,387	\$ 34,316	\$ 34,316
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>PROPERTY TAX</b>	-	200,913	-	-
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	-	-	22,500	16,736
<b>INTEREST</b>	-	189	250	209
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	-	-	5,000	6,549
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	-	201,102	27,750	23,494
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	238,387	439,489	62,066	57,810
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>				
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	-	-	20,000	-
<b>OFFICE</b>	-	-	3,000	-
<b>TRAINING</b>	-	-	2,500	8,435
<b>MENTAL SERVICES</b>	200,000	182,460	-	-
<b>OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS</b>	18,860	1,710	5,000	1,040
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	218,860	184,170	30,500	9,475
<b>NET CASH AVAILABLE, ENDING</b>	\$ 19,527	\$ 255,319	\$ 31,566	\$ 48,335

See notes to financial statements.

**GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS**  
**AGENCY FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS**  
**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	<b>Sheriff Dep Salary Supplementation</b>	<b>Surplus Tax</b>	<b>Unclaimed Fees</b>	<b>School Fines &amp; Forfeitures</b>	<b>School Bldg Revolving Loan</b>	<b>City Intangibles</b>	<b>School Districts</b>	<b>Ambulance Districts</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 400	\$ 16,418	\$ 411	\$ 12,155	\$ 550	\$ 268	\$ 2,721	\$ 82
Total Assets	<u>400</u>	<u>16,418</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>12,155</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>268</u>	<u>2,721</u>	<u>82</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>								
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>400</u>	<u>16,418</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>12,155</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>268</u>	<u>2,721</u>	<u>82</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 400</u>	<u>\$ 16,418</u>	<u>\$ 411</u>	<u>\$ 12,155</u>	<u>\$ 550</u>	<u>\$ 268</u>	<u>\$ 2,721</u>	<u>\$ 82</u>

	<b>Fire Districts</b>	<b>Morrison Levee District</b>	<b>Hermann Area District Hospital</b>	<b>Gasconade County Health Department</b>	<b>Scenic Regional Library</b>	<b>Gasc Manor Nursing Home District</b>	<b>County Employees Retirement</b>	<b>Total Agency Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 19	\$ 20	\$ 207	\$ 63	\$ 129	\$ 55	\$ 3,290	\$ 36,788
Total Assets	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>3,290</u>	<u>36,788</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>								
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>3,290</u>	<u>36,788</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 19</u>	<u>\$ 20</u>	<u>\$ 207</u>	<u>\$ 63</u>	<u>\$ 129</u>	<u>\$ 55</u>	<u>\$ 3,290</u>	<u>\$ 36,788</u>

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THE COUNTY OF GASCONADE  
HERMANN, MISSOURI  
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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The County of Gasconade, Missouri ("County"), which is governed by a three-member board of commissioners, was established in 1820 by an Act of the Missouri Territory. In addition to the three Commissioners, there are 10 elected Constitutional Officers: Assessor, County Clerk, Collector, Coroner, Treasurer, County Surveyor, Circuit Clerk/Recorder of Deeds, Sheriff, Public Administrator and Prosecuting Attorney.

As discussed further in Note I, 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).

A. Reporting Entity

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, as applicable to the regulatory basis of accounting, these financial statements present the financial accountability of the County.

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

The financial statements referred to above include only the primary government of Gasconade County, Missouri, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that comprise the County's legal entity. The financial statements do not include financial data for the County's legally separate component unit, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applicable to the regulatory basis of accounting, the Gasconade County Senate Bill 40 Board has issued separate reporting entity audited financial statements.

The County is also responsible for appointing a majority of the members of the board of the Community Mental Health Services Board but the County's accountability for this organization does not extend beyond making appointments.

B. Basis of Presentation

The financial statements are presented using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Missouri Law, which include a Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances – All Governmental Funds, Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances – Budget and Actual – All Governmental Funds, and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities Arising from Cash Transactions – Agency Funds.

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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (concluded)

Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. A fund is considered a separate accounting entity with self-balancing accounts. The following fund types are used by the County:

**Governmental Fund Types**

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The County's expendable financial resources are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is upon determination of and changes in financial position rather than upon net income.

**Fiduciary Fund Types**

*Agency* – Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity as an agent of individuals, private organizations, other funds, or other governmental units. Agency funds are accounted for and reported similar to the governmental funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve the measurement of results of operations. These funds account for activities of collections for other taxing units by the Collector of Revenue and other officeholders.

C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared on the regulatory basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes amounts when received or disbursed in cash and differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Those principles require revenues to be recognized when they become available and measurable or when they are earned, and expenditures or expenses to be recognized when the related liabilities are incurred.

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.

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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

C. Basis of Accounting (continued)

If the 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.

D. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The County follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. In accordance with Chapter 50 RSMo, the County adopts a budget for each governmental fund.
2. On or before January 15th, each elected officer 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.
3. The County Clerk submits to the County Commission a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1. The proposed budget included 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.
4. 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.
5. Prior to February 1, the budget is legally enacted by a vote of the County Commission.
6. 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 information in the financial statements.

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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Budget and Budgetary Accounting (continued)

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the County Commission throughout the year. Individual amendments were not material in relation to the original appropriations which were adopted.

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

State law requires that budgeted expenditures not exceed budgeted revenues plus anticipated beginning fund balance. Section 50.740 RSMo prohibits expenditures in excess of the approved budget.

E. Property 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.

The assessed valuation of the tangible taxable property, included within the County's boundaries for the calendar year 2021 for purposes of taxation, was:

	<u>2021</u>
Real Property	\$ 179,377,680.00
Personal Property	61,248,244.00
Railroad and Utilities	<u>32,801,391.00</u>
	<u><u>\$ 273,427,315.00</u></u>

During 2021, the County Commission approved a \$0.3935 tax levy per \$100 of assessed valuation of tangible taxable property, for purposes of County taxation, as follows:

	<u>2021</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 0.1394
Special Road and Bridge Fund	<u>\$ 0.2541</u>
	<u><u>\$ 0.3935</u></u>

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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

F. Cash Deposits and Investments

Deposits and investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. Cash balances for all the County Treasurer 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, or time certificates of deposit, provided, however, that no such investment 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 the County's name at third-party banking institutions. Details of these cash balances are presented in Note II.

G. Interfund Transactions

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables, if applicable, are eliminated due to reporting the financial statements on the regulatory basis of accounting. Legally required transfers are reported as "transfers in" by the recipient fund and as "transfers out" by the disbursing fund.

II. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The 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 as "Cash" under each fund's caption. In addition, cash is separately held by several of the County's funds.

Deposits - Missouri statutes require that all deposits with financial institutions be collateralized in an amount at least equal to uninsured deposits. At December 31, 2021, the carrying amount of the County's deposits and investments was \$3,156,616, and the bank balance was \$3,193,404. The total bank balance as of December 31, 2021, was insured through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and securities set by the County's financial institutions.

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II. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

SUMMARY OF CARRYING VALUES

The carrying values of deposits shown above are included in the financial statements at December 31, 2021, as follows:

Statements of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances

Deposits and cash equivalents	\$ 3,411,936.00
Total Governmental Funds	<u>3,411,936.00</u>

Statements of Assets and Liabilities Arising from Cash Transactions-  
Agency Funds

Deposits and cash equivalents	\$ 36,788.00
Total Agency Funds	<u>36,788.00</u>
Total Deposits as of December 31, 2021	<u><u>\$ 3,448,724.00</u></u>

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. The County's investment policy does not include custodial credit risk requirements. The County's deposits were not exposed to custodial credit risk for the year ended December 31, 2021.

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 who sold the security to the County or its agent but not in the government's name. The County does not have a policy for custodial credit risk relating to investments.

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. 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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II. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

Concentration of Investment Credit Risk

Concentration of investment credit risk is required to be disclosed by the 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). The County has no policy in place to minimize the risk of loss resulting from over concentration of assets in specific maturity, specific issuer or specific class of securities. The County's deposits were not exposed to concentration of investment credit risk for the year ended December 31, 2021.

III. LOANS PAYABLE

On September 14, 2017, the County entered into a loan agreement with Peoples Savings Bank of Rhineland in the amount of \$488,000.00, with a 2% interest rate. This loan was renewed on February 1, 2021. The principal balance renewed was \$219,722.67 and to mature on February 1, 2022. During 2021, the County made payments to principal and interest amounting \$76,013. Subsequently, it was renewed on February 1, 2022, and paid off completely on December 20, 2022.

The loan proceeds were used to replace the roof on the County Courthouse. These payments were made from the General Revenue Fund.

IV. OPERATING LEASES

On February 6, 2020, the Gasconade County Sheriff's office entered into an operating lease with Marco Technologies LLC for two copiers. The lease requires a monthly payment of \$189.72 per month for a term of 60 months. The lease expires in February 2025.

On September 9, 2019, the Gasconade County Emergency Management entered into an operating lease with Marco Technologies LLC for a copier. The lease requires a monthly payment of \$88.52 per month for a term of 60 months. The lease expires in September 2024.

The future payments for the operating lease as of December 31, 2021, are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Rental Payments
2022	\$ 3,338.88
2023	3,338.88
2024	3,073.32
2025	379.44
	<u>\$ 10,130.52</u>

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V. INTERFUND TRANSFER

Transfers between funds for the year ended December 31, 2021, are as follows:

	2021	
	TRANSFERS IN	TRANSFERS OUT
General Revenue Fund	\$ 116,812.00	\$ -
Special Road and Bridge Fund	-	114,453.00
Union Electric SOP Fund	-	2,359.00
TOTAL	<u>\$ 116,812.00</u>	<u>\$ 116,812.00</u>

Transfers are used to (1) move receipts from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to disburse them, and (2) use unrestricted receipts in the General Revenue Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

VI. COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND (CERF)

A. Plan Description

CERF was established by an act of the Missouri General Assembly effective August 28, 1994. Laws governing the retirement fund are found in Sections 50.1000-50.1300 of the Missouri Revised Statutes (RSMo). The Board of Directors consists of eleven members, nine of whom are county employee participants. Two members, who have no beneficiary interest in CERF, are appointed by the Governor of Missouri. The Board of Directors has the authority to adopt rules and regulations for administering the system.

CERF is a mandatory cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement system for each county in the state of Missouri, except any city not within a county (which excludes the City of St. Louis) and counties of the first classification with a charter form of government. CERF covers county elective or appointive officers or employees whose position requires the actual performance of duties not less than 1,000 hours per year; including employees of circuit courts located in a first class, non-charter county which is not participating in the Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS); and does not cover circuit clerks, deputy circuit clerks, county prosecuting attorneys, and county sheriffs. Until January 1, 2000, employees hired before January 1, 2000, could opt out of the system.

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VI. COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND (CERF)

A. Plan Description (continued)

CERF is a defined benefit plan providing retirement and death benefits to its members. All benefits vest after 8 years of creditable service. Employees who retire on or after age 62 are entitled to an allowance for life based on the form of payment selected. The normal form of payment is a single life annuity. Optional joint and survivor annuity and 10-year certain and life annuity payments are also offered to members in order to provide benefits to a named survivor annuitant after their death. Employees who have a minimum of 8 years of creditable service may retire with an early retirement benefit and receive a reduced allowance after attaining age 55. Annual cost-of-living adjustments, not to exceed 1%, are provided for eligible retirees and survivor annuitants, up to a lifetime maximum of 50% of the initial benefit which the member received upon retirement. Benefit provisions are fixed by state statute and may be amended only by action of the Missouri Legislature. Administrative expenses for the operation of CERF are paid out of the funds of the system.

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, MO 65101, or by calling 1-573-632-9203.

B. 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 have contributions of 4% made by the County 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. During 2021, the County collected and remitted to CERF, employee contributions of \$27,624 for the year then ended.

VII. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS)

A. Plan Description

The Gasconade County's defined benefit pension plan provides certain retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Gasconade County participates in the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS). LAGERS is an agent multiple employers, statewide public employee pension plan established in 1967 and administered in accordance with RSMo. 70.600-70.755.

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VII. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS)

A. Plan Description (continued)

As such, it is LAGERS 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 responsibility for the operations and administration of LAGERS is vested in the LAGERS Board of Trustees consisting of seven persons. LAGERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. This report may be obtained by accessing the LAGERS website at [www.molagers.org](http://www.molagers.org).

B. Benefits Provided

LAGERS provides retirement, death, and disability benefits to employees of participating political subdivisions. All benefits vest after 5 years of credited service. Employees who retire on or after age 60 (55 for police and fire) with 5 or more years of service are entitled to an allowance for life based upon the benefit program then in effect for their political subdivision. Employees may retire with an early retirement benefit with a minimum of 5 years of credited service and after attaining age 55 (50 for police and fire) and receive a reduced allowance. The LAGERS Board of Trustees establishes the benefit plans and provisions that are available for adoption. The political subdivision's governing body adopts all benefits of the plan.

	<u>2021 Valuation</u>
Benefit Multiplier:	1.50%
Final Average Salary:	5 Years
Member Contributions:	0%

Benefit terms provide for annual post retirement adjustments to each member's retirement allowance subsequent to the member's retirement date. The annual adjustment is based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index and is limited to 4% per year.

Employees Covered By Benefit Terms

At June 30, 2021, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Police</u>
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	32	13
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	11	30
Active employees	31	8
TOTAL	<u>74</u>	<u>51</u>

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VII. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LAGERS)  
(continued)

B. Employees Covered By Benefit Terms (continued)

The employer is required to contribute amounts at least equal to the actuarially determined rate, as established by LAGERS. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance an unfunded accrued liability. Full-time employees of Gasconade County do not contribute to the pension plan. Employer contribution rates are 2.4% (General) and 4% (Police) of annual covered payroll.

VIII. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY RETIREMENT FUND

In accordance with state statute Chapter 56.807 RSMo, the County contributes monthly to the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services for deposit to the credit of the Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorney Retirement System Fund. Once remitted, the State of Missouri is responsible for administration of this plan. The County has contributed \$3,366 for the year ended December 31, 2021.

IX. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The 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 the County. There were no participants at December 31, 2021.

X. CLAIMS COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

A. Litigation

The County was involved in pending litigation as of the audit report date. The County's attorneys are vigorously defending the County in these matters. County management believes that such litigation and claims will ultimately be resolved without material financial liability, if any, to the County.

B. Compensated Absences (Vacation and Sick Time)

The County provides employees with up to four weeks of paid vacation based upon the number of years of continuous service. This ranges from getting two weeks after the first year of service. Upon termination from county employment, an employee is reimbursed for unused vacation and overtime, if applicable. All regular full-time employees, working 30 hours a week or more, in the County earn four hours of sick leave for each calendar month of employment.

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X. CLAIMS COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (continued)

B. Compensated Absences (Vacation and Sick Time) (continued)

Sick leave for new and terminated full time employees is prorated based on when the employee starts or terminates employment during the month. The employee receives one hour of sick leave for each week worked the first and last month of employment. Upon termination from county employment, an employee is reimbursed for unused sick leave, if applicable.

C. Federal and State Assisted Programs

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

XI. 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 participant in a public entity risk pool which is a corporate and political body created pursuant to state statute (Section 537.700 RSMo.). The purpose of the risk pool is to provide liability protection to participating public entities, their officials, and employees. Annual contributions are collected based on actuarial projections to produce sufficient funds to pay losses and expenses. Should contributions not produce sufficient funds to meet its obligations, the risk pool is empowered with the ability to make special assessments. Members are jointly and severally liable for all claims against the risk pool.

The County is also a member of the Missouri Association of Counties Self-Insured Workers' Compensation and Insurance Fund. The County purchases workers' compensation insurance through this Fund, a non-profit corporation established for the purpose of providing insurance coverage for Missouri counties. The Fund is self-insured up to \$2,000,000 per occurrence and is reinsured up to the statutory limit through excess insurance.

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XII. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The County has evaluated events subsequent to December 31, 2021 to assess the need for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Such events were evaluated through March 3, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

The county believes that there are no subsequent events that need to be disclosed in the financial statements.

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

To the County Commission and Officeholders of  
Gasconade County, Missouri

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 Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash - All Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis and the Statement of Fiduciary Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash - Regulatory Basis, and the related Statements of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash – Budget and Actual Regulatory Basis of Gasconade County, Missouri as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Gasconade County, Missouri's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 3, 2023.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Gasconade County, Missouri's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Gasconade County, Missouri's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Gasconade 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 was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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**Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Gasconade 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 financial statements. 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*.

**Gasconade County, Missouri's Response to Findings**

*Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Gasconade County, Missouri's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Gasconade County, Missouri's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

**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.

*CRWilliams & Associates LLC*

St. Louis, Missouri  
March 3, 2023

GASCONADE COUNTY MISSOURI  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

No Findings in the current year noted.

GASCONADE COUNTY MISSOURI  
STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

**2020-001** Criteria: Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) No. 115, Communicating Internal Control Related Matters Identified in an Audit, which is effective for periods ending on or after December 15, 2009, as amended by SAS No. 122, Statements on Auditing Standards: Clarification and Recodification, considers inadequate documentation of the components of internal control to be at least a significant deficiency.

Condition: Documentation of the County's internal controls has not been prepared.

Status: The condition was resolved and does not exist anymore as of December 31, 2021.

**2020-002** 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.

Condition: During the audit, we noted there is no formal fraud risk assessment in place.

Status: The condition was resolved and does not exist anymore as of December 31, 2021.

**2020-003** Criteria: SAS No. 55, Consideration of Internal Control in a Financial Statement Audit, as amended by SAS No. 78, Consideration of Internal Control in a Financial Statement Audit: An Amendment to SAS No. 55.

Condition: Lack of sufficient segregation of duties within the offices of the Collector and Treasurer.

Status: The condition was resolved and does not exist anymore as of December 31, 2021.