

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Supervisors
Township of Franconia
Telford, Pennsylvania

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discreetly presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Franconia (Township), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discreetly presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township, as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund, and the open space fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Township 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 opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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 the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditors' 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 auditors' report that includes our opinions. 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 GAAS 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 GAAS, 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.
- 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 the Township'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 the Township'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.

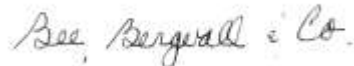
Required Supplementary Information

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

We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund statements are presented for additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



Bee, Bergvall and Company, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants

Warrington, PA
November 14, 2024

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
Management's Discussion and Analysis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Our discussion and analysis of the Township of Franconia's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements that begin on page 13.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the Township exceeded its liabilities at the close of 2023 by \$29,987,582 as outlined in the Statement of Net Position. Of this amount, \$17,030,403 represents the Township's net investment in capital assets, while \$8,491,672 represents amounts which are restricted for open space, fire protection, highway, library, recycling, and street light and hydrant purposes. The Township's unrestricted net position as of December 31, 2023 totaled \$4,465,507.
- The results of the Township's operations for the year ending December 31, 2023 as outlined in the Statement of Activities produced a positive change in net position of \$3,042,171.
- As of the close of the current calendar year, the Township's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$13,834,021 as outlined in the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds. Of this amount, \$8,603,033 represents amounts which are either nonspendable, restricted, assigned, or committed, while the total governmental funds unassigned fund balance position as of December 31, 2023 totaled \$5,230,988.
- The net positive change in the governmental funds' fund balance for the year ending December 31, 2023 as outlined in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds was \$2,185,881.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Report Components

This annual report consists of five parts as follows:

Government-Wide Financial Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities (on pages 13 - 15) provide information about the activities of the Township government-wide (or "as a whole") and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis
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Report Components (Continued)

Government-Wide Financial Statements (continued):

The government-wide financial statements include not only the Township of Franconia itself (known as the Primary Government), but also the legally separate entity which is financially accountable to the Township (known as the component unit). The component unit is the Franconia Sewer Authority. Information for the component unit is reported separately from the financial information presented for the Township itself.

Fund Financial Statements: Fund financial statements focus separately on major Governmental Funds and Fiduciary Funds. Governmental Funds statements follow the more traditional presentation of financial statements. The Township's major Governmental Funds are presented in their own columns, and the remaining funds are combined into a column titled "Other Governmental Funds". Statements for the Township's Fiduciary Funds follow the Governmental Funds and include net position, additions, deductions, and changes in net position. Fiduciary Funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary Funds are not reflected in the government-wide statements because the Township cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

Notes to the Financial Statements: The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Required Supplementary Information: This management's discussion and analysis (pages 5 - 12) and the schedules of changes in the net pension liability and related ratios and schedules of contributions for both the police and non-uniform pension plans (pages 58-63) represent financial information required by GASB to be presented. Such information provides users of this report with additional data that supplements the government-wide statements, fund financial statements, and notes (referred to as "the basic financial statements").

Other Information: The combining and individual nonmajor fund statements and schedules (pages 65-70) present additional financial information which is not required by GASB to be presented, but is designed to provide the reader with additional data that supplements the basic financial statements.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
Management's Discussion and Analysis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

REPORTING THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE

The Township's Reporting Entity Presentation

This annual report includes all activities for which the Franconia Township Board of Supervisors is fiscally responsible. These activities, defined as the Township's reporting entity, are operated within separate entities that make up the primary government.

The Government-Wide Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

Our financial analysis of the Township as a whole begins on page 8. The government-wide financial statements are presented on pages 13 - 15. One of the most important questions asked about the Township's finances is, "Is the Township as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities report information about the Township as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all of the Township's assets and liabilities resulting from the use of the accrual basis of accounting.

These two statements report the Township's net position and changes in it. You can think of the Township's net position - the difference between assets/deferred outflows and liabilities/deferred inflows - as one way to measure the Township's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors, however, such as changes in the Township's tax base and the condition of the Township's roads, to assess the overall health of the Township.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
Management's Discussion and Analysis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE

Net Position

The net position of both the Township and its discretely presented component unit as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, are presented below:

TABLE 1

	Governmental Activities		Discretely Presented Component Units	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 15,566,553	\$ 14,068,009	\$ 5,741,846	\$ 5,207,323
Capital assets	<u>20,549,898</u>	<u>20,039,190</u>	<u>31,827,967</u>	<u>32,059,667</u>
Total Assets	<u>36,116,451</u>	<u>34,107,199</u>	<u>37,569,813</u>	<u>37,266,990</u>
Deferred outflows	<u>1,200,337</u>	<u>1,945,642</u>	<u>195,675</u>	<u>228,199</u>
Long term liabilities	5,780,419	7,086,622	12,420,056	13,231,210
Other liabilities	<u>942,999</u>	<u>1,513,924</u>	<u>1,665,290</u>	<u>1,275,534</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>6,723,418</u>	<u>8,600,546</u>	<u>14,085,346</u>	<u>14,506,744</u>
Deferred inflows	<u>605,788</u>	<u>506,984</u>	-	-
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets	17,030,403	15,927,369	18,589,413	17,987,190
Restricted	8,491,672	7,835,232	-	-
Unrestricted	<u>4,465,507</u>	<u>3,182,710</u>	<u>5,090,729</u>	<u>5,001,255</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 29,987,582</u>	<u>\$ 26,945,311</u>	<u>\$ 23,680,142</u>	<u>\$ 22,988,445</u>

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Township is able to report a positive balance in each category of net position and for the government as a whole. As indicated above, the Township's unrestricted net position improved by \$1,282,797 as a result of 2023's operations. Aggregate restricted net position increased by \$656,440 primarily due to an increase in the level of net position restricted for open space. Most of the other categories of restricted net position were relatively comparable to their levels of the prior year. The Township's net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt increased due to capital acquisitions, primarily those associated with park improvements, the acquisition of new police and administration vehicles and public works equipment, and a new pole barn building, and payments made on the Township's outstanding debt issues during 2023 exceeding 2023 depreciation. The Township's overall unrestricted cash and investment position increased by \$762,184 during 2023, while total liabilities decreased by \$1,877,028, primarily due to decreases in the levels of unspent American Rescue Plan funds and the Township's net pension liabilities, together with continuing paydowns on the Township's various debt issues.

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Changes in Net Position

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, net position of both the Township and its discretely presented component unit changed as presented below:

TABLE 2

	Governmental Activities		Discretely Presented Component Units	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
REVENUES				
Program Revenues:				
Charges for services	\$ 1,285,983	\$ 1,190,772	\$ 3,744,408	\$ 3,401,055
Operating grants and contributions	1,575,457	814,929	-	-
Capital grants and contributions	47,339	172,275	815,691	1,654,648
General Revenues:				
Property taxes	1,968,270	1,944,637	-	-
Transfer tax	340,083	555,871	-	-
Earned income tax	4,318,510	4,178,349	-	-
Other taxes	417,512	435,375	-	-
Investment income (loss)	644,561	194,069	96,722	12,341
Other	308,109	310,578	-	-
Total Revenues	10,905,824	9,796,855	4,656,821	5,068,044
EXPENSES				
Administration	1,046,070	959,331	-	-
Permits and licenses	147,332	173,368	-	-
Police and emergency service	3,530,315	3,083,840	-	-
Public works	1,632,275	1,807,399	-	-
Library	283,494	281,561	-	-
Parks and recreation	266,233	152,103	-	-
Depreciation	420,867	355,632	-	-
Debt service	66,160	89,787	-	-
Sewer	470,807	433,441	3,965,124	3,967,124
Total Expenses	7,863,553	7,336,462	3,965,124	3,967,124
Change in Net Position	3,042,271	2,460,393	691,697	1,100,920
Net Position - Beginning	26,945,311	24,484,918	22,988,445	21,887,525
Net Position - Ending	\$ 29,987,582	\$ 26,945,311	\$ 23,680,142	\$ 22,988,445

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
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Changes in Net Position (Continued)

The continuing strength of the local economy helped to again boost earned income tax income. The impact of higher mortgage rates appeared to be a contributing factor to a drop in transfer tax revenues. The increase in market interest rates did produce another substantial increase in interest income across all funds. Operating grants and contribution revenues were up \$760,528 primarily as a result of the Township's use of previously unspent American Rescue Plan funds in 2023. The total government expenses increased by \$527,091 in 2023 primarily as a result of increased expenditures in the areas of public safety and public works.

Governmental Activities

To aid in understanding the statement of activities, some additional explanation is given. Of particular interest is the format that is significantly different from a typical statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund balance. You will notice that expenses are listed first, followed by program revenues and then general revenues. The result is a net (expense)/revenue presentation. This type of format highlights the relative financial burden of each of the functions on the Township's taxpayers. It also identifies how much each function draws from the general revenues or if it is self-financing through fee and grants or contributions. All other governmental revenues are reported as general. It is important to note that all taxes are classified as general revenue, even if restricted for a specific purpose.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The General Fund had an excess of revenues over expenditures in 2023 of \$1,845,118 and an excess of revenues over expenditures of \$863,264 for 2022. In 2023, an operating surplus of \$35,814 was anticipated; however, actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues by \$1,607,761, while actual expenses and transfers were less than budgeted expenses by \$201,543. In 2022, an operating surplus of \$21,896 was anticipated; however, actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues by \$906,322, and actual expenses and transfers were more than budgeted expenses and transfers by \$64,954. As referenced above, two of the main factors influencing the fact that actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues were increased interest earnings and the Township's use of previously unspent American Rescue Plan funds, while higher transfer expense was more than offset by lower than anticipated expenditures in the areas of public safety and highways and roads which resulted in actual expenses and transfers coming in less than budgeted expenses.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
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CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

The Township's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2023 totaled \$20,549,898 (net of accumulated depreciation), while its discretely presented component unit's investment in capital assets as of that date totaled \$31,827,967. Capital asset values are summarized in the following table:

TABLE 3

	Balance	Balance
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Governmental Activities</u>		
Non-Depreciable Assets		
Land	\$ 8,907,271	\$ 8,907,271
Developmental rights	5,772,202	5,772,202
Other Capital Assets		
Building and improvements	2,776,292	2,739,029
Equipment and vehicles	770,640	563,982
Infrastructure	<u>2,323,493</u>	<u>2,056,706</u>
	<u>\$ 20,549,898</u>	<u>\$ 20,039,190</u>
 <u>Component Units</u>		
Non-Depreciable Assets		
Land	\$ 354,761	\$ 354,761
Construction in progress	821,722	1,561,534
Other Capital Assets		
Sewer system and equipment	<u>30,651,484</u>	<u>30,143,372</u>
	<u>\$ 31,827,967</u>	<u>\$ 32,059,667</u>

Additional information on the Township's and component unit's capital assets can be found in Note III C on pages 40- 41 of this report.

Long-Term Liabilities

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Township had outstanding long-term liabilities totaling \$5,780,419, while its discretely presented component unit had outstanding long-term liabilities totaling \$13,238,554.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis
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Long-Term Liabilities (Continued)

Long-term liabilities are summarized in the following table:

TABLE 4

	Balance <u>2023</u>	Balance <u>2022</u>
<u>Governmental Activities</u>		
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 3,410,000	\$ 4,051,000
Capital leases	109,495	60,821
Compensated absences	81,275	34,564
Net pension liability	<u>2,179,649</u>	<u>2,940,237</u>
	<u>\$ 5,780,419</u>	<u>\$ 7,086,622</u>
<u>Component Unit</u>		
Bonds and notes payable	<u>\$ 13,238,554</u>	<u>\$ 14,034,184</u>

Additional information on the Township's and component unit's long-term liabilities can be found in Note III F on pages 43-46 of this report.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

The Township of Franconia is an integral part of the Indian Valley, situated in northern Montgomery County, PA. The Township has one of the lowest real estate tax rates in the county, and based on FBI crime statistics, is consistently ranked as one of the safest communities in Pennsylvania.

Franconia Township continues to see new residential development throughout the township, with active construction occurring, and new residents moving into Franconia Township. There continue to be numerous residential subdivisions in the planning process, each of which will add increased permit fees, transfer taxes, earned income taxes and real estate taxes for the township. We anticipate new construction, both residential and commercial, to continue for the foreseeable future.

New building permits, both residential and commercial, continue to be strong, as well as earned income taxes and other revenue streams. Franconia Township is well positioned with its diverse revenue streams, low debt levels, and low operating expenses. Franconia Township has become a very desirable community to live in based upon its low tax rate, low crime rate, and excellent school system.

The Township's real estate tax rate is expected to remain stable. The Township has done an outstanding job with managing internal staffing, while continuing to offer quality services to its residents. By keeping personnel costs low as compared to similar like-sized communities, Franconia Township should be able to continue to offer an extremely low tax rate for both businesses and residents alike.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

December 31, 2023

	<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Discretely</u>
	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Presented</u>
	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Component Unit</u>
		<u>Franconia</u>
		<u>Sewer Authority</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,123,689	\$ 2,517,734
Investments	1,500,000	2,241,000
Receivables		
Taxes	1,469,883	-
Accounts	66,710	903,419
Leases	406,271	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	-	69,893
Prepaid expenses	-	9,800
Land and developmental rights	14,679,473	354,761
Construction in progress	-	821,722
Other capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>5,870,425</u>	<u>30,651,484</u>
Total Assets	<u>36,116,451</u>	<u>37,569,813</u>
<u>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>		
Unamortized deferred loss on refunding	-	195,675
Police Pension related	930,517	-
Non-Uniformed Pension related	<u>269,820</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>1,200,337</u>	<u>195,675</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	239,252	772,687
Accrued interest payable	-	4,212
Developer's escrows payable	-	69,893
Unearned revenue	703,747	-
Non-current liabilities:		
Due within one year	685,640	818,498
Due after one year	<u>5,094,779</u>	<u>12,420,056</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>6,723,418</u>	<u>14,085,346</u>
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>		
Leases	365,602	-
Police Pension related	18,468	-
Non- Uniformed Pension related	<u>221,718</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Deferred Inflows	<u>605,788</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>		
Net investment in capital assets	17,030,403	18,589,413
Restricted		
Street light and fire hydrant	2,540	-
Fire	12,597	-
Highways	1,112,684	-
Library	4,215	-
Open space	7,237,512	-
Recycling	122,124	-
Unrestricted	<u>4,465,507</u>	<u>5,090,729</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 29,987,582</u>	<u>\$ 23,680,142</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Total Primary Government	Governmental Activities			
		Total	Administrative	Permits & Licenses	Police and Emergency Services
Expenses:					
Program expenses	\$ 7,376,526	\$ 7,376,526	\$ 1,046,070	\$ 147,332	\$ 3,530,315
Depreciation	420,867	420,867	53,650	-	145,828
Interest expense	66,160	66,160	66,160	-	-
Total Expenses	<u>7,863,553</u>	<u>7,863,553</u>	<u>1,165,880</u>	<u>147,332</u>	<u>3,676,143</u>
Program Revenues:					
Charges for services	1,285,983	1,285,983	56,274	418,116	30,602
Operating grants and contributions	1,575,457	1,575,457	100,411	-	924,640
Capital grants and contributions	47,339	47,339	-	-	-
Total Program Revenues	<u>2,908,779</u>	<u>2,908,779</u>	<u>156,685</u>	<u>418,116</u>	<u>955,242</u>
Net (Expense) Revenue	(4,954,774)	(4,954,774)	(1,009,195)	270,784	(2,720,901)
General Revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property	1,968,270	1,968,270			
Transfer tax	340,083	340,083			
Earned income tax	4,318,510	4,318,510			
Other taxes	417,512	417,512			
Investment earnings	644,561	644,561			
Gain on sale of capital assets	9,700	9,700			
Miscellaneous	298,409	298,409			
Total General Revenues	<u>7,997,045</u>	<u>7,997,045</u>			
Change in Net Position	3,042,271	3,042,271			
Net Position - Beginning	<u>26,945,311</u>	<u>26,945,311</u>			
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 29,987,582</u>	<u>\$ 29,987,582</u>			

Governmental Activities				Discretely Presented Component Unit
Public Works	Library	Sewer	Park & Recreation	Franconia Township Sewer
\$ 1,632,275	\$ 283,494	\$ 470,807	\$ 266,233	\$ 2,730,107
155,512	-	-	65,877	979,483
-	-	-	-	255,534
<u>1,787,787</u>	<u>283,494</u>	<u>470,807</u>	<u>332,110</u>	<u>3,965,124</u>
-	-	780,991	-	3,744,408
550,406	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	47,339	815,691
<u>550,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>780,991</u>	<u>47,339</u>	<u>4,560,099</u>
(1,237,381)	(283,494)	310,184	(284,771)	594,975
				-
				-
				-
				-
				96,722
				-
				-
				<u>96,722</u>
				691,697
				<u>22,988,445</u>
				<u>\$ 23,680,142</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

December 31, 2023

	General	Open Space	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,495,254	\$ 4,376,922	\$ 2,251,513	\$ 12,123,689
Investments	500,000	500,000	500,000	1,500,000
Receivables	1,206,846	293,374	18,713	1,518,933
Due from other funds	-	776,241	14,886	791,127
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 7,202,100	\$ 5,946,537	\$ 2,785,112	\$ 15,933,749
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Accounts payable and accrued wages	\$ 84,853	\$ -	\$ 154,399	\$ 239,252
Due to other funds	776,241	14,886	-	791,127
Unearned revenue	703,747	-	-	703,747
Total Liabilities	1,564,841	14,886	154,399	1,734,126
 <u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>				
Leases	365,602	-	-	365,602
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	365,602	-	-	365,602
 <u>FUND BALANCES</u>				
Nonspendable - leases	40,669	-	-	40,669
Restricted for:				
Street lights & fire hydrant	-	-	2,540	2,540
Highway and streets	-	-	1,112,684	1,112,684
Fire	-	-	12,597	12,597
Library	-	-	4,215	4,215
Open space	-	5,931,651	1,305,861	7,237,512
Recycling	-	-	122,124	122,124
Committed for:				
Park and recreation	-	-	8,500	8,500
Assigned for:				
Capital projects	-	-	62,192	62,192
Unassigned	5,230,988	-	-	5,230,988
Total Fund Balances	5,271,657	5,931,651	2,630,713	13,834,021
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 7,202,100	\$ 5,946,537	\$ 2,785,112	\$ 15,933,749

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET FOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE NET POSITION

December 31, 2023

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Total fund balances - total governmental funds	\$		13,834,021
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.			
Cost of capital assets	\$	25,157,474	
Accumulated depreciation		<u>(4,607,576)</u>	20,549,898
Because the focus of governmental funds is on short-term financing, some assets will not be available to pay for current-period expenditures. Those assets (for example, receivables) are offset by deferred revenues in the governmental funds and thus are not included in fund balance.			
Real estate tax receivable		13,016	
Earned income tax receivable		<u>410,915</u>	423,931
Deferred inflows and outflows or resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.			
Change in pension assumptions		208,631	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		745,413	
Differences between expected and actual experience on pension plan liability		<u>6,107</u>	960,151
Long term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
Bonds and notes payable		(3,410,000)	
Compensated absences		(81,275)	
Capital leases		(109,495)	
Net pension liability		<u>(2,179,649)</u>	
			<u>(5,780,419)</u>
Total net position of governmental activities	\$		<u>29,987,582</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	<u>General</u>	<u>Open Space</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues				
Taxes:				
Property	\$ 1,378,476	\$ -	\$ 584,737	\$ 1,963,213
Transfer	340,083	-	-	340,083
Earned income	2,993,586	1,089,527	343,283	4,426,396
Local service	417,512	-	-	417,512
Fees, licenses and permits	230,469	-	-	230,469
Investment income and rent	380,689	213,940	116,705	711,334
Intergovernmental revenues	919,258	-	527,145	1,446,403
Fines and forfeitures	30,602	-	-	30,602
Program revenues	1,253,006	-	-	1,253,006
Other	<u>6,773</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,162</u>	<u>179,935</u>
Total Revenues	<u>7,950,454</u>	<u>1,303,467</u>	<u>1,745,032</u>	<u>10,998,953</u>
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government	1,034,348	23,181	43,108	1,100,637
Public safety	2,945,007	-	665,283	3,610,290
Sewer	470,807	-	-	470,807
Highways and roads	1,231,332	-	672,351	1,903,683
Library	-	-	283,494	283,494
Culture and recreation	39,018	-	212,414	251,432
Community development	-	1,445	542,498	543,943
Debt service:				
Principal	131,000	510,000	51,907	692,907
Interest	<u>23,524</u>	<u>37,082</u>	<u>5,554</u>	<u>66,160</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>5,875,036</u>	<u>571,708</u>	<u>2,476,609</u>	<u>8,923,353</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures				
	<u>2,075,418</u>	<u>731,759</u>	<u>(731,577)</u>	<u>2,075,600</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Debt proceeds	-	-	100,581	100,581
Sale of capital assets	9,700	-	-	9,700
Transfers in	50,000	-	290,000	340,000
Transfers out	<u>(290,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(340,000)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(230,300)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>340,581</u>	<u>110,281</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,845,118	731,759	(390,996)	2,185,881
Fund Balance - Beginning	<u>3,426,539</u>	<u>5,199,892</u>	<u>3,021,709</u>	<u>11,648,140</u>
Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 5,271,657</u>	<u>\$ 5,931,651</u>	<u>\$ 2,630,713</u>	<u>\$ 13,834,021</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE
GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities
are different because:

Net change in fund balances-total governmental funds	\$	2,185,881	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.			
Capital outlay	\$	931,575	
Depreciation expense		<u>(420,867)</u>	
			510,708
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.			(102,829)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.			
Repayment of debt		692,907	
Issuance of new debt		<u>(100,581)</u>	
			592,326
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.			
Compensated absences		(46,711)	
Pension expense		<u>(97,104)</u>	
			<u>(143,815)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$		<u>3,042,271</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	GENERAL FUND			Variance with Final Budget Over (under)
	Budgeted Amounts		ACTUAL	
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Taxes				
Property	\$ 1,356,000	\$ 1,356,000	\$ 1,378,476	\$ 22,476
Transfer	350,000	350,000	340,083	(9,917)
Earned income	2,615,000	2,615,000	2,993,586	378,586
Local service	400,000	400,000	417,512	17,512
Fees, licenses and permits	232,300	232,300	230,469	(1,831)
Investment income and rent	92,186	92,186	380,689	288,503
Intergovernmental revenues	229,600	229,600	919,258	689,658
Fines and forfeitures	26,000	26,000	30,602	4,602
Program revenues	1,050,807	1,050,807	1,253,006	202,199
Other	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>6,773</u>	<u>6,273</u>
Total Revenues	<u>6,352,393</u>	<u>6,352,393</u>	<u>7,950,454</u>	<u>1,598,061</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	1,093,088	1,093,088	1,034,348	(58,740)
Public safety	3,200,681	3,200,681	2,945,007	(255,674)
Sewer	475,439	475,439	470,807	(4,632)
Highways and roads	1,386,047	1,386,047	1,231,332	(154,715)
Culture and recreation	33,800	33,800	39,018	5,218
Debt service				
Principal	131,000	131,000	131,000	-
Interest	<u>23,524</u>	<u>23,524</u>	<u>23,524</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>6,343,579</u>	<u>6,343,579</u>	<u>5,875,036</u>	<u>(468,543)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>8,814</u>	<u>8,814</u>	<u>2,075,418</u>	<u>2,066,604</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Sale of capital assets	-	-	9,700	9,700
Transfers in	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Transfers out	<u>(23,000)</u>	<u>(23,000)</u>	<u>(290,000)</u>	<u>(267,000)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>27,000</u>	<u>27,000</u>	<u>(230,300)</u>	<u>(257,300)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	35,814	35,814	1,845,118	1,809,304
Fund Balance - Beginning	<u>3,426,539</u>	<u>3,426,539</u>	<u>3,426,539</u>	
Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 3,462,353</u>	<u>\$ 3,462,353</u>	<u>\$ 5,271,657</u>	

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

OPEN SPACE FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	<u>OPEN SPACE FUND</u>			<u>Variance with Final Budget Over (under)</u>
	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>	
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,089,527	\$ 89,527
Interest	30,000	30,000	213,940	183,940
Total Revenues	<u>1,030,000</u>	<u>1,030,000</u>	<u>1,303,467</u>	<u>273,467</u>
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government	12,000	12,000	23,181	11,181
Culture and recreation	-	-	1,445	1,445
Debt Service				
Principal	508,000	508,000	510,000	2,000
Interest	49,033	49,033	37,082	(11,951)
Total Expenditures	<u>569,033</u>	<u>569,033</u>	<u>571,708</u>	<u>2,675</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>460,967</u>	<u>460,967</u>	<u>731,759</u>	<u>270,792</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers in	56,392	56,392	-	(56,392)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>56,392</u>	<u>56,392</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(56,392)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>517,359</u>	<u>517,359</u>	<u>731,759</u>	214,400
Fund Balance - Beginning	<u>5,199,892</u>	<u>5,199,892</u>	<u>5,199,892</u>	
Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 5,717,251</u>	<u>\$ 5,717,251</u>	<u>\$ 5,931,651</u>	

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS

December 31, 2023

	<u>Pension Trust</u>	<u>Custodial Fund</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 416,873	\$ 726,590
Investments, at fair value		
Mutual funds-equities	9,440,060	-
Unit Investment Trusts	1,594,738	-
Bonds and notes	496,811	-
	<u>11,948,482</u>	<u>726,590</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 11,948,482</u>	 <u>\$ 726,590</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 40,924
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>40,924</u>
 <u>NET POSITION</u>		
Net Position Restricted for:		
Pension Benefits	11,948,482	-
Developers and others	-	685,666
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 11,948,482</u>	<u>\$ 685,666</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	<u>Pension Trust</u>	<u>Custodial Fund</u>
Additions		
Contributions		
Member contributions	\$ 73,544	\$ -
Municipal contributions	307,166	-
State contributions	209,804	-
Escrow receipts	-	479,584
Total Contributions	<u>590,514</u>	<u>479,584</u>
Investment Income		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	1,277,499	-
Interest and dividends	<u>270,511</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Investment Income	1,548,010	-
Less: investment expense	<u>(51,215)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Investment Income	<u>1,496,795</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Additions	<u>2,087,309</u>	<u>479,584</u>
Deductions		
Administrative expense	7,000	-
Benefits	393,272	-
Escrow disbursements	<u>-</u>	<u>972,488</u>
Total Deductions	<u>400,272</u>	<u>972,488</u>
Change in Net Position	1,687,037	(492,904)
Net Position Restricted:		
Beginning of Year	<u>10,261,445</u>	<u>1,178,570</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ 11,948,482</u>	<u>\$ 685,666</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. *Reporting entity*

The Board of Supervisors (“the Board”) is the basic level of government which has financial accountability and control over all activities related to municipal functions in the Township. The Board receives funding from local, state and federal sources and must comply with the concomitant requirements of these funding source entities. However, the Board is not included in any other governmental “reporting entity” as defined by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) since Board members are elected by the public and have decision-making authority, the authority to levy taxes, the power to designate management, the ability to significantly influence operations and have primary accountability for fiscal matters.

The Township follows the criteria promulgated by GASB for purposes of determining the scope of its reporting entity. As required by the Accounting Standards Board, the basic financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Township of Franconia (the “Primary Government”) and its component unit, the Franconia Sewer Authority (the “Authority”). The Authority is considered a component unit of the Township as its governing board is appointed by the Township, the Township guarantees much of its debt and its activities are considered significant in determining the reporting entity. The financial statements of the component unit have been included in the financial reporting entity as a discretely presented component unit. Accordingly, the component unit columns in the basic financial statements include the financial data of the Authority in a separate column to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Township. Complete financial statements for the individual component unit may be obtained at the Township’s administrative offices.

B. *Government-wide and fund financial statements*

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

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

B. Government-wide and fund financial statements (continued)

Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services which report fees and other charges to users of the Township's services; (2) operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities; and (3) capital grants and contributions which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to these program uses. Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

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

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments in lieu of taxes where the amounts are reasonably equivalent in value to the interfund services provided and other charges between the government's proprietary functions and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category - governmental and fiduciary - are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. Major individual governmental and enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide statements report using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting* generally including the reclassification or elimination of internal activity (between or within funds). Fiduciary fund financial statements also report using the same focus and basis of accounting although internal activity is not eliminated in these statements and any agency funds reported have no measurement focus. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)

Property tax revenues, net of any uncollectible amounts, are recognized in the year for which they are levied while grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The Township considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Property taxes levied but collected beyond 60 days after year-end are recorded as deferred revenue to be recognized as revenue when the taxes are collected. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting and Measurement Focus

The accounts of the Township are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures, or expenses as appropriate. Government 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. The following is a description of the fund types used by the Township in the accompanying basic financial statements.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The *Open Space Fund* - The Open Space Fund is used to account for the revenue from Earned Income Tax specified for the acquisition of open space, including development rights.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)

Custodial Fund - This fund is used to account for subdivision/land development, shade tree, water/sewer, and all other types of escrows held by the Township in a custodial capacity.

Pension Trust Fund - This fund is used to account for resources required to be held in trust for the members and beneficiaries of the Township's defined benefit pension plans - the Police Pension Fund and the Non-Uniform Pension Fund.

Major revenue sources susceptible to accrual include: property taxes, earned income taxes, interest earnings, special assessments, levies, intergovernmental revenues and charges for services. In general, other revenues are recognized when cash is received. In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, there are essentially two types of revenues. In one, monies must be expended for the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Township; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures incurred. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

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

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

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)

Component Unit - Franconia Sewer Authority

The Franconia Sewer Authority (“Authority”) was incorporated under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, as amended and supplemented, pursuant to a resolution passed by the Supervisors of the Board of Township Supervisors of the Township of Franconia, Pennsylvania.

Basis of Accounting - The Authority follows the accounting and financial reporting standards in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units.

As a single function special purpose government, the Authority’s financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this basis, revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity

1. Deposits and investments

The government’s cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

With the exception of Pension Trust Funds, state law allows the government to invest in obligations of the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any agency or instrumentality of either, which are secured by the full faith and credit of such entity. The law also allows for the Government to invest in certificates of deposit of banks, savings and loans, and savings banks both within and outside the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, provided such amounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or other like insurance, and that deposits in excess of such insurance are collateralized by the depository.

The state also imposes limitations with respect to the amount of investment in certificates of deposit to the extent that such deposits may not exceed 20% of a bank’s total capital surplus or 20% of a savings and loan’s or savings bank’s assets, net of its liabilities. The government may also invest in shares of registered investment companies, provided that investments of the Company are authorized investments, as noted above.

The law provides that the government’s Pension Trust Funds may invest in any form or type of investment, financial instrument, or financial transaction if determined by the government to be prudent. Investments for the government are reported at fair value.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

2. Receivables and payables

Outstanding balances between funds are reported as “due to/from other funds.” Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and other activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as “internal balances.”

At December 31, 2023, all trade receivables were deemed to be fully collectible. The property tax receivable allowance is immaterial and therefore is not included in outstanding property taxes at December 31, 2023.

Property taxes are levied as of February 1 on property values assessed as of the same date. Taxes are billed February 1 and payable under the following terms: a 2% discount February 1 through March 31; face amount April 1 through May 31; and a 10% penalty after May 31. Any unpaid taxes are attached as an enforceable lien on such property as of January 15 of the following year. The Township employs an elected tax collector to collect the property tax levied. Property taxes collected within sixty days subsequent to December 31, 2023 are recognized as revenue for the year ending December 31, 2023.

Leases: The Township is a lessor for various long-term noncancellable lease agreements. The Township recognizes leases receivable and deferred inflows of resources in the government-wide and the general fund financial statements.

At the commencement of a lease, the Township initially measures the lease receivable at the present value of payments expected to be received during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease receivable is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments received. The deferred inflow of resources is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease receivable, adjusted for lease payments received at or before the commencement date. Subsequently, the deferred inflow of resources is recognized as revenue over the life of the lease term.

Variable payments received are based on direct monthly usage and are recognized as revenue when received.

Key estimates and judgements include how the Township determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease receipts to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease receipts.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

2. Receivables and payables (continued)

- The Township uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.
- The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease plus any options to extend. Lease receipts included in the measurement is composed of fixed payments from the lessee.

The Township monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its leases, and will remeasure the leases receivable and deferred inflows of resources if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the leases receivable.

Discretely Presented Component Unit - the Franconia Sewer Authority's trade receivables consist of retail sewer line and treatment charges to users. Trade receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible amounts. Trade receivables, in excess of 90 days past due, are evaluated for collectability and an allowance is established based on the best available information and in an amount that management deems adequate. Trade receivables are written off when deemed uncollectible and any subsequent recoveries are recorded when received. At December 31, 2023, there was no allowance for doubtful accounts as all overdue balances may be secured by filing a lien on the customer's real property and would be collected before any property transfers.

3. Use of estimates

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

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

4. Capital assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the governmental or business activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$3,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Prior to January 1, 2004, governmental funds' infrastructure assets were not capitalized. These assets are valued prospectively. Property, plant, and equipment of the primary government, as well as its component units, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Land improvements	20
Buildings and improvements	25-50
Fixtures and equipment	10-25
Vehicles	7-10
Infrastructure	25-50

Discretely Presented Component Unit - the Franconia Sewer Authority's Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and sewer system assets, are defined by the Authority as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects when constructed.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of 3-50 years.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

5. *Compensated absences*

The Township permits employees to accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused sick time. These benefits are payable to employees upon separation of service. All leave pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements.

6. *Long-term obligations*

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net position. If bond premiums or discounts exist, they are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of any applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are expensed as incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types would recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Any premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

7. *Deferred outflows/inflows of resources*

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Township and its component unit have the following items which qualify for reporting in these categories:

1. *Changes in assumptions* are reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A difference results when assumptions are changed. This amount is deferred and recognized in the period that the amount becomes available.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

7. *Deferred outflows/inflows of resources (continued)*

2. *Differences between expected and actual experience on pension plan liability* is reported in the government-wide statement. A difference results when actual economic or demographic factors differ from expected results. These amounts are deferred and recognized in the period that the amounts become available.
3. *Deferred loss on refunding* is reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.
4. *Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments* is reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A net difference results from the actual earnings in the plan either exceeding or falling short of projected earnings. These amounts are deferred and recognized in the period that the amounts become available.
5. *Leases* are reported in the general fund and the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred balance results at the initiation of the lease in an amount equal to the initial recording of the lease receivable. A deferred inflow of resources is amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

8. *Net position*

In the government-wide financial statements, net position is classified in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets - This category groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduce the balance of this category.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

8. *Net position (continued)*

Restricted net position - This category presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position - This category represents net position of the entity, not restricted for any project or other purpose.

9. *Fund balance*

Governmental funds report fund balance in classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Township is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance for governmental funds consists of the following:

Nonspendable Fund Balance - includes amounts that are (a) not in spendable form, or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, for example: inventories, prepaid amounts, and long-term notes receivable.

Restricted Fund Balance - includes amounts that are restricted for specific purposes stipulated by external resources providers, constitutionally or through enabling legislation. Restrictions may effectively be changed or lifted only with the consent of resource providers.

Committed Fund Balance - includes amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Township’s highest level of decision-making authority, the Township Board of Supervisors. Commitments may be changed or lifted only by the Township taking the same formal action that imposed the constraint originally (for example: resolution and ordinance).

Assigned Fund Balance - includes amounts intended to be used by the Township for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. Intent can be expressed by the Board of Supervisors or by an official or body to which the Board of Supervisors delegates the authority. The Supervisors have not delegated that authority as of December 31, 2023.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, liabilities, and net position or equity (continued)

9. Fund balance (continued)

Unassigned Fund Balance - This residual classification is used for all negative fund balances in Special Revenue, Capital Projects, and Debt Service funds; or any residual amounts in the General Fund.

The Board of Supervisors establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments and assignments by passage of a resolution. Assigned fund balance is intended to be used by the Township for specific purposes but does not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

In circumstances when an expenditure is made for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications, fund balance is depleted in the order of restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned. In all cases, encumbrance amounts have been assigned for specific purposes for which resources already have been allocated.

10. New Accounting Pronouncements

GASB has issued statement that will become effective in future years. Management has not yet determined the impact of these statements on the financial statements.

11. Subsequent events

The Township has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements through the date of this report, which is the date the statements were available for release.

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II. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

A. Budgetary information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all funds of the Township. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

Prior to November, the Board approves a preliminary budget for the upcoming fiscal year, reflecting proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. During November, the Township holds budget hearings for the purpose of receiving oral and written comments from interested parties in regard to the proposed budget for the following year. The Township makes available to the public its proposed operating budget for all funds. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. The Board holds public hearings and a final budget must be prepared and adopted no later than December 31 through the passage of an ordinance.

Any budget revisions require the approval of Township Board of Supervisors. The Council authorized the use of unallocated fund balance in 2023. Encumbrance accounting is employed in governmental funds. Encumbrances (e.g., purchase orders) outstanding at year end lapse.

B. Excess of expenditures over appropriations

For the year ended December 31, 2023, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the culture and recreation category of the general fund by \$5,218 and in the general government, culture and recreation, and principal categories of the open space fund by \$11,181, \$1,445 and \$2,000 respectively.

III. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Deposits and investments

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government's policy is to require their banking institution to provide a letter stating that they follow the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Act 72, where all funds in excess of federal depository insurance limits held by the bank are collateralized in public funds secured on a pooled basis.

As of year-end, the Township's bank balance was \$12,239,398. Of the bank balance, \$500,000 was covered by federal depository insurance. Any balances exceeding depository insurance are exposed to custodial credit risk because it is uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the government's name.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

A. *Deposits and investments (continued)*

At year-end, the carrying amount of deposits for Franconia Sewer Authority's, a discreetly presented component unit, bank balance was \$2,625,133. Of the bank balance, \$500,000 was covered by depository insurance. Any balances exceeding depository insurance are exposed to custodial credit risk because it is uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Authority's name.

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments. For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The risks of default are eliminated due to the constraints imposed upon allowable investment instruments by the Township's investment policy and through state limitations as discussed in Note I, D, 1.

At year-end balances were as follows:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturities in Years</u>		
		<u>< 1 year</u>	<u>1-5 years</u>	<u>5-10 years</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ -	\$ -
Fiduciary Funds:				
Mutual funds-equities	\$ 9,440,060	\$ 9,440,060	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds and notes	496,811	104,143	392,668	-
Unit Investment Trusts	1,594,738	1,594,738	-	-
	<u>\$ 11,531,609</u>	<u>\$ 11,138,941</u>	<u>\$ 392,668</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Component Unit				
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 2,241,000	\$ 1,748,000	\$ 493,000	\$ -

Interest Rate Risk. This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair market value of an investment. The Township's policy regarding its fixed income investments generally limits the maximum maturity of a security to ten years. As of December 31, 2023, the Township did not have any investments maturing beyond the ten-year period. See above maturities.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

A. *Deposits and investments (continued)*

Discretely Presented Component Units: Franconia Sewer Authority has adopted an investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk. This is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. State law limits the investment of governmental funds as described in Section 1, Note D. The government does not have a formal investment policy for credit risk.

Discretely Presented Component Units: Franconia Sewer Authority follows state statute as it relates to certain credit ratings.

Concentration of Credit Risk. This is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. There were no investments greater than 5% in any one single issuer that would be considered a concentration of credit risk for the government.

Discretely Presented Component Units: There were no concentrations of credit risk for Franconia Sewer Authority.

Fair Value Measurements. The Township categorizes its fair value measurements within the hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Township has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2023:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
Fiduciary Funds:				
Mutual funds-equities	\$ 9,440,060	\$ 9,440,060	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds and notes	496,811	496,811	-	-
Unit Investment Trusts	1,594,738	1,594,738	-	-
	<u>\$ 11,531,609</u>	<u>\$ 11,531,609</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Component Unit				
Certificates of Deposit	<u>\$ 1,741,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,741,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

B. Receivables and due from other governments

Receivables as of year-end for the government's individual major funds, non-major funds, fiduciary funds and discreetly presented component unit are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Open Space</u>	<u>Nonmajor and Other Funds</u>	<u>Component Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivables:					
Taxes	\$ 717,417	\$ 276,926	\$ 1,940	\$ -	\$ 996,283
Accounts	66,710	-	325	848,177	915,212
Leases	406,271	-	-	-	406,271
Notes receivable	-	-	-	55,242	55,242
Interest	<u>16,448</u>	<u>16,448</u>	<u>16,448</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,344</u>
Total Receivables	<u>\$ 1,206,846</u>	<u>\$ 293,374</u>	<u>\$ 18,713</u>	<u>\$ 903,419</u>	<u>\$ 2,422,352</u>

Leases receivable are recognized for various long-term noncancellable lease agreements that meet the criteria for inclusion per Governmental Accounting Standards. The lease receivable is measured as the present value of the future minimum rent payments expected to be received under the terms of the lease at a discount rate of 5%.

The Township has entered in to various leases for cell towers. Under the lease agreements, the Township receives minimum monthly payments. The lease agreements are noncancellable for a period of 50 years. There were no variable payments due or received.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the principal and interest received on long-term noncancellable leases were as follows:

<u>Year ending December 31.</u>	<u>Lease Revenue</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2024	\$ 7,343	20,033
2025	7,719	19,657
2026	8,114	19,262
2027	8,529	18,847
2028	8,965	18,410
2029-2033	52,193	84,686
2034-2038	66,982	69,896
2039-2043	85,962	50,916
2044-2048	110,321	26,558
2049-2050	<u>50,143</u>	<u>2,327</u>
	<u>\$ 406,271</u>	<u>\$ 330,592</u>

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

B. Receivables and due from other governments (continued)

Discretely Presented Component Units: The Authority offers property owners in its sewer project areas the opportunity to finance certain costs of the hook-up requirements. The notes range from \$5,125 to \$18,311, bear interest at 6% and are payable over 5 to 20 years. Total notes outstanding were \$55,242 as of December 31, 2023.

Aggregate maturities on notes receivable as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

2024	\$	30,799
2025		4,988
2026		5,509
2027		5,638
2028		4,499
2029-2031		<u>3,809</u>
	\$	<u>55,242</u>

C. Capital assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2023 was as follows:

	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 8,907,271	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,907,271
Developmental rights	<u>5,772,202</u>	-	-	<u>5,772,202</u>
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>14,679,473</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,679,473</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	365,284	-	-	365,284
Building and building improvements	3,480,436	173,600	-	3,654,036
Vehicles	1,472,138	132,226	35,116	1,569,248
Fixtures and equipment	1,385,016	270,207	53,869	1,601,354
Infrastructure	<u>2,932,537</u>	<u>355,542</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,288,079</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>9,635,411</u>	<u>931,575</u>	<u>88,985</u>	<u>10,478,001</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	128,662	18,201	-	146,863
Building and building improvements	978,029	118,136	-	1,096,165
Vehicles	1,157,904	142,695	35,116	1,265,483
Fixtures and equipment	1,135,268	53,080	53,869	1,134,479
Infrastructure	<u>875,831</u>	<u>88,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>964,586</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>4,275,694</u>	<u>420,867</u>	<u>88,985</u>	<u>4,607,576</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>5,359,717</u>	<u>510,708</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,870,425</u>
Governmental-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 20,039,190</u>	<u>\$ 510,708</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 20,549,898</u>

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

C. *Capital assets (continued)*

Discretely Presented Component Units - Franconia Sewer Authority capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2023 was as follows:

	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
Discretely presented component units				
<u>Franconia Sewer Authority</u>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 354,761	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 354,761
Construction in progress	<u>1,561,534</u>	<u>747,783</u>	<u>1,487,595</u>	<u>821,722</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>1,916,295</u>	<u>747,783</u>	<u>1,487,595</u>	<u>1,176,483</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Sewer system infrastructure	43,624,252	1,487,595	-	45,111,847
Participation rights in other facilities	1,532,350	-	-	1,532,350
Fixtures and equipment	<u>180,410</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>180,410</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	45,337,012	1,487,595	-	46,824,607
Accumulated depreciation	<u>15,193,640</u>	<u>979,483</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,173,123</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>30,143,372</u>	<u>508,112</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,651,484</u>
Component Units capital assets, net	<u>\$ 32,059,667</u>	<u>\$ 1,255,895</u>	<u>\$ 1,487,595</u>	<u>\$ 31,827,967</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government and the discretely presented component unit as follows:

Governmental activities:	
Administrative	\$ 53,650
Permits & licenses	-
Police and emergency services	145,828
Public works, including depreciation of general infrastructure except park systems	155,512
Park & Recreation, including depreciation related to park systems	<u>65,877</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 420,867</u>
Component Unit	
Sewer	<u>\$ 979,483</u>

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

D. Interfund receivables, payables, and transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of December 31, 2023 is as follows:

	<u>Transfer In</u>	<u>Transfer Out</u>
General Fund	\$ 50,000	\$ 290,000
Non-major Governmental	<u>290,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 340,000</u>	<u>\$ 340,000</u>

Interfund balances are primarily the result of certain funds paying the expenses of another fund.

Interfund transfers:

	<u>Due To Other Funds</u>	<u>Due From Other Funds</u>
General Fund	\$ 776,241	\$ -
Open Space	14,886	776,241
Non-major Governmental	<u>-</u>	<u>14,886</u>
Total	<u>\$ 791,127</u>	<u>\$ 791,127</u>

The interfund transfers are a result of financing capital projects.

E. Rentals

The Township rents a 2-unit farm house and farmland. These leases are renewably annually and rents collected were \$26,190 in 2023.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

F. Long-term debt

General Obligation Notes, Series 2019

The Township borrowed \$1,800,000 from Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority, for the purpose of providing funds for and toward redeeming the GO Note Series 2015. The loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 1.738%.

Guaranteed Revenue Notes of 2007

The Township borrowed \$8,500,000 from Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority, consisting of two Guaranteed Revenue Notes, Series A of 2007, for \$2,609,000 and Series B of 2007 for \$5,891,000 for the purpose of providing funds for and toward redeeming the GO Note Series 2002, purchases of developmental rights and open space, reimburse other funds for open space purchases and cover issuance costs.

The loan agreement allowed interest on the debt to be variable or fixed for certain periods of time. The Township elected fixed rates, as summarized below:

	Series A of 2007		Series B of 2007	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Six- year fixed, reset June 25, 2021	\$ 871,000	1.605%	\$ 1,964,000	1.605%
Nine- year fixed, reset June 25, 2016	871,000	1.605%	1,964,000	1.605%
Twelve- year fixed, reset June 25, 2019	<u>867,000</u>	1.473%	<u>1,963,000</u>	1.473%
Original borrowing	<u>\$ 2,609,000</u>		<u>\$ 5,891,000</u>	

By referendum, the Township's earned income tax was increased one-quarter percent during 2002 for the purpose of funding the acquisition of open space. The earned income tax earmarked for open space is used, in part, to fund the debt service on borrowings made for open space purposes.

In June of 2021, the Township issued a General Obligation Note, Series of 2021 in the amount of \$800,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the design and construction of the renovations and new addition to the Township Municipal Building. The Note bears an interest rate of 2.05% per annum fixed for 10 years. The Township drew down \$50,000 and repaid \$50,000 during 2021 as the Township has decided to finance the construction internally. The loan was formally closed out in July of 2024.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

F. Long-term debt (continued)

Guaranteed Sewer Revenue Notes, Series of 2019

The Authority issued \$12,945,000 in sewer revenue notes in 2019, to be used to redeem the Guaranteed Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2013 Series and Guaranteed Sewer Revenue Note, 2015 Series.

Principal repayments on the 2019 bonds are due annually on June 25, which commenced June 25, 2020, and are scheduled in varying amounts into the year 2038. Interest rates range from 1.897% and is payable monthly.

Loan 2019

In May of 2019, the Authority secured funding in the amount of \$3.8 million to finance the cost of construction, improvement, and expansion of the sanitary sewer system. The loan balance is amortized over 240 months. The loan initially bears interest at a rate of 1.742% for the first 5 years and 2.178% for years 6 through maturity.

Note 2018

In 2018, the Authority entered into a note payable of \$366,522 with Telford Borough Authority for its proportionate share of the cost of the centrifuge project. The note bears interest at a rate of 2% per annum with principal and interest due in semiannual installments of \$38,662 through June 2023.

Amounts outstanding at December 31, 2023 are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Interest Rates</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Governmental Activities	0% to 2.03%	\$ 3,410,000
Component Unit	1% to 3%	\$ 13,297,470

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III. Detailed notes on all funds (Continued)

F. Long-term debt (continued)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for notes and bonds are as follows:

Year Ending December 31	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Component Unit</u>			
	<u>Bonds and Notes</u>		<u>Bonds</u>		<u>Notes</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2024	\$ 651,000	\$ 58,840	\$ 668,000	\$ 197,212	\$ 150,498	\$ 49,347
2025	663,000	45,965	680,000	184,540	151,864	49,567
2026	673,000	32,864	693,000	171,641	151,078	55,108
2027	684,000	19,554	706,000	158,494	154,401	51,783
2028	143,000	11,601	718,000	145,102	157,798	48,388
2029-2033	596,000	20,943	3,801,000	515,888	842,611	188,318
2034-2038	-	-	3,130,000	151,362	939,461	91,467
2039-2040	-	-	-	-	353,759	7,109
	<u>\$ 3,410,000</u>	<u>\$ 189,767</u>	<u>\$ 10,396,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,524,239</u>	<u>\$ 2,901,470</u>	<u>\$ 541,087</u>

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2023 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning</u>			<u>Ending</u>	<u>Due Within</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>One Year</u>
Governmental activities					
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 4,051,000	\$ -	\$ 641,000	\$ 3,410,000	\$ 651,000
Financed purchase	60,821	100,581	51,907	109,495	34,640
Compensated absences	34,564	47,913	1,202	81,275	-
Net pension liability	<u>2,940,237</u>	<u>1,229,338</u>	<u>1,989,926</u>	<u>2,179,649</u>	<u>-</u>
Governmental activity Long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 7,086,622</u>	<u>\$ 1,377,832</u>	<u>\$ 2,684,035</u>	<u>\$ 5,780,419</u>	<u>\$ 685,640</u>
Component Unit					
Notes payable	\$ 11,051,000	\$ -	\$ 655,000	\$ 10,396,000	\$ 668,000
Less deferred amounts for discounts and premiums on issuance	(66,189)	7,273	-	(58,916)	-
Loan payable	<u>3,049,373</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>147,903</u>	<u>2,901,470</u>	<u>150,498</u>
Component unit long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 14,034,184</u>	<u>\$ 7,273</u>	<u>\$ 802,903</u>	<u>\$ 13,238,554</u>	<u>\$ 818,498</u>

Debt service for general obligation bonds and notes is funded primarily from taxes for governmental activities and charges for service in the component unit business type activities. Any liabilities for compensated absences or net pension obligations are generally liquidated by the general fund for governmental activities and the component unit for business-type activities.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

F. Long-term debt (continued)

Financed Purchase

The Township has several items under financed purchases which expire in 2026.

Year Ending December 31	
2024	\$ 56,408
2025	43,008
2026	<u>18,440</u>
Total minimum financed purchase payments	117,856
Less amount representing interest	<u>(8,361)</u>
Present value of minimum financed purchase payments	<u>\$ 109,495</u>
Equipment and vehicles	\$ 341,471
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(153,481)</u>
	<u>\$ 187,990</u>

IV. Other Information

A. Risk management

The government is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the government participates in the Delaware Valley Property and Liability Trust pool, the Delaware Valley Workers' Compensation Trust pool, and the Delaware Valley Health Trust pool. Trust underwriting and rate settling policies are established after consultation with independent insurance consultants. Any member may withdraw from the Trust by giving 150 days written notice to the Executive Committee. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage for the past three years. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year.

The Township participates in the Delaware Valley Property and Liability Trust. The insurance expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$135,129. The pooling agreement permits the pool to make additional assessments to its members. At December 31, 2023 there were no additional assessments due or anticipated. Instead, the pool declared a dividend of which Franconia Township's share was \$6,453.

The Township is also a member of the Delaware Valley Workers' Compensation Trust (DVWCT), a risk retention pool. The insurance expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$156,186. The Trust declared a dividend in 2023 of which the Township's share was \$2,526. As a result of an audit of 2022 payroll, the Township paid an additional \$3,661. An audit of the 2023 payroll will be performed in 2024.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

B. Contingent liabilities and Uncertainties

The Township is also a member of the Delaware Valley Health Trust (DVHT), a public entity risk pool. The insurance expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$853,863. The Trust did not declare a dividend.

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustments by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

In the normal course of business, there are various relatively minor claims and suits pending against the Township, none of which materially affect the financial position of the Township.

C. Employee retirement systems and pension plans

Defined Benefit Pension Plan Description and Membership

The Township sponsors two single employer defined benefit pension plans, the Police Pension Plan and the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan. These plans are reported as a Pension Trust Fund in the accompanying financial statements. The plan does not issue a stand-alone report. The plans are administered by the Township. The most recent valuation was as of January 1, 2023. Details below are from the valuation.

Police Pension Defined Benefit Pension Plan - The plan is a contributory, single employer defined benefit plan that covers all full-time uniformed police officers of the Township. An employee enters the plan on the date of hire.

Non-Uniformed Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan - The plan is a contributory, single employer defined benefit plan that covers all full-time permanent, non-uniformed employees of the Township who join the plan on the first day of the month coincident with or following the completion of one year of service and attainment of age 21.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Non-Uniform Pension Plan is closed to new entrants. The Township has established a defined contribution plan for Non-Uniformed employees.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)

Plan Description and Membership

The Pension Plans are governed by the Board of Supervisors who has established Pension Committees to serve as administrators and trustees of the pension fund. Management of the plan is vested in the Pension Board, which consists of five members appointed by resolution of the Township Board of Supervisors. The Pension Board is responsible for advising, reviewing, monitoring and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors as to the administration, operation, and investment of the plan. The Township Board of Supervisors has delegated the authority to manage certain plan assets to Girard Pension Services.

The following table provides information concerning types of covered employees for the Townships' Plans as of December 31, 2023:

	<u>Police</u>	<u>Non-Uniformed</u>
Inactive employees (or their beneficiaries) currently receiving benefits	7	14
Inactive employees entitled to benefits but not yet receiving them	1	8
Active employees	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
	<u>19</u>	<u>34</u>

Benefits Provided

Police Pension Plan: The plan provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits under Pennsylvania Act 600. All benefits vest after 12 years of credited service. Officers are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 50% of their final average monthly compensation. Final average monthly compensation is the employee's average compensation over the last 36 months of employment. Married officers will receive joint and 50% survivor annuity. Normal retirement is age 52 with at least 25 years of service. Officers may also receive a service increment equal to \$100 per month for each year of service in excess of 25 years up to a maximum of \$500 per month.

If a member dies in service, a benefit will be paid per Act 30 equal to 100% of salary. Covered employees are required to contribute 5% of their regular compensation to the plan. The Township is required by statute, principally Pennsylvania Act 205, to contribute the remaining amounts necessary to finance the plan.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)

Benefits Provided (continued)

Benefit and contribution provisions are established by Pennsylvania law and may be amended only as allowed by Pennsylvania law.

The benefit provisions of the Township's Police Pension Plan are established by Township ordinances.

A Deferred Retirement Option Plan ("DROP") is available to the Township's police officers who have fulfilled the age and service requirements of the Police Pension Plan to retire as described in the above paragraph. Under the DROP program a participant may elect to defer receipt of normal retirement benefits while continuing employment with the Township for a period of not more than 24 months. The monthly pension shall be calculated as of the date of participation in the program and shall be distributed in a lump sum at retirement.

Non-Uniformed Pension Plan: The Pension Plan provides retirement benefits as well as death benefits. All benefits vest at 10% per year, graded up to 100% after ten years of credited service. Employees who retire at or after age 65 are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly, 1% of average monthly compensation of all years of service prior to 1/1/14 plus 1.5% of average monthly compensation for all years of service on or after 1/1/14. Married employees will receive joint and 50% survivor annuity. Early retirement benefits equal the vested accrued benefit and begin at age 55. The early retirement pension shall be the actuarial equivalent of a partial superannuation retirement benefit.

The benefit provisions of the Township's plan are established by Township ordinances.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Basis of Accounting: Pension Plan financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Employer and member contributions are recognized as when due pursuant to formal commitments, as well as statutory or contractual requirements. Investment income is recognized as revenue when earned. Retirement benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with terms of the plan. Other expenses are recognized when the corresponding liabilities are incurred.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued)

The net appreciation/(depreciation) in fair value of investments is recorded as an increase/(decrease) to investment income based on the valuation of investments. The entire expense of plan administration is charged against the earnings of the plan. Investment earnings are reduced for investment management fees, portfolio evaluation, custodial services, and actuarial services, as required by State statutes.

Method Used to Value Investments: Pension Plan investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is based on quoted market values. Securities that are traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

Contributions Required and Contributions Made

Employees of the Police Pension Plan and Non-Uniformed are required to make contributions, 5% of salary and 0% of salary, respectively. Contributions are determined on an annual basis. Administrative costs and investment costs of the plan are financed through an addition to the Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution.

The Pension Plan funding policy provides for periodic employer contributions at actuarially determined rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are sufficient to accumulate sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. Level percentage of payroll employer contribution rates is determined using the entry age normal actuarial funding method as required by Pennsylvania Act 205. The Pension Plan also uses a method defined by Act 205 to amortize the unfunded liability over a defined period.

The Township's annual required contribution is equal to its minimum municipal obligation ("MMO") as calculated in accordance with Pennsylvania law (Act 205 of 1984) less state aid and employee contributions deposited in the pension fund during the year. State law requires that state aid be used first to fund the plan, then employee contributions and finally general Township funds. The Township received state aid, which is recognized as revenue and expenses, in the amount of \$209,804 for the pensions for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. *Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)*

Investments

Investment Policy: The Pension Board, with the assistance of Girard Pension Services, shall select the appropriate asset weighting percentage to be allocated to each specific asset class. Each asset class shall consist of a combination of investment options that have been made available to obtain the absolute investment objective of the fund. Investments shall be diversified with the intent to minimize the risk of large investment losses. Consequently, the total portfolio will be constructed and maintained to provide prudent diversification with regard to the concentration of holdings in investment funds specializing in individual issues, issuers, countries, governments or industries.

Rate of Return: For the year ended December 31, 2023, the annual money-weighted rate of return on plan investments, net of investment expense was 14.35% and 14.50% for Uniform and Non-Uniformed Plan, respectively. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Net Pension Liability

The components of the net pension liability of participating entities at December 31, 2023 were as follows:

	<u>Police</u>	<u>Non-Uniformed</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 10,472,244	\$ 3,656,186
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>(8,959,217)</u>	<u>(2,989,564)</u>
Net pension liability	<u>\$ 1,513,027</u>	<u>\$ 666,622</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	86%	82%

Actuarial Assumptions: The total pension liability in the January 1, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following economic assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	<u>Police</u>	<u>Non-Uniformed</u>	
Inflation	3.0%	3.0%	
Salary increases	4.0%	4.0%	(including inflation)
Investment rate of return	7.0%	7.0%	(net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation)
Cost-of-living	3.0%	None	

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. *Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)*

Mortality rates were based on the PubS-2010 projected 5 years past the valuation date using scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the January 1, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022.

The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2023 and the total pension liability was determined by rolling forward the liabilities from an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2023.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Rate of Return</u>
Equity- Domestic	42%	8.30-11.60%
Equity- International	18%	8.80-12.20%
Fixed Income	38%	5.50%
Real Estate	0%	7.50%
Cash	2%	0.76%

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of active and inactive plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. *Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)*

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension	Plan Fiduciary	Net Pension
	<u>Liability</u>	<u>Net Position</u>	<u>Liability</u>
<u>Police Pension Plan</u>			
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 9,607,484	\$ 7,713,686	\$ 1,893,798
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	210,112	-	210,112
Interest	694,615	-	694,615
Change of benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	250,932	-	250,932
Change of assumptions	-	-	-
Contributions - employer	-	350,285	(350,285)
Contributions - employee	-	73,543	(73,543)
Net investment income	-	1,116,102	(1,116,102)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(290,899)	(290,899)	-
Administrative expense	-	(3,500)	3,500
Other changes	-	-	-
Net Changes	<u>864,760</u>	<u>1,245,531</u>	<u>(380,771)</u>
Balance at December 31, 2023	<u>\$ 10,472,244</u>	<u>\$ 8,959,217</u>	<u>\$ 1,513,027</u>

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension	Plan Fiduciary	Net Pension
	<u>Liability</u>	<u>Net Position</u>	<u>Liability</u>
<u>Non-Uniformed Pension Plan</u>			
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 3,598,925	\$ 2,552,486	\$ 1,046,439
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	75,123	-	75,123
Interest	242,488	-	242,488
Change of benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(159,531)	-	(159,531)
Change of assumptions	-	-	-
Contributions - employer	-	166,685	(166,685)
Contributions - employee	-	-	-
Net investment income	-	374,712	(374,712)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(100,819)	(100,819)	-
Administrative expense	-	(3,500)	3,500
Other changes	-	-	-
Net Changes	<u>57,261</u>	<u>437,078</u>	<u>(379,817)</u>
Balance at December 31, 2023	<u>\$ 3,656,186</u>	<u>\$ 2,989,564</u>	<u>\$ 666,622</u>

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. *Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)*

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate: The following presents the net pension liability of participating entities calculated using the discount rate of 7.0 percent, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.0 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.0 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(6.0%)</u>	Current Discount <u>Rate (7.0%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(8.0%)</u>
Net pension liability			
Police	\$ 2,750,076	\$ 1,513,027	\$ 478,565
Non-Uniformed	\$ 1,082,042	\$ 666,622	\$ 312,886

Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources: For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Township recognized pension expense of \$470,914 for the Police Pension Plan and \$143,160 for the Non-Uniformed Pension. At December 31, 2023, the Township reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
<u>Police Pension</u>		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 221,786	\$ 18,468
Change in assumptions	140,150	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	<u>568,581</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 930,517</u>	<u>\$ 18,468</u>
<u>Non-Uniformed Pension</u>		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 24,507	\$ 221,718
Change in assumptions	68,481	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	<u>176,832</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 269,820</u>	<u>\$ 221,718</u>

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

C. Employee retirement systems and pension plans (continued)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended			
<u>December 31:</u>	<u>Police</u>		<u>Non-Uniformed</u>
2024	\$ 272,831	\$	35,470
2025	313,117		21,008
2026	334,105		62,887
2027	(79,701)		(71,263)
2028	35,847		-
Thereafter	35,850		-
Total	<u>\$ 912,049</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>48,102</u>

Deferred Retirement Option Program

As of December 31, 2023, there was 1 eligible plan member participating in the DROP program with a balance of \$22,802. A participating member would be considered retired for pension purposes and the monthly benefit would be credited to a separate ledger account. Upon a participant's termination of employment, the participant's accumulated balance would be paid in a manner as prescribed by the plan document.

D. Escrow cash deposits and investments

The Township acts in a custodial capacity with respect to monies deposited with it by developers and others. These monies are held by the Township and used to pay legal, engineering, and other fees incurred on behalf of a specific project. Any unused deposits are returned to the developer upon completion of the project, except for an administrative handling fee. None of the monies received from or expended on behalf of the developers are recorded in the revenues or expenses of the Township. At December 31, 2023, \$726,590 represents the balance of these monies held in escrow.

Discretely Presented Component Units: The Authority acts in a custodial capacity with respect to monies deposited with it by developers and others. These monies are held by the Authority and used to pay legal, engineering, and other fees incurred on behalf of a specific project. Any unused deposits are returned to the developer upon completion of the project, except for an administrative handling fee. None of the monies received from or expended on behalf of the developers are recorded in the revenues or expenses of the Authority. At December 31, 2023, the balance of these monies held in escrow was \$69,893.

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IV. Other Information (Continued)

E. Transactions with component unit

The Franconia Township Sewer Authority lease employees from the Township as well as rents space and uses the Township administrative services. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Authority paid the Township \$593,652 for the afore-mentioned support.

**REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED
RATIOS - POLICE PENSION PLAN

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Total pension liability				
Service cost	\$ 210,112	\$ 181,596	\$ 174,612	\$ 145,798
Interest	694,615	638,293	605,512	552,076
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	250,932	-	(52,047)	-
Changes of assumptions	-	-	394,964	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	<u>(290,899)</u>	<u>(298,554)</u>	<u>(339,067)</u>	<u>(273,395)</u>
Net change in total pension liability	864,760	521,335	783,974	424,479
Total pension liability - beginning	<u>9,607,484</u>	<u>9,086,149</u>	<u>8,302,175</u>	<u>7,877,696</u>
Total pension liability - ending (a)	<u>\$ 10,472,244</u>	<u>\$ 9,607,484</u>	<u>\$ 9,086,149</u>	<u>\$ 8,302,175</u>
Plan fiduciary net position				
Contributions - employer	\$ 350,285	\$ 331,128	\$ 420,014	\$ 345,724
Contributions - employee	73,543	66,121	58,120	55,250
Net investment income	1,116,102	(1,410,945)	901,495	853,304
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(290,899)	(298,554)	(339,067)	(273,395)
Administrative expense	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	1,245,531	(1,315,750)	1,037,062	977,383
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	<u>7,713,686</u>	<u>9,029,436</u>	<u>7,992,374</u>	<u>7,014,991</u>
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	<u>\$ 8,959,217</u>	<u>\$ 7,713,686</u>	<u>\$ 9,029,436</u>	<u>\$ 7,992,374</u>
Township's net pension liability - ending (a)-(b)	<u>\$ 1,513,027</u>	<u>\$ 1,893,798</u>	<u>\$ 56,713</u>	<u>\$ 309,801</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	85.6%	80.3%	99.4%	96.3%
Covered payroll	\$ 1,327,474	\$ 1,165,810	\$ 1,102,508	\$ 1,086,899
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	114.0%	162.4%	5.1%	28.5%
Annual money-weighted return, net of investment expenses	14.35%	-16.10%	11.30%	12.27%

Notes to Schedule:

Assumption Changes: None since 1/1/23

Benefit Changes: None since 1/1/23

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
\$	140,190	\$ 99,373	\$ 95,551	\$ 156,211	\$ 150,203	\$ 148,888
	523,531	498,099	478,346	487,588	456,208	401,584
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	53,901	-	(541,532)	-	(118,020)	-
	-	-	-	-	94,898	-
	<u>(249,700)</u>	<u>(408,048)</u>	<u>(183,007)</u>	<u>(164,278)</u>	<u>(163,990)</u>	<u>(215,243)</u>
	467,922	189,424	(150,642)	479,521	419,299	335,229
	7,409,774	7,220,350	7,370,992	6,891,471	6,472,172	6,136,943
\$	<u><u>7,877,696</u></u>	<u><u>7,409,774</u></u>	<u><u>7,220,350</u></u>	<u><u>7,370,992</u></u>	<u><u>6,891,471</u></u>	<u><u>6,472,172</u></u>
\$	344,245	\$ 329,043	\$ 327,086	\$ 274,048	\$ 308,256	\$ 433,998
	59,419	51,846	46,293	47,470	49,944	40,035
	920,275	(300,522)	652,751	363,362	(72,603)	209,555
	<u>(249,700)</u>	<u>(408,048)</u>	<u>(183,007)</u>	<u>(164,278)</u>	<u>(163,990)</u>	<u>(215,243)</u>
	<u>(3,700)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(4,200)</u>	<u>(3,700)</u>
	1,070,539	(331,181)	839,623	517,102	117,407	464,645
	<u>5,944,452</u>	<u>6,275,633</u>	<u>5,436,010</u>	<u>4,918,908</u>	<u>4,801,501</u>	<u>4,336,856</u>
\$	<u><u>7,014,991</u></u>	<u><u>5,944,452</u></u>	<u><u>6,275,633</u></u>	<u><u>5,436,010</u></u>	<u><u>4,918,908</u></u>	<u><u>4,801,501</u></u>
\$	<u><u>862,705</u></u>	<u><u>1,465,322</u></u>	<u><u>944,717</u></u>	<u><u>1,934,982</u></u>	<u><u>1,972,563</u></u>	<u><u>1,670,671</u></u>
	89.0%	80.2%	86.9%	73.7%	71.4%	74.2%
\$	1,063,347	\$ 910,069	\$ 888,184	\$ 969,700	\$ 1,427,390	\$ 1,393,628
	81.1%	161.0%	106.4%	199.5%	138.2%	119.9%
	15.67%	-4.91%	12.16%	7.47%	0.87%	5.57%

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED
RATIOS – NON-UNIFORMED PENSION PLAN

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Total pension liability				
Service cost	\$ 75,123	\$ 90,859	\$ 87,364	\$ 91,898
Interest	242,488	238,980	223,008	214,130
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(159,531)	-	(243,448)	-
Changes of assumptions	-	-	130,472	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	<u>(100,819)</u>	<u>(108,108)</u>	<u>(63,278)</u>	<u>(60,102)</u>
Net change in total pension liability	57,261	221,731	134,118	245,926
Total pension liability - beginning	<u>3,598,925</u>	<u>3,377,194</u>	<u>3,243,076</u>	<u>2,997,150</u>
Total pension liability - ending (a)	<u>\$ 3,656,186</u>	<u>\$ 3,598,925</u>	<u>\$ 3,377,194</u>	<u>\$ 3,243,076</u>
Plan fiduciary net position				
Contributions - employer	\$ 166,685	\$ 173,735	\$ 127,806	\$ 98,677
Contributions - employee	-	-	-	-
Net investment income	374,712	(464,747)	294,677	275,066
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(100,819)	(108,108)	(63,278)	(60,102)
Administrative expense	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	437,078	(402,620)	355,705	310,141
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	<u>2,552,486</u>	<u>2,955,106</u>	<u>2,599,401</u>	<u>2,289,260</u>
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	<u>\$ 2,989,564</u>	<u>\$ 2,552,486</u>	<u>\$ 2,955,106</u>	<u>\$ 2,599,401</u>
Township's net pension liability - ending (a)-(b)	<u>\$ 666,622</u>	<u>\$ 1,046,439</u>	<u>\$ 422,088</u>	<u>\$ 643,675</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	81.8%	70.9%	87.5%	80.2%
Covered payroll	\$ 1,174,985	\$ 1,274,282	\$ 1,200,191	\$ 1,189,121
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	56.7%	82.1%	35.2%	54.1%
Annual money-weighted return, net of investment expenses	14.50%	-16.00%	11.40%	12.12%

Notes to Schedule:

Assumption Changes: None since 1/1/23

Benefit Changes: None since 1/1/23

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
\$	88,363	\$ 61,684	\$ 59,312	\$ 52,653	\$ 50,628	\$ 56,862
	198,125	145,784	136,132	160,621	150,224	124,341
	327,127	-	-	-	-	-
	143,462	-	(471,142)	-	(5,809)	-
	105,672	-	(43,066)	-	117,860	-
	<u>(62,670)</u>	<u>(62,670)</u>	<u>(57,214)</u>	<u>(53,908)</u>	<u>(54,806)</u>	<u>(52,973)</u>
	800,079	144,798	(375,978)	159,366	258,097	128,230
	<u>2,197,071</u>	<u>2,052,273</u>	<u>2,428,251</u>	<u>2,268,885</u>	<u>2,010,788</u>	<u>1,882,558</u>
\$	<u>2,997,150</u>	<u>2,197,071</u>	<u>2,052,273</u>	<u>2,428,251</u>	<u>2,268,885</u>	<u>2,010,788</u>
\$	101,846	\$ 117,600	\$ 117,237	\$ 100,856	\$ 109,504	\$ 113,577
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	300,795	(101,212)	207,032	121,886	(26,283)	65,805
	(62,670)	(62,670)	(57,214)	(53,908)	(54,806)	(52,973)
	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(3,850)</u>	<u>(4,300)</u>
	336,471	(49,782)	263,555	165,334	24,565	122,109
	<u>1,952,789</u>	<u>2,002,571</u>	<u>1,739,016</u>	<u>1,573,682</u>	<u>1,549,117</u>	<u>1,427,008</u>
\$	<u>2,289,260</u>	<u>1,952,789</u>	<u>2,002,571</u>	<u>1,739,016</u>	<u>1,573,682</u>	<u>1,549,117</u>
\$	<u>707,890</u>	<u>244,282</u>	<u>49,702</u>	<u>689,235</u>	<u>695,203</u>	<u>461,671</u>
	76.4%	88.9%	97.6%	71.6%	69.4%	77.0%
\$	1,251,505	\$ 1,157,455	\$ 1,149,350	\$ 1,149,770	\$ 1,313,266	\$ 1,186,612
	56.6%	21.1%	4.3%	59.9%	52.9%	38.9%
	15.55%	-5.10%	12.04%	7.84%	-1.72%	5.35%

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS - POLICE PENSION PLAN

<u>Fiscal</u> <u>Year Ended</u> <u>December 31,</u>	<u>Actuarially</u> <u>Determined</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>Employer</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Contribution</u> <u>Deficiency</u> <u>(Excess)</u>	<u>Covered</u> <u>Payroll</u>	<u>Contribution as</u> <u>a Percentage</u> <u>of Covered</u> <u>Payroll</u>
2014	\$ 433,998	\$ 433,998	\$ -	1,393,628	31.14%
2015	308,256	308,256	-	1,427,390	21.60%
2016	274,048	274,048	-	969,700	28.26%
2017	327,086	327,086	-	888,184	36.83%
2018	329,043	329,043	-	910,069	36.16%
2019	344,245	344,245	-	1,063,347	32.37%
2020	345,724	345,724	-	1,086,899	31.81%
2021	420,014	420,014	-	1,102,508	38.10%
2022	331,128	331,128	-	1,165,810	28.40%
2023	350,285	350,285	-	1,327,474	26.39%

Notes to Schedule:

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of January 1, two years to four years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Valuation date	1/1/2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Dollar Closed
Remaining amortization period	6 years
Asset valuation method	Market
Inflation	3%
Projected salary increases	4%
Investment rate of return	7%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Retirement age	52
Mortality	Based on the RP-2000 Mortality Tables for Male or Females, as appropriate, termination rates were based on Scale T-2, and disability was based on 1987 Group LTD able for Males or Females, as appropriate.

Change in benefit terms: None since 1/1/2021

Assumption Changes: In 2015, the mortality assumption was changed from the UP-1984 Table to the RP-2000 Table, the interest rate assumption was increased from 6.5% to 7.0% per annum, the salary scale assumption was increased from 3.5% to 4.0% per annum, and the disability assumption was changed from a 3% load to the 1987 Group LTD rates. In 2021, the mortality assumption was changed from the RP-2000 Table to the PubS-2010 projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS - NON-UNIFORMED PENSION PLAN

Fiscal Year Ended <u>December 31,</u>	Actuarially Determined <u>Contribution</u>	Actual Employer <u>Contribution</u>	Contribution Deficiency <u>(Excess)</u>	Covered <u>Payroll</u>	Contribution as a Percentage of Covered <u>Payroll</u>
2014	\$ 113,577	\$ 113,577	\$ -	\$ 1,186,612	9.57%
2015	109,504	109,504	-	1,313,266	8.34%
2016	100,856	100,856	-	1,149,770	8.77%
2017	117,237	117,237	-	1,149,350	10.20%
2018	117,600	117,600	-	1,157,455	10.16%
2019	101,846	101,846	-	1,251,505	8.14%
2020	98,677	98,677	-	1,189,121	8.30%
2021	127,806	127,806	-	1,200,191	10.65%
2022	173,735	173,735	-	1,274,282	13.63%
2023	166,685	166,685	-	1,174,985	14.19%

Notes to Schedule:

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of January 1, two years to four years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Valuation date	1/1/2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Dollar Closed
Remaining amortization period	11 years
Asset valuation method	Market
Inflation	3%
Projected salary increases	4%
Investment rate of return	7%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Retirement age	65
Mortality	Based on the RP-2000 Mortality Tables Projected to 2017 using scale AA for Males or Females, as appropriate, termination rates were based on Scale T-2, and disability was based on 1987 Group LTD table for Males or Females, as appropriate

Change in benefit terms: In 2019, the benefit formula was changed from 1% of average monthly compensation for all year of service to 1% of average monthly compensation of all years of service prior to 1/1/14 plus 1.5% of average monthly compensation for all years of service on or after 1/1/14.

Assumption Changes: In 2015, the mortality assumption was changed from the UP-1984 Table to the RP-2000 Table, the interest rate assumption was increased from 6.5% to 7.0% per annum, the salary scale assumption was increased from 3.5% to 4.0% per annum, and the disability assumption was changed from a 3% load to the 1987 Group LTD rates. In 2017 a change was made from no pre-retirement mortality to including pre-retirement mortality. In 2019, the mortality assumption was changed from the RP-2000 Table to the RP-2000 projected to 2017 using Scale AA. In 2021, the Mortality assumption was changed from the RP-2000 Table projected to 2017 using Scale AA to the PUBG-2010 projected 5 years past the valuation date with the Scale MP-2020.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

Combining and Individual Fund Statements and Schedules

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Street Light & Fire Hydrant	Fire Tax	Impact Fees	Library	Park and Recreation	Open Space Maintenance
<u>ASSETS</u>						
Current Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,011	\$ 11,670	\$ 779,401	\$ 3,288	\$ 8,500	\$ 557,647
Investments	-	-	-	-	-	500,000
Receivables	411	927	-	927	-	16,448
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	14,886
Total Assets	<u>\$ 4,422</u>	<u>\$ 12,597</u>	<u>\$ 779,401</u>	<u>\$ 4,215</u>	<u>\$ 8,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,088,981</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts payable and accrued wages	\$ 1,882	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u>1,882</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>FUND BALANCES:</u>						
Restricted for:						
Street Light & Fire Hydrant	2,540	-	-	-	-	-
Highway and streets	-	-	779,401	-	-	-
Fire	-	12,597	-	-	-	-
Library	-	-	-	4,215	-	-
Open space	-	-	-	-	-	1,088,981
Recycling	-	-	-	-	-	-
Committed for:						
Park and recreation	-	-	-	-	8,500	-
Assigned for:						
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,540</u>	<u>12,597</u>	<u>779,401</u>	<u>4,215</u>	<u>8,500</u>	<u>1,088,981</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 4,422</u>	<u>\$ 12,597</u>	<u>\$ 779,401</u>	<u>\$ 4,215</u>	<u>\$ 8,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,088,981</u>

Special Revenue Funds				Capital Projects Funds		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Highway Aid	Recycle	Tree Planting	Total	Capital Reserve	Total	
\$ 333,283	\$ 122,734	\$ 216,880	\$ 2,037,414	\$ 214,099	\$ 214,099	\$ 2,251,513
-	-	-	500,000	-	-	500,000
-	-	-	18,713	-	-	18,713
-	-	-	14,886	-	-	14,886
<u>\$ 333,283</u>	<u>\$ 122,734</u>	<u>\$ 216,880</u>	<u>\$ 2,571,013</u>	<u>\$ 214,099</u>	<u>\$ 214,099</u>	<u>\$ 2,785,112</u>
\$ -	\$ 610	\$ -	\$ 2,492	\$ 151,907	\$ 151,907	\$ 154,399
-	610	-	2,492	151,907	151,907	154,399
-	-	-	2,540	-	-	2,540
333,283	-	-	1,112,684	-	-	1,112,684
-	-	-	12,597	-	-	12,597
-	-	-	4,215	-	-	4,215
-	-	216,880	1,305,861	-	-	1,305,861
-	122,124	-	122,124	-	-	122,124
-	-	-	8,500	-	-	8,500
-	-	-	-	62,192	62,192	62,192
<u>333,283</u>	<u>122,124</u>	<u>216,880</u>	<u>2,568,521</u>	<u>62,192</u>	<u>62,192</u>	<u>2,630,713</u>
<u>\$ 333,283</u>	<u>\$ 122,734</u>	<u>\$ 216,880</u>	<u>\$ 2,571,013</u>	<u>\$ 214,099</u>	<u>\$ 214,099</u>	<u>\$ 2,785,112</u>

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Street Light & Fire Hydrant	Fire Tax	Impact Fees	Library	Park and Recreation	Open Space Maintenance
Revenues						
Property taxes	\$ 24,307	\$ 280,193	\$ -	\$ 280,237	\$ -	\$ -
Earned income tax	-	-	-	-	-	343,283
Investment income and rent	564	8,732	1,825	5,363	237	57,051
Intergovernmental revenues	-	104,834	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	128,095	-	7,250	-
Total Revenues	<u>24,871</u>	<u>393,759</u>	<u>129,920</u>	<u>285,600</u>	<u>7,487</u>	<u>400,334</u>
Expenditures						
Current						
General government	-	-	-	-	-	3,653
Public safety	24,466	396,334	-	-	-	-
Highways and roads	21,851	-	-	-	-	-
Library	-	-	-	283,494	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	180,400	-
Community Development	-	-	-	-	-	540,314
Debt service						
Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	<u>46,317</u>	<u>396,334</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>283,494</u>	<u>180,400</u>	<u>543,967</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
Over Expenditures	<u>(21,446)</u>	<u>(2,575)</u>	<u>129,920</u>	<u>2,106</u>	<u>(172,913)</u>	<u>(143,633)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Debt proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	20,000	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	(50,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>20,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(1,446)	(2,575)	129,920	2,106	(172,913)	(193,633)
Fund Balance - Beginning	<u>3,986</u>	<u>15,172</u>	<u>649,481</u>	<u>2,109</u>	<u>181,413</u>	<u>1,282,614</u>
Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 2,540</u>	<u>\$ 12,597</u>	<u>\$ 779,401</u>	<u>\$ 4,215</u>	<u>\$ 8,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,088,981</u>

Special Revenue Funds				Capital Projects Funds		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Highway Aid	Recycle	Tree Planting	Total	Capital Reserve	Total	
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 584,737	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 584,737
-	-	-	343,283	-	-	343,283
27,093	318	10,113	111,296	5,409	5,409	116,705
422,311	-	-	527,145	-	-	527,145
-	-	37,800	173,145	17	17	173,162
<u>449,404</u>	<u>318</u>	<u>47,913</u>	<u>1,739,606</u>	<u>5,426</u>	<u>5,426</u>	<u>1,745,032</u>
-	5,042	-	8,695	34,413	34,413	43,108
-	-	-	420,800	244,483	244,483	665,283
489,108	-	-	510,959	161,392	161,392	672,351
-	-	-	283,494	-	-	283,494
-	4,176	9,000	193,576	18,838	18,838	212,414
-	-	-	540,314	2,184	2,184	542,498
-	-	-	-	51,907	51,907	51,907
-	-	-	-	5,554	5,554	5,554
<u>489,108</u>	<u>9,218</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>1,957,838</u>	<u>518,771</u>	<u>518,771</u>	<u>2,476,609</u>
<u>(39,704)</u>	<u>(8,900)</u>	<u>38,913</u>	<u>(218,232)</u>	<u>(513,345)</u>	<u>(513,345)</u>	<u>(731,577)</u>
-	-	-	-	100,581	100,581	100,581
-	-	-	20,000	270,000	270,000	290,000
-	-	-	(50,000)	-	-	(50,000)
-	-	-	(30,000)	370,581	370,581	340,581
<u>(39,704)</u>	<u>(8,900)</u>	<u>38,913</u>	<u>(248,232)</u>	<u>(142,764)</u>	<u>(142,764)</u>	<u>(390,996)</u>
<u>372,987</u>	<u>131,024</u>	<u>177,967</u>	<u>2,816,753</u>	<u>204,956</u>	<u>204,956</u>	<u>3,021,709</u>
<u>\$ 333,283</u>	<u>\$ 122,124</u>	<u>\$ 216,880</u>	<u>\$ 2,568,521</u>	<u>\$ 62,192</u>	<u>\$ 62,192</u>	<u>\$ 2,630,713</u>

TOWNSHIP OF FRANCONIA
COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Pension Trust Funds		
	Police Pension	Municipal Pension	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 341,694	\$ 75,179	\$ 416,873
Investments, at fair value			
Mutual funds-equities	6,983,462	2,456,598	9,440,060
Unit Investment Trusts	1,188,089	406,649	1,594,738
Bonds and notes	433,318	63,493	496,811
Total Current Assets	8,946,563	3,001,919	11,948,482
 TOTAL ASSETS	 \$ 8,946,563	 \$ 3,001,919	 \$ 11,948,482
 <u>NET POSITION</u>			
Net Position Restricted for:			
Pension benefits	\$ 8,946,563	\$ 3,001,919	\$ 11,948,482

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FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>Pension Trust Funds</u>		
	<u>Police Pension</u>	<u>Municipal Pension</u>	<u>Total</u>
Additions			
Contributions			
Member contributions	\$ 73,544	\$ -	\$ 73,544
Municipal contributions	233,727	73,439	307,166
State contributions	<u>116,558</u>	<u>93,246</u>	<u>209,804</u>
Total Contributions	<u>423,829</u>	<u>166,685</u>	<u>590,514</u>
Investment Income			
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	952,628	324,871	1,277,499
Interest and dividends	<u>198,661</u>	<u>71,850</u>	<u>270,511</u>
Total Investment Income	1,151,289	396,721	1,548,010
Less: investment expense	<u>(39,782)</u>	<u>(11,433)</u>	<u>(51,215)</u>
Net Investment Income	<u>1,111,507</u>	<u>385,288</u>	<u>1,496,795</u>
Total Additions	<u>1,535,336</u>	<u>551,973</u>	<u>2,087,309</u>
Deductions			
Administrative expense	3,500	3,500	7,000
Benefits	<u>291,348</u>	<u>101,924</u>	<u>393,272</u>
Total Deductions	<u>294,848</u>	<u>105,424</u>	<u>400,272</u>
Net Increase	1,240,488	446,549	1,687,037
Net Position Restricted for Pension Benefits:			
Beginning of Year	<u>7,706,075</u>	<u>2,555,370</u>	<u>10,261,445</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ 8,946,563</u>	<u>\$ 3,001,919</u>	<u>\$ 11,948,482</u>