

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
REPORT OF AUDIT
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

BOROUGH OF DUMONT

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BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
PART I
REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

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Report on the Audit of Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets - regulatory basis of the various funds and account group of the Borough of Dumont, as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related statement of revenues - regulatory basis and statement of expenditures - regulatory basis of the Current Fund for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters discussed in the Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting section of our report, the financial statements - regulatory basis referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position - regulatory basis of the various funds and account group of the Borough of Dumont as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the results of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis of such funds for the years then ended and the respective revenues - regulatory basis and expenditures - regulatory basis of the Current Fund for the year ended December 31, 2022 in accordance with the financial accounting and reporting provisions and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey as described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the Borough of Dumont as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, or changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Borough of Dumont and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

As discussed in Note 17 of the financial statements, the financial statements – regulatory basis of the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) Trust Fund have not been audited, and we were not required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, to audit nor were we engaged to audit the LOSAP Trust Fund financial statements as part of our audit of the Borough's financial statements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. The LOSAP Trust Fund financial activities are included in the Borough's Trust Funds, and represent 42 percent and 41 percent of the assets and liabilities of the Borough's Trust Funds as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

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

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Borough of Dumont on the basis of the financial accounting and reporting provisions and practices that demonstrate compliance with the regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the financial reporting requirements of the State of New Jersey for municipal government entities.

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial accounting and reporting provisions and practices that demonstrate compliance with the regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey as described in Note 1. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, 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 Borough of Dumont'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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our 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 generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 Borough of Dumont'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 Borough of Dumont'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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements of the Borough of Dumont as a whole. The supplementary schedules listed in the table of contents, schedule of expenditures of federal awards and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements of the Borough of Dumont. 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 supplementary schedules listed in the table of contents, schedule of expenditures of federal awards and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the report of audit. The other information comprises the supplementary data and letter of comments and recommendation section but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 23, 2023 on our consideration of the Borough of Dumont's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Dumont's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Borough of Dumont's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

ASSETS	Reference	2022	2021
Cash	A-4	\$ 10,203,286	\$ 7,725,518
Petty Cash	A-5	400	400
Change Fund	A	275	275
Grants Receivable	A-6	380,307	345,207
Due From State - Senior Citizens and Veterans Deductions	A-7	9,407	10,157
		<u>10,593,675</u>	<u>8,081,557</u>
Receivables and Other Assets With Full Reserves			
Delinquent Property Taxes	A-8	459,437	439,139
Tax Title Liens	A-9	9,477	9,069
Property Acquired for Taxes	A-10	79,526	79,526
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-12	6,427	1,962
Due from Dixon Homestead Library	A-23	30,930	14,113
Due from Animal Control Fund	B-4	18,115	15,012
Due from Other Trust Fund	B-7	-	857,623
		<u>603,912</u>	<u>1,416,444</u>
Deferred Charges			
Emergency Authorization	A-11		100,000
Overexpenditure of Appropriation Reserves	A-11	17,741	2,400
		<u>17,741</u>	<u>102,400</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$ 11,215,328</u>	<u>\$ 9,600,401</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Appropriation Reserves	A-3,A-13	\$ 1,491,155	\$ 965,170
Encumbrances Payable	A-14	721,508	1,144,299
Accounts Payable	A-15	157,786	126,543
Due to General Capital Fund	C-8	261,540	1,039,825
Due to Other Trust Fund	B-7	191,422	
Miscellaneous Reserves	A-16	698,551	833,630
Prepaid Taxes	A-17	290,547	342,749
Tax Overpayments	A-18		58,323
County Taxes Payable	A-20	7,632	
Local School Taxes Payable	A-19	1,542,306	
Appropriated Grant Reserves	A-21	50,678	68,610
Unappropriated Grant Reserves	A-22	1,276,179	974,530
		<u>6,689,304</u>	<u>5,553,679</u>
Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets	A	603,912	1,416,444
Fund Balance	A-1	<u>3,922,112</u>	<u>2,630,278</u>
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance		<u>\$ 11,215,328</u>	<u>\$ 9,600,401</u>

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of these Financial Statements

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
REGULATORY BASIS - CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
REVENUES AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED		
Fund Balance Utilized	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,615,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	3,873,182	2,968,884
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	439,139	535,592
Receipts from Current Taxes	65,280,947	64,902,371
Non-Budget Revenues	283,543	404,914
Other Credits to Income		
Cancelled Tax Overpayments	58,291	
Interfunds Returned	857,623	
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves	828,006	739,055
Statutory Excess - Animal Control Fund	<u>3,103</u>	<u>2,957</u>
 Total Revenues	 <u>73,223,834</u>	 <u>71,168,773</u>
 EXPENDITURES		
Municipal Budget	26,115,701	24,845,149
County Taxes	5,649,836	5,636,462
Local District School Taxes	38,519,223	38,630,443
Overexpenditure of Appropriation Reserves	17,741	2,400
Cancelled Deferred Charge	22,571	
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	4,749	33,293
Establish Reserve for Amount Due from Library	16,817	14,113
Interfund Advance	<u>3,103</u>	<u>578,222</u>
 Total Expenditures	 <u>70,349,741</u>	 <u>69,740,082</u>
 Excess in Revenues	 2,874,093	 1,428,691
 Adjustments to Income Before Fund Balance:		
Expenditures Included Above Which are by Statute		
Deferred Charges to Budget of Succeeding Year	<u>17,741</u>	<u>102,400</u>
 Statutory Excess to Fund Balance	 2,891,834	 1,531,091
 Fund Balance, January 1	 <u>2,630,278</u>	 <u>2,714,187</u>
	5,522,112	4,245,278
Decreased by:		
Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	<u>1,600,000</u>	<u>1,615,000</u>
 Fund Balance, December 31	 <u>\$ 3,922,112</u>	 <u>\$ 2,630,278</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>NJSA 40A:4-87</u>	<u>Realized</u>	<u>Excess or (Deficit)</u>
Fund Balance Utilized	<u>\$ 1,600,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 1,600,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Miscellaneous Revenues				
Licenses				
Alcoholic Beverages	14,000		14,688	\$ 688
Other	3,600		4,605	1,005
Fees and Permits				
Construction Code Official	280,000		284,035	4,035
Other	65,000		76,986	11,986
Fines and Costs - Municipal Court	39,000		51,110	12,110
Interest on Costs on Taxes	100,000		86,251	(13,749)
Interest on Investments and Deposits	30,000		42,988	12,988
Fire Inspection Fees	25,000		14,050	(10,950)
Recreation Fees	50,000		50,000	
Energy Receipts Tax	1,355,252		1,355,252	
Recreation for Individual with Disabilities		\$ 1,000	1,000	
Recycling Tonnage Grant		20,508	20,508	
Police Body Armor Grant	2,464		2,464	
New Jersey Community Forestry Grant	34,100		34,100	
Equitable Sharing Program (DEA)	2,320		2,320	
American Rescue Plan	762,000		762,000	
Police Outside Services - Admin. Fees	160,000		160,000	
General Capital Fund Balance	165,650		165,650	
Life Hazard Use Fees	9,000		11,312	2,312
PILOT - Senior Citizen Club	15,000		15,000	
PILOT - Washington Promenade	400,000		397,084	(2,916)
Cable Television Franchise Fees	222,000		222,779	779
Reserve for Payment of Debt	99,000	-	99,000	-
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>3,833,386</u>	<u>21,508</u>	<u>3,873,182</u>	<u>18,288</u>
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	<u>430,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>439,139</u>	<u>9,139</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of				
Municipal Budget	20,783,206		21,662,169	878,963
Free Public Library	774,719	-	774,719	-
	<u>21,557,925</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,436,888</u>	<u>878,963</u>
Total General Revenues	<u>\$ 27,421,311</u>	<u>\$ 21,508</u>	<u>28,349,209</u>	<u>\$ 906,390</u>
Non-Budget Revenues			<u>283,543</u>	
			<u>\$ 28,632,752</u>	

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of these Financial Statements

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022
(Continued)

Analysis of Realized Revenues	
Allocation of Current Tax Collections	
Revenues from Collections	\$ 65,280,947
Less: Allocation to School and County Taxes	<u>44,169,059</u>
	21,111,888
Balance for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriation	
Add Appropriation - "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes"	<u>1,325,000</u>
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations	<u>\$ 22,436,888</u>
 Licenses-Other	
Borough Clerk	\$ 4,521
Board of Health	<u>84</u>
	<u>\$ 4,605</u>
 Fees and Permits-Other	
Borough Clerk	\$ 10,400
Police	1,047
Planning and Zoning	4,425
Fire Prevention	27,468
Board of Health	18,615
Other Fees	<u>15,031</u>
	<u>\$ 76,986</u>
 Analysis of Non-Budget Revenue	
Insurance Reimbursements	\$ 44,222
Recycling Cans	1,613
6% Tax Penalty	26,976
FEMA Reimbursements	117,163
Recycling	11,485
Unison Revenue Sharing	20,092
Monopole Rental	29,896
Admin Fee - Senior Citizens And Veterans	1,955
Miscellaneous	<u>30,141</u>
	<u>\$ 283,543</u>

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of these Financial Statements

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

			<u>Expended</u>		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After</u>	<u>Paid or</u>	<u>Reserved</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
		<u>Modification</u>	<u>Charged</u>		
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAPS"					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
General Administration					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000		
Other Expenses	145,000	145,000	144,734	\$ 266	
Postage	21,000	21,000	10,210	10,790	
Mayor and Council					
Salaries and Wages	14,500	14,500	14,313	187	
Other Expenses	9,500	9,500	9,331	169	
Municipal Clerk					
Salaries and Wages	134,334	138,334	135,629	2,705	
Other Expenses	36,000	36,000	20,041	15,959	
Elections					
Other Expenses	20,000	20,000	17,944	2,056	
Financial Administration					
Salaries and Wages	168,997	148,997	115,737	33,260	
Other Expenses	145,000	145,000	119,439	25,561	
Auditor					
Other Expenses	51,000	51,000	1,036	49,964	
Assessment of Taxes					
Salaries and Wages	24,883	25,383	24,883	500	
Other Expenses	15,000	15,000	3,018	11,982	
Collection of Taxes					
Salaries and Wages	85,763	92,763	85,954	6,809	
Other Expenses	15,000	15,000	12,880	2,120	
Legal Services and Costs					
Borough Attorney - Other Expenses	150,000	170,000	131,806	38,194	
Special Counsel - Other Expenses	190,000	118,200	89,302	28,898	
Engineering					
Other Expenses	60,000	60,000	55,106	4,894	
Planning Board/Zoning Board					
Salaries and Wages	2,400	2,400		2,400	
Other Expenses	11,800	11,800	10,195	1,605	
Affordable Housing (COAH)					
Salaries and Wages	1,000	1,000		1,000	
Other Expenses	15,000	15,000		15,000	
Insurance					
General Liability	435,000	435,000	343,592	91,408	
Workers Compensation	385,000	385,000	278,750	106,250	
Employee Group Health	2,084,000	1,984,000	1,911,018	72,982	
Health Benefit Waiver	25,000	26,500	26,069	431	
Rent Leveling Board					
Salaries and Wages	1,080	1,080		1,080	
Other Expenses	150	150	41	109	
Economic Development Committee					
Other Expenses					
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Fire Department					
Salaries and Wages	3,696	3,696		3,696	
Other Expenses	154,500	229,500	228,311	1,189	
Life Hazard Use Fees					
Salaries and Wages	34,652	34,652	29,354	5,298	
Other Expenses	7,000	7,000	5,822	1,178	
Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies	52,000	52,000	52,000		
Rental of Fire Houses	72,000	72,000	72,000		
Fire Hydrant Services	180,000	180,000	172,716	7,284	

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>	<u>Expended Reserved</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
PUBLIC SAFETY (Continued)					
Police Department					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 4,176,377	\$ 4,176,377	\$ 4,067,166	\$ 109,211	
Salaries and Wages - ARP	762,000	762,000	762,000		
Other Expenses	255,161	224,261	187,638	36,623	
Police Reserve - Other Expenses	9,850	9,850	4,149	5,701	
Emergency Management					
Salaries and Wages	1,000	1,000		1,000	
Other Expenses	4,200	4,200	375	3,825	
Volunteer Ambulance Corp.					
Other Expenses	65,000	65,000	65,000		
Municipal Prosecutor					
Salaries and Wages	2,200	6,200	4,097	2,103	
Other Expenses	6,500	6,500	350	6,150	
PUBLIC WORKS					
Streets and Road Maintenance					
Salaries and Wages	1,952,343	1,850,343	1,820,602	29,741	
Other Expenses	349,400	434,400	382,198	52,202	
Recycling					
Salaries and Wages	5,000	5,000	531	4,469	
Garbage and Trash Removal					
Other Expenses	2,319,000	2,319,000	2,077,252	241,748	
Sewer System					
Other Expenses	20,000	20,000	3,929	16,071	
Public Building and Grounds					
Salaries and Wages	188,338	178,338	164,020	14,318	
Other Expenses	164,500	164,500	130,588	33,912	
Shade Tree					
Other Expenses	12,000	12,000	5,813	6,187	
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
Board of Health					
Salaries and Wages	79,558	79,558	72,612	6,946	
Other Expenses	85,000	91,000	90,806	194	
Other Expenses-Contractual					
Stigma Free Committee					
Other Expenses	2,500	2,500		2,500	
Animal Control Services					
Other Expenses	25,000	25,000		25,000	
Environmental Commission					
Other Expenses	7,000	7,000	723	6,277	
Administration of Public Assistance					
Salaries and Wages	4,000	4,000		4,000	
Other Expenses					
Aid to Community Center for Mental Health	8,000	8,000	8,000		
PARKS AND RECREATION					
Senior Citizens					
Salaries and Wages	106,622	108,622	106,601	2,021	
Other Expenses	31,000	31,000	8,107	22,893	
Parks and Playgrounds					
Salaries and Wages	134,448	120,048	107,249	12,799	
Other Expenses	44,600	44,600	40,344	4,256	

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>	<u>Expended Reserved</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
OTHER					
Celebration of Public Events					
Other Expenses	\$ 89,000	\$ 89,000	\$ 78,996	\$ 10,004	
Salary Adjustments					
Salaries and Wages	40,000				
MUNICIPAL COURT					
Salaries and Wages	117,058	134,058	131,681	2,377	
Other Expenses	7,500	8,500	7,837	663	
Public Defender					
Salaries and Wages	1,400	5,900	3,334	2,566	
Other Expenses	4,100	4,100		4,100	
CODE ENFORCEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION					
Salaries and Wages	265,154	280,654	275,871	4,783	
Other Expenses	19,750	19,750	18,117	1,633	
UNCLASSIFIED					
Utilities					
Gasoline	150,000	195,000	145,496	49,504	
Electricity	220,000	285,000	234,100	50,900	
Telephone	100,000	100,000	90,643	9,357	
Street Lighting	140,000	160,000	118,515	41,485	
Water	35,000	35,000	34,414	586	-
Total Operations Within "CAPS"	16,884,814	16,868,714	15,495,385	1,373,329	-
Detail:					
Salaries and Wages	8,456,803	8,299,903	8,072,703	227,200	-
Other Expenses	8,428,011	8,568,811	7,422,682	1,146,129	-
DEFERRED CHARGES AND REGULATORY EXPENDITURES-MUNICIPAL					
Deferred Charges:					
Overexpenditure of Appropriations	2,400	2,400	2,400		
Statutory Expenditures:					
Contribution to:					
Social Security System	370,000	378,000	377,444	556	
Public Employees' Retirement System	568,290	568,340	568,290	50	
Police and Firemen's Retirement Fund of NJ	1,412,884	1,412,934	1,412,884	50	
Unemployment Insurance	10,000	10,000		10,000	
Defined Contribution Retirement Plan	3,500	3,500	3,114	386	-
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Within "CAPS"	2,367,074	2,375,174	2,364,132	11,042	-
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	19,251,888	19,243,888	17,859,517	1,384,371	-

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>	<u>Expended Reserved</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
OPERATIONS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"					
UTILITY EXPENSES AND BULK PURCHASES					
Bergen County Utilities Authority-Operations	\$ 1,867,518	\$ 1,867,518	\$ 1,867,518		
Bergen County Utilities Authority-Debt Service	415,141	415,141	415,141		
EDUCATION					
Maintenance of Free Public Library	774,719	774,719	774,719		
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Length of Service Awards Program	50,000	57,900	-	\$ 57,900	-
Total Other Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	3,107,378	3,115,278	3,057,378	57,900	-
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFFSET BY REVENUES					
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS					
Recreation Opportunity Grant (ROID)					
Other Expenses		1,000	1,000		
Police Body Armor					
Other Expenses	2,464	2,464		2,464	
New Jersey Community Forestry Grant					
Other Expenses	34,100	34,100		34,100	
Equitable Sharing Program (DEA)					
Other Expenses	2,320	2,320		2,320	
Recycling Tonnage Grant					
Other Expenses	-	20,508	20,508	-	-
Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	38,884	60,392	21,508	38,884	-
Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	3,146,262	3,175,670	3,078,886	96,784	-
Detail:					
Other Expenses	3,146,262	3,175,670	3,078,886	96,784	-
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS					
Capital Improvement Fund	120,000	120,000	120,000		
Acquisition of Ambulance Corp. Jackets	10,000	10,000	-	10,000	-
Total Capital Improvements	130,000	130,000	120,000	10,000	-
MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE					
Payment of Bond Principal	1,570,000	1,570,000	1,570,000		
Payment of Bond Anticipation Note Principal					
Interest on Bonds	1,000,075	1,000,075	1,000,071		
Interest on Notes	334,668	334,668	334,668		
Green Trust					
Loan Repayments for Principal and Interest	12,437	12,437	12,437		
Bergen County Improvement Authority -					
Loan Repayment	123,023	123,023	120,921		\$ 2,102
NJEIT Loan Principal	374,251	374,251	374,251		
NJEIT Loan Interest	49,090	49,190	49,178	-	12
Total Municipal Debt Service	3,463,544	3,463,644	3,461,526	-	2,114

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS
CURRENT FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>	<u>Expended Reserved</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
DEFERRED CHARGES EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"					
Deferred Charges Unfunded					
Emergency Authorization	\$ 77,429	\$ 77,429	\$ 77,429		
Cancelled Capital Grants	<u>27,188</u>	<u>27,188</u>	<u>27,188</u>	-	-
Total Deferred Charges	<u>104,617</u>	<u>104,617</u>	<u>104,617</u>	-	-
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from "CAPS"	<u>6,844,423</u>	<u>6,873,931</u>	<u>6,765,029</u>	\$ 106,784	\$ 2,114
Subtotal General Appropriations	26,096,311	26,117,819	24,624,546	1,491,155	2,114
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	<u>1,325,000</u>	<u>1,325,000</u>	<u>1,325,000</u>	-	-
Total General Appropriations	<u>\$ 27,421,311</u>	<u>\$ 27,442,819</u>	<u>\$ 25,949,546</u>	<u>\$ 1,491,155</u>	<u>\$ 2,114</u>
Budget as Adopted		\$ 27,421,311			
Added by NJS 40A:4-87		<u>21,508</u>			
		<u>\$ 27,442,819</u>			
Cash Disbursements			\$ 23,341,353		
Encumbrances Payable			721,508		
Due to General Capital Fund					
Capital Improvement Fund			120,000		
Deferred Charges			27,188		
Current Fund Expenditures Paid by General Capital Fund			334,668		
Special Emergency Authorization			77,429		
Deferred Charges			2,400		
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes			<u>1,325,000</u>		
			<u>\$ 25,949,546</u>		

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS
TRUST FUNDS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	<u>Reference</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
ASSETS			
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND			
Cash	B-1	\$ 23,106	\$ 20,443
OTHER TRUST FUND			
Cash	B-1	2,066,822	2,778,971
Due from Current Fund	B-7	191,422	-
		<u>2,258,244</u>	<u>2,778,971</u>
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND			
Cash	B-1	<u>43,356</u>	<u>50,730</u>
LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM FUND (UNAUDITED)			
Investment	B	1,628,109	1,961,508
Contribution Receivable	B	<u>38,400</u>	<u>35,400</u>
		<u>1,666,509</u>	<u>1,996,908</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$ 3,991,215</u>	<u>\$ 4,847,052</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS
TRUST FUNDS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	<u>Reference</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE			
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND			
Reserve for Animal Control Expenditures	B-2	\$ 4,482	\$ 5,271
Due to State of New Jersey	B-3	509	160
Due to Current Fund	B-4	<u>18,115</u>	<u>15,012</u>
		<u>23,106</u>	<u>20,443</u>
OTHER TRUST FUND			
Reserve for Developers Escrow	B-5	42,005	59,622
Due to Current Fund	B-7		857,623
Miscellaneous Reserves	B-8	2,144,275	1,799,213
Payroll Deductions Payable	B-9	<u>71,964</u>	<u>62,513</u>
		<u>2,258,244</u>	<u>2,778,971</u>
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND			
Reserve for Unemployment Insurance Expenditures	B-6	<u>43,356</u>	<u>50,730</u>
LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM FUND (UNAUDITED)			
Reserve for Length of Service Awards Program	B	<u>1,666,509</u>	<u>1,996,908</u>
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance		<u>\$ 3,991,215</u>	<u>\$ 4,847,052</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	<u>Reference</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
ASSETS			
Cash	C-2, C-3	\$ 4,348,788	\$ 5,034,043
Grants Receivable	C-6	2,642,497	2,003,978
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation			
Funded	C-4	43,486,686	26,978,919
Unfunded	C-5	2,159,625	16,978,125
Cancelled Grant Receivable	C-7		27,188
Due from Current Fund	C-8	<u>261,540</u>	<u>1,039,825</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$ 52,899,136</u>	<u>\$ 52,062,078</u>

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE

General Serial Bonds	C-9	\$ 40,870,000	\$ 23,860,000
Pension Obligation Lease Payable	C-10	129,000	246,000
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-11	1,208,500	16,780,000
Green Trust Fund Loan Payable	C-14	64,469	75,451
Environmental Infrastructure Trust Loan Payable	C-15	2,423,217	2,797,468
Improvement Authorizations			
Funded	C-12	2,858,017	494,141
Unfunded	C-12	1,458,256	3,053,998
Contracts Payable	C-13	968,541	2,456,836
Reserve for Grants Receivable	C-6	2,370,183	1,632,641
Capital Improvement Fund	C-16	40,799	53,147
Reserve for Payment of Debt	C-17	15,500	99,000
Fund Balance	C-1	<u>492,654</u>	<u>513,396</u>
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance		<u>\$ 52,899,136</u>	<u>\$ 52,062,078</u>

There were bonds and notes authorized but not issued of \$951,125 and \$213,625 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively (Exhibit C-18).

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Balance, January 1	\$ 513,396	\$ 233,503
Increased by:		
Premium on Sale of Bonds	78,990	
Premium on Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes	4,065	304,893
Cancellation of Improvement Authorization Balance	<u>61,853</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>144,908</u>	<u>304,893</u>
	658,304	538,396
Decreased by:		
Anticipated as Revenue in Current Fund Budget	<u>165,650</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 492,654</u>	<u>\$ 513,396</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021**

	<u>Reference</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
ASSETS			
Cash	D-1	\$ <u>640</u>	\$ <u>640</u>
		<u>\$ 640</u>	<u>\$ 640</u>
LIABILITIES			
Reserve for Public Assistance Expenditures	D-2	\$ <u>640</u>	\$ <u>640</u>
		<u>\$ 640</u>	<u>\$ 640</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021**

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
ASSETS		
Land and Site Improvements	\$ 4,780,937	\$ 4,713,159
Buildings and Building Improvements	23,375,729	23,375,729
Machinery and Equipment	<u>10,950,543</u>	<u>10,881,497</u>
	<u>\$ 39,107,209</u>	<u>\$ 38,970,385</u>
FUND BALANCE		
Investment in General Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 39,107,209</u>	<u>\$ 38,970,385</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The Borough of Dumont (the "Borough") was incorporated in 1894 and operates under an elected Mayor and Council form of government. The Mayor is elected to a four-year term and the six council members are elected at-large, two each year for terms of three years. The Mayor is the Chief Executive Officer of the Borough and as such presides over all public meetings and makes appointments to various boards. The Borough Council exercises all legislative powers including final adoption of the municipal budget and bond ordinances and confirmation of the Mayor's appointments, and all executive authority which is not specifically provided to the Mayor, by state law. A Borough Administrator is appointed by the Borough Council and is responsible for the implementation of the policies of the Mayor and Council, for the administration of all Borough affairs and for the day to day operations of the Borough. The Borough Administrator is the Chief Administrative Officer for the Borough. The Borough's major operations include public safety, road repair and maintenance, sanitation, fire protection, recreation and parks, health services, and general administrative services.

GASB requires the financial reporting entity to include both the primary government and component units. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Borough is financially accountable. The Borough is financially accountable for an organization if the Borough appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Borough is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Borough is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Borough is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Borough is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Borough in that the Borough approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. The Borough is not includable in any other reporting entity as a component unit.

The financial statements contained herein include only those boards, bodies, officers or commissions as required by NJS 40A:5-5. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Borough do not include the municipal library, volunteer fire department or volunteer first aid squad, which are considered component units under GAAP. Complete financial statements of the above component units can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer of the respective entity.

B. Description of Regulatory Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Borough of Dumont have been prepared on a basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles and practices prescribed or permitted by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division") which is a regulatory basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Borough accounts for its financial transactions through separate funds, which differ from the fund structure required by GAAP.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. GASB has adopted accounting statements to be used by governmental units when reporting financial position and results of operations in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. (GAAP). The municipalities in the State of New Jersey do not prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP and thus do not comply with all of the GASB pronouncements.

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Basis of Presentation – Financial Statements

The Borough uses funds, as required by the Division, to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial administration by segregating transactions related to certain Borough functions or activities. The Borough also uses an account group, which is designed to provide accountability for certain assets that are not recorded in those Funds.

The Borough has the following funds and account group:

Current Fund – This fund is used to account for the revenues and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature and the assets and liabilities related to such activities, including Federal and State grants not accounted for in another fund.

Trust Funds - These funds are used to account for assets held by the government in a trustee capacity. Funds held by the Borough as an agent for individuals, private organizations, or other governments are recorded in the Trust Funds.

Animal Control Fund - This fund is used to account for fees collected from dog and cat licenses and expenditures which are regulated by NJS 4:19-15.11.

Other Trust Fund - This fund is established to account for the assets and resources, which are held by the Borough as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. These funds include dedicated fees/proceeds collected, developer deposits, payroll related deposits and funds deposited with the Borough as collateral.

Unemployment Insurance Fund - This fund is used to account for employee and employer contributions for the purpose of providing unemployment benefits to former eligible employees.

Length of Service Awards Program Fund (LOSAP) – This fund is established to account for the tax-deferred income benefits to active volunteer members of emergency service organizations of the Borough.

General Capital Fund – This fund is used to account for the receipt and disbursement of funds used and related financial transactions related to the acquisition or improvement of general capital facilities and other capital assets, other than those acquired in the Current Fund.

Public Assistance Fund - This fund is used to account for the receipt and disbursement of funds that provide assistance to certain residents of the Borough pursuant to Title 44 of New Jersey Statutes.

General Fixed Assets Account Group - This account group is used to account for all general fixed assets of the Borough. The Borough's infrastructure is not reported in the account group.

Comparative Data - Comparative data for the prior year has been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Borough's financial position and operations. However, comparative data have not been presented in all statements because their inclusion would make certain statements unduly complex and difficult to understand.

Reclassifications - Certain reclassifications may have been made to the December 31, 2021 balances to conform to the December 31, 2022 presentation.

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Basis of Presentation – Financial Statements (Continued)

Financial Statements – Regulatory Basis

The GASB Codification also requires the financial statements of a governmental unit to be presented in the basic financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The Borough presents the regulatory basis financial statements listed in the table of contents which are required by the Division and which differ from the basic financial statements required by GAAP. In addition, the Division requires the regulatory basis financial statements listed in the table of contents to be referenced to the supplementary schedules. This practice differs from reporting requirements under GAAP.

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The Borough of Dumont follows a modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method of accounting, revenues, except State/Federal Aid, are recognized when received and expenditures are recorded when incurred. The accounting principles and practices prescribed or permitted for municipalities by the Division ("regulatory basis of accounting") differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) applicable to local government units. The more significant differences are as follows:

Cash and Investments - Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the government. Investments are reported at cost and are limited by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 et seq. with the exception of LOSAP Trust Fund investments which are reported at fair value and are limited by N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.19. GAAP requires that all investments be reported at fair value.

Inventories - The costs of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the various balance sheets. GAAP requires inventories to be recorded as assets in proprietary-type funds.

Property Tax Revenues/Receivables - Real property taxes are assessed locally, based upon the assessed value of the property. The tax bill includes a levy for Municipal, County, and School purposes. The bills are mailed annually in June for that calendar year's levy. Taxes are payable in four quarterly installments on February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. The amounts of the first and second installments are determined as one-quarter of the total tax levied against the property for the preceding year. The installment due the third and fourth quarters is determined by taking the current year levy less the amount previously charged for the first and second installments, with the remainder being divided equally. If unpaid on these dates, the amount due becomes delinquent and subject to interest at 8% per annum, or 18% on any delinquency amount in excess of \$1,500. A penalty of up to 6% of the delinquency may be imposed on a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000 who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the fiscal year in which the charges become delinquent. The school levy is turned over to the Board of Education as expenditures are incurred, and the balance, if any, must be transferred as of December 31, of each fiscal year. County taxes are paid quarterly on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, to the County by the Borough. When unpaid taxes or any municipal lien, or part thereof, on real property, remains in arrears on April first in the year following the calendar year levy when the same became in arrears, the collector in the municipality shall, subject to the provisions of the New Jersey Statutes, enforce the lien by placing the property on a standard tax sale. The Borough also has the option when unpaid taxes or any municipal lien, or part thereof, on real property remains in arrears on the 11th day of the eleventh month in the fiscal year when the taxes or lien became in arrears, the collector in the municipality shall, subject to the provisions of the New Jersey Statutes, enforce the lien by placing property on an accelerated tax sale, provided that the sale is conducted and completed no earlier than in the last month of the fiscal year. The Borough may institute annual in rem tax foreclosure proceedings to enforce the tax collection or acquisition of title to the property. In accordance with the accounting principles prescribed by the State of New Jersey, current and delinquent taxes are realized as revenue when collected. Since delinquent taxes and liens are fully reserved, no provision has been made to estimate that portion of the tax receivable and tax title liens that are uncollectible. GAAP requires property tax revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they are both levied and available), reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Miscellaneous Revenues/Receivables - Miscellaneous revenues are recognized on a cash basis. Receivables for the miscellaneous items that are susceptible to accrual are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the Borough's Current Fund. GAAP requires such revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they are both measurable and available).

Grant and Similar Award Revenues/Receivables - Federal and State grants, entitlements or shared revenues received for purposes normally financed through the Current Fund are recognized when anticipated in the Borough's budget. GAAP requires such revenues to be recognized as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor or provider have been met.

Property Acquired for Taxes – Property acquired for taxes is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired, and is fully reserved. GAAP requires such property to be recorded as a capital asset in the government-wide financial statements at fair value on the date of acquisition.

Interfunds - Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves, which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves. GAAP does not require the establishment of an offsetting reserve for interfunds and, therefore, does not recognize income in the year liquidated.

Deferred Charges – Certain expenditures, operating deficits and other items are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding years. GAAP requires expenditures, operating deficits and certain other items generally to be recognized when incurred, if measurable.

Funded and unfunded debt authorizations for general capital projects are also recorded as deferred charges and represent permanent long-term debt issues outstanding (funded) and temporary debt issues outstanding or unissued debt authorizations (unfunded), respectively. GAAP does not permit the recording of deferred charges for funded and unfunded debt authorizations.

Appropriation Reserves – Appropriation reserves are recorded as liabilities and are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as additions to income. Appropriation reserves do not exist under GAAP.

Expenditures – Expenditures are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally, expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with an encumbrance accounting system. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31, are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements. Unexpended or uncommitted appropriations, at December 31, are reported as expenditures through the establishment of appropriation reserves unless cancelled by the governing body. GAAP requires expenditures to be recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on general long-term debt, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgements, which are recognized when due.

Encumbrances Payable - Contractual orders outstanding at December 31, are reported as expenditures and liabilities through the establishment of an encumbrance payable. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures or liabilities under GAAP.

Compensated Absences - Expenditures relating to obligations for unused vested accumulated vacation and sick leave are not recorded until paid; however, municipalities may establish and budget reserve funds subject to NJSA 40A:4-39 for the future payment of compensated absences. GAAP requires that the amount that would normally be liquidated with expendable available financial resources be recorded as an expenditure in the operating funds and the remaining obligations are recorded as a long-term obligation in the government-wide financial statements.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Tax Appeals and Other Contingent Losses - Losses arising from tax appeals and other contingent losses are recognized at the time a decision is rendered by an administrative or judicial body; however, municipalities may establish reserves transferred from tax collections or by budget appropriation for future payments of tax appeal losses. GAAP requires such amounts to be recorded when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated.

Reserve for Uncollected Taxes - Reserve for Uncollected Taxes is a non-spending budget appropriation account required to provide assurance that cash collected for property taxes levied in the current year will provide sufficient cash flow to meet expected budgetary obligations. The minimum amount required to be budgeted in Reserve for Uncollected Taxes is determined utilizing the actual percentage of property taxes collected in the immediate preceding budget year, unless allowable alternative methods are utilized with the approval of the Division. A Reserve for Uncollected Taxes is not established or required under GAAP.

Pensions - The Borough appropriates in its annual budget the amount required to be paid for pension contributions as determined by the State administered pension systems. Under the regulatory basis of accounting the Borough is only required to disclose in the Notes to the Financial Statements its share of the actuarially determined net pension liabilities, deferred outflow of resources, deferred inflow of resources and pension expense (benefit) related to the State administered pension system. GAAP requires these actuarially determined amounts to be reported in the government-wide financial statements.

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) - The Borough funds its employer paid post-retirement medical benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis. Under the regulatory basis of accounting the Borough is only required to disclose in the Notes to the Financial Statements its actuarially determined net OPEB liability, deferred outflow of resources, deferred inflow of resources and OPEB expense (benefit). GAAP requires these actuarially determined amounts to be reported in the government-wide financial statements.

General Fixed Assets - In accordance with NJAC 5:30-5.6, Accounting for Governmental Fixed Assets, the Borough of Dumont has developed a fixed assets accounting and reporting system. Fixed assets are defined by the Borough as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years.

Fixed assets used in governmental operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and sewerage and drainage systems are not capitalized.

General Fixed Assets purchased after December 31, 2008 are stated at cost. Donated fixed assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

General Fixed Assets purchased prior to December 31, 2008 are stated as follows:

Land and Land Improvements	Estimated Historical Cost
Building and Building Improvements	Assessed Value and/or Cost
Machinery and Equipment	Cost

No depreciation has been provided for in the financial statements.

Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the General Capital Fund until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation for general fixed assets.

GAAP requires that capital assets be recorded in proprietary-type funds as well as the government-wide financial statement at historical or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. In addition, GAAP requires depreciation on capital assets to be recorded in proprietary-type funds as well as in the government-wide financial statements.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements requires management of the Borough 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 accrued revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- A. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** - An annual budget is required to be adopted and integrated into the accounting system to provide budgetary control over revenues and expenditures. Budget amounts presented in the accompanying financial statements represent amounts adopted by the Borough and approved by the State Division of Local Government Services as per N.J.S.A. 40A:4 et seq.

The Borough is not required to adopt budgets for the following funds:

Trust Funds
General Capital Fund
Public Assistance Fund

The Borough must prepare its budget in compliance with applicable laws limiting or capping the amounts by which both the budget appropriations and the municipal tax levy can increase in the annual budget.

1977 Appropriation "CAP": The 1977 Appropriation Cap is calculated using the formulas and provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 through 4-45.43a. The law was originally adopted in 1976 and was most recently amended in 2003. Under this law, the Borough is permitted to increase its overall appropriations (with certain exceptions) by 2.5% or the "cost of living adjustment" (COLA), whichever is less. The COLA is calculated based on the Implicit Price Deflator for Local Governments computed by the U.S. Department of Commerce. The Borough can, when the COLA is less than or equal to 2.5%, increase its allowable inside-the-cap appropriations to 3.5%, upon adoption of a COLA Rate Ordinance by the governing body and beyond 3.5% upon voter passage of a referendum.

2010 Levy "CAP": The 2010 Levy Cap is calculated using the formulas and provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.44 through 45.47. It established limits on the increase in the total amount to be raised by taxation for municipal purposes (municipal tax levy). The core of the levy cap formula is a 2% increase to the previous year's amount to be raised by taxation for municipal purposes, exclusive of certain appropriations and allowable adjustments and extraordinary costs related to a declared emergency. Voter approval may be requested to increase the municipal tax levy by more than the allowable adjusted tax levy.

The Governing Body is required to introduce and approve the annual budget no later than February 10, of the fiscal year. The budget is required to be adopted no later than March 20, and prior to adoption must be certified by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. The Director of the Division of Local Government Services, with the approval of the Local Finance Board may extend the introduction and approval and adoption dates of the municipal budget. The budget is prepared by fund, function, activity and line item (salary or other expense) and includes information on the previous year. The legal level of control for appropriations is exercised at the individual line item level for all operating budgets adopted. The governing body of the municipality may authorize emergency appropriations and the inclusion of certain special items of revenue to the budget after its adoption and determination of the tax rate. During the last two months of the fiscal year, the governing body may, by a 2/3 vote; amend the budget through line item transfers. Management has no authority to amend the budget without the approval of the governing body. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the line item level. During 2022 and 2021 the Borough Council increased the original budget by \$21,508 and \$100,000, respectively. The increase in 2022 was for additional aid allotted to the Borough. The increase in 2021 was related to an emergency appropriation for expenses incurred from Hurricane IDA. In addition, the Governing Body approved several budget transfers during 2022 and 2021.

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NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)

B. Excess Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following is a summary of expenditures in excess of available appropriations. The overexpended appropriations resulted in unfavorable variances.

	<u>Modified Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Unfavorable Variance</u>
<u>2022</u>			
Appropriation Reserves			
General Administration			
Other Expenses	\$ 14,709	\$ 15,733	\$ 1,024
Financial Administration			
Other Expenses	19,479	26,409	6,930
Code Enforcement and Administration			
Salaries and Wages	3,207	5,259	2,052
Clean Communities			
Other Expenses	-	7,735	7,735
	<u>\$ 37,395</u>	<u>\$ 55,136</u>	<u>\$ 17,741</u>
<u>2021</u>			
Appropriation Reserves			
Joint Land Use Boards			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,000	\$ 400
Affordable Housing			
Salaries and Wages	-	2,000	2,000
	<u>\$ 1,600</u>	<u>\$ 4,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,400</u>

In accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting, the above variances or overexpenditures were recorded as deferred charges on the balance sheet of the respective fund at year end and are required to be funded in the succeeding year's budget. GAAP does not permit the deferral of overexpenditures at year end.

NOTE 3 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Borough considers petty cash, change funds, cash in banks, certificates of deposit and deposits with the New Jersey Cash Management Fund as cash and cash equivalents.

A. Cash Deposits

The Borough's deposits are insured through either the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF), Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) or New Jersey's Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). The Borough is required to deposit their funds in a depository which is protecting such funds pursuant to GUDPA. The New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act requires all banks doing business in the State of New Jersey to pledge collateral equal to at least 5% of the average amount of its public deposits and 100% of the average amount of its public funds in excess of the lesser of 75% of its capital funds or \$200 million for deposits in excess of the FDIC or NCUSIF insured amounts. GUDPA does not protect intermingled trust funds, bail funds, withholdings from an employee's salary or funds which may pass to the local government upon the happening of a future condition.

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NOTE 3 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

A. Cash Deposits (Continued)

Bank balances are insured up to \$250,000 in the aggregate by the FDIC for each bank. NCUSIF insures credit union accounts up to \$250,000 in the aggregate for each financial institution. SIPC replaces cash claims up to a maximum of \$250,000 for each failed brokerage firm. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the book value of the Borough's deposits were \$16,678,600 and \$15,611,020 and bank and brokerage firm balances of the Borough's deposits amounted to \$17,085,077 and \$15,381,856, respectively. The Borough's deposits which are displayed on the various fund balance sheets as "cash" are categorized as:

<u>Depository Account</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Insured	\$ 16,554,744	\$ 15,197,689
Uninsured and Collateralized	<u>530,333</u>	<u>184,167</u>
	<u>\$ 17,085,077</u>	<u>\$ 15,381,856</u>

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Borough does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Borough's bank balances of \$530,333 and \$184,167 were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Collateral Held by Borough's Agent in the Borough's Name	<u>\$ 530,333</u>	<u>\$ 184,167</u>

B. Investments

The Borough is permitted to invest public funds in accordance with the types of securities authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1. Investments include bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, Government Money Market Mutual Funds, any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligations bear a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor; bonds or other obligations of the Borough or bonds or other obligations of the school districts which are a part of the Borough or school districts located within the Borough, Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date of not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, issued by New Jersey school district, municipalities, counties, and entities subject to the "Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law, " (C.40A:5A-1 et seq.); Other bonds or obligations having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase may be approved by the Division of Investments in the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units; Local Government investment pools, deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C.52:18A-90.4); and agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities, if transacted in accordance with NJSA 40A:5-15.1 (8a-8e). In addition, the Borough is permitted to invest LOSAP Funds with the types of eligible investments authorized in NJAC 5:30-14.19. LOSAP investments include interest bearing accounts or securities, in which savings banks of New Jersey are authorized to invest their funds, New Jersey Cash Management Fund, fixed and variable individual or group annuity contracts, mutual fund shares or fixed and variable life insurance contracts.

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NOTE 3 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

B. Investments (Continued)

As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Borough had the following investments:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Investment in Lincoln Financial (LOSAP-Unaudited)	\$ 1,628,109	\$ 1,961,508
N.J. Cash Management Fund	8,073	8,073
	<u>\$ 1,636,182</u>	<u>\$ 1,969,581</u>

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments – For an investment, this is the risk, that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Borough will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are held by an outside party. The Borough does not have a policy for custodial risk. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, \$1,636,182 and \$1,969,581 of the Borough's investments was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Uninsured and Collateralized:		
Collateral held by pledging financial institution's trust department but not in the Borough's name	<u>\$ 1,636,182</u>	<u>\$ 1,969,581</u>

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

Credit Risk – Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. State law limits investments as noted above (N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 and NJAC 5:30-14.19). The Borough does not have an investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Borough's investment in Lincoln Financial Group was rated A1 by Moody's Investor Services.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be caused by the Borough's investment in a single issuer. The Borough places no limit in the amount the Borough may invest in any one issuer. More than five (5) percent of the Borough's investments are in Lincoln Financial Group. These investments are 100% of the Borough's total investments.

Fair Value of Investments. The Borough of Dumont measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy as follows:

- *Level 1:* Quoted prices for identical investments in active markets;
- *Level 2:* Observable inputs other than those in Level 1; and
- *Level 3:* Unobservable inputs.

Investments are valued based on price data obtained from observed transactions and market price quotations provided by Lincoln Financial Group. Since the value is not obtained from a quoted price in an active market the investments held by the Borough at December 31, 2022 and 2021 are categorized as Level 2.

Interest earned in the General Capital Fund, Animal Control Fund and certain Other Trust Funds are assigned to the Current Fund in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting.

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NOTE 4 TAXES RECEIVABLE

Receivables at December 31, 2022 and 2021 consisted of the following:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Current</u>		
Property Taxes	\$ 459,437	\$ 439,139
Tax Title Liens	<u>9,477</u>	<u>9,069</u>
	<u>\$ 468,914</u>	<u>\$ 448,208</u>

In 2022 and 2021, the Borough collected \$439,139 and \$535,592 from delinquent taxes, which represented 100% of the prior year's delinquent taxes receivable balance.

NOTE 5 DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

As of December 31, 2022 and 2021 interfund receivables and payables that resulted from various interfund transactions were as follows:

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
	Due from <u>Other Funds</u>	Due to <u>Other Funds</u>	Due from <u>Other Funds</u>	Due to <u>Other Funds</u>
Current Fund	\$ 18,115	\$ 452,962	\$ 872,635	\$ 1,039,825
Trust Fund				
Other Trust Fund	191,422			857,623
Animal Control Fund		18,115		15,012
General Capital Fund	<u>261,540</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,039,825</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 471,077</u>	<u>\$ 471,077</u>	<u>\$ 1,912,460</u>	<u>\$ 1,912,460</u>

The above balances are the result of expenditures being paid by one fund on behalf of another, revenues earned in one fund but owed to another fund and receipts deposited in one fund but owed to another fund.

The Borough expects all interfund balances to be liquidated within one year.

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NOTE 6 DEFERRED CHARGES TO BE RAISED IN SUCCEEDING BUDGETS

Under the regulatory basis of accounting, certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding years. At December 31, 2022 and 2021 the following deferred charges are reported on the balance sheets of the following funds:

	<u>Balance December 31,</u>	<u>Subsequent Year Budget Appropriation</u>	<u>Balance to Succeeding Budgets</u>
<u>2022</u>			
Current Fund			
Overexpenditure of Appropriation Reserves	\$ 17,741	\$ 17,741	-
	<u>Balance December 31,</u>	<u>Subsequent Year Budget Appropriation</u>	<u>Balance to Succeeding Budgets</u>
<u>2021</u>			
Current Fund			
Overexpenditure of Appropriation Reserves	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	-
General Capital Fund			
Cancelled Grant Receivables	\$ 27,188	\$ 27,188	\$ -

NOTE 7 FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED

Under the regulatory basis of accounting, fund balances in the Current Fund is comprised of cash surplus (fund balance) and non-cash surplus (fund balance). All or part of cash surplus as of December 31 may be anticipated in the subsequent year's budget. The non-cash surplus portion of fund balance may be utilized in the subsequent year's budget with the prior written consent of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services if certain guidelines are met as to its availability. Fund balances at December 31, which were appropriated and included as anticipated revenue in their own respective fund's budget for the succeeding year were as follows:

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
	<u>Fund Balance December 31,</u>	<u>Utilized in Subsequent Year's Budget</u>	<u>Fund Balance December 31,</u>	<u>Utilized in Subsequent Year's Budget</u>
Current Fund				
Cash Surplus	\$ 3,514,657	\$ 2,549,056	\$ 2,172,514	\$ 1,600,000
Non-Cash Surplus	407,455	-	457,764	-
	<u>\$ 3,922,112</u>	<u>\$ 2,549,056</u>	<u>\$ 2,630,278</u>	<u>\$ 1,600,000</u>

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NOTE 8 FIXED ASSETS

A. General Fixed Assets

The following is a summary of changes in the general fixed assets account group for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Land and Site Improvements	\$ 4,713,159	\$ 67,778		\$ 4,780,937
Buildings and Building Improvements	23,375,729			23,375,729
Machinery and Equipment	<u>10,881,497</u>	<u>69,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,950,543</u>
	<u>\$ 38,970,385</u>	<u>\$ 136,824</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 39,107,209</u>
	Balance, December 31, <u>2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>
Land and Site Improvements	\$ 4,713,159			\$ 4,713,159
Buildings and Building Improvements	4,840,406	\$ 938,994	\$ 17,596,329	23,375,729
Construction in Progress	16,967,144	629,185	(17,596,329)	-
Machinery and Equipment	<u>10,831,176</u>	<u>50,321</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,881,497</u>
	<u>\$ 37,351,885</u>	<u>\$ 1,618,500</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 38,970,385</u>

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NOTE 9 MUNICIPAL DEBT

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds and notes used to finance capital expenditures. General obligation bonds have been issued for general capital fund projects. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. Bonds issued by the Borough are general obligation bonds, backed by the full faith and credit of the Borough. Bond anticipation notes, which are issued to temporarily finance capital projects and acquisitions or other purposes permitted by the Local Bond Law, must be paid off within ten years and four months or retired by the issuance of bonds.

The Borough's debt is summarized as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Issued		
General		
Bonds, Notes, Leases and Loans	\$ 44,695,186	\$ 43,758,919
Less Funds Temporarily Held to		
Pay Bonds and Notes	<u>15,500</u>	<u>114,500</u>
Net Debt Issued	44,679,686	43,644,419
Authorized But Not Issued		
General		
Bonds and Notes	<u>951,125</u>	<u>213,625</u>
Net Bonds and Notes Issued and Authorized		
But Not Issued	<u>\$ 45,630,811</u>	<u>\$ 43,858,044</u>

Statutory Net Debt

The statement of debt condition that follows is in the format of the Borough's Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of 1.92% and 1.95% at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

	<u>Gross Debt</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Net Debt</u>
<u>2022</u>			
General Debt	\$ 45,646,311	\$ 144,500	\$ 45,501,811
School Debt	<u>3,775,000</u>	<u>3,775,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 49,421,311</u>	<u>\$ 3,919,500</u>	<u>\$ 45,501,811</u>
	<u>Gross Debt</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Net Debt</u>
<u>2021</u>			
General Debt	\$ 43,972,544	\$ 360,500	\$ 43,612,044
School Debt	<u>5,115,000</u>	<u>5,115,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 49,087,544</u>	<u>\$ 5,475,500</u>	<u>\$ 43,612,044</u>

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NOTE 9 MUNICIPAL DEBT (Continued)

Statutory Borrowing Power

The Borough's remaining borrowing power under N.J.S. 40A:2-6, as amended, at December 31, was as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
3-1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$ 83,104,647	\$ 78,238,226
Net Debt	<u>45,501,811</u>	<u>43,612,044</u>
Remaining Borrowing Power	<u>\$ 37,602,836</u>	<u>\$ 34,626,182</u>

A. Long-Term Debt

The Borough's long-term debt consisted of the following at December 31:

General Obligation Bonds

The Borough levies ad valorem taxes to pay debt service on general obligation bonds. General obligation bonds outstanding at December 31, 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
\$5,430,000, 2016 Refunding Bonds, due in annual installments of \$855,000 to \$1,060,000 through July 2025, interest at 4.00%	\$ 2,955,000	\$ 3,805,000
\$6,075,000, 2017 Bonds, due in annual installments of \$295,000 to \$445,000 through May 2035, interest at 2.50% to 3.00%	4,695,000	4,985,000
\$15,500,000, 2020 Bonds, due in annual installments of \$430,000 to \$860,000 through May 2045, interest at 2.5% to 3.0%	14,640,000	15,070,000
\$18,580,000, 2022 Bonds, due in annual installments of \$410,000 to \$820,000 through June 2050, interest at 4.00% to 4.25%	<u>18,580,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 40,870,000</u>	<u>\$ 23,860,000</u>

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NOTE 9 MUNICIPAL DEBT (Continued)

A. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

General Intergovernmental Loans Payable

The Borough has entered into loan agreements with the New Jersey Green Trust and the Environmental Infrastructure Trust Funds. The Borough levies ad valorem taxes to pay debt service on general intergovernmental loans issued. General intergovernmental loans outstanding at December 31, 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Green Trust Fund		
\$200,000, Bonds, due in semi-annual installments of \$5,356 to \$6,157 through 2028, interest at 2%	\$ 64,469	\$ 75,451
Total Green Trust Fund	<u>\$ 64,469</u>	<u>\$ 75,451</u>
Environmental Infrastructure Trust		
\$1,675,000 Trust Loan, due in annual installments of \$87,000 to \$112,000 through 2027, interest at 5.0%	\$ 514,000	\$ 601,000
\$1,572,000 Fund Loan, due in semi-annual installments of \$1,681 to \$80,765 through 2027 interest free	389,526	472,098
\$965,000 Trust Loan, due in annual installments of \$47,000 to \$67,000 through 2029, interest at 3.0% to 5.0%	424,000	476,000
\$2,850,000 Fund Loan, due in semi-annual installments of \$50,893 and \$101,786 through 2029, interest free	<u>1,095,691</u>	<u>1,248,370</u>
Total Environmental Infrastructure Trust	<u>2,423,217</u>	<u>2,797,468</u>
Total Intergovernmental Loans	<u>\$ 2,487,686</u>	<u>\$ 2,872,919</u>

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NOTE 9 MUNICIPAL DEBT (Continued)

A. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

Pension Obligation Lease Agreement

The Borough has entered into an agreement with the Bergen County Improvement Authority ("BCIA") for the retirement of the Borough's outstanding unfunded pension liability for the early retirement incentive program of 2003. The original amount financed totaled \$958,000. The Borough issued refunding revenue bonds totaling \$882,000 through the BCIA during 2012. The following is the schedule of the future minimum lease payments and the present value of the net minimum lease payment at December 31, 2022:

<u>Year Ended</u> <u>December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2023	\$ 131,102
Total. Minimum Lease Payments	131,102
Less: Amounts Representing Interest	2,102
Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 129,000

The Borough's principal and interest for long-term debt issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 is as follows:

Calendar Year	General Bonds		Intergovernmental Loans					
	Principal	Interest	Environmental Infrastructure		Green Trust		Total	
			Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest		
2023	\$ 1,990,000	\$ 1,390,213	\$ 386,415	\$ 42,145	\$ 11,203	\$ 1,234	\$ 3,821,209	
2024	2,215,000	1,320,763	389,457	35,385	11,428	1,008	3,973,041	
2025	2,275,000	1,242,575	394,489	28,375	11,658	779	3,952,876	
2026	1,245,000	1,162,488	404,378	21,115	11,892	544	2,845,417	
2027	1,285,000	1,123,700	409,124	13,080	12,131	305	2,843,340	
2028-2032	7,185,000	4,963,250	439,354	7,680	6,157	62	12,601,503	
2033-2037	7,715,000	3,731,938					11,446,938	
2038-2042	7,820,000	2,473,163					10,293,163	
2043-2047	6,680,000	1,072,425					7,752,425	
2048-2050	2,460,000	156,825	-	-	-	-	2,616,825	
Total	\$ 40,870,000	\$ 18,637,339	\$ 2,423,217	\$ 147,780	\$ 64,469	\$ 3,932	\$ 62,146,737	

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NOTE 9 MUNICIPAL DEBT (Continued)

A. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

Changes in Long-Term Municipal Debt

The Borough's long-term capital debt activity for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>	Due Within <u>One Year</u>
General Capital Fund					
Bonds Payable	\$ 23,860,000	\$ 18,580,000	\$ 1,570,000	\$ 40,870,000	\$ 1,990,000
Intergovernmental Loans Payable	2,872,919		385,233	2,487,686	397,618
Pension Obligation Lease	246,000	-	117,000	129,000	129,000
General Capital Fund Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 26,978,919</u>	<u>\$ 18,580,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,072,233</u>	<u>\$ 43,486,686</u>	<u>\$ 2,516,618</u>
	Balance, December 31, <u>2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Due Within <u>One Year</u>
General Capital Fund					
Bonds Payable	\$ 25,380,000		\$ 1,520,000	\$ 23,860,000	\$ 1,570,000
Intergovernmental Loans Payable	3,256,099		383,180	2,872,919	385,233
Pension Obligation Lease	352,000	-	106,000	246,000	117,000
General Capital Fund Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 28,988,099</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,009,180</u>	<u>\$ 26,978,919</u>	<u>\$ 2,072,233</u>

B. Short-Term Debt

The Borough's short-term debt activity for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 was as follows:

Bond Anticipation Notes

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Increased</u>	<u>Decreased</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
1519/1550 1556/1558	Various Improvements	2.00%	6/2/2022	\$ 8,644,100		\$ 8,644,100	
1549	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/2/2022	1,858,900		1,858,900	
1567	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/2/2022	1,902,000		1,902,000	
1579	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/2/2022	739,000		739,000	
1584	Sewer Line Repair	2.00%	6/2/2022	444,000		444,000	
1586	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/2/2022	3,192,000		3,192,000	
1608	Various Capital Improvements	4.25%	10/4/2023	-	\$ 1,208,500	-	\$ 3,192,000
				<u>\$ 16,780,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,208,500</u>	<u>\$ 16,780,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,192,000</u>

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NOTE 9 MUNICIPAL DEBT (Continued)

B. Short-Term Debt (Continued)

Bond Anticipation Notes (Continued)

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity	Balance, December 31, 2020	Increased	Decreased	Balance, December 31, 2021
1519/1550	Various Improvements						
1556/1558		2.00%	4/2/2021	\$ 5,314,100		\$ 5,314,100	
		0.56%	6/3/2021	2,500,000		2,500,000	
		2.00%	6/2/2022		\$ 8,644,100		\$ 8,644,100
1549	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/4/2021	1,858,900		1,858,900	
		2.00%	6/2/2022		1,858,900		1,858,900
1567	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/4/2021	1,902,000		1,902,000	
		2.00%	6/2/2022		1,902,000		1,902,000
1579	Various Capital Improvements	0.56%	6/4/2021	739,000		739,000	
		2.00%	6/2/2022		739,000		739,000
1584	Sewer Line Repair	2.00%	6/2/2022		444,000		444,000
1586	Various Capital Improvements	2.00%	6/2/2022	-	3,192,000	-	3,192,000
				<u>\$ 12,314,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,780,000</u>	<u>\$ 12,314,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,780,000</u>

The purpose of these short-term borrowings was to provide resources for capital construction, acquisitions or improvement projects and other purposes permitted by State Local Bond Law NJSA 40A:2 et. seq. The amounts issued for governmental activities are accounted for in the General Capital Fund.

State law requires that notes are to be issued for a period not exceeding one year and may be renewed from time to time for additional periods, none of which shall exceed one year. All bond anticipation notes, including renewals, shall mature and be paid not later than the first day of the fifth month following the close of the tenth fiscal year following the date of the original notes. In addition any note renewed beyond the third anniversary date of the original note, requires one legally payable installment to be paid.

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NOTE 10 CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

As of December 31, 2022 and 2021 the Borough had the following commitments with respect to unfinished capital projects:

	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Estimated Date of Completion</u>
<u>2022</u>		
Bedford & Virginia Avenue Improvements	\$ 758,911	2023
Road Resurfacing Program	133,356	2023
<u>2021</u>		
Municipal Complex	\$ 113,068	2022
Park Improvements	1,410,535	2022
Roadway Improvements	667,739	2022

NOTE 11 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A. Compensated Absences

Under the existing policies and labor agreements of the Borough, employees are allowed to accumulate (with certain restrictions) unused vacation benefits, sick leave and compensation time in lieu of overtime over the life of their working careers and to redeem such unused leave time in cash (with certain limitations) upon death, retirement or by extended absence immediately preceding retirement. In addition, members of the police department are eligible to receive terminal leave as a retirement benefit. Bargaining unit agreements and a local ordinance establish the maximum number of accumulated days an employee can be compensated for.

It is estimated that the current cost of such unpaid compensation and salary related payments would be approximately \$4,745,061 and \$4,838,742 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. These amounts which are considered material to the financial statements, are not reported either as an expenditure or liability. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Borough has reserved \$75,226 in the Other Trust Fund to fund compensated absences in accordance with NJSA 40A:4-39.

Changes in Other Long-Term Liabilities

Under the regulatory basis of accounting, certain other long-term liabilities which may be considered material to the financial statements are not reported either as an expenditure or a liability. However, under the regulatory basis of accounting, these other long-term liabilities and related information are required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements in conformity with the disclosure requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

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NOTE 11 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Changes in Other Long-Term Liabilities (Continued)

The Borough's changes in other long-term liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>	Due Within <u>One Year</u>
Compensated Absences	\$ 4,838,742	\$ 225,141	\$ 318,822	\$ 4,745,061	
Net OPEB Liability (1)	18,247,278			18,247,278	
Net Pension Liability (1)					
PERS	5,379,588			5,379,588	
PFRS	8,694,175	-	-	8,694,175	-
	<u>\$ 37,159,783</u>	<u>\$ 225,141</u>	<u>\$ 318,822</u>	<u>\$ 37,066,102</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
	Balance, December 31, <u>2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Due Within <u>One Year</u>
Compensated Absences	\$ 4,220,016	\$ 813,590	\$ 194,864	\$ 4,838,742	\$ 343,419
Net OPEB Liability	12,745,326	5,501,952		18,247,278	
Net Pension Liability					
PERS	7,687,483		2,307,895	5,379,588	
PFRS	16,038,826	-	7,344,651	8,694,175	-
	<u>\$ 40,691,651</u>	<u>\$ 6,315,542</u>	<u>\$ 9,847,410</u>	<u>\$ 37,159,783</u>	<u>\$ 343,419</u>

- (1) GASB Statement Numbers 68 Pension and 75 OPEB financial information was not provided by the State's Division of Pensions and Benefits as of the date of audit.

NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following contributory defined benefit public employee retirement systems (retirement systems) covering substantially all state and local government employees which includes those Borough employees who are eligible for pension coverage.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) – established in July 1944, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:16A to provide coverage to substantially all full time county and municipal police or firemen and State firemen appointed after December 31, 1944. Membership is mandatory for such employees. PFRS is a cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation. For additional information about PFRS, please refer to the State Division of Pension and Benefits (Division's) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. PFRS provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except disability benefits which vest after four years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

Tier	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tier 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years, but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case, benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) – established in January 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide coverage, to substantially all full-time employees of the State or any county, municipality, school district, or public agency provided the employee is not a member of another State-administered retirement system. Membership is mandatory for such employees. PERS is a cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. For additional information about PERS, please refer to the State Division of Pension and Benefits (Division's) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death, and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tier 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tier 3 and 4 members with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 members with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have a least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least ten years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following defined contribution public employee retirement program covering certain state and local government employees which include those Borough employees who are eligible for pension coverage.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) – established under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2008 to provide coverage to elected and certain appointed officials, effective July 1, 2007 and employees enrolled in PERS on or after July 1, 2007 who earn in excess of established annual maximum compensation limits (equivalent to annual maximum wage for social security deductions). This provision was extended by Chapter 1, P.L. 2010, effective May 21, 2010, to new employees (Tier 2) of the PFRS and new employees who would otherwise be eligible to participate in PERS on or after November 2, 2008 and do not earn the minimum salary required for tier 3 enrollment or do not work the minimum required hours for tier 4 and tier 5 enrollment but earn a base salary of at least \$5,000 are eligible for participation in the DCRP. Membership is mandatory for such individuals with vesting occurring after one (1) year of membership. DCRP is a defined contribution pension plan.

Other Pension Funds

The state established and administers a Supplemental Annuity Collective Trust Fund (SACT) which is available to active members of the State-administered retirement systems to purchase annuities to supplement the guaranteed benefits provided by their retirement system. The state or local governmental employers do not appropriate funds to SACT.

The cost of living increase for PFRS and PERS are funded directly by each of the respective systems, but are currently suspended as a result of reform legislation.

According to state law, all obligations of each retirement system will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should any retirement system be terminated.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of each of the above systems, funds, and trust. The financial reports may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the retirement systems are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental organizations. In doing so, the Division adheres to reporting requirements established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The accrual basis of accounting is used for measuring financial position and changes in net position of the pension trust funds. Under this method, contributions are recorded in the accounting period in which they are legally due from the employer or plan member, and deductions are recorded at the time the liabilities are due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan. The accounts of the Division are organized and operated on the basis of funds. All funds are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Investment Valuation

The Division of Investment, Department of the Treasury, State of New Jersey (Division of Investment) manages and invests certain assets of the retirement systems. Prudential retirement is the third-party administrator for the DCRP and provides record keeping, administrative services and investment options. Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade or investment date basis. Interest and dividend income is recorded on the accrual basis, with dividends accruing on the ex-dividend date. The net increase or decrease in the fair value of investments includes the net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements of the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. The financial report may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, P.O. Box 290, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0290, or at www.state.nj/treasury/doinvest.

Collective Net Pension Liability

The collective net pension liability of the participating employers for local PERS at June 30, 2022 was not available and for June 30, 2021 is \$12.0 billion, and the plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability is 70.33% at June 30, 2021. The collective net pension liability of the participating employers for local PFRS at June 30, 2022 was not available and for June 30, 2021 is \$9.4 billion and the plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability is 77.26% at June 30, 2021.

The total pension liabilities were determined based on actuarial valuations as of July 1, 2020 which were rolled forward to June 30, 2021.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

In the July 1, 2020 PERS and PFRS actuarial valuations, the actuarial assumptions and methods used in these valuations were described in the Actuarial Assumptions and Methods section of the Actuary's report and are included here in this note to the financial statements. The pension systems selected economic and demographic assumptions and prescribed them for use for purposes of compliance with GASB Statement No. 68. The Actuary provided guidance with respect to these assumptions, and it is their belief that the assumptions represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

Employer and Employee Pension Contributions

The contribution policy is set by laws of the State of New Jersey and contributions are required by active members and participating employers. Plan members and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation, with the amount of contributions by the State of New Jersey contingent upon the annual Appropriations Act. As defined, the various retirement systems require employee contributions for 2022 and 2021 based on 10.0% for PFRS, 7.50% for PERS and 5.50% for DCRP of employee's annual compensation.

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 for PFRS and PERS, which are cost sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plans, employers' contributions are based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. In the DCRP, which is a defined contribution plan, member contributions are matched by a 3% employer contribution. All contributions made by the Borough for 2022, 2021 and 2020 were equal to the required contributions.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Employer and Employee Pension Contributions (Contributions)

During the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020, the Borough, was required to contribute for normal cost pension contributions, accrued liability pension contributions and non-contributory life insurance premiums the following amounts which equaled the required contributions for each respective year:

<u>Year Ending</u> <u>December 31,</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>DCRP</u>
2022	\$ 1,412,884	\$ 568,290	\$ 3,114
2021	1,408,696	547,819	2,479
2020	1,223,055	435,728	2,966

In addition for the years ended December 31, 2020 the Borough contributed for long-term disability insurance premiums (LTDI) \$1,522 for PERS. Due to favorable claims experience, no LTDI premium contribution was required for the year ended December 31, 2022.

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

The regulatory basis of accounting requires participating employers in PERS and PFRS to disclose in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, (GASB No.68) their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions.

Under GASB Statement No. 68 local governmental employers are required to provide certain financial information based on a measurement date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year. The GASB No. 68 financial information from the State's Division of Pensions and Benefits to be reported for the year ended December 31, 2022 for the measurement date of June 30, 2022 was not available as of the date of audit. Accordingly, the State's Division of Local Government Services issued Local Finance Notice 2023-10 which authorized and permits New Jersey municipalities to present the most recent available audited GASB No. 68 financial information to be incorporated into the audit and remain in compliance with the regulatory basis of accounting disclosure requirements for notes to the financial statements. As such the GASB No. 68 financial information for the year ended December 31, 2022 is not presented in the notes to the financial statements.

The employer allocation percentages presented are based on the ratio of the contributions made as an individual employer toward the actuarially determined contribution amount to total contributions to the plan during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. Employer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes.

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

At December 31, 2021, the Borough reported a liability of \$5,379,588, for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the ratio of the Borough's contributions to the pension plan relative to the total contributions of all participating governmental entities during the measurement period. As of the measurement date of June 30, 2021, the Borough's proportionate share was .04541 percent, which was a decrease of .00173 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2020 of .04714 percent.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2021, the pension system has determined the Borough's pension benefit to be \$929,727, for PERS based on the actuarial valuations which is less than the actual contribution reported in the Borough's financial statements of \$547,819. At December 31, 2021, the Borough's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS pension which are not reported on the Borough's financial statements are from the following sources:

	2021	
	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 84,843	\$ 38,511
Changes of Assumptions	28,017	1,915,168
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		1,417,125
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Borough Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	<u>401,803</u>	<u>430,147</u>
Total	<u>\$ 514,663</u>	<u>\$ 3,800,951</u>

At December 31, 2021 the amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS pension will be recognized in pension expense (benefit) as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$ (1,336,579)
2023	(834,686)
2024	(593,690)
2025	(513,995)
2026	(7,338)
Thereafter	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ (3,286,288)</u>

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The Borough's total pension liability reported for the year ended December 31, 2021 was based on the June 30, 2021 measurement date as determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2021. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement date:

Inflation Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	
Through 2026	2.00-6.00% Based on Years of Service
Thereafter	3.00%-7.00% Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

Mortality Rates

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7% at June 30, 2021) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and actuaries. 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 rate of return (expected returns, net of pension plans 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plans' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021, as reported for the year ended December 31, 2021, are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>2021</u>	
	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.35%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	0.95%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.68%
US Equity	27.00%	8.09%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.71%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.96%
High Yield	2.00%	3.75%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.40%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.60%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.15%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.30%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for PERS was 7.00% as of June 30, 2021. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability as of December 31, 2021 calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower 6.00% or 1-percentage-point higher 8.00% than the current rate:

<u>2021</u>	<u>1% Decrease (6.00%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.00%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.00%)</u>
Borough's Proportionate Share of the PERS Net Pension Liability	\$ <u>7,325,908</u>	\$ <u>5,379,588</u>	\$ <u>3,727,860</u>

The sensitivity analysis was based on the proportionate share of the Borough's net pension liability at December 31, 2021. A sensitivity analysis specific to the Borough's net pension liability was not provided by the pension system.

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the PERS pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report from the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pension and Benefits. The financial report may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

At December 31, 2021, the Borough reported a liability of \$8,694,175, for its proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the ratio of the Borough's contributions to the pension plan relative to the total contributions of all participating governmental entities during the measurement period. As of the measurement date of June 30, 2021, the Borough's proportionate share was .11895 percent, which was a decrease of .00518 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2020 of .12413 percent.

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2021, the pension system has determined the Borough pension benefit to be \$1,460,469, for PFRS based on the actuarial valuations which is more than the actual contribution reported in the Borough's financial statements of \$1,408,696. At December 31, 2021, the Borough's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS pension which are not reported on the Borough's financial statements are from the following sources:

	2021	
	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 99,190	\$ 1,041,472
Changes of Assumptions	46,263	2,605,604
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		3,704,871
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Borough Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	<u>558,950</u>	<u>1,225,111</u>
Total	<u>\$ 704,403</u>	<u>\$ 8,577,058</u>

At December 31, 2021 the amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS pension will be recognized in pension expense (benefit) as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$ (2,622,106)
2023	(1,908,017)
2024	(1,465,695)
2025	(1,532,410)
2026	(294,384)
Thereafter	<u>(50,043)</u>
	<u>\$ (7,872,655)</u>

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The Borough's total pension liability reported for the year ended December 31, 2021 was based on the June 30, 2021 measurement date as determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2021. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement date:

Inflation Rate:	2.75%
Salary Increases	3.25%-15.25% Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

Mortality Rates

Employee mortality rates were based on the PubS-2010 amount-weighted mortality table with a 105.6% adjustment for males and 102.5% adjustment for females. For healthy annuitants, mortality rates were based on the PubS-2010 amount-weighted mortality table with a 96.7% adjustment for males and 96.0% adjustment for females. Disability rates were based on the PubS-2010 amount-weighted mortality table with a 152.0% adjustment for males and 109.3% adjustment for females. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7% at June 30, 2021) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and actuaries. 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 rate of return (expected returns, net of pension plans 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plans' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021, as reported for the year ended December 31, 2021, are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>2021</u>	
	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.35%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	0.95%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.68%
US Equity	27.00%	8.09%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.71%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.96%
High Yield	2.00%	3.75%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.40%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.60%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.15%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.30%

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NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Continued)

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for PFRS was 7.00% as of June 30, 2021. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability as of December 31, 2021 calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower 6.00% or 1-percentage-point higher 8.00% than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
<u>2021</u>			
Borough's Proportionate Share of the PFRS Net Pension Liability	\$ <u>13,201,833</u>	\$ <u>8,694,175</u>	\$ <u>4,942,037</u>

The sensitivity analysis was based on the proportionate share of the Borough's net pension liability at December 31, 2021. A sensitivity analysis specific to the Borough's net pension liability was not provided by the pension system.

Special Funding Situation – PFRS

Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, the Borough is responsible for their own PFRS contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State to make contributions in certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the Borough by the State under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, the Borough's proportionate share percentage of the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows determined under GASB Statement No. 68 is zero percent and the State's proportionate share is 100% for PFRS under this legislation.

At December 31, 2021, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Borough for the PFRS special funding situation is \$2,445,235. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the pension system has determined the State's proportionate share of the pension expense attributable to the Borough for the PFRS special funding situation is \$272,328, which is more or less than the actual contribution the State made on behalf of the Borough of \$212,416. At December 31, 2021 (measurement date June 30, 2021) the State's share of the PFRS net pension liability attributable to the Borough was .11895 percent, which was a decrease of .00518 percent from its proportionate share measured as of December 31, 2020 (measurement date June 30, 2020) of .12413 percent. The State's proportionate share attributable to the Borough was developed based on actual contributions made to PFRS allocated to employers based upon covered payroll. These on-behalf contributions have not been reported on the Borough's financial statements.

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the PFRS pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report from the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pension and Benefits. The financial reports may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the post-retirement health benefit program plan for participating municipalities including the Borough.

Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following post-retirement health benefit program covering substantially all eligible local government employees from local participating employers.

State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Government Retired (the Plan) (including Prescription Drug Program Fund) – The Plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the State), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the Division) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), which can be found at <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml>.

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug to retirees and their covered dependents of the participating employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L. 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retires with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retires and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level coverage.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the above Fund. The financial reports may be assessed via, the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS

Plan Membership and Contributing Employers

Membership and contributing employers/nonemployers of the defined benefit OPEB plan consisted of the following at June 30, 2021:

Active Plan Members	64,243
Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	<u>32,624</u>
Total	<u>96,867</u>
Contributing Employers	585
Contributing Nonemployers	1

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the OPEB plan are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to government organizations. In doing so, the Division adheres to reporting requirements established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The accrual basis of accounting is used for measuring financial position and changes in net position of the other postemployment benefit plan. Under this method, contributions are recorded in the accounting period in which they are legally due from the employer or plan member, and deductions are recorded at the time the liabilities are due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan. The accounts of the Division are organized and operated on the basis of funds. All funds are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus.

Investment Valuation

Investments are reported at fair value. Investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair values.

Collective Net OPEB Liability

The collective net OPEB liability of the participating employers and the State, as the non-employer contributing entity, of the Plan at June 30, 2022 was not available and for 2021 is \$18.0 billion, and the plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability is 0.28% at June 30, 2021.

The total OPEB liabilities were determined based on actuarial valuations as of July 1, 2020 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2021.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

In the July 1, 2020 OPEB actuarial valuation, the actuarial assumptions and methods used in this valuation were described in the Actuarial Assumptions and Methods section of the Actuary's report and are included here in this note to the financial statements. The Plan selected economic and demographic assumptions and prescribed them for use for purposes of compliance with GASB Statement No. 75. The Actuary provided guidance with respect to these assumptions, and it is their belief that the assumptions represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (Continued)

Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contribution

The funding policy for the OPEB plan is pay-as-you-go; therefore, there is no prefunding of the liability. However, due to premium rates being set prior to each calendar year, there is a minimal amount of net position available to cover benefits in future years. Contributions to pay for the health benefit premiums of participating employees in the OPEB plan are collected from the State of New Jersey, participating local employers, and retired members. The State of New Jersey makes contributions to cover those employees eligible under Chapter 330, P.L. 1967, as disclosed previously. Local employers remit employer contributions on a monthly basis. Retired member contributions are generally received on a monthly basis.

The employers participating in the OPEB plan made contributions of \$325.1 million and the State of New Jersey, as the non-employer contributing entity, contributed \$37.8 million for fiscal year 2021.

The State sets the employer contribution rate based on a pay-as-you-go basis rather than the actuarial determined contribution an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 75. The actuarial determined contribution represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) of the plan using a systematic and rational method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with OPEB through the Plan. The Borough's contributions to the State Health Benefits Program Fund-Local Government Retired Plan for post-retirement benefits for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020 were \$755,891, \$434,814 and \$307,827, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year (or were not available). In addition, the Borough's reimbursements to eligible retired employees for Medicare Part B insurance coverage for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020 were \$21,849, \$19,064 and \$17,178, respectively.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The regulatory basis of accounting requires participating employers in the State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Government Retired Plan to disclose in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits other than Pension (GASB No. 75)* their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective OPEB expense excluding that attributable to retiree-paid member contributions.

Under GASB Statement No. 75 local governmental employers are required to provide certain financial information based on a measurement date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year. The GASB No. 75 financial information from the State's Division of Pensions and Benefits to be reported for the year ended December 31, 2022 for the measurement date of June 30, 2022 was not available as of the date of audit. Accordingly, the State's Division of Local Government Services issued Local Finance Notice 2023-10 which authorizes and permits New Jersey municipalities to present the most recent available audited GASB No. 75 financial information to be incorporated into the audit and remain in compliance with the regulatory basis of accounting disclosure requirements for notes to the financial statements. As such the GASB No. 75 financial information for the year ended December 31, 2022 is not presented in the notes to the financial statements.

The employer allocation percentages presented are based on the ratio of the contributions made as an individual employer toward the actuarially determined contribution amount to total contributions to the plan during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. Employer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes.

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

At December 31, 2021, the Borough reported a liability of \$18,247,278 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability was based on the ratio of the Borough's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the Borough at June 30, 2021 to the total OPEB liability for the State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Government Retired Plan at June 30, 2021. As of the measurement date of June 30, 2021 the Borough's proportionate share was .08616 percent, which was a decrease of .01514 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2020 of .07102 percent.

For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Plan has determined the Borough's OPEB expense to be \$1,277,993, based on the actuarial valuation which is more than the actual contributions reported in the Borough's financial statements of \$434,814. At December 31, 2021, the Borough's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the OPEB plan which are not reported on the Borough's financial statements are from the following sources:

	2021	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 409,447	\$ 3,817,600
Changes of Assumptions	2,624,926	3,225,421
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan Investments	8,725	
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Borough Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	7,536,222	415,409
Total	\$ 10,579,320	\$ 7,458,430

At December 31, 2021 the amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the OPEB plan will be recognized in OPEB expense (benefit) as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Total
2022	\$ 429,029
2023	429,029
2024	429,027
2025	427,004
2026	426,341
Thereafter	980,460
	<u>\$ 3,120,890</u>

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The Borough's total OPEB liability reported for the year ended December 31, 2021 was based on the June 30, 2021 measurement date as determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2021. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement date:

	<u>2021</u>
Inflation Rate	2.50%
Salary Increases*	
PERS:	
Initial Fiscal Year Applied Through	2026
Rate	2.00% to 6.00%
Rate Thereafter	3.00% to 7.00%
PFRS:	
Initial Fiscal Year Applied Through	Rate for All Future Years
Rate	3.25% to 15.25%

*Salary increases are based on years of service within the respective pension plan.

Mortality Rates

Pre-retirement and healthy post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Healthy "Safety" for PFRS and Healthy "General" for PERS classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Disabled "Safety" for PFRS and Disabled "General" for PERS classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

Health Care Trends

The trend rate for pre-Medicare medical benefits is initially 5.65 percent and decreases to a 4.50 percent long-term trend rate after seven years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rates for fiscal year 2022 and 2023 are reflected. Future years PPO and HMO trend rates differ for each retirement plan. PPO trend is initially 7.56% in fiscal year 2024, increasing to 14.43% in fiscal year 2025 and decreasing to 4.50% after 11 years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 6.75% and decreases to 4.50% long-term after 7 years.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2020 valuation were based on the results of the PFRS and PERS experience studies prepared for July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018 and July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018, respectively.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the plan upon retirement.

Discount Rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2021 measurement date was 2.16%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (Continued)

Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discounts Rate

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of December 31, 2021 calculated using the discount rate of 2.16%, as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower 1.16% or 1-percentage-point higher 3.16% than the current rate:

<u>2021</u>	<u>1% Decrease (1.16%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (2.16%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (3.16%)</u>
Borough's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ <u>21,473,546</u>	\$ <u>18,247,278</u>	\$ <u>15,690,391</u>

The sensitivity analysis was based on the proportionate share of the Borough's net OPEB liability at December 31, 2021. A sensitivity analysis specific to the Borough's net OPEB liability was not provided by the Plan.

Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Trend Rate

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of December 31, 2021 calculated using the healthcare trend rates as disclosed above as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

<u>2021</u>	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Borough's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ <u>15,224,375</u>	\$ <u>18,247,278</u>	\$ <u>22,191,792</u>

The sensitivity analysis was based on the proportionate share of the Borough's net OPEB liability at December 31, 2021. A sensitivity analysis specific to the Borough's net OPEB liability was not provided by the pension system.

Special Funding Situation

Under N.J.S.A. 43:3C-24 the Borough is responsible for their own OPEB contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State to make contributions if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 330, P.L. 1997 and Chapter 271, P.L., 1989. Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State pays the premiums or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989. The amounts contributed on behalf of the Borough by the State under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, the Borough's proportionate share percentage of the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows determined under GASB Statement No. 75 is zero percent and the State's proportionate share is 100% of OPEB under this legislation.

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NOTE 13 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS (Continued)

Special Funding Situation (Continued)

At December 31, 2021, the State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributable to the Borough for the OPEB special funding situation is \$3,326,907. For the year ended December 31, 2021 the plan has determined the State's proportionate share of the OPEB expense attributable to the Borough for the OPEB special funding situation is \$453,969. At December 31, 2021, (measurement date June 30, 2021), the State's share of the OPEB liability attributable to the Borough was .08616 percent, which was a decrease of .09496 percent from its proportionate share measured as of December 31, 2020 (measurement date June 30, 2020) of .18112 percent. The State's proportionate share attributable to the Borough was developed based on eligible plan members subject to the special funding situation. This data takes into account active members from both participating and non-participating employer locations and retired members currently receiving OPEB benefits.

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report from the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pension and Benefits. The financial reports may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

NOTE 14 RISK MANAGEMENT

The Borough is exposed to various risks of loss related to general liability, automobile coverage, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; termination of employees and natural disasters. The Borough has obtained commercial insurance coverage to guard against these events to minimize the exposure to the Borough should they occur.

The Borough of Dumont is a member of the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (BJIF) and Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (MEL). The joint insurance funds are both an insured and self-administered group of municipalities established for the purpose of insuring against property damage, general liability, motor vehicles and equipment liability and worker's compensation. The Funds are risk-sharing public entity pools. The BJIF and MEL coverage amounts are on file with the Borough.

The relationship between the Borough and respective insurance funds is governed by a contract and by-laws that have been adopted by resolution of each unit's governing body. The Borough is contractually obligated to make all annual and supplementary contributions to the insurance funds, to report claims on a timely basis, to cooperate with the management of the funds, its claims administrator and attorneys in claims investigation and settlement, and to follow risk management procedures as outlined by the funds. Members have a contractual obligation to fund any deficit of the funds attributable to a membership year during which the municipality was a member.

The funds provide its members with risk management services, including the defense of and settlement of claims, and established reasonable and necessary loss reduction and prevention procedures to be followed by the members. Complete financial statements of the funds can be obtained by contacting the respective fund's Treasurer.

There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the previous year nor have there been any settlements in excess of insurance coverage in any of the prior three years.

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NOTE 14 RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The Borough has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method". Under this plan the Borough is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The Borough is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State. The following is a summary of Borough contributions, employee contributions, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the Borough's unemployment compensation trust fund for the current and previous two years:

<u>Year Ended</u> <u>December 31</u>	<u>Borough</u> <u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Employee</u> <u>Contributions</u>	<u>Amount</u> <u>Reimbursed</u>	<u>Ending</u> <u>Balance</u>
2022		\$ 13,305	\$ 20,679	\$ 43,356
2021		11,076	1,318	50,730
2020	\$ 10,000	11,590	18,485	40,972

NOTE 15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Borough is a party defendant in some lawsuits, none of a kind unusual for a municipality of its size and scope of operation. In the opinion of the Borough's Attorney, the potential claims against the Borough not covered by insurance policies would not materially affect the financial condition of the Borough except as noted below:

Pending Litigation – The Borough has one pending matter before the Superior Court of New Jersey, Bergen County. This litigation stems from Administrative disciplinary charges the borough filed against four employees (the "Plaintiffs"). The plaintiffs allege that the Borough violated their civil rights by targeting and disciplining them for exercising their First Amendment Rights to not participate in political activity in the Borough. The plaintiffs seek back pay, compensatory and punitive damages, and attorney's fees and costs. The plaintiffs have not provided a formal demand at this time. A settlement conference before the Court has been scheduled on October 23, 2023 and a possible trial on January 2, 2024. At the present time, the amount of potential losses can not be determined. The Borough's insurance carrier has rejected coverage for the pending claims.

Pending Tax Appeals - Various tax appeal cases were pending in the New Jersey Tax Court at December 31, 2022 and 2021. Amounts claimed have not yet been determined. The Borough is vigorously defending its assessments in each case. Under the accounting principles prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the Borough does not recognize a liability, if any, until these cases have been adjudicated. The Borough expects such amounts, if any, could be material. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Borough reserved \$173,376 in the Current Fund for tax appeals pending in the New Jersey Tax Court. Funding of any ultimate liability would be provided for in succeeding years' budget or from fund balance.

Federal and State Awards - The Borough participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the Borough may be required to reimburse the grantor government. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, significant amounts of grant expenditure have not been audited by the various grantor agencies but the Borough believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on the overall financial position of the Borough.

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NOTE 16 FEDERAL ARBITRAGE REGULATIONS

The Borough is subject to Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code as it pertains to the arbitrage rebate on all tax-exempt obligations, both long and short-term debt. Under the 1986 Tax Reform Act, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) required that all excess earnings from investment proceeds be rebated to the IRS. Arbitrage, for purposes of these regulations, is defined as the difference between the yield on the investment and the yield on the obligations issued. If there are excess earnings, this amount may be required to be rebated to the IRS. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Borough has not estimated its estimated arbitrage earnings due to the IRS, if any.

NOTE 17 LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP)-UNAUDITED

The Borough of Dumont Length of Service Awards Program (the Plan) was created by a Borough ordinance adopted on August 17, 1999 pursuant to 457 (e)(11)(13) of the Internal Service Code of 1986, as amended, except for provisions added by reason of the Length of Service Awards Program as enacted into federal law in 1997. The voters of the Borough of Dumont approved the adoption of the Plan at the general election held on November 2, 2001.

The first year of eligibility for entrance into the Plan was calendar year 2002. The tax deferred income benefits for emergency services volunteers, consisting of the Volunteer Fire Department and the First Aid Organization, come from contributions made solely by the Borough on behalf of those volunteers who meet the criteria of a plan created by the governing body.

If an active member meets the year of active service requirement, a LOSAP must provide a benefit between the minimum contribution of \$100 and a maximum contribution of \$1,150 per year. While the maximum amount is established by statute, it is subject to periodic increases that are related to the consumer price index (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-185(f)). The Division of Local Government Services issues the permitted maximum increase annually.

The Borough of Dumont has contributed \$38,400 and \$35,400 for 2022 and 2021, respectively, for eligible volunteer fire department and volunteer first aid corp. members into the Plan.

In accordance with the amendments to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and the State Deferred Revenue Regulations, the Borough has placed the amounts deferred, including earnings, in a trust for the exclusive benefit of the plan participants and their beneficiaries.

Lincoln Financial Group is the administrator of the plan. The Borough's practical involvement in administering the plan is essentially limited to verifying the eligibility of each participant and remitting the funds to the plan administrator.

Vesting and Benefits

A volunteer is eligible to receive a distribution of funds upon completing 5 (five) cumulative years as an active member of the volunteer organization. Certain restrictions and tax implications may result in the event of a withdrawal of funds from the Plan.

If a volunteer member does not vest and terminates their association with the emergency service organization, the funds are returned to the sponsoring agency's surplus.

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NOTE 17 LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP)-UNAUDITED (Continued)

Reporting Requirements

The New Jersey Administrative Code NJAC 5:30-14.49 requires that the Borough perform a separate review report of the plan in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Statements on Standards for Accounting and Auditing Review Services. Since a review does not constitute an audit, the financial statements pertaining to the Plan are presented as unaudited in this report as part of the Borough's Trust Fund.

NOTE 18 TAX ABATEMENTS

For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Borough provided property tax abatements through certain programs authorized under State statutes. These programs include the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Financing Act (NJHMFA).

The New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Financing Act (NJSA 55:14K et. seq.) allows for property tax abatements for residential rental housing projects financed by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency. These property tax abatements last for the term of the original mortgage financing so long as the residential rental housing project remains subject to the NJHMFA Law and regulations. The process begins when the municipality passes by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, that such residential rental housing project shall be exempt from property tax provided that an agreement is entered into with the housing sponsor for payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs) to the municipality. The agreement can require the housing sponsor to a PILOT payment to the municipality in an amount up to 20% of the annual gross revenue from each housing project. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 the Borough abated property taxes totaling \$711,301 and \$565,025, respectively, under the NJHMFA program. The Borough received \$24,985 and \$19,388 in PILOT payments under this program for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Prior to the enactment of the Long Term Tax Exempt Law (NJSA 40A:20 et.seq.) and under the provisions of the Senior Citizens Nonprofit Rental Housing Tax Law (NJSA 55:141-1), which has since been repealed, allows for the clearance, re-planning, development or redevelopment of blighted areas by means of a non-profit rental housing project for the elderly, developed, erected and owed by a non-profit corporations under the Federal Senior Citizens Housing Loan Program, and pursuant to section 202 of the Federal Housing Act of 1959, as amended; authorizing and providing for the exemption in part of such non-profit rental housing projects from taxation under the law. A qualified municipality could abate for up to 50 years the property taxes on newly construction senior housing. The process beings when the municipality passes by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, that such residential rental senior housing project shall be exempt from property tax provided that an agreement is entered into with the housing sponsor to make a PILOT payment to the municipality in an amount equal to a percentage of the annual gross revenue from each senior housing project. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 the Borough abated property taxes totaling \$7,415 and \$7,214, respectively, under this law. The Borough received \$15,000 and \$15,000 in PILOT payments under this program for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The Borough had entered into an agreement with Landmark Dumont I Urban Renewal Corporate ("Landmark") authorizing the execution of a long-term tax exemption and payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:20.1.et. seq. Landmark will construct 146 multi-family housing units, consisting of 124 market rate housing units and 22 affordable housing units.

The PILOT Agreement shall have a term which shall expire at the earlier of; (a) the passage of twenty-seven (27) years from the execution of the Financial Agreement executed, and delivered, pursuant to this application or (b) the expiration of twenty-five (25) years from the completion of the Project, whichever first occurs.

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NOTE 18 TAX ABATEMENTS (Continued)

For the Market Rate Project, the Annual Service Charge shall be in the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) of gross construction costs; ten percent (10%) of Gross Annual Revenue for the Market Rate Project; or for the years 1 through 15 of the Agreement, \$3,500 per Market Unit per year and for the years 16 through 25 of the Agreement, \$3,750 per Market Unit per year. It is estimated that the total Annual Service Charge for the Market Rate Project will equal \$434,000 per year for years 1 through 15 of the Agreement, increasing to \$465,000 per year for years 16 through 25 of the Agreement, totaling \$11,160,000 over the twenty-five (25) year term of the Agreement for the Market Rate Project.

For the Affordable Project, the Annual Service Charge shall be in the amount equal to the greater of two percent (2%) of Gross Annual Revenue of the Affordable Project; or for the years 1 through 15 of the Agreement, \$350 per Affordable Unit per year and for the years 16 through 25 of the Agreement, \$375 per Affordable Unit per year for the Affordable Project. It is estimated that the total Annual Service Charge for the Affordable Project will equal \$7,700 per year for years 1 through 15 of the Agreement, totaling \$198,000 over the twenty-five (25) year term of Agreement for the Affordable Project.

For the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 the Borough abated property taxes totaling \$166,961 and \$166,144, respectively. In 2022, the Borough collected \$397,084 for 2022 PILOT bills. In 2021, the Borough collected \$399,296 for the 2021 PILOT bills and \$99,882 for the 2019 and 2020 PILOT bills.

NOTE 19 INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAK – COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The World Health Organization declared a pandemic following the global outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency to unlock federal funds and assistance to help states and local governments fight the pandemic. Governor Phil Murphy, of the State of New Jersey, also declared a public health emergency on March 9, 2020 and instituted mandatory measures via various executive orders to contain the spread of the virus, including closing schools and nonessential businesses and limiting social gatherings. These measures, which altered the behaviors of businesses and people, had negative impacts on regional, state and local economies. The Governor, pursuant to various executive orders, then implemented a multi-stage approach to restarting New Jersey's economy. The declaration of the state of emergency and of a public health emergency was terminated by the Governor, by executive order, on June 4, 2021. Also, on June 4, 2021, the Governor signed into law Assembly Bill No. 5820 which terminates most of the Governor's pandemic-related executive orders on July 4, 2021. The remaining executive orders (dealing with coronavirus testing and vaccinations, moratoriums on evictions and utility shutoffs and various other matters) terminated on January 1, 2022.

On January 11, 2022, the Governor reinstated, via Executive Order No. 280, the state of emergency and declared a new public health emergency in response to a surge in cases tied to new variants of COVID-19, in particular the Omicron variant. Such public health emergency was set to expire 30 days from January 11, 2022, but was later extended, via Executive Order No. 288, for an additional 30 days on February 10, 2022. On March 4, 2022, the Governor declared, via Executive Order No. 292, an end to the reinstated public health emergency, effective March 7, 2022. In the event of substantial increases in COVID-19 hospitalizations, spot positivity or rates of transmission, the Governor is empowered to impose more restrictive measures than currently in place.

In order to provide additional means for local governmental units to address the financial impact of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Governor signed into law P.L. 2020 c. 74 ("Chapter 74") on August 31, 2020. Chapter 74, which took effect immediately, adds two new purposes to the list of special emergency appropriations which may be raised by municipalities or counties over a five year period (either through the issuance of special emergency notes or raised

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NOTE 19 INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAK – COVID-19 PANDEMIC (Continued)

internally without borrowing): (1) direct COVID-19 response expenses; and (2) deficits in prior year's operations attributable to COVID-19 (the beginning of the five year repayment schedule is delayed by one year for these new purposes). Upon approval by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, in cases of significant fiscal distress, the five year period may be extended to up to ten years. In addition, the statute permits school districts and public authorities to issue debt with a maximum five year maturity schedule for direct COVID-19 expenses. Chapter 74 provides for State supervision of all local government unit borrowings. The statute also grants the Director the authority to modify municipal budgeting rules concerning anticipated revenues in order to lessen the impact of revenue reductions due to COVID-19.

The Borough of Dumont's finances and operations may be materially and adversely affected as a result of the continued spread of COVID-19 through reduced or delayed revenue streams, which include the collection of property taxes, which are the Borough of Dumont's primary revenue source for supporting its budget. The Borough of Dumont cannot predict costs associated with a potential infectious disease outbreak like COVID-19 such as operational costs to clean, sanitize and maintain its facilities, or costs to operate remotely and support Borough functions and critical government actions during an outbreak or any resulting impact such costs could have on the operations of the Borough. However, as of the date of audit, even though the Borough finances and operations had certain reduced revenue streams due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the overall finances and operations of the Borough have not been materially and adversely affected due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

The degree of any such impact on the operations and finances of the Borough cannot be predicted due to the dynamic nature of the COVID-19 outbreak, including uncertainties relating to its (i) duration, and (ii) severity, as well as with regard to what actions may be taken by governmental and other health care authorities to contain or mitigate its impact. The continued spread of the outbreak could have a material adverse effect on the Borough and its economy. The Borough is monitoring the situation and will take such proactive measures as may be required to maintain its functionality and meet its obligations.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319 (the "Plan"), signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, comprises \$1.9 trillion in relief designed to provide funding to address the COVID-19 pandemic and alleviate the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Plan includes various forms of financial relief including up to a \$1,400 increase in direct stimulus payment to individuals and various other forms of economic relief, including extended unemployment benefits, continued eviction and foreclosure moratoriums, an increase in the child tax credit, an increase in food and housing aid, assistance grants to restaurants and bars, and other small business grants and loans. The Plan provides funding for state and local governments to offset costs to safely reopen schools during the COVID-19 pandemic and to subsidize COVID-19 testing and vaccination programs. In addition, the Plan includes \$350 billion in relief funds to public entities, such as the Borough.

Generally, according to the Plan and implementing regulations, the allowable use of the funds to be provided to the Borough include the following categories:

- Replacing lost public sector revenue;
- Investing in water, sewer, broadband and other infrastructure;
- Providing premium pay for essential workers;
- Supporting public health expenditures;
- Addressing COVID-19 related negative economic impacts; and
- Addressing the disproportionate public health and economic impacts of the crisis on the hardest-hit communities, populations, and households.

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NOTE 19 INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAK – COVID-19 PANDEMIC (Continued)

However, such funds may not be used to directly or indirectly offset a reduction in net tax revenue resulting from a change in law, regulation or administrative interpretation during the covered period reducing or delaying any tax or tax increase. Additionally, such funds may not be used for deposit in any pension fund. Such funds may be used to offset the amounts required to be raised in budgets for special emergency appropriations for COVID-19 deficits authorized by Chapter 74 discussed above. The Borough will be required to provide periodic reports detailing the accounting of the use of funds.

The Borough will receive \$1,833,374 from the Plan in two equal payments. The Borough has received the full amount of its relief funds under the plan as of December 31, 2022. The Borough utilized \$762,000 of the funds in the 2022 budget to replace lost public sector revenue. The Borough has not yet determined how it will spend the remaining funds received. The deadline to obligate the funds is December 31, 2024 and to spend them is December 31, 2026.

NOTE 20 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Debt Authorized

On June 13, 2023 the Borough adopted a bond ordinance authorizing the issuance \$2,521,300 in Bonds or bond anticipation notes to fund certain capital projects. As of the date of this report the Borough has not issued nor awarded the sale of said bonds or notes.

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

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Practical aspects of the study

CURRENT FUND

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH**

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 7,725,518
Increased by Receipts:		
Taxes Receivable	\$ 65,280,337	
Revenue Accounts Receivable	2,736,140	
Non Budget Revenue	283,543	
Prepaid Taxes	290,547	
Unappropriated Grant Reserves	1,088,941	
Miscellaneous Reserves	194,550	
Senior Citizens' and Veterans' Deductions	97,750	
Due to General Capital Fund	164,334	
Due to Other Trust Fund	3,939	
Receipts from Other Trust Fund	1,095,106	
Receipts from Dixon Homestead Library	<u>394,128</u>	
		<u>71,629,315</u>
		79,354,833
Decreased by Disbursements:		
Budget Appropriations	23,341,353	
Appropriation Reserves	151,383	
Encumbrances Payable	1,111,974	
Accounts Payable	3,603	
Tax Overpayments	32	
County Taxes	5,642,204	
Local District School Taxes	36,976,917	
Miscellaneous Reserves	329,629	
Payments Made On Behalf Of Library	410,945	
Payments to General Capital Fund	1,159,825	
Appropriated Grant Reserves	18,933	
Refund of Prior Year Revenue	<u>4,749</u>	
		<u>69,151,547</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$ 10,203,286</u></u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF PETTY CASH FUNDS**

<u>Office</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Finance Department	\$ <u>400</u>	\$ <u>400</u>

STATEMENT OF GRANTS RECEIVABLE

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Grant <u>Award</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Bergen County ADA Handicap Ramp Grant	\$ 340,207		\$ 340,207
Bergen County Census Grant	5,000		5,000
Community Forestry Grant		\$ 34,100	34,100
Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>\$ 345,207</u>	<u>\$ 35,100</u>	<u>\$ 380,307</u>

**STATEMENT OF DUE FROM STATE OF NEW JERSEY
SENIOR CITIZENS' AND VETERANS' DEDUCTIONS**

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 10,157
Increased by:		
Senior Citizens' and Veterans' Deductions Per Tax Billing	\$ 96,500	
Deductions Allowed by Tax Collector	<u>1,000</u>	
		<u>97,500</u>
		107,657
Decreased by:		
Deductions Disallowed by Tax Collector	500	
Cash Receipts	<u>97,750</u>	
		<u>98,250</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 9,407</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Year	Balance, December 31, 2021	Levy	2021	Collections 2022	Senior Citizens' and Veterans' Deductions Allowed	Cancelled	Transferred to Tax Title Lien	408	Balance, December 31, 2022
2021	\$ 439,139			\$ 439,139					\$ 459,437
2022	-	\$ 65,818,429	\$ 342,749	64,841,198	\$ 97,000	\$ 77,637	\$ 408	\$ 459,437	
	\$ 439,139	\$ 65,818,429	\$ 342,749	\$ 65,280,337	\$ 97,000	\$ 77,637	\$ 408	\$ 459,437	

Analysis of Property Tax Levy

TAX YIELD
 General Property Tax
 Real Property Tax
 Added Taxes

\$ 65,729,999
88,430
 \$ 65,818,429

TAX LEVY

Local School Tax \$ 38,519,223
 County Taxes 5,418,336
 County Open Space 223,868
 Added County Taxes 7,632
 44,169,059

Local Tax for Municipal Purposes 20,783,206
 Local Tax For Free Public Library 774,719
 Add Additional Tax Levied 91,445
 21,649,370

\$ 65,818,429

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF TAX TITLE LIENS RECEIVABLE

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 9,069
Increased by:	
Transferred from Taxes Receivable	<u>408</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 9,477</u>

STATEMENT OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED FOR TAXES (AT ASSESSED VALUATION)

Balance, December 31, 2021	<u>\$ 79,526</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 79,526</u>

STATEMENT OF DEFERRED CHARGES

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Increase <u>in 2022</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>	Budget <u>Appropriation</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Overexpenditure of Appropriation Reserves	\$ 2,400	\$ 17,741		\$ 2,400	\$ 17,741
Emergency Authorization	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 22,571</u>	<u>77,429</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 102,400</u>	<u>\$ 17,741</u>	<u>\$ 22,571</u>	<u>\$ 79,829</u>	<u>\$ 17,741</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Accrued</u>	<u>Collected</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Licenses				
Alcoholic Beverages		\$ 14,688	\$ 14,688	
Board of Health		84	84	
Borough Clerk		4,521	4,521	
Fees and Permits				
Board of Health		18,615	18,615	
Borough Clerk		10,400	10,400	
Fire Prevention		27,468	27,468	
Planning and Zoning		4,425	4,425	
Police		1,047	1,047	
Other Fees and Permits		15,031	15,031	
Construction Code		284,035	284,035	
Fines and Costs - Municipal Court	\$ 1,962	55,575	51,110	\$ 6,427
Interest and Cost on Taxes		86,251	86,251	
Interest on Investments and Deposits		42,988	42,988	
Energy Receipts Tax		1,355,252	1,355,252	
Life Hazard Use Fees		11,312	11,312	
Fire Inspections		14,050	14,050	
PILOT - Senior Citizens Club		15,000	15,000	
PILOT - Washington Promenade		397,084	397,084	
Cable Television Franchise Fees		222,779	222,779	
Police Outside Duty	-	160,000	160,000	-
	<u>\$ 1,962</u>	<u>\$ 2,740,605</u>	<u>\$ 2,736,140</u>	<u>\$ 6,427</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES**

	Balance December 31, 2021	Encumbrances Restored to Appropriation Reserves	Transfers	Budget After Transfer or Modification	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed	Overexpended
Salaries and Wages							
General Administration / Mayor / Clerk	\$ 24,838			\$ 24,838	\$ 2,194	\$ 22,644	
Financial Administration	4,841			4,841	1,741	3,100	
Assessment of Taxes	460			460	460		
Collection of Taxes	1,582			1,582	1,582		
Planning Board/Zoning Board	200			200		200	
Affordable Housing	778			778		778	
Rent Leveling Board	497			497		497	
Life Hazard Use Fees	13,579			13,579		13,579	
Police Department	213,646		\$ (16,000)	197,646	4,393	193,253	
Emergency Management	2,333			2,333		2,333	
Municipal Prosecutor	2,895			2,895	1,920	975	
Streets and Roads	8,850			8,850	5,006	3,844	
Recycling	2,612			2,612		2,612	
Public Buildings and Grounds	12,587			12,587		12,587	
Board of Health	2,057			2,057	1,327	730	
Senior Citizens	1,823			1,823	1,572	251	
Parks and Playgrounds	23,625			23,625	786	22,839	
Salary Adjustments	31,000			31,000		31,000	
Public Defender	2,033			2,033	1,899	134	
Municipal Court	3,056			3,056	2,062	994	
Code Enforcement & Administration	3,207			3,207	5,259		\$ 2,052
Other Expenses							
General Administration / Mayor / Clerk							
Other Expenses	14,709			14,709	10,349	5,384	1,024
Postage	1,250			1,250		1,250	
Elections	952			952		952	
Financial Administration / Audit	19,479			19,479	20,409	6,000	6,930
Assessment of Taxes	4,587			4,587		4,587	
Collection of Taxes	747			747		747	
Legal Services and Costs							
Borough Attorney	15,286			15,286	12,497	2,789	
Special Counsel	11,349			11,349	9,287	2,062	
Engineering	350			350	350	-	
Planning Board/Zoning Board	3,626			3,626	1,843	1,783	
Rent Leveling Board	189			189		189	
Economic Development	1,000			1,000		1,000	
Fire Department							
Other Expenses	9,169			9,169	6,169	3,000	
Life Hazard Use Fees	1,417			1,417		1,417	
Fire Hydrant Services	21,677			21,677		21,677	
Police	34,085			34,085	23,587	10,498	
Police Reserves	500			500		500	
Emergency Management	1,000			1,000		1,000	
Streets and Roads	18,627			18,627	5,098	13,529	
Garbage and Trash Removal	71,134	21,952		93,086		93,086	
Sewer System	1,920	2,708		4,628		4,628	
Shade Tree	5,251			5,251	4,740	511	
Public Buildings and Grounds	36,212			36,212	11,433	24,779	
Board of Health	21,679			21,679	409	21,270	
Stigma Free	500			500		500	
Animal Shelter	13,822			13,822		13,822	

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES**

	Balance December 31, 2021	Encumbrances Restored to Appropriation Reserves	Transfers	Budget After Transfer or Modification	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed	Overexpended
Other Expenses (Continued)							
Environmental Commission	\$ 2,000			\$ 2,000	\$ 158	\$ 1,842	
Aid to Community Center for Mental Health	8,000			8,000		8,000	
Senior Citizens	18,325			18,325	8,035	10,290	
Parks and Playgrounds	7,422	\$ 878		8,300		8,300	
Celebration of Public Events	5,961			5,961	181	5,780	
Utilities							
Electricity			\$ 15,000	15,000	15,000		
Telephone	7,959	1,476		9,435		9,435	
Gasoline	14,293	4,711		19,004		19,004	
Municipal Court	1,392			1,392	252	1,140	
Code Enforcement & Administration	1,009			1,009	431	578	
Insurance							
Unemployment Insurance	10,000			10,000		10,000	
General Liability	37,155			37,155	16,785	20,370	
Workers Compensation	748			748		748	
Employee Group Health	67,499		1,000	68,499	1,280	67,219	
Health Benefit Waiver	8,132			8,132		8,132	
Social Security System	49,740			49,740		49,740	
Public Employer's Retirement System	13,500			13,500		13,500	
Police and Firemen's Retirement System	26,831			26,831		26,831	
DCRP	1,021			1,021		1,021	
Bergen County Utilities Authority	66			66		66	
Acquisition of Ambulance Corp Jackets	1,500			1,500		1,500	
LOSAP	14,600	600		15,200		15,200	
Police Body Armor	1,001			1,001	1,001		
Clean Communities	-	-	-	-	7,735	-	\$ 7,735
	<u>\$ 965,170</u>	<u>\$ 32,325</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 997,495</u>	<u>\$ 187,230</u>	<u>\$ 828,006</u>	<u>\$ 17,741</u>

Cash Disbursements	\$ 151,383
Accounts Payable	34,846
Appropriated Grants	1,001
	<u>\$ 187,230</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF ENCUMBRANCES PAYABLE**

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 1,144,299
Increased by:		
Transfer from 2022 Budget Appropriations		<u>721,508</u>
		1,865,807
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements	\$ 1,111,974	
Encumbrances Restored to Appropriation Reserves	<u>32,325</u>	
		<u>1,144,299</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$ 721,508</u></u>

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 126,543
Increased by:		
Transfer from Appropriation Reserves		<u>34,846</u>
		161,389
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements		<u>3,603</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u><u>\$ 157,786</u></u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF MISCELLANEOUS RESERVES**

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursed</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Tax Sale Premium	\$ 657,400	\$ 193,300	\$ 325,600	\$ 525,100
Tax Appeals	173,376			173,376
DCA Fees	2,479		2,479	-
Marriage Licenses	<u>375</u>	<u>1,250</u>	<u>1,550</u>	<u>75</u>
	<u>\$ 833,630</u>	<u>\$ 194,550</u>	<u>\$ 329,629</u>	<u>\$ 698,551</u>

EXHIBIT A-17

STATEMENT OF PREPAID TAXES

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 342,749
Increased by:	
Collection of 2023 Taxes	<u>290,547</u>
	633,296
Decreased by:	
Application to 2022 Taxes Receivable	<u>342,749</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 290,547</u>

EXHIBIT A-18

STATEMENT OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 58,323
Decreased by:	
Cancel Prior Year Tax Overpayment Balance	\$ 58,291
Refund	<u>32</u>
	<u>\$ 58,323</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX PAYABLE**

Increased by:	
Levy - Calendar Year	\$ 38,519,223
Decreased by:	
Payments	<u>36,976,917</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 1,542,306</u>

STATEMENT OF COUNTY TAXES PAYABLE

Increased by:		
2022 Levy	\$ 5,418,336	
2022 County Open Space	223,868	
Added Taxes	<u>7,632</u>	
		\$ 5,649,836
Decreased by:		
Payments		<u>5,642,204</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 7,632</u>

SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATED GRANT RESERVES

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Transfer from Appropriation <u>Reserves</u>	<u>Expended</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Clean Communities Grant	\$ 18,933		\$ 18,933	\$ -
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Fund	2,376			2,376
Distracted Driving	5,500			5,500
Police Body Armor	3,736	\$ 1,001		4,737
Bulletproof Vest Partnership	3,185			3,185
BC Census Grant	1,060			1,060
Recycling Tonnage Grant	<u>33,820</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,820</u>
	<u>\$ 68,610</u>	<u>\$ 1,001</u>	<u>\$ 18,933</u>	<u>\$ 50,678</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES FOR GRANTS

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	Realized as Budget <u>Revenue</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Recycling Tonnage	\$ 20,508	\$ 20,508	\$ 20,508	\$ 20,508
Police Body Armor Fund	2,464	3,827	2,464	3,827
Equitable Sharing Program (DEA)	3,320		2,320	1,000
American Rescue Plan (ARP)	916,687	916,687	762,000	1,071,374
Clean Communities Grant	31,551	31,583		63,134
Municipal Relief Fund		70,695		70,695
Body Worn Camera Grant		32,282		32,282
Opioid Settlement	-	13,359	-	13,359
	<u>\$ 974,530</u>	<u>\$ 1,088,941</u>	<u>\$ 787,292</u>	<u>\$ 1,276,179</u>

EXHIBIT A-23

STATEMENT OF DUE FROM DIXON HOMESTEAD LIBRARY

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 14,113
Increased by:	
Library Expenditures Paid by Current Fund	<u>410,945</u>
	425,058
Decreased by:	
Receipts from Dixon Homestead Library	<u>394,128</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 30,930</u>

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TRUST FUNDS

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF TRUST CASH**

	<u>Animal Control Fund</u>	<u>Other Trust Fund</u>	<u>Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund</u>
Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 20,443	\$ 2,778,971	\$ 50,730
Increased by Receipts:			
Escrow Deposits		\$ 54,118	
Miscellaneous Reserves		1,976,709	
License Fees Collected	\$ 2,334		\$ 13,285
Receipts from Payroll Service Provider			
Due to State of New Jersey	497	14,104,734	13,306
Payroll and Payroll Deductions	-	<u>16,135,561</u>	<u>26,591</u>
	<u>2,831</u>		
	23,274	18,914,532	77,321
Decreased by Disbursements:			
Expenditures Under R.S. 4:19-15.11	20		
Payments to State of NJ	148		20,680
Payments to Current Fund		1,095,106	
Transferred to Payroll Service Provider			13,285
Payroll and Payroll Deductions Payable		14,095,283	
Escrow Deposits		71,735	
Miscellaneous Reserves	-	<u>1,585,586</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>168</u>	<u>16,847,710</u>	<u>33,965</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ <u>23,106</u>	\$ <u>2,066,822</u>	\$ <u>43,356</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL EXPENDITURES

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 5,271
Increased by:		
Animal Control Fees		<u>2,334</u>
		7,605
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements	\$ 20	
Statutory Excess Due to Current Fund	<u>3,103</u>	
		<u>3,123</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 4,482</u>

EXHIBIT B-3

STATEMENT OF DUE TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DOG REGULATION FEES

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 160
Increased by:		
Registration Fees - Due State of New Jersey		<u>497</u>
		657
Decreased by:		
Payments		<u>148</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 509</u>

EXHIBIT B-4

STATEMENT OF DUE TO CURRENT FUND
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 15,012
Increased by:		
Statutory Excess		<u>3,103</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 18,115</u>

EXHIBIT B-5

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF ESCROW DEPOSITS**

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 59,622
Increased by:	
Cash Receipts	<u>54,118</u>
	113,740
Decreased by:	
Cash Disbursements	<u>71,735</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 42,005</u>

EXHIBIT B-6

STATEMENT OF RESERVE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE EXPENDITURES

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 50,730
Increased by:	
Payroll Deductions	<u>13,306</u>
	64,036
Decreased by:	
Unemployment Insurance Claims	<u>20,680</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 43,356</u>

EXHIBIT B-7

**STATEMENT OF DUE TO/FROM CURRENT FUND
OTHER TRUST FUND**

Balance, December 31, 2021, (Due to)	\$ 857,623
Increased by:	
Anticipated as Current Year Revenue	<u>50,000</u>
	907,623
Decreased by:	
Other Trust Fund Reserves Deposited in Current Fund	\$ 3,939
Payments to Current Fund	<u>1,095,106</u>
	<u>1,099,045</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022, (Due from)	<u>\$ 191,422</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF MISCELLANEOUS RESERVES**

	Balance, December 31, 2021	Receipts	Decreased	Balance, December 31, 2022
Fire Prevention Fees	\$ 1,109			\$ 1,109
Recreation Commission	222,294	\$ 363,559	\$ 357,637	228,216
Tax Sale Premiums	200			200
Street Openings	24,968	17,500	5,000	37,468
Maintenance Bond	11,155			11,155
POAA	8,484		410	8,074
Affordable Housing (COAH)	41,281	3,939		45,220
Drug and Alcohol	12,695		1,800	10,895
Police Outside Services	935,768	1,584,045	1,237,306	1,282,507
Police Donations	1,586			1,586
Shade Tree	31,638	11,605		43,243
Senior Citizen Donation	390,132		33,433	356,699
Accumulated Leave	75,226			75,226
Storm Emergency	42,677	-	-	42,677
	<u>\$ 1,799,213</u>	<u>\$ 1,980,648</u>	<u>\$ 1,635,586</u>	<u>\$ 2,144,275</u>
Cash Receipts		\$ 1,976,709		
Due From/To Current Fund		3,939	\$ 50,000	
Cash Disbursements		-	1,585,586	
		<u>\$ 1,980,648</u>	<u>\$ 1,635,586</u>	

STATEMENT OF PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS PAYABLE

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 62,513
Increased by:	
Cash Receipts	<u>14,104,734</u>
	14,167,247
Decreased by:	
Cash Disbursements	<u>14,095,283</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 71,964</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF DUE TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND**

Increased by:	
Unemployment Claims Due to State of New Jersey	<u>\$ 20,680</u>

Decreased by:	
Unemployment Insurance Claims Payments	<u>\$ 20,680</u>

STATEMENT OF DUE FROM PAYROLL SERVICE PROVIDER

Increased by:	
Payroll Deductions Transferred to Payroll Service Provider	<u>\$ 13,285</u>

Decreased by:	
Receipts from Payroll Service Provider	<u>\$ 13,285</u>

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GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF GENERAL CAPITAL CASH**

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 5,034,043
Increased by Receipts:		
Grant Receipts	\$ 99,023	
Serial Bonds Proceeds	18,580,000	
Bond Anticipation Notes Issued	1,208,500	
Premium on Sale of Bonds	78,990	
Premium on Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes	4,065	
Insurance Reimbursement	97,501	
Receipts from Current Fund	<u>1,159,825</u>	
		<u>21,227,904</u>
		26,261,947
Decreased by:		
Improvement Authorizations	2,341,655	
Bond Anticipation Notes	16,780,000	
Contracts Payable	2,456,836	
Due from Current Fund	<u>334,668</u>	
		<u>21,913,159</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 4,348,788</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
ANALYSIS OF GENERAL CAPITAL CASH
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Fund Balance	\$ 492,654
Contracts Payable	968,541
Grants Receivable	(272,314)
Due From Current Fund	(261,540)
Capital Improvement Fund	40,799
Reserve for Payment of Debt	15,500

Improvement Authorizations:

<u>Ord. No.</u>	<u>Improvement Description</u>	
1380	Park Improvements	2,999
1393	Various General Capital Improvements	(191,425)
1466	Various Storm Sewer Improvements	22,627
1481/1496	Temporary Relocation of Borough Offices	(21,112)
1501	Various Capital Improvements	42,863
1517	Thompson Street and Schraalenburgh Way Road Improvements	64,072
1519/1550/1556/1558/1578	Various Capital Improvements	295,484
1523	Sewerage System Improvements	8,485
1549	Various Capital Improvements	862,830
1567/1571	Various Capital Improvements	516,439
1579	Various Capital Improvements	116,728
1586	Various Capital Improvements	351,462
1600	Various Capital Improvements	574,028
1608	Various Capital Improvements	719,668
		<u>\$ 4,348,788</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - FUNDED

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 26,978,919
Increased by:		
Bonds Issued		<u>18,580,000</u>
		\$ 45,558,919
Decreased by:		
Budget Appropriations		
Serial Bonds	\$ 1,570,000	
Green Trust Loans	10,982	
NJEIT Loan Payable	374,251	
Pension Obligation Lease	<u>117,000</u>	
		<u>2,072,233</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 43,486,686</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	Balance, December 31, 2021	2022 Authorizations	Serial Bonds Issued	Balance, December 31, 2022	Analysis of Balance		
						Bond Anticipation Notes	Expenditures	Unexpended Improvement Authorizations
1250	Impyts of Various Parks and Acq. Of Equip.	\$ 191,425			\$ 191,425		\$ 191,425	
1275	Refund Unfunded Pension Liab	21,112			21,112		21,112	
1393	Various General Improvements	8,644,688		\$ 8,644,100	588			\$ 588
1481/1496	Temporary Relocation of Borough Offices	1,858,900		1,858,900				
1578	Various Capital Improvements	1,902,000		1,902,000				
1549	Various Capital Improvements	739,000		739,000				
1567/1571	Various Capital Improvements	428,500		428,500				
1579	Various Capital Improvements	3,192,500	\$ 2,537,500	3,192,000	500			500
1584	Sewer Line Repair - Columbia Avenue			1,800,000	737,500			737,500
1586	Various Capital Improvements				1,208,500	\$ 1,208,500		
1600	Various Capital Improvements							
1608	Various Capital Improvements							
		\$ 16,978,125	\$ 3,746,000	\$ 18,564,500	\$ 2,159,625	\$ 1,208,500	\$ 212,537	\$ 738,588

Serial Bond Proceeds	\$ 18,580,000
Less Excess Bond Proceeds - Ord. No. 1584	15,500
	<u>\$ 18,564,500</u>

Improvement Authorizations - Unfunded	\$ 1,458,256
Less: Unexpended Proceeds on Bond Anticipation Notes Issued	
Ordinance No. 1608	<u>719,668</u>
	<u>\$ 738,588</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF GRANTS RECEIVABLE**

	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	<u>Grant Awards</u>	Grants <u>Received</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
Community Development				
Ord. No. 1493 Various Improvements to Locust Avenue and Brook Street	\$ 31,913			\$ 31,913
Ord. No. 1586 Various Improvements (Gina's Field)	98,430			98,430
State of New Jersey				
Ord. No. 1586 Various Improvements (Gina's Field)	496,458			496,458
Department of Transportation				
Ord. No. 1498 Improvements to Johnson Avenue	36,274			36,274
Ord. No. 1586 Various Improvements (Grant Ave)	434,000			434,000
Ord. No. 1571 Improvements to Delong Avenue	99,750		\$ 99,023	727
Ord. No. 1579 Various Capital Improvements	220,000			220,000
Ord. No. 1579 Various Capital Improvements	-	\$ 503,582	-	503,582
Housing and Urban Development				
Ord. No. 1549 Various Capital Improvements	78,588			78,588
State of NJ Library Construction Bond Act				
Ord. No. 1600 Various Capital Improvements		98,725		98,725
Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund				
Ord. No. 1549 Various Capital Improvements	156,725			156,725
Ord. No. 1586 Various Improvements (Gina's Field)	64,382			64,382
Ord. No. 1586 Various Improvements (Veteran's Memorial Park)	287,458			287,458
Ord. No. 1600 Various Capital Improvements	-	135,235	-	135,235
	<u>\$ 2,003,978</u>	<u>\$ 737,542</u>	<u>\$ 99,023</u>	<u>\$ 2,642,497</u>
		Reserve for Receivable Pledged to Ordinance		\$ 2,370,183 <u>272,314</u>
				<u>\$ 2,642,497</u>

EXHIBIT C-7

STATEMENT OF DEFERRED CHARGES UNFUNDED - CANCELLED GRANT RECEIVABLES

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 27,188
Decreased by Budget Appropriation	<u>\$ 27,188</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF DUE FROM CURRENT FUND**

Balance, December 31, 2021		\$ 1,039,825
Increased by:		
Current Fund Insurance Paid by General Capital Fund	\$ 334,668	
General Capital Fund Reimbursement Deposited in Current Fund	164,334	
Current Fund Budget Appropriation		
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Cancelled Grants	27,188	
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>120,000</u>	
		<u>646,190</u>
		1,686,015
Decreased by:		
Anticipated as Revenue in Current Fund		
General Capital Surplus	165,650	
Reserve for Payment of Debt	99,000	
Receipts from Current Fund	<u>1,159,825</u>	
		<u>1,424,475</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 261,540</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF GENERAL SERIAL BONDS**

Purpose	Date of Issue	Original Issue	Maturities of Bonds Outstanding December 31, 2022		Interest Rate	Balance, December 31, 2021	Increased	Decreased	Balance, December 31, 2022
			Date	Amount					
2016 Refunding Bonds	7/15/2016	\$ 5,430,000	7/15/2023	\$ 855,000	4.00%				
			7/15/2024	1,040,000	4.00%				
			7/15/2025	1,060,000	4.00%	\$ 3,805,000		\$ 850,000	\$ 2,955,000
General Obligation Bonds	5/23/2017	6,075,000	5/15/2023	295,000	2.50%				
			5/15/2024	305,000	2.50%				
			5/15/2025	315,000	2.50%				
			5/15/2026	320,000	2.50%				
			5/15/2027	330,000	2.50%				
			5/15/2028	345,000	3.00%				
			5/15/2029	355,000	3.00%				
			5/15/2030	370,000	3.00%				
			5/15/2031	380,000	3.00%				
			5/15/2032	395,000	3.00%				
			5/15/2033	410,000	3.00%				
General Obligation Bonds	5/8/2020	15,500,000	5/15/2034	430,000	3.00%	4,985,000		290,000	4,695,000
			5/15/2035	445,000	3.00%				
			5/1/2023-24	430,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2025	445,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2026	455,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2027	470,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2028	490,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2029	510,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2030	525,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2031	545,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2032	570,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2033	590,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2034	615,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2035	640,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2036	670,000	2.50%				
			5/1/2037	700,000	2.75%				
			5/1/2038	730,000	2.75%				
			5/1/2039	760,000	3.00%				
			5/1/2040	795,000	3.00%				
			5/1/2041	830,000	3.00%				
			5/1/2042-45	860,000	3.00%	15,070,000		430,000	14,640,000

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF GENERAL SERIAL BONDS**

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Original Issue</u>	<u>Maturities of Bonds Outstanding</u>		<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Balance, December 31, 2021</u>	<u>Increased</u>	<u>Decreased</u>	<u>Balance, December 31, 2022</u>
			<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>					
General Obligation Bonds	6/1/2022	\$ 18,580,000	6/1/2023	\$ 410,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2024	440,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2025	455,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2026	470,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2027	485,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2028	500,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2029	520,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2030	540,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2031	560,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2032	580,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2033	600,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2034	620,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2035	640,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2036	665,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2037	690,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2038	715,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2039	740,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2040	770,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2041	800,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2042	820,000	4.00%				
			6/1/2043-44	820,000	4.13%				
			6/1/2045-50	820,000	4.25%				
						\$ -	\$ 18,580,000	-	\$ 18,580,000
						\$ 23,862,021	\$ 18,580,000	\$ 1,570,000	\$ 40,870,000

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SCHEDULE OF PENSION OBLIGATION LEASE PAYABLE**

Purpose	Date of Issue	Original Issue	Maturities of Leases Outstanding		Interest Rate	Balance, December 31, 2021	Decreased	Balance, December 31, 2022
			Date	Amount				
Refunding - Unfunded Pension Obligation	3/15/2012	\$ 882,000	3/15/2023	\$ 129,000	3.26%	\$ 246,000	\$ 117,000	\$ 129,000
						\$ 246,000	\$ 117,000	\$ 129,000

EXHIBIT C-11

STATEMENT OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	Date of Issue of Original Note	Date of Issue	Date of Maturity	Interest Rate	Balance, December 31, 2021	Increased	Decreased	Balance, December 31, 2022
1519/1550/1556/ 1558/1578	Various Capital Improvements	12/10/2019	6/3/2021	6/2/2022	2.00%	\$ 8,644,100		\$ 8,644,100	
1549	Various Capital Improvements	6/4/2020	6/3/2021	6/2/2022	2.00%	1,858,900		1,858,900	
1567	Various Capital Improvements	6/4/2020	6/3/2021	6/2/2022	2.00%	1,902,000		1,902,000	
1579	Various Capital Improvements	9/23/2020	6/3/2021	6/2/2022	2.00%	739,000		739,000	
1584	Sewer Line Repair	6/3/2021	6/3/2021	6/2/2022	2.00%	444,000		444,000	
1586	Various Capital Improvements	6/3/2021	6/3/2021	6/2/2022	2.00%	3,192,000		3,192,000	
1608	Various Capital Improvements	10/4/2022	10/4/2022	10/4/2023	4.25%	-	\$ 1,208,500	-	\$ 1,208,500
						\$ 16,780,000	\$ 1,208,500	\$ 16,780,000	\$ 1,208,500
Paid by Bond Proceeds							\$ 1,208,500		
Bond Anticipation Notes Issued									
							\$ 1,208,500	\$ 16,780,000	

EXHIBIT C-13

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF CONTRACTS PAYABLE**

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 2,456,836
Increased by:	
Charges to Improvement Authorizations	<u>968,541</u>
	3,425,377
Decreased by:	
Payments	<u>2,456,836</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 968,541</u>

EXHIBIT C-14

STATEMENT OF GREEN TRUST FUND LOAN PAYABLE

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 75,451
Decreased by:	
Budget Appropriation	<u>10,982</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 64,469</u>

EXHIBIT C-15

**STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE
TRUST LOAN PAYABLE**

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 2,797,468
Decreased by:	
Budget Appropriation	<u>374,251</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 2,423,217</u>

EXHIBIT C-16

STATEMENT OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 53,147
Increased by:	
Current Fund Budget Appropriation	\$ 120,000
Cancelled Improvement Authorization	<u>152</u>
	<u>120,152</u>
	173,299
Decreased by:	
Appropriated to Finance Improvement Authorizations	<u>132,500</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 40,799</u>

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF RESERVE FOR PAYMENT OF DEBT**

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 99,000
Increase by:	
Excess Bond Proceeds	<u>15,500</u>
	114,500
Decrease by:	
Current Fund Anticipated Revenue	<u>99,000</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 15,500</u>

STATEMENT OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT NOT ISSUED

Ordinance <u>Number</u>	<u>Improvement Description</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2021</u>	Improvement <u>Authorizations</u>	Serial Bonds <u>Issued</u>	Bond Anticipation <u>Notes Issued</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2022</u>
1393	Various General Capital Improvements	\$ 191,425				\$ 191,425
1481/1496	Relocation of Borough Offices	21,112				21,112
1578	Various Capital Improvements	588				588
1586	Various Capital Improvements	500				500
1600	Various Capital Improvements		\$ 2,537,500	\$ 1,800,000		737,500
1608	Various Capital Improvements	<u>-</u>	<u>1,208,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 1,208,500</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>\$ 213,625</u>	<u>\$ 3,746,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,800,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,208,500</u>	<u>\$ 951,125</u>

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
STATEMENT OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CASH**

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ <u>640</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ <u><u>640</u></u>

STATEMENT OF RESERVE FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ <u>640</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ <u><u>640</u></u>

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BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
PART II
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS
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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Borough Council
50 Washington Avenue
Dumont, New Jersey 07628

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements – regulatory basis of the Borough of Dumont as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2023. Our report on the financial statements – regulatory basis was modified to indicate that the financial statements were not prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America but rather prepared in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, to meet the financial reporting requirements of the State of New Jersey for municipal government entities as described in Note 1. In addition, our report on the financial statements – regulatory basis was modified on the regulatory basis of accounting because of the presentation of the unaudited LOSAP Trust Fund.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Borough of Dumont's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Dumont's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Dumont's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.


Report on Compliance and Other Matters


As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Borough of Dumont's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

However, we noted certain matters that are not required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards that we reported to management of the Borough of Dumont in Part III of this report of audit entitled, "Letter of Comments and Recommendations".

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Dumont's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Borough of Dumont's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.


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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM;
REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT
ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
REQUIRED BY U.S. UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Borough Council
50 Washington Avenue
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Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Borough of Dumont's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Borough of Dumont's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2022. The Borough of Dumont's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Borough of Dumont complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and U.S. Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Borough of Dumont and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Borough of Dumont's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulation, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Borough of Dumont's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Borough of Dumont's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and U.S. Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omission, misrepresentation, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Borough of Dumont's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and U.S. Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 Borough of Dumont's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Borough of Dumont's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the U.S. Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Dumont's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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


Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.


Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of U.S. Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by U.S. Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements - regulatory basis of the Borough of Dumont as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2023, which contained a modified opinion on those financial statements prepared in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting because of the presentation of the unaudited LOSAP Trust Fund and also contained a modified opinion on those financial statements because they were not prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by U.S. Uniform Guidance is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The 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 schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.


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August 23, 2023

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>Federal Program</u>		<u>CFDA Number</u>	<u>Grant Receipts</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Balance, December 31, 2021</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance, December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Cumulative Expenditures</u>
United States Department of Law and Public Safety Public Assistance Grants - FEMA Hurricane IDA Tropical Storm Isaias		97.036	\$ 93,633			\$ 93,633	\$ 93,633		\$ 93,633
			23,530			23,530	23,530		23,530
		21.027	916,687			762,000	762,000		762,000
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds									
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant		N/A		\$ 3,185	\$ 3,185			\$ 3,185	
United States Department of Transportation Division of Highway Traffic Safety Distracted Driving Incentive		20.616		5,500	5,500	-	-	5,500	-
						\$ 879,163	\$ 879,163	\$ 8,685	\$ 879,163

See Accompanying Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>State Grant Program</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Grant Year</u>	<u>Grant Receipts</u>	<u>Balance, December 31, 2021</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance, December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Cumulative Expenditures</u>
Division of Criminal Justice								
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020-001-YCJS-6120	2022	\$ 3,827		\$ 2,464		\$ 2,464	
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020-001-YCJS-6120	2021					1,001	\$ 1,873
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020-001-YCJS-6120	2020		\$ 1,001			1,414	1,998
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020-001-YCJS-6120	2019		1,414			2,322	749
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020-001-YCJS-6120	2017		2,322				
Department of Environmental Protection								
Clean Communities Program	4900-765-178910-60	2022	31,583					
Clean Communities Program	4900-765-178910-60	2021						29,455
Clean Communities Program	4900-765-178910-60	2018		378		378		22,131
Clean Communities Program	4900-765-178910-60	2017		18,555		18,555		
Clean Communities Program	4900-765-178910-60	2022	20,508					20,508
State Recycling Fund	*	2021			20,508			10,839
State Recycling Fund	*	2019		9,161			9,161	
State Recycling Fund	*	2018		20,000			20,000	21,174
State Recycling Fund	*	2017		1,286			1,286	7,627
State Recycling Fund	*	2016		555			555	7,889
State Recycling Fund	*	2015		2,818			2,818	
Body Worn Camera	1020-100-495	2022	32,282					
New Jersey Community Forestry Grant	*	2022			34,100		34,100	
Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities	*	2022			1,000	1,000		1,000
Administrative Offices of the Courts								
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2015		118			118	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2014		354			354	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2013		475			475	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2012		270			270	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2007		395			395	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2006		205			205	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2005		250			250	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	9735-760-060000-60	2002		309			309	125
U.S. Department of Transportation								
Highway Planning and Construction (Passed Thru New Jersey Department of Transportation)								
Road Improvements - Delong Avenue	078-6320-480	2019	99,023		99,023	99,023		99,023
Total State Financial Assistance				\$ 59,866	\$ 1,57,095	\$ 139,464	\$ 77,497	\$ 224,391

* Not Available

This schedule is not subject to a single audit in accordance with NJ Circular 15-08

See Accompanying Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE 1 REPORTING ENTITY

The Borough of Dumont (the "Borough") received and participated in numerous Federal Award and State Financial Assistance programs in the form of cost reimbursement grants and revenue sharing entitlements. The Borough is the reporting entity for these programs. The Borough is defined in Note 1 (A) to the Borough's Financial Statements.

NOTE 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance (the "Schedules") present the activity of all federal and state programs of the Borough. All federal awards received directly from federal agencies or passed through other government agencies are included on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. All state awards received directly from state agencies or passed through other government agencies are included in the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance. The information in these Schedules are presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey OMB Circular Letter 15-08 *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*.

NOTE 3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Borough conform to the accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division") which is a regulatory basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Borough accounts for federal awards and state financial assistances through separate funds and accounts which differ from those required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Borough's summary of significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the Borough's Financial Statements.

NOTE 4 RELATIONSHIP TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with amounts reported in the Borough's financial statements. Financial assistance revenues are reported in the Borough's financial statements on a basis of accounting described above as follows:

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Total</u>
Current Fund	\$ 879,163	\$ 58,072	\$ 937,235
General Capital Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>99,023</u>	<u>99,023</u>
Total Financial Awards	<u>\$ 879,163</u>	<u>\$ 157,095</u>	<u>\$ 1,036,258</u>

BOROUGH OF DUMONT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

NOTE 5 RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules may not necessarily agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state financial reports due to timing differences between the Borough's fiscal year and grant program year.

NOTE 6 FEDERAL AND STATE LOANS OUTSTANDING

Certain federal and state loans at the beginning of the year and loans made during the year are included in The Schedules, while others are not required to be included in The Schedules. The Borough's federal and state loans outstanding at December 31, 2022, which are not required to be reported on the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance, are as follows:

Loan Program

NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust	
Trust Loan - 2007	\$ 514,000
Fund Loan - 2007	389,526
Trust Loan - 2010	424,000
Fund Loan - 2010	<u>1,095,691</u>
	<u>\$ 2,423,217</u>

NOTE 7 INDIRECT COST RATE

The Borough has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the U.S. Uniform Guidance.

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Part I – Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued on financial statements	<u>Modified, Presentation of Unaudited LOSAP Fund</u>
Internal control over financial reporting:	
1) Material weakness(es) identified	_____ yes <u> X </u> no
2) Significant deficiency(ies) that are not considered to be material weakness(es)?	_____ yes <u> X </u> none reported
Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted?	_____ yes <u> X </u> no

Federal Awards Section

Dollar threshold used to determine Type A programs:	<u>\$ 750,000</u>
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	_____ yes <u> X </u> no
Type of auditors' report on compliance for major programs:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Internal Control over compliance:	
1) Significant Deficiencies identified?	_____ yes <u> X </u> no
2) Were significant deficiencies identified that were not considered to be material weaknesses?	_____ yes <u> X </u> no
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance?	_____ yes <u> X </u> no

Identification of major programs:

<u>AL Number</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program</u>
<u>21.027</u>	<u>Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds</u>

State Awards Section

NOT APPLICABLE

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES (CONT'D)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Part II – Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance related to the financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 5.18-5.20 of *Government Auditing Standards*.

There are none.

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

This section identifies the status of prior-year findings related to the financial statements are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 6.12 of *Government Auditing Standards*.

STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

There were none.

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**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SUPPORTING DATA**

Comparative Schedule Of Tax Rate Information

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Tax Rate</u>	\$3.883	\$3.864	\$3.759
<u>Apportionment of Tax Rate</u>			
Municipal	1.227	1.202	1.131
Municipal Library	.045	.044	.042
County	.335	.334	.316
Local School	2.276	2.284	2.270

Assessed Valuation

2022	<u>\$1,692,763,240</u>	
2021		<u>\$1,691,290,040</u>
2020		<u>\$1,690,378,240</u>

Comparison Of Tax Levies And Collection Currently

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future tax levies.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Cash Collections</u>	<u>Percentage of Collection</u>
2022	\$ 65,818,429	\$ 65,280,947	99.18%
2021	65,417,969	64,902,371	99.21%
2020	63,591,926	62,994,911	99.06%

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
SUPPORTING DATA**

Delinquent Taxes And Tax Title Liens

This tabulation includes a comparison, expressed in percentage, of the total of delinquent taxes and tax title liens, in relation to the tax levies of the last three years.

<u>December 31 Year</u>	<u>Amount of Delinquent Taxes</u>	<u>Tax Title Lien</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percentage of Tax Levy</u>
2022	\$ 459,437	\$ 9,477	\$ 468,914	0.71%
2021	439,139	9,069	448,208	0.69%
2020	535,592	8,663	544,255	0.86%

Property Acquired By Tax Title Lien Liquidation

No properties have been acquired in 2022 by foreclosure or deed, as a result of liquidation of tax title liens.

The value of property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens at December 31, on the basis of the last assessed valuation of such properties, was as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2022	\$79,526
2021	79,526
2020	79,526

Comparative Schedule Of Fund Balances

	<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance, December 31</u>	<u>Utilized In Budget of Succeeding Year</u>
Current Fund	2022	\$3,922,112	\$2,549,056
	2021	2,630,278	1,600,000
	2020	2,714,187	1,615,000

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SUPPORTING DATA**

OFFICIALS IN OFFICE

The following officials were in office during the period under audit:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Andrew La Bruno	Mayor
Conor Gorman	Councilman
George Harvilla	Councilman
Mary Novoa	Councilwoman (January 1, 2022 – May 1, 2022)
Denise Wrightington	Councilwoman (May 24, 2022 - November 21, 2022)
Tom Kelly	Councilman (November 21, 2022 - December 31, 2022)
Lisa Rossillo	Councilwoman
John Russell	Councilman
Carole Stewart	Councilwoman
Chris Tully	Administrator
Issa Abbasi	Chief Financial Officer
Frank Berardo	Qualified Purchasing Agency, Tax Collector
Jeanine E. Siek	Borough Clerk
Marc Liebman	Attorney
Neglia Engineering	Engineers
Harry Stylianou	Magistrate
Glenda Hickey	Court Administrator
James Anzevino	Tax Assessor

BOROUGH OF DUMONT

GENERAL COMMENTS

Prior Year Unresolved

Our audit noted that certain balances in the Other Trust Fund ledgers were not in agreement with audited balances. It is recommended that the Other Trust reserve balances be reviewed and adjusted to bring the accounts in agreement with the audited balances. In addition, procedures be implemented to reconcile the subsidiary ledgers with the general ledger on a monthly basis.

Our audit noted that the Borough's fixed asset accounting records are updated by an independent appraisal company. It is recommended that consideration be given to integrate the fixed asset record keeping with the purchase order system.

Our audit noted that a payroll agency ledger by deduction is not maintained by the Borough. It is recommended that a payroll agency ledger by deduction be implemented, currently maintained and be reconciled with the monthly bank reconciliations.

Our audit noted that the Borough had several interfund balances at December 31, 2022. It is recommended that all interfund balances be liquidated prior to year end.

Our audit revealed that the Borough does not have a written policy for the use of store credit cards. It is recommended that the Borough adopt a written policy regarding the use of store credit cards.

Our audit noted that certain general ledger beginning balances were not in agreement with the prior year audit balances. In addition there were reconciling items for the Trust Fund and General Capital Fund cash accounts that were not adjusted nor recorded in the Borough's general ledger and subsidiary ledgers. It is recommended that all beginning balances in the Borough's general ledger be in agreement with the audit balances. Furthermore, all reconciling items included on the monthly bank reconciliations be timely reviewed and if necessary adjusted in the Borough's financial accounting records.

Our audit revealed that certain budget line items in the Borough's 2021 appropriation reserve budget were overexpended at December 31, 2022. It is recommended that the Borough review its internal control procedures to ensure that sufficient funds are available prior to the expenditures of funds.

Our audit of expenditures noted instances where purchase orders were not created until the goods or services were rendered or an invoice was received from the vendor. It is recommended that purchase orders be encumbered prior to the ordering of goods or services.

Current Year

Our audit noted that certain improvement authorization balances were not in agreement with the audited balances. It is recommended that procedures be implemented to ensure that the improvement authorization balances are reviewed, adjusted and in agreement with the audited balances.

Our audit of the Animal Control Fund noted that the state portion of animal control fees collected from February 2022 to December 2022 were not remitted to the state until 2023. It is recommended that all state fees collected in the Animal Control Fund be remitted to the state on a monthly basis.

Our audit noted that the total payments reported on the Borough's check register for the calendar year was \$24,455 greater than the amount reported on the vendor history payment report. It is recommended that the payments reported in the check registers and vendor history report be periodically reconciled.

Our audit noted differences in the pension withholdings per the Borough's payroll records when compared to the 4th quarter state pension report. Information supporting the differences was not made available for audit. It is recommended that the employee pension withholdings and quarterly state pension reports be reconciled and any differences be appropriately documented.

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GENERAL COMMENTS

Contracts and Contracts Required To Be Advertised For NJS 40A:11-4

NJS 40A:11-4 states "Every contract or agreement, for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the cost or the contract price whereof is to be paid with or out of public funds not included within the terms of Section 3 of this act, shall be made or awarded only after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other law. No work, materials or supplies shall be undertaken, acquired or furnished for a sum exceeding in the aggregate \$17,500 (without a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$44,000 (With a Qualified Purchasing Agent) except by contract or agreement.

The bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 was \$17,500. The Borough has adopted a resolution increasing the threshold to \$44,000 and has appointed an individual as the qualified purchasing agent in accordance with regulations established by the Division of Local Government Services.

The Governing Body of the Municipality has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the bid within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Borough Attorney's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The minutes indicated that bids were received for Memorial Field and Road Improvements.

The minutes indicate that resolutions were adopted and advertised, authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "professional services" per N.J.S. 40A:11-5.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

Our examination of expenditures revealed instances where the accumulation of expenditures exceeded the bid threshold "for the performance of any work, or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies" other than those where bids had been previously sought by public advertisement or where a resolution had been previously adopted under the provisions of NJS 40A:11-6.

Collection Of Interest On Delinquent Taxes And Assessments

The statute provides the method for authorizing interest and the maximum rates to be charged for the non-payment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The Governing Body adopted a resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes.

Suggestions to Management

- Grant receivable balances in the Current and General Capital Funds be reviewed and action taken to collect or clear of record.
- Old outstanding checks and reconciling items on the Borough's bank reconciliations be reviewed and cleared of record.
- Employee time and attendance information be centrally maintained.
- Outstanding balances due to the Borough for police outside services be reviewed and action taken to collect or clear of record.

BOROUGH OF DUMONT SUPPORTING DATA

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- * 1. The Other Trust reserve balances be reviewed and adjusted to bring the accounts in agreement with the audited balances. In addition, procedures be implemented to reconcile the subsidiary ledgers with the general ledger on a monthly basis.
- * 2. Consideration be given to integrate the Borough's fixed asset accounting records with the purchasing system.
- * 3. A payroll agency ledger by deduction be implemented, currently maintained and be reconciled with the monthly bank reconciliations.
- * 4. All interfund balances be liquidated prior to year end.
- * 5. The Borough adopt a written policy regarding the use of store credit cards.
- * 6. All beginning balances in the Borough's general ledgers be in agreement with the audit balances. Furthermore, all reconciling items included on the monthly bank reconciliations be timely reviewed and if necessary adjusted in the Borough's financial accounting records.
- * 7. The Borough review its internal control procedures to ensure that sufficient funds are available prior to the expenditure of funds.
- * 8. Purchase orders be encumbered prior to the ordering of goods or services.
- 9. Procedures be implemented to ensure that the improvement authorization balances are reviewed, adjusted and in agreement with the audited balances.
- 10. All state fees collected in the Animal Control Fund be remitted to the state on a monthly basis.
- 11. The payments reported in the check registers and vendor history report be periodically reconciled.
- 12. The employee pension withholdings and quarterly state pension reports be reconciled and any differences be appropriately documented.

Status of Prior Years' Audit Findings/Recommendations

A review was performed on all prior years' recommendations and corrective action was taken on all, except for those recommendations denoted with an asterisk (*).