

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2025

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA
Financial Statements
As of and for the year ended December 31, 2025

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To the Honorable Ralph James, Mayor
and the members of the Board of Alderman
Village of Heflin, Louisiana

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the Village of Heflin, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2025, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We did not audit or review the financial statements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

Supplementary Information

The accompanying schedule of compensation paid board members and schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments the agency head are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the responsibility of management. The information was subject to our compilation engagement, but we have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on such information.

The accompanying justice system funding schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. The information was subject to our compilation engagement, but we have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and, accordingly do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on such information.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the following supplementary information on pages 14-15 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

Budgetary Comparison Schedules

Such information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and, although not a required part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who

considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. This information is the representation of management. We have not performed an audit, review or compilation on the required supplementary information and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on such information.

Management has omitted Management Discussion & Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Village's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Accordingly, the financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

We are not independent with respect to Village of Heflin, Louisiana.

Wise Martin & Cole LLC

Minden, Louisiana

October 7, 2026

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2025

	<u>Primary Government</u>		
	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-type</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 55,569	\$ 41,799	\$ 97,368
Investments	-	43,442	43,442
Receivable, net	2,359	5,681	8,040
Prepaid	1,172	4,018	5,190
Restricted assets - noncurrent:			
Cash	-	7,447	7,447
Capital assets:			
Land	6,150	-	6,150
Capital assets, net of depreciation	<u>243,278</u>	<u>320,688</u>	<u>563,966</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>308,528</u>	<u>423,075</u>	<u>731,603</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	5,454	5,614	11,068
Deposit payable	<u>-</u>	<u>7,447</u>	<u>7,447</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>5,454</u>	<u>13,061</u>	<u>18,515</u>
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	249,428	320,688	570,116
Unrestricted	<u>53,646</u>	<u>89,326</u>	<u>142,972</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 303,074</u>	<u>\$ 410,014</u>	<u>\$ 713,088</u>

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STATEMENT B

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Statement of Activities
For the year Ended December 31, 2025

Functions:	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expenses)/ Revenue	Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes of Primary Government		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions		Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Governmental activities:							
General government	\$ (48,526)	\$ 4,781	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (43,745)	\$ -	\$ (43,745)
Public safety	(27,281)	6,036	8,307	25,000	12,062	-	12,062
Total governmental activities	(75,807)	10,817	8,307	25,000	(31,683)	-	(31,683)
Business-type activities:							
Water	(99,293)	57,890	-	-	-	(41,403)	(41,403)
Total primary government	\$ (175,100)	\$ 68,707	\$ 8,307	\$ 25,000	\$ (31,683)	\$ (41,403)	\$ (73,086)
General revenues:							
Franchise taxes					31,848	-	31,848
Interest income					343	939	1,282
Gain on sale of capital assets					7,000	-	7,000
Miscellaneous					295	-	295
Total general revenues and transfers					39,486	939	40,425
Change in net position					7,803	(40,464)	(32,661)
Net position-beginning					295,271	450,478	745,749
Net position-ending					\$ 303,074	\$ 410,014	\$ 713,088

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
December 31, 2025

	General Fund	American Rescue Plan Fund	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 55,569	\$ -	\$ 55,569
Accounts receivable	<u>2,359</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,359</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 57,928</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 57,928</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
LIABILITIES			
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	\$ 5,454	\$ -	\$ 5,454
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>5,454</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,454</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Unassigned	<u>52,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,474</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>52,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,474</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 57,928</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 57,928</u>

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet
to the Government-Wide Financial Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2025

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Fund balances, total governmental funds (Statement C)	\$ 52,474
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements	249,428
Other assets used in governmental activities that are not financial resources and, therefore are not reported in the fund financial statements	<u>1,172</u>
Net position of governmental activities (Statement A)	<u>\$ 303,074</u>

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the year ended December 31, 2025

	General Fund	American Rescue Plan Fund	Total
REVENUES			
Franchise taxes	\$ 31,848	\$ -	\$ 31,848
Fees and rentals	4,310	-	4,310
Intergovernmental revenues:			
Federal	-	1,107	1,107
State	32,200	-	32,200
Fines and forfeitures	6,036	-	6,036
Investment earnings	343	-	343
Other revenues	764	-	764
Total revenues	<u>75,501</u>	<u>1,107</u>	<u>76,608</u>
EXPENDITURES			
General government:			
Utilities	14,113	-	14,113
Salaries and related expenditures	8,346	-	8,346
Office supplies	816	-	816
Advertising	783	-	783
Insurance	8,023	-	8,023
Repairs and maintenance	6,058	-	6,058
Accounting	3,987	-	3,987
Dues and subscriptions	358	-	358
Miscellaneous	46	-	46
Public safety:			
Salaries and related expenditures	14,210	-	14,210
Miscellaneous	5,455	-	5,455
Capital outlay	39,999	-	39,999
Total expenditures	<u>102,194</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>102,194</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(26,693)	1,107	(25,586)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Proceeds from sale of assets	7,000	-	7,000
Transfers in	1,107	-	1,107
Transfers out	-	(1,107)	(1,107)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>8,107</u>	<u>(1,107)</u>	<u>7,000</u>
Net change in fund balances	(18,586)	-	(18,586)
Fund balance.- beginning	<u>71,060</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,060</u>
Fund balance - ending	<u>\$ 52,474</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 52,474</u>

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund
Balance of the Governmental Fund to the Statement of Activities
For the year ended December 31, 2025

Net change in fund balances, total governmental funds, (Statement E)	\$ (18,586)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period.	26,000
Other expenses reported in the Statement of Activities that do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	<u>389</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities, (Statement B)	<u>\$ 7,803</u>

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Statement of Net Position, Proprietary Fund
December 31, 2025

	Business-type Activity Water Fund
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 41,799
Investments	43,442
Accounts receivable, net of allowance	5,681
Prepaid	4,018
Total current assets	<u>94,940</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Restricted assets:	
Cash	7,447
Capital assets:	
Plant and equipment	1,029,949
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(709,261)</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>328,135</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>423,075</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	5,614
Deposit payable	7,447
Total current liabilities	<u>13,061</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>13,061</u>
NET POSITION	
Invested in capital assets	320,688
Unrestricted	<u>89,326</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 410,014</u>

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Proprietary Fund
For the year ended December 31, 2025

	Business-type Activity Water Fund
Operating revenues	
Charges for services	
Water sales	\$ 57,890
Total operating revenues	<u>57,890</u>
Operating expenses	
Salaries	12,900
Utilities	6,207
Office expense	1,582
Accounting	2,280
Depreciation	22,875
Repairs and maintenance	32,488
Taxes	960
Insurance	17,721
Other	2,280
Total operating expenses	<u>99,293</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(41,403)</u>
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)	
Interest income	939
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>939</u>
Change in net position	(40,464)
Net position - beginning	<u>450,478</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 410,014</u>

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VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Statement of Cash Flows, Proprietary Fund
For the year ended December 31, 2025

	Business-type Activity Water Fund
Cash flows from operating activities	
Receipts from customers	\$ 57,221
Payments to employees	(12,900)
Payments to suppliers	(46,557)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(2,236)
Cash flows from financing activities	
Interfund transfers	16,566
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	16,566
Cash flows from investing activities	
Interest and dividends received	15
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	15
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	14,345
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	34,901
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 49,246
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (41,403)
Depreciation	22,875
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(970)
(Increase) decrease in inventories	16,566
(Increase) decrease in prepaids	(998)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	1,393
Increase (decrease) in sales tax payable	301
Total adjustments	39,167
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ (2,236)

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund
For the year ended December 31, 2025

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Cash Basis</u>	<u>Final Budget Over (Under)</u>
Revenues				
Utility and franchise taxes	\$ 39,000	\$ 39,000	\$ 32,093	\$ (6,907)
Fees and rentals	1,500	1,500	4,310	2,810
Intergovernmental revenues	23,463	23,463	32,200	8,737
Fines and forfeitures	25,100	25,100	6,036	(19,064)
Investment earnings	200	200	343	143
Other	14,900	14,900	764	(14,136)
Total revenues	<u>104,163</u>	<u>104,163</u>	<u>75,746</u>	<u>(28,417)</u>
Expenditures				
General government:				
Utilities	16,000	16,000	15,081	919
Salaries and related expenses	11,000	11,000	8,193	2,807
Office supplies	2,300	2,300	816	1,484
Advertising	2,000	2,000	783	1,217
Insurance	7,000	7,000	8,023	(1,023)
Repairs and maintenance	19,500	19,500	6,058	13,442
Legal and accounting	3,800	3,800	3,707	93
Dues and subscriptions	800	800	358	442
Miscellaneous	7,700	7,700	47	7,653
Public safety:				
Salary and related expenses	13,200	13,200	14,210	(1,010)
Miscellaneous	11,000	11,000	5,758	5,242
Capital outlay	-	-	39,999	(39,999)
Total expenditures	<u>94,300</u>	<u>94,300</u>	<u>103,033</u>	<u>(8,733)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>9,863</u>	<u>9,863</u>	<u>(27,287)</u>	<u>(37,150)</u>
Other financing sources (uses)				
Proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	7,000	7,000
Transfers in	-	-	1,107	1,107
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,107</u>	<u>8,107</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>9,863</u>	<u>9,863</u>	<u>(19,180)</u>	<u>(29,043)</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>32,643</u>	<u>32,643</u>	<u>74,382</u>	<u>41,739</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 42,506</u>	<u>\$ 42,506</u>	<u>\$ 55,202</u>	<u>\$ 12,696</u>

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Special Revenue Fund - American Rescue Plan Fund
For the year ended December 31, 2025

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Cash Basis</u>	<u>Final Budget Over (Under)</u>
Revenues				
Intergovernmental revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total revenues	-	-	-	-
Expenditures				
General government:				
Office supplies	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	-	-	-	-
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-	-	-
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers out	-	-	(17,673)	(17,673)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	(17,673)	(17,673)
Excess of revenues over expenditures and other uses	-	-	(17,673)	(17,673)
Fund balance at beginning of year	-	-	17,673	17,673
Fund balance at end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

**Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedules
For the year ended December 31, 2025**

01) The Village of Heflin's budget is adopted on a cash basis.

02) The following schedule reconciles the excess of revenues of expenditures on cash basis with the excess of revenues over expenditures on GAAP basis.

Excess of revenues over expenditures, GAAP basis	\$ (18,586)
To adjust for accounts receivable	243
To adjust for payables	<u>(837)</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditure, cash basis	<u>\$ (19,180)</u>

03) A budget was not adopted for the Special Revenue Fund - American Rescue Plan Fund.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Schedule of Compensation Paid Board Members
As of and for the year ended December 31, 2025

The following served on the Board without compensation or other benefits:

Ralph James	Mayor
Hallie DeMoss	Alderman
Matt Austin	Alderman
Robert Stachowicz	Alderman

SCHEDULE 3

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other
Payments to Agency Head
As of and for the year ended December 31, 2025

Agency Head: Ralph James, Mayor

No payments made as of and for the year ended December 31, 2025.

Village of Heflin Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Schedule Cash Basis Presentation As Required by La. R.S. 24:515.2			
		Amount for 01/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	Amount for 07/01/2025 - 12/31/2025
1. Ending Balance of Amounts Assessed but Not Received:		-	-
2. Details of Receipts from Collecting/Disbursing Agency			
		Amount for 01/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	Amount for 07/01/2025 - 12/31/2025
Agency Remitting Money	Remittance Type		
Department of Public Safety and Corrections Public Safety Services	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	25	25

SCHEDULE 5

Village of Heflin

Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Schedule

Cash Basis Presentation

As Required by La. R.S. 24:515.2

	Amount for 01/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	Amount for 07/01/2025 - 12/31/2025
1. Beginning Cash Balance	-	-
2. Collections:		
a. Civil Fees	-	-
b. Bond Fees	-	-
c. Cash Bonds	-	-
d. Asset Forfeiture/Sale	-	-
e. Pre-Trial Diversion Program Fees	-	-
f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	519	275
g. Criminal Fines – Contempt	-	-
h. Criminal Fines – Other/Non-Contempt	-	-
i. Restitution	-	-
j. Probation/Parole/Supervision Fees	-	-
k. Service Fees	-	-
l. Collection Fees	-	-
m. Interest Earnings on Collected Balances	-	-
n. Other	2,936	2,256
Total Collected	3,455	2,531
3. Deductions: Collections Retained by the Village of Heflin		
I. Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Percentage of Collection	-	-
II. Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Fixed Amount	-	-
III. Other Amounts "Self-Disbursed" [Enter amounts on appropriate collection type lines]		
a. Civil Fees	-	-
b. Bond Fees	-	-
c. Cash Bonds	-	-
d. Asset Forfeiture/Sale	-	-
e. Pre-Trial Diversion Program Fees	-	-
f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	-	-
g. Criminal Fines – Contempt	-	-
h. Criminal Fines – Other/Non-Contempt	-	-
i. Restitution	-	-
j. Probation/Parole/Supervision Fees	-	-
k. Service Fees	-	-
l. Collection Fees [excluding amounts reported in bullets I and II above]	-	-
m. Interest Earnings on Collected Balances	-	-
n. Other	2,936	2,256
Total Collections Retained by the Village of Heflin	2,936	2,256
4. Deductions: Amounts Disbursed to Individuals and Entities, Excluding Governments and Nonprofits		
a. Collection/Processing Fees Paid to Third Party Entities	-	-
b. Civil Fee Refunds	-	-
c. Bond Refunds	-	-
d. Restitution Disbursements to Individuals and Entities, Excluding Governments or a Nonprofit	-	-
e. Other Disbursements to Individuals and Entities, Excluding Governments or a Nonprofit	-	-
Total Amounts Disbursed to Individuals and Entities, Excluding Governments and Nonprofits	-	-
5. Deductions: Total Disbursements to Other Governments & Nonprofits	519	275
6. Total Amounts Disbursed/Retained	3,455	2,531
7. Ending Cash Balance	-	-
8. Ending Balance of "Partial Payments" Collected but not Disbursed	-	-
9. Other Information:		
I. Ending Balance of Amounts Assessed but Not Yet Collected (i.e. total ending receivable balances)	-	-
II. Total Waivers During the Fiscal Period (i.e. non-cash reduction of receivable balances, such as time served or community service)	-	-

Village of Heflin

Justice System Funding Schedule - Disbursements to Other Governments & Nonprofits Form

Cash Basis Presentation

As Required by La. R.S. 24:515.2

5. Details of Disbursements To Other Governments & Nonprofits (Do not include amounts retained by your entity in this table.)

Agency Receiving Money	Disbursement Description	Legal Authority to Disburse Money	Disbursement Type	Amount for	Amount for
	[Fund, Program, etc.] (Optional)			01/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	07/01/2025 - 12/31/2025
LA Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice	§1816. Crime Victims Reparations Fund; creation; sources and use of funds	R.S. 46:1816(E)	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	161	95
Ware Youth Center		R.S. 15:1097.6	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	128	75
Criminalistics Laboratory North Louisiana	§2266.1.1. Fees and costs of court	R.S. 40:2266.1.1	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	120	40
Supreme Court	§86. Judicial College; education account; sources of funds	R.S. 13:86	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	8	5
Department of the Treasury	§2633. Traumatic Head and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund	R.S. 46:2633	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	85	50
Department of the Treasury	§2531. Intentional littering prohibited; criminal penalties; simple littering prohibited; civil penalties; special court costs	R.S. 30:2531 (C)(1)	f. Criminal Court Costs/Fees	17	10

SCHEDULES FOR LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

**Summary Schedule of Prior Year Findings
As of and for the year ended December 31, 2025**

2024-01 Late filing

Condition: The Village did not file its annual report for the year ended December 31, 2024, by the due date.

Status: Not resolved, see comment 2025-01

2024-02 Budget Compliance

Condition: A budget was not adopted for the Special Revenue fund by the Village for the year ended December 31, 2024. Budgeted revenues exceeded actual revenues for the General fund by more than 5% and actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures for both funds by more than 5%.

Status: Not resolved, see comment 2025-02

VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, LOUISIANA

Schedule of Current Year Findings As of and for the year ended December 31, 2025

2025-01 Late filing

Criteria: Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 requires the compilation of the Village of Heflin to be submitted to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA) no later than six months after the Village's year end. The due date for the report was June 30, 2026.

Condition: The Village did not file its annual report for the year ended December 31, 2025, by the due date.

Cause: Records needed to complete the compilation were not provided to accountant performing review in time to file annual report timely. The accountant also had staff loss during the year and was not able to complete the scheduled compilation of the Village as planned.

Effect: Compilation was not able to be completed for submission by June 30, 2026, resulting in noncompliance with the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Village of Heflin ensure that all records requested are provided to allow timely performance of annual reporting.

Management's response: The Village of Heflin is aware of the filing requirements and will ensure records are made available to submit the annual report by the due date.

2025-02 Budget Compliance

Criteria: R.S 39:1301-1315 sets forth compliance requirements concerning the Local Government Budget Act including the following:

- A budget should be adopted for general and special revenue funds showing the estimated fund balances at the beginning of the year; estimates of all receipts and revenues to be received; revenues itemized by source; recommended expenditures itemized by agency, department, function, and character; other financing sources and uses by source and use; and the estimated fund balance at the end of the fiscal year.
- Budgets should be amended when expected budgeted revenues will exceed actual revenues by more than 5% and when actual expenditures exceed budgeted expenditures by more than 5%.

Condition: A budget was not adopted for the ARPA fund which is a special revenue fund by the Village for the year ended December 31, 2025. Budgeted revenues exceeded actual revenues for the General fund by more than 5% and actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures for both funds by more than 5%.

Cause: Unknown

Effect: Budget does not meet requirements of Local Government Budget Act.

Recommendation: The Village should adopt an annual budget in accordance with Louisiana law.

Management's response: We will take steps to adopt the required budget in the future. Budget will be reviewed and amended to make sure in compliance with the 5% rule.