

**NATCHITOCHE PARISH SHERIFF
NATCHITOCHE, LOUISIANA**

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
JUNE 30, 2021**

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
June 30, 2021

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NATCHITOCHE PARISH SHERIFF

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As Management of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff, we offer readers of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Sheriff's basic financial statements and supplementary information provided in this report in assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of our stewardship of public resources. Certain comparative information is presented to provide an overview of the Sheriff's operations.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Sheriff's assets exceeded its liabilities (Net Position) on June 30, 2021 and 2020, by \$(467,572) and \$(2,648,003), respectively. The Sheriff's net position increased by \$2,180,431 as a result of this year's operations. Total Net Position is comprised of the following:

	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>June 30, 2020</u>
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 1,767,691	\$ 1,466,616
Unrestricted Net Position which represents the portion available to maintain continuing obligations to citizens and creditors	<u>(2,252,805)</u>	<u>(4,114,619)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (485,114)</u>	<u>\$ (2,648,003)</u>

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Sheriff as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Sheriff's finances. These statements tell how the services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A fund is an accountability unit used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities. The Sheriff uses funds to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related laws and regulations. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources at the end of the year. As the Government-wide Financial Statements includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two views may provide insight into the long-term impact as short-term financing decreases. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds operating statement provide a reconciliation to assist in understanding the difference between these two views.

Fiduciary funds are reported in the fund financial statements and report taxes collected for other taxing bodies and deposits held pending court action. The Sheriff reports these as agency funds.

OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents Other Required Supplementary Information consisting of a comparison of budgeted revenues and expenditures to

actual revenues and expenditures, schedules of employer's share of net pension liability and contributions, schedule of changes in net OPEB liability and related ratios, schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to the sheriff, justice funding schedule, annual reporting requirement of sheriff as ex officio tax collector to LLA, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SHERIFF AS A WHOLE

Over time, as year-to-year financial information is accumulated on a consistent basis, changes in Net Position may be observed and used to discuss the changing financial position of the Sheriff as a whole.

CAPITAL ASSETS

The Sheriff's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2021 is \$2,685,575 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes office furniture, radios, vehicles and buildings. The Sheriff's major capital assets are vehicles and buildings. Additional information on the Sheriff's capital assets can be found on page 28 of this report.

LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

At the end of the fiscal year, the Sheriff had total long-term obligations of \$22,452,114, consisting of post-employment benefits, net pension liability, compensated absences, revenue bonds and capital lease obligations.

A summary of the basic government-wide financial statements is as follows:

Summary of Statement of Net Position

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
ASSETS:		
Current Assets	\$10,803,069	\$ 8,345,863
Non-current Assets	<u>3,040,399</u>	<u>2,867,643</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$13,843,468</u>	<u>\$11,213,506</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	<u>\$10,650,278</u>	<u>\$ 7,839,468</u>
LIABILITIES:		
Other Liabilities	\$ 1,053,855	\$ 1,287,073
Long-term Debt	917,884	1,401,027
Compensated Absences	21,356	55,728
OPEB Payable	14,440,992	12,364,079
Net Pension Liability	<u>7,071,882</u>	<u>5,055,371</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$23,505,969</u>	<u>\$20,163,278</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	<u>\$ 1,472,891</u>	<u>\$ 1,537,699</u>
NET POSITION:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 1,767,691	\$ 1,466,616
Unrestricted	<u>(2,252,805)</u>	<u>(4,114,619)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (485,114)</u>	<u>\$ (2,648,003)</u>

Summary of Statement of Activities

Comparative data for government-wide information is presented to assist analysis. The following table provides a summary of the Sheriff's changes in Net Position:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
REVENUES:		
Charges for Services/Fines	\$ 4,196,624	\$ 4,295,339
Operating and Capital Grants	2,609,226	1,960,053
Taxes	10,686,839	9,817,939
Miscellaneous	<u>803,143</u>	<u>219,504</u>
Total Revenues	\$18,395,832	\$16,292,835
EXPENSES:		
Public Safety	<u>16,132,943</u>	<u>17,342,939</u>
Change in Net Position	\$ <u>2,162,889</u>	\$ <u>(1,050,104)</u>

The change in Net Position for 2021 is \$2,162,889, which is an increase of \$3,212,993 from the prior year. Total net position increased by 80% in the current year.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

The functions of the Sheriff are public safety and law enforcement activities and parish-wide property tax collections.

GENERAL BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

For the year ended June 30, 2021, revenues and expenditures were within the 5% variance allowed.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The fiscal year 2021-2022 budget is forecasted to provide \$15,855,000 in estimated surplus and revenues to fund costs of \$15,855,000. Capital Outlay is budgeted in the amount of \$400,000 to be used for the deputy vehicles.

CONTACTING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Sheriff's finances, compliance with governmental financial reporting laws and regulations and demonstrate the Sheriff's commitment to public accountability. If you have additional questions about this report or would like to request additional information, contact Stuart Wright, Sheriff, PO Box 266, Natchitoches, LA 71458-0266.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and fiduciary funds of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff (Sheriff) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Sheriff's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and fiduciary funds of the Sheriff as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 1 through 3 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the Management's Discussion and Analysis in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Sheriff's primary government. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule, Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability, Schedule of Employer Contributions, Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer, Justice System Funding Schedule, the Annual Reporting Requirement of Sheriff as Ex Officio Tax Collector, and Reporting Fraud and Misappropriations listed as other supplementary information in the Table of Contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule, Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability, Schedule of Employer Contributions, Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer, Justice System Funding Schedule, the Annual Reporting Requirement of Sheriff as Ex Officio Tax Collector, Reporting Fraud and Misappropriations, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule, Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability, Schedule of Employer Contributions, Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer, Justice System Funding Schedule, the Annual Reporting Requirement of Sheriff as Ex Officio Tax Collector, Reporting Fraud and Misappropriations, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 29, 2021, on our consideration of the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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December 29, 2021

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>
ASSETS:	
Current Assets-	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 8,848,403
Investments	784,345
Revenue Receivable	1,106,765
Prepaid Expense	<u>63,556</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>\$10,803,069</u>
Non-current Assets-	
Cash - Restricted	\$ 354,824
Capital Assets (Net)	<u>2,685,575</u>
Total Non-current Assets	<u>\$ 3,040,399</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>\$13,843,468</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Pensions	\$ 4,396,219
OPEB	<u>6,254,059</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$10,650,278</u>
LIABILITIES:	
Current Liabilities-	
Accounts Payable	\$ 362,594
Accrued Expenses	691,261
Current Portion of Revenue Bonds Payable	315,000
Current Portion of Capital Lease	<u>183,245</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,552,100</u>
Long-term Liabilities-	
Net OPEB Obligation	\$14,440,992
Net Pension Liability	7,071,882
Compensated Absences	21,356
Revenue Bonds Net of Current Portion	330,000
Capital Lease Net of Current Portion	<u>89,639</u>
Total Long-term Liabilities	<u>\$21,953,869</u>
 Total Liabilities	 <u>\$23,505,969</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Pensions	\$ 1,221,980
OPEB	<u>250,911</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 1,472,891</u>
NET POSITION:	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 1,767,691
Unrestricted	<u>(2,252,805)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (485,114)</u>

See independent auditors' report and notes to the financial statements.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Statement of Activities
June 30, 2021

<u>Activities</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities</u>
		<u>Fees, Fines Commissions, and Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	
Governmental Activities:					
Public Safety	<u>\$16,132,943</u>	<u>\$4,196,624</u>	<u>\$2,356,945</u>	<u>\$252,281</u>	<u>\$ (9,327,093)</u>
		General Revenues:			
					\$10,686,839
					457,001
					652
					<u>345,490</u>
					<u>\$11,489,982</u>
					Change in Net Position
					\$ 2,162,889
					Net Position at Beginning of Year*
					(2,648,003)
					(Restated see Note 1)
					Net Position at End of Year
					<u>\$ (485,114)</u>

See independent auditors' report and notes to the financial statements.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Balance Sheet-Governmental Fund
June 30, 2021

ASSETS:

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 8,848,403
Investments	784,345
Revenue Receivable	1,106,765
Prepaid Expenses	63,556
Cash – Restricted	<u>354,824</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$11,157,893</u>

LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable	\$ 362,594
Accrued Expenses	<u>691,261</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,053,855</u>

FUND BALANCE:

Nonspendable for Prepaid Expenses	\$ 63,556
Unassigned	<u>10,040,482</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$10,104,038</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$11,157,893</u>

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Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund
Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

Total Fund Balance for the Governmental Fund at June 30, 2021 \$ 10,104,038

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities
in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

The following used in Governmental Activities are not
current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported
in the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet:

Capital Assets	13,868,936
Less, Accumulated Depreciation	(11,183,361)
Deferred Outflows of Resources	10,650,278

The following are not due and payable in the current
period and, therefore, are not reported in the Governmental
Fund Balance Sheet:

Net OPEB Obligation	(14,440,992)
Net Pension Liability	(7,071,882)
Compensated Absences	(21,356)
Revenue Bonds Payable	(645,000)
Capital Leases	(272,884)
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>(1,472,891)</u>

Total Net Position of Governmental Activities at June 30, 2021 \$ (485,114)

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

REVENUES:	
Taxes	\$10,686,839
Fees, Fines, Commissions & Charges for Services	838,613
Inmate Fees & Commissions	430,766
Work Release Revenues	269,340
Detention Center Revenues	2,657,905
Intergovernmental	2,609,226
Miscellaneous	<u>345,490</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$17,838,179</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
Public Safety-	
Current-	
Personnel Services & Related Benefits	\$10,689,565
Operating Services	1,657,676
Materials & Supplies	725,554
Travel & Other Charges	6,362
Professional Services	188,001
Food – Detention Center	496,794
Work Release	58,752
Debt Service	527,794
Capital Outlay	<u>455,573</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$14,806,071</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	\$ 3,032,108
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	
Sale of Assets	<u>13,140</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ 3,045,248
Fund Balance-Beginning of Year* (Restated see Note 1)	<u>7,058,790</u>
Fund Balance-End of Year	<u>\$10,104,038</u>

See independent auditors' report and notes to the financial statements.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Change in Fund Balance of the Governmental Fund
to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund	\$3,045,248
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Amounts reported for Governmental Activities
in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of
Activities are different because: The Governmental Fund reports
Capital Outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of
Activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated
useful lives as depreciation and amortization expense. The current
year amounts for these items were:

Capital Outlay	455,573
Depreciation Expense	(625,150)

Some revenues reported in the Statement of Activities do not
provide current financial resources and these are not reported
as revenues in governmental fund. Some expenses reported
in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current
financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures
in governmental funds. These timing differences are summarized below:

Net Effect of Sale of Assets	(12,491)
Revenue Bond Payments	305,000
Capital Lease Payments	178,143
Non-Employer Pension Revenue	457,001
Pension Expense	(897,718)
OPEB Expense	(777,089)
Compensated Absences	<u>34,372</u>

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$2,162,889</u>
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Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Fiduciary Fund Type-Agency Funds
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position (continued)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Sheriff's Civil <u>Fund</u>	Sheriff's Bond <u>Fund</u>	Tax Collector <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS:				
Cash & Cash Equivalents	<u>\$32,481</u>	<u>\$733,188</u>	<u>\$84,731</u>	<u>\$850,400</u>
LIABILITIES:				
Due to Others	<u>\$32,481</u>	<u>\$733,188</u>	<u>\$84,731</u>	<u>\$850,400</u>

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Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Fiduciary Funds-Agency Funds
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Sheriff's Civil <u>Fund</u>	Sheriff's Bond <u>Fund</u>	Tax Collector <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Unsettled Balances-Beginning of Year	\$ <u>23,826</u>	\$ <u>615,755</u>	\$ <u>137,362</u>	\$ <u>776,943</u>
ADDITIONS:				
Deposits-				
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$35,266,496	\$35,266,496
State Revenue Sharing (see Note 11)	0	0	739,804	739,804
Interest- Demand Deposits	0	0	2,611	2,611
Civil Fees	289,247	0	0	289,247
Garnishments	31,091	0	0	31,091
Bonds	0	173,929	0	173,929
Fines & Costs	0	1,607,898	0	1,607,898
Other Deposits	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>47,134</u>	<u>47,134</u>
Total Additions	<u>\$320,338</u>	<u>\$1,781,827</u>	<u>\$36,056,045</u>	<u>\$38,158,210</u>
DEDUCTIONS:				
Deposits Settled to-				
Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 31,176	\$ 31,176
Natchitoches Parish-				
School Board	0	0	10,541,776	10,541,776
Sheriff	31,767	168,270	7,113,914	7,313,951
Government	0	614,570	7,561,481	8,176,051
Assessor	0	0	1,481,879	1,481,879
Levee District	0	0	958,080	958,080
Clerk of Court	15,801	62,976	0	78,777
Tax Commission	443	0	0	443
Hospital	0	0	1,964,585	1,964,585
Fire Protection District No. 1	0	0	302,652	302,652
Fire Protection District No. 2	0	0	56,069	56,069
Fire Protection District No. 3	0	0	79,538	79,538
Fire Protection District No. 4	0	0	208,537	208,537
Fire Protection District No. 5	0	0	144,179	144,179
Fire Protection District No. 6	0	0	673,205	673,205
Fire Protection District No. 7	0	0	408,517	408,517
Fire Protection District No. 8	0	0	25,910	25,910
Fire Protection District No. 9	0	0	313,325	313,325
Fire Protection District No. 10	0	0	30,343	30,343

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See independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Fiduciary Funds-Agency Funds
Combining Schedule of Changes in Net Position (continued)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Sheriff's Civil <u>Fund</u>	Sheriff's Bond <u>Fund</u>	Tax Collector <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Pension Funds	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,000,300	\$ 1,000,300
Red River Waterway Commission	0	0	895,730	895,730
Cane River Waterway Commission	0	0	2,219,794	2,219,794
LTC Assesment Fees	0	0	40,842	40,842
Tenth Judicial District-				
District Attorney	0	167,832	0	167,832
District Judges	0	224,242	0	224,242
Indigent Defender Board	0	216,253	0	216,253
Garnishments	28,683	0	0	28,683
Refunds	0	11,975	0	11,975
Other Settlements	234,989	67,392	56,844	359,225
North LA Crime Lab	0	130,884	0	130,884
La. Commission Law Enforcement	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
 Total Deductions	 <u>\$311,683</u>	 <u>\$1,664,394</u>	 <u>\$36,108,676</u>	 <u>\$38,084,753</u>
 Unsettled Balances-End of Year	 <u>\$ 32,481</u>	 <u>\$ 733,188</u>	 <u>\$ 84,731</u>	 <u>\$ 850,400</u>

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Introduction:

As provided by Article V, Section 27 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the Sheriff serves a four-year term as the chief executive officer of the law enforcement district and ex-officio tax collector of the parish. The Sheriff administers the parish jail system and exercises duties required by the parish court system, such as providing bailiffs, executing orders of the court, and serving subpoenas. As the ex-officio tax collector of the parish, the Sheriff is responsible for the collection and distribution of ad valorem property taxes and state revenue sharing funds.

As the chief law enforcement officer of the parish, the Sheriff has the responsibility of enforcing state and local laws and ordinances within the territorial boundaries of the parish. The Sheriff provides protection to the residents of the parish through on-site patrols and investigations and serves the residents of the parish through the establishment of neighborhood watch programs, anti-drug abuse programs, and other community-involvement programs. In addition, the Sheriff, when requested, provides assistance to other law enforcement agencies within the parish.

In accordance with certain laws the Sheriff accounts for the collection and disbursement of bonds, fines and costs and forfeitures imposed by the district court.

1. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:**

A. Reporting Entity-

For financial reporting purposes, the Sheriff includes all funds and activities that are controlled by the Sheriff as an independently elected parish official. As an independently elected parish official, the Sheriff is solely responsible for the operations of his office, which include the hiring and retention of employees, authority over budgeting, responsibility for deficits, and the receipt and disbursement of funds. Other than certain operating expenditures of the Sheriff's office that are paid or provided by the parish police jury as required by Louisiana law, the Sheriff is financially independent.

Accordingly, the Sheriff is a separate governmental reporting entity. Certain units of local government, over which the Sheriff exercises no oversight responsibility, such as the parish police jury, parish school board, other independently elected parish officials, and municipalities within the parish, are excluded from the accompanying financial statements. These units of government are considered separate reporting entities and issue financial statements separate from those of the Sheriff.

B. Basis of Presentation-

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities report information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues.

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The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Sheriff's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipient for goods or services offered by the program, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The Sheriff's Office uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain Sheriff functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The various funds of the Sheriff are classified into two categories: governmental and fiduciary. The funds of the Sheriff are described as follows:

Governmental Fund-

General Fund

The General Fund, as provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1422 is the Sheriff's only major fund and is used to account for the operations of the Sheriff's office. The Sheriff's major sources of revenue are from revenues from the State of Louisiana for prisoner maintenance and US Department of Homeland Security for the detention and care of aliens. Other sources of revenue include ad valorem taxes, commissions on state revenue sharing, state supplemental pay for deputies, civil and criminal fees, fees for court attendance, and various other reimbursements, fees, grants, and commissions. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

Fiduciary Funds-

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements present a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. The only funds accounted for in this category by the Sheriff are agency funds. The agency funds account for assets held by the Sheriff as an agent for various taxing bodies (tax collections) and for deposits held pending court action. These funds, which are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities); do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Consequently, the agency funds have no measurement focus, but use the accrual basis of accounting.

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting-

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

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Accrual Basis - Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the Sheriff as a whole. Both of these statements have been prepared using the economic measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Modified Accrual Basis - Fund Financial Statements

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Governmental fund types use the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., when they are both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The Sheriff considers all revenues "available" if collected within 60 days after year-end. Expenditures are generally recorded under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exceptions to this general rule are that (1) unmatured principal and interest on long-term debt, if any, are recorded when due and (2) claims and judgments and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures when paid with expendable available financial resources.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Equity-

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes all demand accounts, interest-bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts of the Sheriff. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and other investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Restricted Assets

Certain funds are restricted for use by the Sheriff's office. These funds include inmate trust accounts and proceeds from a capital lease that is to be spent on specific property to be purchased by the Sheriff's office.

Investments

Investments are limited by Louisiana Revised Statute and the Sheriff's investment policy which allows for investment in obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, certificate of deposits, investment grade commercial paper of domestic United States corporations, and other allowable investments. Investments are carried at fair market value at June 30, 2021.

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Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The Sheriff maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of that asset or materially extend the life of that asset are not capitalized. Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation.

The range of useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Furniture, computers	5 years
Vehicles	5 years
Radios	10 years
Buildings	25-40 years

Compensated Absences

Employees of the Sheriff's office are not eligible for overtime; however, if an employee works more than 40 hours a week, the employee accrues compensatory time at a rate of 1.5 hours for every hour worked. Compensatory time represents hours that can be used in future weeks by the employees. The maximum amount of compensatory time that may be accumulated is 240 hours, and any excess is paid to the employee when earned. Compensatory time is paid out upon termination. The compensated absences balance represent the liability due to employees for this compensatory time.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the Net Pension Liability, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund (System) and additions to/deductions from the System' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the System. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

The Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred outflows and (or) deferred inflows of financial resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until the applicable period. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until that time.

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Equity Classifications

In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as Net Position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position - Consists of net resources with constraints placed on their use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provision or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position - All other net resources that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets”.

When an expense is incurred for the purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available, management applies unrestricted resources first, unless a determination is made to use restricted resources. The policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use and legal requirements. This decision is typically made by management at the incurrence of the expense.

In the fund statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance and displayed in five components. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- a. Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact;
- b. Restricted fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation;
- c. Committed fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint;
- d. Assigned fund balance - amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority;
- e. Unassigned fund balance - amounts that are available for any purpose. Only the General Fund would report positive amounts in unassigned fund balance.

The General Fund has an unassigned fund balance of \$10,020,222. If applicable, the Sheriff would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources and assigned resources

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as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first and to defer the use of these other classified funds.

E. Budget-

Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the Sheriff adopts a budget for the next fiscal year. The budget is open for public inspection and was published in the official journal 10 days prior to the public hearing. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year. The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

F. Sales Taxes-

The Sheriff collects a one-half percent parish-wide sales and use tax dedicated and used to meet the increased costs and expenses for critical operations of the Sheriff's office. The tax, approved by voters on July 15, 2006, was effective October 1, 2006 for a period of 10 years. The tax renewal was approved and extends in perpetuity.

G. Estimates-

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

H. Restatement of Net Assets/Fund Balance-

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the detention center fees were not correctly recorded for past periods. As a result, both net position and fund balance were restated as follows:

	<u>Net Assets</u>	<u>Fund Balance</u>
June 30, 2020, as previously reported	\$(2,962,226)	\$6,744,567
Prior Period Adjustments:		
Receivable	<u>314,223</u>	<u>314,223</u>
June 30, 2020, as restated	<u>\$(2,648,003)</u>	<u>\$7,058,790</u>

2. Levied Taxes:

The Sheriff levied the following millages for ad valorem taxes for 2020.

Constitutional	8.03	indefinite
Law Enforcement Sheriff	<u>9.77</u>	no expiration
Total	17.80	

The taxes are normally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the ensuing year. Property taxes are recorded as receivables and revenues in the year assessed. The property tax calendar is as follows:

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Assessment date	January 1
Levy date	June 30
Tax bills mailed	October 15
Total taxes due	December 31
Penalties & interest added	January 31 of ensuing year
Tax Sale	May 15 of ensuing year

Total assessed value was \$384,060,234 in 2020. Louisiana state law exempts the first \$75,000 of assessed value of a taxpayer's primary residence from parish property tax. In 2020, this homestead exemption was \$54,444,890 of the total assessed value.

3. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments:

Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff has cash and cash equivalents book balances totaling \$10,053,627.

The Sheriff has restricted cash relating to inmate trust accounts and a capital lease. The inmate trust accounts consist of money that is deposited by inmates for purchase of commissary items. The Sheriff's office is not entitled to spend these funds. These funds totaled \$219,435 at June 30, 2021. Under the terms of the capital lease entered into by the Sheriff for the 2018 fiscal year, cash received from this lease is to be deposited in a dedicated bank account for the purchase of the PTS Software. As of June 30, 2021, the Sheriff was in compliance with all related debt covenants and has restricted cash of \$135,389 for the payment of the capital lease.

Investments:

At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff has the following investments and maturities:

Type of Investment	Fair Value	Investment Maturities (in Years)			
		Less Than 1 Year	1-5 Years	6-10 Years	Over 10 Years
U.S. Government Securities	\$617,221	\$ 0	\$0	\$134,469	\$482,752
Equity Trust	167,124	167,124	0	0	0
Total Investments	<u>\$784,345</u>	<u>\$167,124</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$ 134,469</u>	<u>\$482,752</u>

Investment valuation: The U.S. government securities and equity trust are stated at fair value based on market quotations. The Sheriff categories its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 are significant unobservable inputs. The Sheriff's recurring fair value measurements is Level 2 inputs (valued using a market based approach comprised of a combination of directly observable quoted prices and a matrix pricing technique that relies on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities.

The cash, cash equivalents, and investments of the Sheriff are subject to the following risks:

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Custodial Credit Risk: Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the government will not be able to recover its deposits. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the Sheriff that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposit funds upon demand. Further, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the Sheriff's name.

At year end, the Sheriff had collected bank balances of \$9,496,818, which were fully protected by \$893,553 of federal depository insurance and pledged securities with a market value in excess of \$8,603,265 held by the custodial banks in the name of the Sheriff.

Interest Rate Risk: This is the risk that changes in market rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value is to changes in market interest rates. The Sheriff 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 the issuer of a debt type investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. U.S. government securities or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government are not considered to have credit risk exposure. The Sheriff's investments comply with Louisiana Statutes (LSA R.S. 33:2955). Under state law, the Sheriff may deposit funds with a fiscal agent organized under the laws of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the union, or the laws of the United States. The Sheriff may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes and bills, government-backed agency securities, or certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Sheriff's investment portfolio had concentration of credit risk on June 30, 2021 due to the holding of securities issued by the following U.S. Agencies that are both permitted by statute and the Sheriff's investment policy. The Sheriff's investment portfolio consisted of 49% of securities issued by Federal Farm Credit Bank, 18% of securities issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank, 21% in equity trusts, and 12% of securities issued by the Governmental National Mortgage Association. The Sheriff's investment policy does not limit the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

Custodial Credit Risk: This is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Sheriff has custodial risk exposure for the investment balance because the related securities are uninsured, unregistered, and held by the government's brokerage firm, which is also the counterparty for these particular securities. Investments are held with an investment management company which is insured by SIPC for up to \$500,000.

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4. Receivables:

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where applicable, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. The Sheriff The following is a summary of receivables at June 30, 2021:

Class of Receivable – General Fund

Taxes	\$ 396,094
Detention Center	456,114
Intergovernmental	17,542
Fees, Charges and Commissions-	
Civil and Criminal Fees	10,230
Inmate Fees & Commissions	57,172
Work Release	20,095
Security	102,613
LACE	28,664
Other Fees, Fines, and Commissions	<u>18,241</u>
 Total	 <u>\$1,106,765</u>

Substantially all receivables are considered to be fully collectible: therefore, no allowance for uncollectible accounts is used.

5. Capital Assets:

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2021, are as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Balance 7-01-20</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance 6-30-21</u>
Capital Assets Not Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 150,889	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,889
Capital Assets Depreciated:				
Buildings & Improvements	6,774,511	299,559	0	7,074,070
Vehicles	4,242,934	34,304	229,955	4,047,283
Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures	<u>2,474,984</u>	<u>121,710</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,596,694</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$13,643,318</u>	<u>\$ 455,573</u>	<u>\$229,955</u>	<u>\$13,868,936</u>
Less, Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings & Improvements	\$ 5,161,783	\$ 196,419	\$ 0	\$ 5,358,202
Vehicles	3,439,514	301,222	217,467	3,523,269
Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures	<u>2,174,381</u>	<u>127,509</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,301,890</u>
Total Depreciation	<u>\$10,775,678</u>	<u>\$ 625,150</u>	<u>\$217,467</u>	<u>\$11,183,361</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 2,867,640</u>	<u>\$(169,577)</u>	<u>\$ 12,488</u>	<u>\$ 2,685,575</u>

Depreciation expense of \$625,150 for the year ended June 30, 2021, was charged to the Public Safety function.

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6. Long-Term Debt:

The following is a summary of the long-term debt obligations of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff for the year ended June 30, 2021.

	Balance <u>7/1/20</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance <u>6/30/21</u>
Revenue Bonds series 2008	\$ 950,000	\$0	\$305,000	\$645,000
Capital Lease - Software	267,065	0	131,949	135,116
Capital Lease – Servers	33,430	0	10,598	22,832
Capital Lease - Automobiles	<u>150,532</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>35,596</u>	<u>114,936</u>
Total	<u>\$1,401,027</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$483,143</u>	<u>\$917,884</u>

	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Maturity <u>Date</u>	Amount <u>Issued</u>
Revenue Bonds series 2008	4.49%	3/1/2023	\$3,500,000
Capital Lease - Software	2.40%	2/1/2022	\$ 655,571
Capital Lease – Servers	4.95%	2/1/2023	\$ 55,807
Capital Lease - Automobiles	Various	4/1/2024	\$184,993

The annual debt service requirements to maturity for these loans are as follows:

Year Ending <u>June 30</u>	Long-Term Debt <u>Principal</u>	Long-Term Debt <u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$498,245	\$37,634	\$535,879
2023	380,345	18,032	398,377
2024	<u>39,294</u>	<u>886</u>	<u>40,180</u>
Total	<u>\$917,884</u>	<u>\$56,552</u>	<u>\$974,436</u>

7. Compensated Absences:

The following is a summary of the accrual of compensated absences for the year ended December 31, 2020:

Beginning <u>Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
<u>\$55,728</u>		<u>(\$34,372)</u>	<u>\$21,356</u>

8. Pension Plan:

Plan Description

The Sheriff contributes to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund (System) which is a cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit pension plan established in accordance with the provisions of LA Revised Statute 11:2171 to provide retirement, disability and survivor benefits to employees of sheriff's offices throughout the State of Louisiana, employees of the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association and the Sheriffs'

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Pension and Relief Fund's office. Membership in the System is required for all eligible sheriffs and deputies. The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System, which can be obtained at www.la.state.la.us.

Benefits Provided

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

Retirement

For members who become eligible for membership on or before December 31, 2011, members with twelve years of creditable service may retire at age fifty-five; members with thirty years of service may retire regardless of age. The retirement allowance is equal to three and one-third percent of the member's average final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service, not to exceed (after reduction for optional payment form) 100% of average final compensation. Active, contributing members with at least ten years of creditable service may retire at age sixty. The accrued normal retirement benefit is reduced actuarially for each month or fraction thereof that retirement begins prior to the member's earliest normal retirement date assuming continuous service.

For members whose first employment making them eligible for membership in the system began on or after January 1, 2012, members with twelve years of creditable service may retire at age sixty-two; members with twenty years of service may retire at age sixty; members with thirty years of creditable service may retire at age fifty-five. The benefit accrual rate for such members with less than thirty years of service is three percent; for members with thirty or more years of service the accrual rate is three and one-third percent. The retirement allowance is equal to the benefit accrual rate times the member's average final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service, not to exceed (after reduction for optional payment form) 100% of average final compensation. Members with twenty or more years of service may retire with a reduced retirement at age fifty.

For a member whose first employment making him eligible for membership in the system began on or before June 30, 2006, final average compensation is based on the average monthly earnings during the highest thirty-six consecutive months or joined months if service was interrupted. The earnings to be considered for each twelve-month period within the thirty-six month period shall not exceed 125% of the preceding twelve-month period.

For a member whose first employment making him eligible for membership in the system began after June 30, 2006 and before July 1, 2013, final average compensation is based on the average monthly earnings during the highest sixty consecutive months or joined months if service was interrupted. The earnings to be considered for each twelve-month period within the sixty month period shall not exceed 125% of the preceding twelve-month period.

For a member whose first employment making him eligible for membership in the system began on or after July 1, 2013, final average compensation is based on the average monthly earnings during the highest sixty consecutive months or joined months if service was interrupted. The earnings to be considered for each twelve-month period within the sixty month period shall not exceed 115% of the preceding twelve-month period.

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Disability Benefits

A member is eligible to receive disability benefits if he has at least ten years of creditable service when a non-service related disability is incurred; there are no service requirements for a service related disability. Disability benefits shall be the lesser of 1) a sum equal to the greatest of 45% of final average compensation or the members' accrued retirement benefit at the time of termination of employment due to disability, or 2) the retirement benefit which would be payable assuming continued service to the earliest normal retirement age. Members who become partially disabled receive 75% of the amount payable for total disability.

Survivor Benefits

Survivor benefits for death solely as a result of injuries received in the line of duty are based on the following. For a spouse alone, a sum equal to 50% of the member's final average compensation with a minimum of \$150 per month. If a spouse is entitled to benefits and has a child or children under eighteen years of age (or over said age if physically or mentally incapacitated and dependent upon the member at the time of his death), an additional sum of 15% of the member's final average compensation is paid to each child with total benefits paid to spouse and children not to exceed 100%. If a member dies with no surviving spouse, surviving children under age eighteen will receive monthly benefits of 15% of the member's final average compensation up to a maximum of 60% of final average compensation if there are more than four children. If a member is eligible for normal retirement at the time of death, the surviving spouse receives an automatic option 2 benefit. The additional benefit payable to children shall be the same as those available for members who die in the line of duty. In lieu of receiving option 2 benefit, the surviving spouse may receive a refund of the member's accumulated contributions. All benefits payable to surviving children shall be extended through age twenty-three, if the child is a full time student in good standing enrolled at a board approved or accredited school, college, or university.

Deferred Benefits

The System does provide for deferred benefits for vested members who terminate before being eligible for retirement. Benefits become payable once the member reaches the appropriate age for retirement.

Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP)/Back Deferred Retirement Option Plan (Back-Drop)

For members retiring before July 1, 2001 in lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, members could elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). Upon entering the DROP employee and employer contributions cease. The monthly retirement contribution that would have been paid if the member retired is deposited into the DROP account for up to three years. Funds held in the DROP account earn interest and can be disbursed to the member upon request. Effective July 1, 2001, the Back-DROP program replaced the DROP program. In lieu of receiving a service retirement allowance, any member of the System who has more than sufficient service for a regular service retirement may elect to receive a "Back-DROP" benefit. A member elects to "take" Back-DROP at the time of separation from employment to retire. The Back-DROP benefit is based upon the Back-DROP period selected and the final average compensation prior to the period selected.

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The Back-DROP period is the lesser of three years or the service accrued between the time a member first becomes eligible for retirement and his actual date of retirement. For those individuals with thirty or more years, the Back-DROP period is the lesser of four years or service accrued between the time a member first becomes eligible for retirement and his actual date of retirement. A member's Back-DROP benefit is the maximum monthly retirement benefit multiplied by the number of months in the Back-DROP period. In addition, the member's Back-DROP account will be credited with employee contributions received by the System during the Back-DROP period. The member's DROP and Back-DROP balances left on deposit are managed by a third party, fixed income investment manager. Participants have the option to opt out of this program and take a distribution, if eligible, or to rollover the assets to another qualified plan.

Permanent Benefit Increases/Cost of Living Adjustments

As fully described in Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, the System allows for the payment of permanent benefit increases, also known as cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs), which are funded through investment earnings when recommended by the Board of Trustees and approved by the State Legislature. Cost-of-living provisions for the System allows the board of trustees to provide an annual cost of living increase of 2.5% of the eligible retiree's original benefit if certain funding criteria are met. Members are eligible to receive a cost-of-living adjustment once they have attained the age of sixty and have been retired at least one year. Funding criteria for granting cost-of-living adjustments is dependent on the funded ratio.

Contributions

According to state statute, contribution requirements for all employers are actuarially determined each fiscal year. For the year ending June 30, 2020, the actual employer contribution rate was 12.25% with an additional -0% allocated from the Funding Deposit Account.

In accordance with state statute, the System also receives ad valorem taxes, insurance premium taxes and state revenue sharing funds. These additional sources of income are used as employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities, but are not considered special funding situations. Non-employer contributions are recognized as revenue and excluded from pension expense for the year ended June 30, 2021. Non-employer contributions for the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$457,001.

The Sheriff's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2021 was 12.25% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the Sheriff for the years ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020 were \$825,319 and \$922,648 respectively.

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

At June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Sheriff reported a liability of \$7,071,882 and \$5,055,371 respectively, for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liabilities. The Net Pension Liability was measured as of June 30, 2020 and the total pension liability used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was

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determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Sheriff's proportion of the Net Pension Liability was based on a projection of the Sheriff's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the Sheriff's proportion was 1.021778%, which was a decrease of .046959% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Sheriff recognized pension expense of \$1,699,992 plus employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions of \$21,883.

At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 0	\$ 826,560
Changes in assumption	1,738,200	0
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	1,701,450	0
Changes in employer's proportion of beginning net pension liability	112,186	386,514
Differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of employer contributions	19,064	8,906
Subsequent Measurement Contributions	825,319	0
Total	\$4,396,219	\$1,221,980

The deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Natchitoches Parish Sheriff contributions subsequent to the measurement date in the amount of \$825,319, will be recognized as a reduction of the Net Pension Liabilities measured in the year of June 30, 2021. Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2022	\$ 326,291
2023	691,945
2024	726,985
2025	545,867
2026	57,832
Total	\$2,348,920

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Actuarial Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2019 are as follows:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal Method
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of investment expense
Discount Rate	7.00%
Projected Salary Increases	5.500% (2.50% Inflation, 2.50% Merit)
Mortality Rates	<p>Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Employees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for active members, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.</p> <p>Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Healthy Retirees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for annuitants and beneficiaries, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.</p> <p>Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Disabled Retirees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for disabled annuitants, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.</p>
Expected Remaining Service Lives	<p>2020 – 6 years</p> <p>2019 – 6 years</p> <p>2018 – 6 years</p> <p>2017 – 7 years</p> <p>2016 – 7 years</p> <p>2015 – 6 years</p>
Cost of Living Adjustments	The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost-of-living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

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The mortality rate assumptions were set after reviewing an experience study performed over the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019. The data was then assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. This mortality was then projected forward to a period equivalent to the estimated duration of the System's liabilities. Annuity values calculated based on this mortality were compared to those produced by using a setback of standard tables. The result of the procedure indicated that these tables would produce liability values approximating the appropriate generational mortality tables used.

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

Estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class based on the System's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 were as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Expected Rate of Return</u>		
	<u>Target Asset Allocation</u>	<u>Real Return Arithmetic Basis</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return</u>
Equity Securities	62%	6.8%	4.2%
Fixed Income	23	2.4	0.6
Alternative Investments	<u>15</u>	4.7	<u>0.7</u>
Totals	100%		5.5%
Inflation			<u>2.4</u>
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return			<u>7.9%</u>

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the System's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the System'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 pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Sheriff's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Sheriff's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.00%) or one percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

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	1.0% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1.0% Increase
Employer's proportionate share of net pension liability	\$12,844,994	\$7,071,882	\$2,257,389

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund Annual Financial Report at www.la.la.gov.

Payables to the Pension Plan

These financial statements include a payable to the pension plan of \$294,012, which is the legally required contribution due at June 30, 2021. This amount is recorded in accrued expenses.

9. Post-employment Benefits Other Than Pensions:

Plan description – The Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office (the Sheriff) provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the Sheriff. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with the Sheriff. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Benefits Provided – Medical, dental, and life insurance benefits are provided through comprehensive plans and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Employees retirement eligibility (DROP entry) provisions are as follows: attainment of 30 years of service at any age, or age 55 and 12 years of service if earlier; or, for employees hired after January 1, 2012, the earliest of age 55 and 30 years of service, age 60 and 20 years of service, and age 62 with 12 years of service. Notwithstanding this there is a minimum service requirement of 15 years for benefits.

Life insurance coverage is provided to retirees and 100% blended rate (active and retired) is paid by the employer for the amount \$10,000. The amount of insurance coverage while active is continued after retirement, but insurance coverage amounts are reduced to 75% of the original amount at age 65 and to 50% of the original amount at age 70.

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

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	51
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	152
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	203
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Total OPEB Liability

The Sheriff's total OPEB liability of \$14,440,992 was measured as of June 30, 2021 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.00%
Salary increases	3.00%, including inflation
Prior Discount rate	2.21%
Discount rate	2.16%
Healthcare cost trend rates	5.5% annually until year 2030, then 4.5%
Mortality	SOA RP-2014 Table

The discount rate was based on the average of the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of June 30, 2021, the end of the applicable measurement period.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2021.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at June 30, 2020	\$12,364,079
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	105,704
Interest	274,414
Changes in Assumptions/Inputs	1,005,139
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,054,488
Benefit payments and net transfers	(362,832)
Net changes	2,076,913
Balance at June 30, 2021	\$14,440,992

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Sheriff, as well as what the Sheriff's total 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 discount rate:

	1.0% Decrease (1.16%)	Current Discount Rate (2.16%)	1.0% Increase (3.16%)
Total OPEB liability	\$17,137,054	\$14,440,992	\$12,322,778

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Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Sheriff, as well as what the Sheriff's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

	1.0% Decrease (4.5%)	Current Trend (5.5%)	1.0% Increase (6.5%)
Total OPEB liability	\$12,479,873	\$14,440,992	\$16,981,173

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Sheriff recognized OPEB expense of \$1,139,922. At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$2,100,228	\$ 0
Changes in Assumptions	4,153,831	250,911
Total	\$6,254,059	\$250,911

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

Years ending June 30:	
2022	\$759,804
2023	759,804
2024	759,804
2025	759,804
2026	759,804
Thereafter	2,204,128

10. State Revenue Sharing Funds:

The revenue sharing funds were distributed as follows:

Natchitoches Parish:	
Government	\$133,596
School Board	180,735
Assessor	53,193
Levee District	38,700
Sheriff	246,513
Fire Districts	38,160
Red River Waterway Commission	33,456
Pension Funds	<u>15,451</u>
Total	<u>\$739,804</u>

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11. Expenditures of the Sheriff's Office Paid by the Parish Police Jury:

The Sheriff's office is located in the parish courthouse. Expenditures for maintenance and operation of the parish courthouse, as required by state statute, are paid by the Natchitoches Parish Government.

12. Related Parties:

There were no identified related party transactions.

13. Deferred Compensation Plan:

All the employees of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff are eligible to participate in the State of Louisiana Public Employees Deferred Compensation Plan which is defined by Internal Revenue Code Section 457. Employees may contribute a portion of their salary to the plan on a pre-tax basis. The contributions are fully vested immediately and are remitted to a third-party administrator each pay period, where they are deposited to an account in the employee's name. The Natchitoches Parish Sheriff does not assume any liability for the funds and does not have any control over the funds once they are remitted to the third-party administrator. During the current year, the Sheriff elected to match 6% of the employees annual salary. During the current year, the Sheriff's contribution was \$70,109.

14. Risk Management

The Sheriff is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, and injuries to employees. The Sheriff maintains commercial insurance coverage, workers' compensation insurance, and surety bond coverage to cover each of these risks of loss. There was no significant reductions in insurance coverage in the year ended June 30, 2021.

15. Tax Abatement:

The Louisiana Industrial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption program (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 13, Chapter 5) is a state incentive program which abates, up to ten years, local ad valorem taxes on a manufacturer's new investment and annual capitalized additions related to the manufacturing site. Applications to exempt qualified property for five years are approved by the Louisiana Economic Development's Board of Commerce and Industry. The exemption may be renewed for an additional five years. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, approximately \$230,000 in Natchitoches Parish Sheriff ad valorem tax revenues were abated by the state of Louisiana through the Louisiana Industrial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption program.

16. Subsequent Events:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through December 29, 2021, the date which the financial statements were available for issue. There were no items to be reported as subsequent events.

OTHER REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
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	<u>Budget</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:				
Taxes	\$ 9,680,000	\$10,200,000	\$10,686,839	\$ 486,839
Fees, Fines, Commissions & Charges for Services	800,000	800,000	838,613	38,613
Inmate Fees & Commissions	400,000	400,000	430,766	30,766
Work Release Revenues	300,000	300,000	269,340	(30,660)
Detention Center Revenues	2,700,000	2,700,000	2,657,905	(42,095)
Intergovernmental	1,265,000	2,100,000	2,609,226	509,226
Miscellaneous	<u>306,600</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>345,490</u>	<u>255,490</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$15,451,600</u>	<u>\$16,590,000</u>	<u>\$17,838,179</u>	<u>\$1,248,179</u>
EXPENDITURES:				
Public Safety-				
Current-				
Personnel Services & Related Benefits	\$11,265,000	\$11,165,000	\$10,689,565	\$ 475,435
Operating Services	2,000,000	1,800,000	1,657,676	142,324
Materials & Supplies	875,000	840,000	725,554	114,446
Travel & Other Charges	39,000	21,000	6,362	14,638
Professional Services	360,000	210,000	188,001	21,999
Food – Detention Center	575,000	550,000	496,794	53,206
Work Release	200,000	160,000	58,752	101,248
Debt Service	534,000	540,000	527,794	12,206
Capital Outlay	<u>280,000</u>	<u>600,000</u>	<u>455,573</u>	<u>144,427</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$16,128,000</u>	<u>\$15,886,000</u>	<u>\$14,806,071</u>	<u>\$1,079,929</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	\$ (676,400)	\$ 704,000	\$ 3,032,108	\$2,328,108
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Sale of Assets	<u>8,500</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>13,140</u>	<u>7,140</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ (667,900)	\$ 710,000	\$ 3,045,248	\$2,335,248
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year* (Restated see Note 1)	<u>7,058,790</u>	<u>7,058,790</u>	<u>7,058,790</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 6,390,890</u>	<u>\$ 7,768,790</u>	<u>\$10,104,038</u>	<u>\$2,335,248</u>

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Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability
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<u>Year</u>	<u>Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)</u>	<u>Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)</u>	<u>Employer's Covered Employee Payroll</u>	<u>Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Pension as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</u>
<i>Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund</i>					
2015	1.060528%	\$4,199,696	\$7,269,719	57.77%	87.34%
2016	1.096465%	\$4,887,512	\$7,667,983	63.74%	99.23%
2017	1.137991%	\$7,222,709	\$8,033,613	89.91%	82.10%
2018	1.161652%	\$5,030,271	\$7,729,710	65.08%	88.49%
2019	1.122078%	\$4,302,775	\$6,274,552	68.58%	90.41%
2020	1.068737%	\$5,055,371	\$7,530,830	67.13%	88.91%
2021	1.021778%	\$7,071,882	\$6,737,288	104.97%	84.73%

The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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Schedule of Employer Contributions
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<u>Year</u>	<u>Contractually Required Contributions</u>	<u>Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required Contributions</u>	<u>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</u>	<u>Employer's Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll</u>
<i>Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund</i>					
2015	\$1,035,937	\$1,035,937	\$0	\$7,269,719	14.25%
2016	\$1,054,348	\$1,054,348	\$0	\$7,667,983	13.75%
2017	\$1,109,874	\$1,109,874	\$0	\$8,033,613	13.82%
2018	\$ 985,969	\$ 985,969	\$0	\$7,729,710	12.76%
2019	\$ 914,912	\$ 914,912	\$0	\$6,274,552	14.58%
2020	\$ 922,648	\$ 922,648	\$0	\$7,530,830	12.25%
2021	\$ 825,319	\$ 825,319	\$0	\$6,737,288	12.25%

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Changes of Assumptions:

- There were no changes of benefit assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
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	6/30/21	6/30/20	6/30/19	6/30/18
Total OPEB Liability				
Service Cost	\$ 105,704	\$ 53,344	\$ 63,326	\$ 64,951
Interest	274,414	281,110	273,960	270,569
Changes of Benefit Terms	0	0	0	0
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	1,054,488	620,580	455,457	362,056
Changes in Assumptions	1,005,139	3,747,921	406,264	(309,949)
Benefit Payments	<u>(362,832)</u>	<u>(343,917)</u>	<u>(241,382)</u>	<u>(266,699)</u>
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	\$ 2,076,913	\$ 4,359,038	\$ 957,625	\$ 102,928
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	\$12,364,079	\$ 8,005,041	\$7,047,416	\$6,926,488
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	\$14,440,992	\$12,364,079	\$8,005,041	\$7,047,416
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 6,978,537	\$ 6,775,279	\$7,839,827	\$7,611,483
Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	206.93%	182.49%	102.11%	92.59%

Notes to Schedule:

Benefit Changes. There were no changes of benefit terms for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Changes of Assumptions. The discount rate changed in the current year to 2.16%, which is a .05% decrease from the prior year.

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Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to
Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer
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Agency Head Name: R. Stuart Wright, Sheriff

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$177,956
Benefits-Insurance	12,414
Benefits-Retirement	22,016
Deferred Compensation	6,719
Travel	<u>596</u>
Total	<u>\$219,701</u>

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Justice System Funding Schedule – Collecting/Disbursing Entity
As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/2020	Second Six Month Period Ended 06/30/2021
Cash Basis Presentation		
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected (i.e. cash on hand)	639,581	910,456
Add: Collections		
Civil Fees (including refundable amounts such as garnishments or advance deposits)	276,037	44,301
Bond Fees	65,534	108,395
Asset Forfeiture/Sale	-	-
Pre-Trial Diversion Program Fees	-	-
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	428,944	595,807
Criminal Fines - Contempt	-	-
Criminal Fines - Other	283,749	299,397
Restitution	-	-
Probation/Parole/Supervision Fees	-	-
Service/Collection Fees (e.g. credit card fees, report fees, 3rd party service fees)	-	-
Interest Earnings on Collected Balances	-	-
Other (do not include collections that fit into more specific categories above)	-	-
Subtotal Collections	1,054,264	1,047,900
Less: Disbursements To Governments & Nonprofits: (Must include one agency name and one collection type on each line and may require multiple lines for the same agency if more than one collection type is applicable. Additional rows may be added as necessary.)		
Orleans Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	30	-
Beauregard Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	82	-
East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	404	-
Sabine Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	226	-
Jefferson Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	90
DeSoto Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	59
Ouachita Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	107
Natchitoches Parish Clerk of Court - Civil Fees	6,343	9,457
Natchitoches Parish Clerk of Court - Bond Fees	292	484
Natchitoches Parish Clerk of Court - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	27,101	35,098
Natchitoches Tax Commission - Civil Fees	-	443
Tenth Judicial District Court - Bond Fees	6,971	11,052
Tenth Judicial District Court - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	40,710	51,962
Tenth Judicial District Court - Criminal Fines - Other	56,073	57,475
Indigent Defender Board - Bond Fees	7,263	11,536
Indigent Defender Board - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	86,744	110,710
Tenth Judicial District Attorney - Bond Fees	7,993	12,746
Tenth Judicial District Attorney - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	31,764	40,005
Tenth Judicial District Attorney - Criminal Fines - Other	34,122	41,203

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North LA Crime Lab - Bond Fees	292	484
North LA Crime Lab - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	57,136	72,972
LA Treasury - CMIS - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	4,720	6,005
LA Traumatic Head & Spinal Cord Fund - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	5,587	6,686
Natchitoches Parish Government - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	111,287	140,663
Natchitoches Parish Government - Criminal Fines - Other	159,896	202,723
LA Supreme Court - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	761	957
LA Commission on Law Enforcement - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	3,695	4,636
LA State Police - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	675	510
Ware Youth Center - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	11,912	15,000
LA Wildlife & Fisheries - Criminal Court Costs/Fees	115	80
Natchitoches Coroner's Office - Criminal Fines - Other	370	440
Natchitoches Public Defender - Criminal Fines - Other	3,185	2,060
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency		
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Percentage of Collection	843	1,561
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Fixed Amount	12,561	16,802
Bond Fees	9,723	14,921
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	29,821	38,528
Criminal Fines - Other	34,093	41,184
Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies		
Civil Fee Refunds	-	-
Bond Fee Refunds	11,400	575
Restitution Payments to Individuals (additional detail is not required)	10,162	237,696
Other Disbursements to Individuals (additional detail is not required)	9,037	5,780
Payments to 3rd Party Collection/Processing Agencies	-	-
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage	783,389	1,192,690
Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained (i.e. cash on hand)	910,456	765,666
Ending Balance of "Partial Payments" Collected but not Disbursed <i>(only applies if collecting agency does not disburse partial payments until fully collected) - This balance is included in the Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained</i>	-	-
Other Information:		
Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected <i>(i.e. receivable balance)</i>	-	-
Total Waivers During the Fiscal Period <i>(i.e. non-cash reduction of receivable balances, such as time served or community service)</i>	-	-

See independent auditors' report.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Annual Reporting Requirement of Sheriff as Ex Officio
Tax Collector to Legislative Auditor
As Required by Act 711 of the 2010 Regular Legislative Session
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF NATCHITOCHES

AFFIDAVIT

The Honorable R. Stuart Wright, Sheriff of Natchitoches Parish

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared, R. Stuart Wright, the sheriff of Natchitoches Parish, State of Louisiana, who after being duly sworn, deposed and said:

The following information is true and correct:

\$84,731 is the amount of cash on hand in the tax collector account on June 30, 2021;

He further deposed and said:

All itemized statements of the amount of taxes collected for tax year 2020, by taxing authority, are true and correct.

All itemized statements of all taxes assessed and uncollected, which indicate the reasons for the failure to collect, by taxing authority, are true and correct.



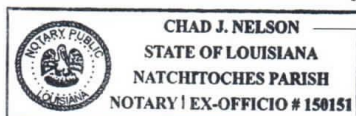
Sheriff of Natchitoches Parish

SWORN to and subscribed before me, Notary, this 29TH day of DECEMBER 20 21, in my office in NATCHITOCHES, Louisiana.
(City/Town)

 _____ (Signature)

CHAD J. NELSON (Print), # 150151

Notary Public



Reporting Fraud and Misappropriations

Agency Name: Natchitoches Parish Sheriff

Fiscal Year End: June 30, 2021

<u>Element of Finding</u>	<u>Response</u>
1. A general statement describing the fraud or misappropriation that occurred.	The receipts for the Cash Bond Account were misappropriated by an office employee.
2. A description of the funds or assets that were the subject of the fraud or misappropriation (ex., utility receipts, petty cash, computer equipment).	Cash
3. The amount of funds or approximate value of assets involved.	\$11,050
4. The department or office in which the fraud or misappropriation occurred.	Courthouse
5. The period of time over which the fraud or misappropriation occurred.	One month period
6. The title/agency affiliation of the person who committed or is believed to have committed the act of fraud or misappropriation.	The senior deputy in charge of the Cash Bond Account admitted to the misappropriation of assets.
7. The name of the person who committed or is believed to have committed the act of fraud or misappropriation, if formal charges have been brought against the person and/or the matter has been adjudicated.	The charges have been filed and are awaiting a court hearing.
8. Is the person who committed or is believed to have committed the act of fraud still employed by the agency?	No
9. If the person who committed or is believed to have committed the act of fraud is still employed by the agency, do they have access to assets that may be subject to fraud or misappropriation?	N/A
10. Has the agency notified the appropriate law enforcement body about the fraud or misappropriation?	Yes, we have contacted the 10th Judicial District Attorney and the LA Legislative Auditor.
11. What is the status of the investigation at the date of the auditor's/accountant's report?	The Sheriff's office has investigated this matter. The deputy was arrested and charged with felony theft.

Reporting Fraud and Misappropriations
(continued)

Agency Name: Natchitoches Parish Sheriff

Fiscal Year End: June 30, 2021

<u>Element of Finding</u>	<u>Response</u>
12. If the investigation is complete and the person believed to have committed the act or fraud or misappropriation has been identified, has the agency filed charges against that person?	Yes
13. What is the status of any related adjudication at the date of the auditor's/accountant's report?	Awaiting court hearing.
14. Has restitution been made or has an insurance claim been filed?	Yes
15. Has the agency notified the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and the District Attorney in writing, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:523 (Applicable to local governments only)	Yes
16. Did the agency's internal controls allow the detection of the fraud or misappropriation in a timely manner?	No
17. If the answer to the last questions is "no", described the control deficiency/significant deficiency/material weakness that allowed the fraud or misappropriation to occur and not be detected in a timely manner.	N/A
18. Management's plan to ensure that the fraud or misappropriation does not occur in the future.	Increase review by the Major of Civil Bureau and CPA involvement.

See independent auditor's report.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

<u>Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>State Contract Pass-through Number</u>	<u>Federal Disbursements/ Expenditures</u>
<u>U.S. Department of the Treasury</u>			
Passed through the LA Division of Administration-			
Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	#654	\$ <u>1,138,285</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</u>			
Passed through the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness State of LA-			
Emergency Management Performance Gant	97.042	EMT-2020-EP-00001-501	\$ 28,088
State Homeland Security Grant	97.067	EMW-2020-SS-00011-S01	14,556
State Homeland Security Grant	97.067	EMW-2019-SS-00014-S01	<u>14,773</u>
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			\$ <u>57,417</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Justice</u>			
2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program	16.034	2020-VD-BX-0537	\$ 22,704
Passed through Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice-			
2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program	16.034	2020-DJ-01-5566	<u>103,647</u>
Total U.S. Department of Justice			\$ <u>126,351</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ <u>1,322,053</u>

See independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended June 30, 2021

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA) includes the federal financial assistance activity of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information in this SEFA is 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).

Basis of Accounting

Expenditures reported on the SEFA are reporting on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance and/or OMB Circular A-122, *Cost Principles for Non-profit Organizations*, wherein certain type of expenditures are not allowable or are limited to reimbursement.

Indirect Cost Rate

The Natchitoches Parish Sheriff has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Subrecipients

There were no awards passed through to subrecipients.

OTHER REPORTS/SCHEDULES

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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*

Stuart Wright, Sheriff
of Natchitoches Parish
P O Box 266
Natchitoches, LA 71458

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and fiduciary funds as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's (Sheriff) basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 29, 2021.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2021-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Sheriff's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Response to Findings

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 25:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Stuart Wright, Sheriff
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Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's (Sheriff) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Sheriff's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Sheriff's major federal program is identified in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Sheriff's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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; 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). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Sheriff's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Sheriff's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Sheriff is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Sheriff's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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 the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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December 29, 2021

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended June 30, 2021

I. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

The following summarize the audit results:

1. An unmodified opinion was issued on the financial statements of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021.
2. The audit disclosed one material weakness in internal control that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.
3. The audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.
4. The audit did not disclose any instances of material weaknesses in internal control over major programs.
5. An unmodified opinion was issued on compliance for major programs.
6. The audit did not disclose any instances of noncompliance related to federal awards that are required to be reported under the Uniform Guidance.
7. The following program was major for the year ended June 30, 2021:
 - o Coronavirus Relief Fund (CFDA #21.019)
8. \$750,000 was the threshold used to distinguish Type A from Type B programs.
9. The Natchitoches Parish Sheriff does not qualify as a low risk auditee.

II. FINDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

2021-001 *Misappropriation of Funds*

Criteria - Adequate and effective internal control systems require timely detection of fraud and misappropriation.

Condition - The Deputy over the Cash Bonds Account admitted to misappropriation of cash receipts in the amount of \$11,050 for October 2019 over a one month period. The amount of the misappropriation was verified by the outside CPA firm and the Major of Civil Bureau. The Deputy was arrested by the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Department and bond was set. The court hearing has not occurred as of the date of the auditor's report, however full restitution has been made.

Cause - Inadequate internal controls over the Cash Bond Account.

Effect - The Sheriff suffered fraudulently reported Cash Bond receipts.

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff
Natchitoches, Louisiana
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (continued)
Year Ended June 30, 2021

Recommendation - Procedures should be implemented to ensure that all cash collections are properly handled, deposited and recorded.

Management's Response – Management has implemented controls with all cash collections to ensure they are properly handled, deposited, and recorded. Cash is collected and deposited each day. If cash is collected after the deposit is prepared, it is stored in a drop safe until the next business day. A cash reconciliation is prepared by each cashier and the Major of Civil Bureau, then verified to the deposit slip.

III. FINDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH *THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE*

None identified.

III. PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

Internal Control-

2020-001 *Agency Fund Reconciliation*

Condition – The cash balances in the Bond Fund and the Civil Funds total \$639,582 as of June 30, 2020. These balances should represent undistributed amounts for court fines, traffic tickets payments, garnishments, appearance and cash bonds, and undistributed Sheriff's sales. While there are controls over current receipts and disbursements in the agency funds, these depository cash balances are not reconciled to the balances recorded in the subsidiary listing of cases, dockets, receipts, tickets or undistributed Sheriff's sales.

Status - *This was cleared as of June 30, 2021.*

Compliance-

2020-002 *Public Bid Law*

Condition – 1) The Sheriff contracted with a vendor for the management of the food service at the prison. The total amount paid to the vendor during the year was approximately \$553,000. The presumption was that the deliverable was primarily the service of managing the food service operations at the prison and services are not subject to the same requirements as the purchase of materials and supplies. However, the vendor is responsible for acquiring the food and commodities. In addition, inmates are used extensively by the vendor in delivering meals. As such, food and commodities are a substantial part of the deliverable from the contract and therefore, the requirements of RS 38:2212.1 apply. 2) The Sheriff contracted with a vendor for the management of the commissary service at the prison. The total amount paid to the vendor during the year was approximately \$345,000. The presumption was that the deliverable was primarily the service of managing the commissary service operations at the prison and services were not subject to the same requirements as the purchase of materials and supplies. However, the vendor is responsible for acquiring the commissary commodities. As such, commissary commodities are a substantial part of the deliverable from the contract and therefore, the requirements of RS 38:2212.1 apply.

Status - *This was cleared as of June 30, 2021.*