

**District Attorney of the Thirty-Second
Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana**

Annual Financial Report
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government
Houma, Louisiana

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District (District Attorney), a component unit of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District as of December 31, 2023, 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.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District Attorney and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The District Attorney's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District Attorney's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District Attorney's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

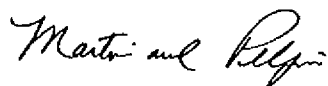
Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 5 through 11, the budgetary comparison schedules on pages 44 and 45, and the pension-related schedules on pages 46 and 47 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing 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 District Attorney's basic financial statements. The Justice System Funding Schedules on pages 48 and 49, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the District Attorney on page 50, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards on page 60, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic 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 Justice System Funding Schedules, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the District Attorney, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic 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 May 23, 2024 on our consideration of the District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Houma, Louisiana
May 23, 2024

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Management's Discussion and Analysis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

This discussion and analysis of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District's financial performance provides an overview of the financial activities as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements and the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Government-Wide Financial Statements (Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) provide information about the governmental activities as a whole and present a longer-term view of the finances. The Fund Financial Statements (Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Governmental Funds) tell how services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the operations in more detail than the Government-Wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds.

Our auditor has provided assurance in his independent auditor's report that the financial statements are fairly stated. The auditor, regarding the Required Supplemental Information and the Other Information, is providing varying degrees of assurance. A user of this report should read the Independent Auditor's Report carefully to ascertain the level of assurance being provided for each of the parts in the Annual Financial Report.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about finances is, "Is the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information as a whole and about activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the net position and changes in them. You can think of net position—the difference between assets and liabilities—as one way to measure the financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

The Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center (Advocacy Center) is a legally separate, nonprofit organization that reports under FASB standards. The Advocacy Center was created to coordinate the community's response to the problem of child abuse. These activities are discreetly presented as a component unit in the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities.

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Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds—not as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State laws.

The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District utilizes mainly the governmental type of fund with the following accounting approach. Most of the basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in the reconciliations on pages 17 and 18.

The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for funds confiscated for asset forfeitures under state law. These fiduciary activities are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. We exclude these activities from the other financial statements because these funds cannot be used to finance operations. The District Attorney is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Our financial statements provide these insights into the results of this year's operations:

- Net position of our governmental activities decreased by \$62,817 or 2.0 percent.
- During the year, the District Attorney had judicial expenses of \$5,642,918 that were \$941,584 more than the \$4,701,334 generated in fees and other revenues for governmental programs.
- The governmental funds reported total ending fund balance of \$2,028,457. This compares to the prior year ending fund balance of \$1,949,440 resulting in an increase of \$79,017.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities reports all transactions as governmental activities. All of the basic governmental services are reported as this type. Fines and fees charged to the public and intergovernmental revenues finance most of these activities.

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AS A WHOLE (GWFS)

Our analysis below focuses on the net position of the governmental-type activities.

Condensed Statement of Net Position

	2022	2023	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Current and other assets	\$ 2,423,737	\$ 2,577,104	\$ 153,367	6.3%
Capital assets, net	1,542,296	1,496,985	(45,311)	-2.9%
Lease asset, net	738,661	604,301	(134,360)	N/A
Total assets	4,704,694	4,678,390	108,056	2.3%
Deferred outflows of resources	388,691	241,818	(146,873)	-37.8%
Current liabilities	700,504	805,260	104,756	15.0%
Long-term liabilities	1,097,578	949,618	(147,960)	-13.5%
Total liabilities	1,798,082	1,754,878	(43,204)	-2.4%
Deferred inflows of resources	122,996	55,840	(67,156)	-54.6%
Net investment in capital assets	1,499,187	1,434,654	(64,533)	-4.3%
Unrestricted	1,673,120	1,674,836	1,716	0.1%
Total net position	\$ 3,172,307	\$ 3,109,490	\$ (62,817)	-2.0%

The District Attorney's net position decreased as a result of this year's operations. Unrestricted net position (the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements) increased by \$1,716 during the year. The balance in net position represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations.

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AS A WHOLE (GWFS) (Cont.)

Our analysis below focuses on the changes in net position of the governmental-type activities.

Condensed Statement of Activities

	2022	2023	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Total program expenses	\$ (5,332,873)	\$ (5,642,918)	\$ (310,045)	5.8%
Total program revenues	4,421,922	4,701,334	279,412	6.3%
Net program income	(910,951)	(941,584)	(30,633)	3.4%
Other income	696,967	878,767	181,800	26.1%
Change in net position	(213,984)	(62,817)	151,167	-70.6%
Net position:				
Beginning of the year	3,386,291	3,172,307	(213,984)	-6.3%
End of the year	\$ 3,172,307	\$ 3,109,490	\$ (62,817)	-2.0%

The amount spent on programs related to operating the District Attorney's office increased by 5.8% or \$310,045. Total program revenues increased by 6.3% or \$279,412 from the prior year.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF INDIVIDUAL FUNDS (FFS)

The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District uses funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes. Looking at individual funds helps you consider whether the District Attorney is being accountable for the resources provided to it but may also give you more insight into the overall financial health.

The General Fund includes revenue and expenditures necessary to the operation of the District Attorney's office such as personnel, benefits, the pretrial intervention program and operation and maintenance of facilities. The General Fund reflected \$2,826,187 in total revenues, including \$992,453 in fines and fees collected and \$1,410,476 in payments received from the TPCG for salaries and benefits for the District Attorney's office. The amounts received from the State of Louisiana and U.S. Department of Justice this year were \$171,369 and \$14,359, respectively. Total current expenditures were \$3,186,927. Capital outlay was \$3,828. Debt service expenditures for vehicles were \$11,786 of which \$10,043

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF INDIVIDUAL FUNDS (FFS) (Cont.)

was for principal payments. After a \$58,242 excess of revenues over expenditures over for the year, the ending fund balance was \$1,305,213, all of which was unassigned.

The IV-D Program Fund is a Special Revenue fund that accounts for grants received and expenditures for Child Support Enforcement. The amount received from the State of Louisiana this year was \$995,028. Total current expenditures for IV-D programs were \$493,833. Capital outlay was \$50,331. Debt service expenditures for vehicles were \$7,173. After a \$59,692 excess of revenues over expenditures for the year, the ending fund balance was \$593,688, all of which was restricted.

The IWC Program Fund is a Special Revenue fund that accounts for the collection of worthless checks throughout the Parish. Total current expenditures were \$2,658. After a \$3,093 excess of revenues over expenditures for the year, the ending fund deficit was \$101,108.

The Drug Court Program Fund is a Special Revenue fund that accounts for grants received from the State of Louisiana and fees assessed for DWI tickets and expenditures for operating the Drug Court Program. The amounts received from the State of Louisiana, U.S. Department of Justice, and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration this year were \$371,295, \$238,235, and \$221,177, respectively. Total current expenditures were \$987,987. After a \$42,010 excess of expenditures over revenues for the year, the ending fund balance was \$230,664, all of which was restricted.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The District Attorney's annual budget is adopted on a modified accrual basis of accounting excluding noncash items, such as depreciation. The District Attorney amended both its general fund budget and its special revenue budget once during the year.

The District Attorney experienced an unfavorable revenue variance of 6.55% for the General Fund and an unfavorable revenue variance of 6.81% for the Special Revenue Funds. The District Attorney experienced a favorable expense variance of .44% for the General Fund and an unfavorable expense variance of 13.38% for the Special Revenue Funds.

CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets include equipment and furniture, weapons, computer equipment, vehicles, buildings and leasehold improvements, and land recorded at historical cost of \$3,079,316. Also included in this category is software that is amortized as an intangible asset. Accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2023 is \$1,582,331 resulting in an ending book balance of \$1,496,985. These capital assets include land and buildings in the name of the Thirty-Second Judicial Enforcement District (a blended component unit of the District Attorney's office). Depreciation expense of \$99,470 was recorded for the year.

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CAPITAL ASSETS (Cont.)

More detailed information about the capital assets is presented in the notes to financial statements. However, a summary of current and prior year capital assets for the primary government and blended component unit follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 92,286	\$ 92,286
Equipment and furniture	113,850	115,316
Weapons	21,986	21,986
Computer equipment	136,841	139,203
Vehicles	363,353	377,416
Software	113,188	113,188
Buildings and improvements	<u>2,219,921</u>	<u>2,219,921</u>
Total capital assets	3,061,425	3,079,316
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,519,129)</u>	<u>(1,582,331)</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 1,542,296</u>	<u>\$ 1,496,985</u>

A summary of current and prior year capital assets for the discretely presented component unit follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Equipment and furniture	148,647	152,808
Vehicles	104,279	104,279
Buildings and improvements	515,594	531,494
Total capital assets	<u>918,520</u>	<u>938,581</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(189,523)</u>	<u>(235,929)</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 728,997</u>	<u>\$ 702,652</u>

Depreciation expense of \$46,406 was recorded for the year.

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NOTES PAYABLE FOR VEHICLES

Notes for vehicle purchases are recorded as liabilities. The total amount of principal paid on all notes was \$16,408 resulting in an ending balance of \$62,331.

Interest paid on notes payable in the governmental funds was \$2,551. More detailed information about the notes payable is presented in the notes to financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

Many factors were considered when budgeting for the next fiscal year. Possible new laws and regulations, increased rates and fees that would be charged, and possible new grant funding sources were all considered.

Highlights of next year's General Fund budget include:

Estimated revenue	<u>\$ 1,525,000</u>
Personnel services and benefits	1,100,000
General operating	700,000
Capital outlay	<u>10,000</u>
Total estimated expenditures	<u>1,810,000</u>
Estimated excess of expenditures over revenue	(285,000)
Estimated beginning fund balance	<u>962,000</u>
Estimated ending fund balance	<u><u>\$ 677,000</u></u>

CONTACTING FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District's finances and to show accountability for the money it received. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact:

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Statement of Net Position
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	Government Activities	Component Unit Advocacy Center
Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,832,510	\$ 1,803,575
Investments	249,133	1,530,799
Accounts receivable	1,315	1,400
Grants receivable	-	30,559
Due from other governmental units	494,146	110,000
Lease receivable	-	235,853
Prepaid expenses	-	28,653
Total Current Assets	2,577,104	3,740,839
Lease receivable	-	368,448
Capital assets, net	1,496,985	702,652
Intangible right-to-use lease asset, net	604,301	-
Total Assets	4,678,390	4,811,939
Deferred Outflows of Resources	241,818	-
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	259,069	10,810
Restitution payable	179,578	-
Due to Children's Advocacy Center	110,000	-
Current portion of notes payable	20,760	-
Lease liability	235,853	-
Total Current Liabilities	805,260	10,810
Net pension liabilities	539,599	-
Long-term portion of notes payable	41,571	-
Lease liability	368,448	-
Total Long-term Liabilities	949,618	-
Total Liabilities	1,754,878	10,810
Deferred Inflows of Resources	55,840	604,301
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	1,434,654	702,652
Unrestricted	1,674,836	3,494,176
Total Net Position	\$ 3,109,490	\$ 4,196,828

See accompanying notes.

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Statement of Activities
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		Program Revenues		
Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants	Net (Expense) Revenue and Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT: GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
Public safety and judicial prosecution	<u>\$ 5,642,918</u>	<u>\$ 1,279,395</u>	<u>\$ 3,421,939</u>	\$ (941,584)
General revenues:				
Pension-related		\$ 792,192		
Miscellaneous income		67,265		
Interest earned		14,610		
Other		<u>4,700</u>		
Total general revenues				<u>878,767</u>
Decrease in net position				(62,817)
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR				<u>3,172,307</u>
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR				<u>\$ 3,109,490</u>

See accompanying notes.

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		Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Increase (Decrease) in Net Position
Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants		
COMPONENT UNIT:				
Fiduciary activities	\$ 269,697	\$ 228,672	\$ 279,541	\$ 238,516
General revenues:				
Interest income			\$ 30,799	
Interest income on lease			23,328	
Other income			3,000	
Total general revenues				57,127
Increase in net position				295,643
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR				3,901,185
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR				\$ 4,196,828

See accompanying notes.

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 Balance Sheet
 Governmental Fund Type
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	General Fund	IV-D Program Fund	Worthless Check Collection Fund	Drug Court Program Fund	Totals
Assets					
Cash	\$ 1,307,195	\$ 352,422	\$ 51,348	\$ 121,545	\$ 1,832,510
Investments	213,536	-	-	35,597	249,133
Accounts receivable	1,315	-	-	-	1,315
Due from other governmental units	132,909	249,297	-	111,940	494,146
Total Assets	\$ 1,654,955	\$ 601,719	\$ 51,348	\$ 269,082	\$ 2,577,104
Liabilities and Fund Balance					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 169,296	\$ 8,031	\$ 43,324	\$ 38,418	\$ 259,069
Restitution payable	70,446	-	109,132	-	179,578
Due to Children's Advocacy Center	110,000	-	-	-	110,000
Total Liabilities	349,742	8,031	152,456	38,418	548,647
Fund Balance:					
Restricted for:					
IV-D program	-	593,688	-	-	593,688
Worthless check collections program	-	-	(101,108)	-	(101,108)
Drug program	-	-	-	230,664	230,664
Unassigned	1,305,213	-	-	-	1,305,213
Total Fund Balance	1,305,213	593,688	(101,108)	230,664	2,028,457
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 1,654,955	\$ 601,719	\$ 51,348	\$ 269,082	\$ 2,577,104

See accompanying notes.

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balance -
Governmental Fund Type
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	General Fund	IV-D Program Fund	Worthless Check Collection Fund	Drug Court Program Fund	Totals
REVENUES					
Intergovernmental	\$ 185,728	\$ 995,028	-	\$ 830,707	\$ 2,011,463
Payments received on behalf	1,410,476	-	-	-	1,410,476
Fines and fees	992,453	-	5,587	92,072	1,090,112
Reimbursed attorney fees and salaries	124,000	30,000	-	-	154,000
Other	67,202	63	-	-	67,265
Asset and bond forfeitures	35,283	-	-	-	35,283
Interest earned	11,045	960	164	2,441	14,610
Total Revenues	<u>2,826,187</u>	<u>1,026,051</u>	<u>5,751</u>	<u>925,220</u>	<u>4,783,209</u>
EXPENDITURES					
General government - judicial - current:					
Personnel services	1,108,595	388,425	-	504,129	2,001,149
Salary and benefit payments on behalf	1,410,476	-	-	-	1,410,476
Leases	252,000	3,111	-	2,437	257,548
Professional fees	91,928	10,042	2,542	103,702	208,214
Drug screenings	7,511	-	-	196,833	204,344
Direct program expenditures	-	-	-	111,727	111,727
Trials, training, seminars, and travel	37,052	14,799	-	22,341	74,192
Criminalistics lab	71,789	-	-	-	71,789
Office operations	37,609	14,554	-	10,923	63,086
Hurricane expenses	61,226	-	-	-	61,226
Automobile expenditures	16,546	40,441	-	3,550	60,537
Telephone and utilities	19,600	10,556	-	27,165	57,321
Public service announcements	37,694	-	-	-	37,694
Dues and services	25,819	3,946	116	2,336	32,217
Repairs and maintenance	5,809	524	-	2,674	9,007
Insurance	1,132	7,435	-	170	8,737
Other	2,041	-	-	-	2,041
Forfeitures	100	-	-	-	100
Total current expenditures	<u>3,186,927</u>	<u>493,833</u>	<u>2,658</u>	<u>987,987</u>	<u>4,671,405</u>
Capital outlay	3,828	50,331	-	-	54,159
Debt service:					
Principal	10,043	6,365	-	-	16,408
Interest	1,743	808	-	-	2,551
Total Expenditures	<u>3,202,541</u>	<u>551,337</u>	<u>2,658</u>	<u>987,987</u>	<u>4,744,523</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Note payable proceeds	-	35,631	-	-	35,631
Other	-	4,700	-	-	4,700
Operating transfers in (out)	434,596	(455,353)	-	20,757	-
Total Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>434,596</u>	<u>(415,022)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,757</u>	<u>40,331</u>
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	58,242	59,692	3,093	(42,010)	79,017
FUND BALANCES					
Beginning of year	1,246,971	533,996	(104,201)	272,674	1,949,440
End of year	<u>\$ 1,305,213</u>	<u>\$ 593,688</u>	<u>\$ (101,108)</u>	<u>\$ 230,664</u>	<u>\$ 2,028,457</u>

See accompanying notes.

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 Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet
 to the Statement of Net Position
 December 31, 2023

Fund balance - governmental fund	\$ 2,028,457
<p style="margin-left: 40px;">Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:</p>	
Capital assets of \$3,079,316, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,582,331, are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	1,496,985
Deferred outflows of resources related to net pension liability are not available resources, and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	241,818
Current portion of \$20,760 and long-term portion of \$41,571 of notes payable are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the funds.	(62,331)
Liabilities not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Net pension liabilities	(539,599)
Deferred inflows of resources related to net pension liability are not payable from current expendable resources, and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(55,840)
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 3,109,490</u>

See notes to financial statements.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
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 Reconciliation of the Statement of Governmental Fund Revenues,
 Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the
 Statement of Activities
 Year Ended December 31, 2023

Change in fund balance - governmental fund		\$ 79,017
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures, whereas in the statement of activities, these costs are depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Capital outlays	54,159		
Depreciation expense	<u>(99,470)</u>		(45,311)

Governmental fund reports debt incurrence as other financing source and debt repayments as an expenditure, whereas these are not presented on the Statement of Activities.

Note payable proceeds	(35,631)		
Principal payments on notes	<u>16,408</u>		(19,223)

Effects of recording net pension liability and deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to net pension liabilities:

Change in pension liabilities	<u>(77,300)</u>		<u>(77,300)</u>
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Change in net position of government activities		<u>\$ (62,817)</u>
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See notes to financial statements.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
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Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Asset Forfeiture Fund
December 31, 2023

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 222,404</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 222,404</u></u>
Liabilities	
Due to others	<u>\$ 222,404</u>
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 222,404</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
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Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Beginning Balance as of December 31, 2022		<u>\$ 285,463</u>
 Additions		
Assets forfeited		273,859
Interest earned		<u>951</u>
Total Additions		<u>274,810</u>
 Disbursements		
Refunded/other forfeitures		164,034
Terrebonne Parish Sheriff		66,304
Terrebonne Parish District Attorney General Fund		39,922
Terrebonne Parish Criminal Court Fund		38,044
HPD forfeitures		21,981
Trials		5,440
DART forfeitures		1,938
Office supplies		<u>206</u>
Total Disbursements		<u>337,869</u>
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023		<u>\$ 222,404</u>

See accompanying notes.

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Introduction

As provided by Article V. Section 26 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the District Attorney has charge of every criminal prosecution by the state in his district, is the representative of the state before the grand jury in his district, and is the legal advisor to the grand jury. He performs other duties as provided by law. The qualified electors of the judicial district elect the District Attorney for a term of six years. The Thirty-Second Judicial District encompasses Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District (District Attorney), Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement 34, *Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments*.

B. Reporting Entity

The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District is an independently elected official. However, the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District is fiscally dependent on the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for office space, courtrooms, and related utility costs, as well as partial funding of salary costs.

The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District and do not present information on the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

The accompanying financial statements present the District Attorney's office and its blended component unit over which the District Attorney's office exercises significant influence. Significant influence or accountability is based primarily on operational or financial relationships with the District Attorney's office (as distinct from legal relationships).

The **Thirty-Second Judicial Enforcement District** is included in these financial statements as a component unit and is blended with the primary government. The Thirty-Second Judicial Enforcement District owns land and buildings that are utilized by the District Attorney's office as office space for certain sectors of its operations. The land, buildings, and related depreciation are reported in the capital assets of the District Attorney's financial statements.

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Year Ended December 31, 2023

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont.)

The **Terrebonne Children’s Advocacy Center**, a legally separate nonprofit organization that was created to coordinate the community’s response to the problem of child abuse, is included in these financial statements as a component unit and is discretely presented with the primary government. The Terrebonne Children’s Advocacy Center owns land and buildings that are leased by the District Attorney’s office as office space for certain sectors of its operations. The land, buildings, and related depreciation are reported in the capital assets of the Advocacy Center.

C. Fund Accounting

The accounting system is organized and operated on a fund basis whereby a separate self-balancing set of accounts is maintained for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. The various funds in the financial statements in this report are grouped into two broad categories as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds account for all or most of the general activities. These funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between a governmental fund’s assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources that may be used to finance future period programs or operations.

Fiduciary Fund Type

The District Attorney utilizes a custodial fund fiduciary fund type. Custodial funds generally are used to account for assets that the government holds on behalf of others as their agent.

D. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

The amounts reflected in fund financial statements, are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to a government-wide view of operations.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont.)

The amounts reflected in the fund financial statements use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become 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 District Attorney considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

Those revenues susceptible to accrual include fines and assessments that are collected by another governmental body on the District Attorney's behalf and intergovernmental revenue. Interest earned is recorded when credited to the District Attorney's account.

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The government-wide financial statements display information as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities. Information contained in these statements reflects the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed).

Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*.

Program Revenues – Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities are derived directly from users as a fee for services; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the general revenues.

E. Budgets

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund and special revenue funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Formal budgetary integration is employed as part of the accounting system, and the budget is amended by supplemental appropriations as needed to comply with state law.

The on-behalf payments received and paid by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government are not budgeted or reflected in the Budget and Actual Statement for the General Fund in this report. The net effect of reflecting the receipt and payment of salaries and benefits on-behalf is zero.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont.)

A reconciliation of total revenues and current expenditures for the General Fund follows:

	Total Revenue	Total Current Expenditures
Actual (Page 16)	\$ 2,826,187	\$ 3,186,927
On-Behalf Payments	(1,410,476)	(1,410,476)
Budget (Page 44)	\$ 1,415,711	\$ 1,776,451

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and time deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District Attorney may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

G. Investments

Investments are limited by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 33:2955. Investments during the year consisted of certificates of deposit and amounts deposited in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP).

H. Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets are recorded in the GWFS. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Category	Life
Equipment and furniture	7 - 10 years
Weapons	7 - 10 years
Computers and software	5 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 40 years

I. Compensated Absences

Primarily all individuals who work at the District Attorney's Office are employees of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government; therefore, no liability for compensated absences is recorded in the District Attorney's financial statements. Vacation and sick leave do not accumulate.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont.)

J. Restricted Net Position

For the government-wide statement of net position, net position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on net position use is either:

1. externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or
2. imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

K. Fund Equity

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned.

Nonspendable fund balance cannot be spent because of its form. Restricted fund balance has limitations imposed by creditors, grantors, or contributors or by enabling legislation or constitutional provisions. Committed fund balance is a limitation imposed by the District Attorney through approval of resolutions. Assigned fund balance is a limitation imposed by a designee of the District Attorney.

Unassigned fund balance in the General Fund is the net resources in excess of what can be properly classified in one of the above four categories. Negative unassigned fund balance in other governmental funds represents excess expenditures incurred over the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

L. Interfund Transactions

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues or expenditures. Interfund transactions on the other hand are reported as transfers. Non-recurring or non-routine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

M. 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, the 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. The District Attorney's primary estimates are the useful lives of capital assets.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont.)

N. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The following is a summary of accounting standards adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) that are scheduled to be implemented in the future that may affect the District Attorney's financial report:

GASB Statement 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*. The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The standard is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2023. The effect of implementation on the District Attorney's financial statements has not yet been determined.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. This standard is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023. The effect of implementation on the District Attorney's financial statements has not yet been determined.

Note 2 – Deposits and Investments

Louisiana state law allows all political subdivisions to invest excess funds in obligations of the United States or other federally insured investments, certificates of deposit of any bank domiciled or having a branch in the State of Louisiana, guaranteed investment contracts and investment grade (A-1/P-1) commercial paper of domestic corporations.

Bank Deposits:

State law requires that deposits (cash and certificates of deposits) of all political subdivisions be fully collateralized at all times. Acceptable collateralization includes FDIC insurance and the market value of securities purchased and pledged to the political subdivision. Obligations of the United States, the State of Louisiana, and certain political subdivisions are allowed as security for deposits. Obligations furnished as security must be held by the political subdivision or with an unaffiliated bank or trust company for the account of the political subdivisions.

The year-end balance of deposits is as follows for the primary government:

	Bank Balances	Reported Amounts		
		Governmental	Agency	Total
Cash	\$ 2,477,836	\$ 1,832,510	\$ 222,404	\$ 2,054,914
Certificates of deposit	213,536	213,536	-	213,536
Totals	<u>\$ 2,691,372</u>	<u>\$ 2,046,046</u>	<u>\$ 222,404</u>	<u>\$ 2,268,450</u>

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 Year Ended December 31, 2023

Note 2 – Deposits and Investments (Cont.)

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District Attorney's deposits may not be returned to it. The District Attorney has a written policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2023, \$2,125,131 of the District Attorney's bank balance was exposed to credit risk. These deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the District Attorney's name.

Cash was adequately collateralized in accordance with state law by securities held by an unaffiliated bank for the accounts of the District Attorney. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which promulgates the standards for accounting and financial reporting for state and local governments, considers these securities subject to custodial credit risk. Even though the pledged securities are considered subject to custodial credit risk under the provisions of GASB Statement 40, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within ten days of being notified by the depositor that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

The year-end balance of deposits is as follows for the component unit:

	<u>Bank Balances</u>	<u>Reported Amount</u>
Cash - Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center	\$ 1,805,805	\$ 1,803,575

As of December 31, 2023, the Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center's cash balances were not adequately insured by FDIC coverage of \$250,000.

Investments:

State statutes authorize the District Attorney to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities; guaranteed investment contracts and investment grade (A-1/P-1) commercial paper of domestic corporations; repurchase agreements; and the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP).

As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from interest rates, the District Attorney's investment policy limits investments to securities with less than six months from the date of purchase unless the investment is matched to a specific cash flow.

Credit risk is defined as the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The District Attorney's investment policy requires the application of the prudent-person rule. The policy states, *investments shall be made with the judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived. Primary emphasis shall be placed upon the safety of such funds in an effort to minimize risk while earning maximum returns.* The District Attorney's investment policy limits investments to those discussed earlier in this note.

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Notes to Financial Statements
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Note 2 – Deposits and Investments (Cont.)

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District Attorney will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Investments in external investment pools are not exposed to custodial credit risk because of their natural diversification and the diversification required by Securities and Exchange Commission.

LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high-quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LA - R.S. 33:2955.

GASB Statement No. 40 *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure*, requires disclosure of credit risk, custodial credit risk, concentration of credit risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk for all public entity investments.

LAMP is an investment pool that, to the extent practical, invests in a manner consistent with GASB Statement No. 79. The following facts are relevant for investment pools:

- Credit risk: LAMP is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.
- Custodial credit risk: LAMP participants' investments in the pool are evidenced by shares of the pool. Investments in pools should be disclosed, but not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form. The public entity's investment is with the pool, not the securities that make up the pool; therefore, no disclosure is required.
- Concentration of credit risk: Pooled investments are excluded from the 5 percent disclosure requirement.
- Interest rate risk: LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. LAMP prepares its own interest rate risk disclosure using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days or 762 days for U.S. Government floating/variable rate investments. The WAM for LAMP's total investments is 70 days as of December 31, 2023.
- Foreign currency risk: Not applicable.

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Note 2 – Deposits and Investments (Cont.)

The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP, and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the net asset value of the pool shares. Investment in LAMP as of December 31, 2023 amounted to \$35,597 and is classified on the Statement of Net Position as “Investments”.

LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

A reconciliation of deposits and investments for both the primary government and component unit as shown on the Statement of Net Position combined with the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position (for the primary government) is as follows:

	<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Component Unit</u>
Reported amount of deposits	\$ 2,268,450	\$ 1,803,575
Reported amount of investments	35,597	1,530,799
Total	<u>\$ 2,304,047</u>	<u>\$ 3,334,374</u>
Cash	\$ 2,054,914	\$ 1,803,575
Investments	249,133	1,530,799
Total	<u>\$ 2,304,047</u>	<u>\$ 3,334,374</u>

Note 3 – Due from Other Governmental Units

The due from other governmental units balance consists of the following:

<u>Due From</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>IV-D Program</u>	<u>Drug Court</u>	<u>Total</u>
State of Louisiana	\$ 42,880	\$ 249,297	\$ 51,294	\$ 343,471
U.S. Department of Justice	14,359	-	38,848	53,207
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government	46,891	-	-	46,891
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services	-	-	21,798	21,798
Terrebonne Levee and Conservation District	12,000	-	-	12,000
Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office	11,931	-	-	11,931
City Court of Houma	4,848	-	-	4,848
	<u>\$ 132,909</u>	<u>\$ 249,297</u>	<u>\$ 111,940</u>	<u>\$ 494,146</u>

Note 4 – On-Behalf Payments and Expenditures of the District Attorney Not Included in the Financial Statements

The accompanying financial statements are not required to be and do not include certain expenditures of the District Attorney paid out of the funds of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for such costs as insurance, utilities, legal fees, et cetera.

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Note 4 – On-Behalf Payments and Expenditures of the District Attorney Not Included in the Financial Statements (Cont.)

The District Attorney, Assistant District Attorneys, and office staff employees receive on-behalf payments for salaries and benefits from the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government that are required to be reported in the financial statements of the Terrebonne Parish District Attorney. As reported on page 16 of these financial statements, \$1,410,476 was received and paid by Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for salaries and benefits. Revenues and expenditures have been recognized in the general fund for these on-behalf payments.

Note 5 – Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	January 1, 2023	Additions	Deletions	December 31, 2023
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 92,286	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 92,286
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Equipment and furniture	113,850	1,466	-	115,316
Weapons	21,986	-	-	21,986
Computer equipment	136,841	2,362	-	139,203
Vehicles	363,353	50,331	(36,268)	377,416
Software	113,188	-	-	113,188
Buildings and improvements	2,219,921	-	-	2,219,921
Total capital assets being depreciated	2,969,139	54,159	(36,268)	2,987,030
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Equipment and furniture	(52,032)	(7,369)	-	(59,401)
Weapons	(21,956)	(30)	-	(21,986)
Computer equipment	(94,796)	(12,821)	-	(107,617)
Vehicles	(298,723)	(23,182)	36,268	(285,637)
Software	(113,188)	-	-	(113,188)
Buildings and improvements	(938,434)	(56,068)	-	(994,502)
Total accumulated depreciation	(1,519,129)	(99,470)	36,268	(1,582,331)
Subtotal	1,450,010	(45,311)	-	1,404,699
Total capital assets, net	\$ 1,542,296	\$ (45,311)	\$ -	\$ 1,496,985

The land and buildings are in the title of the Thirty-Second Judicial Enforcement District and are included in these financial statements as a blended component unit with the primary government.

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Note 5 – Capital Assets (Cont.)

A summary of changes in capital assets for the discretely presented component unit follows:

	January 1, 2023	Additions	Reclassifications	December 31, 2023
Land	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000
Equipment and furniture	148,647	4,161	-	152,808
Vehicles	104,279	-	-	104,279
Buildings and improvements	515,594	15,900	-	531,494
Total capital assets	<u>918,520</u>	<u>20,061</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>938,581</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Equipment and furniture	(113,852)	(10,571)	-	(124,423)
Vehicles	(43,450)	(20,856)	-	(64,306)
Buildings and improvements	(32,221)	(14,979)	-	(47,200)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(189,523)</u>	<u>(46,406)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(235,929)</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 728,997</u>	<u>\$ (26,345)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 702,652</u>

Note 6 – Risk and Insurance

The District Attorney's Office is exposed to various risks of loss related to tort; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to the public; and natural disasters. To protect against these risks, the District has purchased commercial or other insurance for the losses to which it is exposed.

Note 7 – Postemployment Benefits

The District Attorney does not offer post-retirement benefits to its employees.

Note 8 – Notes Payable

The District Attorney has four notes payable with one financial institution. Interest rates on these notes range from 5.50% to 8.25%. These notes are collateralized by vehicles. Monthly principal and interest payments range from \$452 to \$877. Maturity dates on these notes range from May 28, 2024 through October 1, 2027. The debt service for these notes payable is as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 20,760	\$ 3,788	\$ 24,548
2025	19,860	2,444	22,304
2026	13,273	1,181	14,454
2027	8,438	326	8,764
Total	<u>\$ 62,331</u>	<u>\$ 7,739</u>	<u>\$ 70,070</u>

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Note 8 – Notes Payable (Cont.)

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt obligations for notes payable for the year:

Balance Beginning of Year	Incurred	Paid	Balance End of Year
\$ 43,108	\$ 35,631	\$ 16,408	\$ 62,331

Note 9 – Line of Credit

On September 3, 2020, Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center entered into a line of credit agreement with a local bank to provide operating capital to support programs. The agreement includes a borrowing limit of \$1,200,000, an interest rate of Wall Street Journal prime plus 1.00 percentage points (9.50% as of December 31, 2023) on outstanding balances, is secured by real estate, and is due on demand. As of December 31, 2023, the discretely presented component unit has no balance due on this line of credit.

Note 10 – Retirement Plans

District Attorney Retirement System (System)

Plan Description: The District Attorney's Retirement System, State of Louisiana is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The System was established on August 1, 1956 and was placed under the management of the board of trustees for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits as stated under the provisions of R.S. 11, Chapter 3 for district attorneys and their assistants in each parish.

Eligibility Requirements: All persons who are district attorneys of the State of Louisiana or assistant district attorneys in any parish of the State of Louisiana shall become members as a condition of their employment; provided, however, that in the case of assistant district attorneys, they must be paid an amount not less than the minimum salary specified by the board. The projection of benefit payments in the calculation of the total pension liability includes all benefits to be provided to current active and inactive employees through the System in accordance with the benefit terms and any additional legal agreements to provide benefits that are in force at the measurement date.

Retirement Benefits: Members who joined the System before July 1, 1990 and who have elected not to be covered by the new provisions, are eligible to receive a normal retirement benefit if they have 10 or more years of creditable service and are at least age 62, or if they have 18 or more years of service and are at least age 60, or if they have 23 or more years of service and are at least age 55, or if they have 30 years of service regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3% of the member's average final compensation for

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

each year of creditable service. Members are eligible for early retirement at age 60 if they have at least 10 years of creditable service or at age 55 with at least 18 years of creditable service. Members who retire prior to age 60 with less than 23 years of service credit receive a retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year of age below 60. Members who retire prior to age 62 who have less than 18 years of service receive a retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year of age below 62. Retirement benefits may not exceed 100% of final average compensation.

Members who joined the System after July 1, 1990, or who elected to be covered by the new provisions, are eligible to receive normal retirement benefits if they are age 60 and have 10 years of service credit, are age 55 and have 24 years of service credit, or have 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3.5% of the member's final average compensation multiplied by years of membership service. A member is eligible for an early retirement benefit if he is age 55 and has 18 years of service credit. The early retirement benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year the member retires in advance of normal retirement age. Benefits may not exceed 100% of average final compensation.

Disability benefits are awarded to active contributing members with at least 10 years of service who are found to be totally disabled as a result of injuries incurred while in active service. The member receives a benefit equal to 3% (3.50% for members covered under the new retirement benefit provisions) of his average final compensation multiplied by the lesser of his actual service (not to be less than 15 years) or projected continued service to age 60.

Upon the death of a member with less than five years of creditable service, the accumulated contributions and interest thereon are paid to the surviving spouse, if married, or to the designated beneficiary, if not married. Upon the death of any active, contributing member with five or more years of service or any member with 23 years of service who has not retired, automatic Option 2 benefits are payable to surviving spouse. These benefits are based on the retirement benefits accrued at the member's date of death with the option factors used as if the member had continued in service to earliest normal retirement age. If a member has no surviving spouse, the surviving minor children under 18 or disabled children are paid 80% of the member's accrued retirement benefit divided into equal shares. If a member has no surviving spouse or children, the accumulated contributions and interest are paid to the designated beneficiary. In lieu of periodic payments, the surviving spouse or children may receive a refund of the member's accumulated contributions with interest.

Upon withdrawal from service, members not entitled to a retirement allowance are paid a refund of accumulated contributions upon request. Receipt of such a refund cancels all accrued rights in the system.

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The Board of Trustees is authorized to grant retired members and surviving beneficiaries of members who have retired an annual cost of living increase of 3% of their original benefit (not to exceed \$60 per month) and all retired members and surviving beneficiaries who are 65 years of age and older a 2% increase in their original benefit. In lieu of other cost of living increases, the Board may grant an increase to retirees in the form of "Xx(A&B)" where "A" is equal to the number of years of credited service accrued at retirement or death of the member or retiree and "B" is equal to the number of years since death of the member or retiree to June 30 of the initial year of increase and "X" is equal to any amount available for funding such increase up to a maximum of \$1. In order for the Board to grant any of these increases, the System must meet certain criteria detailed in the statute related to funding status and interest earnings.

Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program (Back-DROP): In lieu of receiving a service retirement allowance, any member who has more years of service than are required for a normal retirement may elect to receive a Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program (Back-DROP) benefit. The Back-DROP benefit is based upon the Back-DROP period selected and the final average compensation prior to the period selected. 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 the actual date of retirement. At retirement, the member's maximum monthly retirement benefit is based upon his service, final average compensation, and plan provisions in effect on the last day of creditable service immediately prior to the commencement of the Back-DROP period. In addition to a monthly benefit at retirement, the member receives a lump-sum payment equal to the maximum monthly benefit as calculated above multiplied by the number of months in Back-DROP period. In lieu of receiving the lump-sum payment, the member may leave the funds on deposit with the System in an interest-bearing account.

Prior to January 1, 2009, eligible members could elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) for up to three years in lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service benefit. During participation in the DROP, employer contributions were payable and employee contributions were reduced to ½ of one percent. The monthly retirement benefits that would have been payable to the member were paid into a DROP account, which did not earn interest while the member was participating in DROP. Upon termination of participation, the participant in the plan received, at his option, a lump-sum from the account equal to the payments into the account or systematic disbursements from his account in any manner approved by the Board of Trustees. The monthly benefits that were being paid into the DROP would then be paid to the retiree. All amounts which remain credited to the individual's sub-account after termination of participation in the Plan were invested in liquid money market funds. Interest was credited thereon as actually earned.

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

Employer Contributions: According to state statute, contribution requirements for all employers are actuarially-determined each year. For the year ending June 30, 2023, the actual employer contribution rate was 9.50%.

Non-Employer Contributions: In accordance with state statute, the System receives ad valorem 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. Non-employer contributions were recognized as revenue during the year ended June 30, 2023 and excluded from pension expense.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources: As of December 31, 2023, the District Attorney reported liabilities in its government-wide financial statements of \$493,843 for its proportionate share of the net pension liabilities of the System. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension obligation was determined by an actuarial valuation performed as of that date. The District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District Attorney's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially-determined. As of June 30, 2023, the District's proportional share of the System was 0.575876%, which was a decrease of 0.014449% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the District Attorney recognized a pension expense of \$163,808 in its governmental activities related to its participation in the System.

As of December 31, 2023, the District Attorney reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following resources:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 30,727	\$ 16,312
Changes of assumptions	75,643	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	56,850	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	2,870	27,269
	<u>\$ 166,090</u>	<u>\$ 43,581</u>

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

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Year	
2024	\$ 40,915
2025	33,253
2026	73,432
2027	(25,091)
Total	\$ 122,509

Actuarial Assumptions: A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of December 31, 2023 is as follows:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal Cost
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	6.10%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Projected Salary Increases	5.00% (2.20% Inflation, 2.80% Merit)
Mortality Rates	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Healthy Retirees, General Above-Median Employees, and General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females using MP2019 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality (Healthy Retirees) and disabled annuitants (General Disabled Retirees).
Expected Remaining Service Lives	5 years – June 30, 2021, 2022, and 2023 6 years – June 30, 2018, 2019, and 2020 7 years – June 30, 2017
Cost of Living Adjustments	Only those previously granted

The mortality rate assumption used was set based upon an experience study performed on plan data for 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 the tables used would produce liability values approximating the appropriate generational mortality tables.

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.10%. 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 to Changes in Discount Rate: The following presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.10%, as well as, what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.10%) or one percentage point higher (7.10%) than the current rate as of June 30, 2023.

	Changes in Discount Rate:		
	1% Decrease 5.10%	Current Rate 6.10%	1% Increase 7.10%
Net Pension Liability	\$ 922,907	\$ 493,843	\$ 133,892

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Positions: Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately-issued financial report for the System.

Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS)

The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District contributes to Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS), under Plan B, which is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by Act 205 of the 1952 regular session of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana to provide retirement benefits to all employees of any parish in the State of Louisiana or any governing body or a parish which employs and pays persons serving the parish. Plan B was designated for employees that remained in Social Security on the revision date. Sections 1901 through 2025 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (LA R.S. 11:1901-2025) and other general laws of the State of Louisiana govern PERS.

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.persla.org.

Plan Descriptions: For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were 214 contributing municipalities in Plan A and 53 in Plan B. The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District is a participant in Plan B only.

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only.

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

All permanent District Attorney employees who work at least 28 hours per week shall become members on the date of employment. New employees meeting the age and Social Security criteria have up to 90 days from the date of hire to elect to participate.

Any member of Plan B who was hired before January 1, 2007 can retire providing the member meets one of the following criteria:

1. Age 55 with thirty (30) or more years of creditable service.
2. Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service.
3. Age 65 with a minimum of seven (7) year of creditable service.

Eligibility for retirement for Plan B members hired on or after January 1, 2007 is as follows:

1. Age 55 thirty (30) or more years of creditable service.
2. Age 62 with ten (10) or more years of creditable service.
3. Age 67 with seven (7) or more years of creditable service.

Generally, the monthly amount of the retirement allowance for any member of Plan B shall consist of an amount equal to two percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

Plan B members need ten (10) years of service credit to be eligible for survivor benefits. Upon the death of any member of Plan B with twenty (20) or more years of creditable service who is not eligible for normal retirement, the plan provides for an automatic Option 2 benefit for the surviving spouse when he/she reaches age 50, and until remarriage, if the remarriage occurs before age 55. A surviving spouse who is not eligible for Social Security survivorship or retirement benefits, and married not less than twelve (12) months immediately preceding death of the member, shall be paid an Option 2 benefit beginning at age 50.

In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement allowance, any member of Plan B who is eligible to retire may elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for up to three years and defer the receipt of benefits. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP Fund. Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the specified period of participation, a participant in the DROP may receive, at his option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account, a true annuity based upon his account balance in that fund, or roll over the fund to an Individual Retirement Account. Interest is accrued on the DROP benefits for the period between the end of DROP participation and the member's retirement date. For individuals who become eligible to participate in DROP on or after January 1, 2004, all amounts which remain credited to the individual's subaccount after termination in the Plan will be placed in

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

liquid asset money market investments at the discretion of the board of trustees. These subaccounts may be credited with interest based on money market rates of return or, at the option of the system, the funds may be credited to the self-directed subaccounts. The participant in the self-directed portion of this Plan must agree that the benefits payable to the participant are not the obligations of the state of the System, and that any returns and other rights of the Plan are the sole liability and responsibility of the participant and the designated provider to which contributions have been made.

For Plan B, a member shall be eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if he/she was hired prior to January 1, 2007 and has at least five years of creditable service or if hired after January 1, 2007, has seven years of creditable service, and is not eligible for normal retirement, and has been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. Upon retirement caused by disability, a member of Plan B shall be paid a disability benefit equal to the lesser of an amount equal to two percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his/her years of service, not to be less than fifteen, or an amount equal to what the member's normal benefit would be based on the member's current final compensation but assuming the member remained in continuous service until his/her earliest normal retirement age.

Employer Contributions: Employer contributions are actuarially-determined each year. For the year ended December 31, 2023, employer contributions were 7.5%.

Non-Employer Contribution: In accordance with state statute, the System also receives ¼ of 1.0% of ad valorem taxes collected within the respective parishes, except for Orleans and East Baton Rouge parishes. The System also receives revenue-sharing funds each year as appropriated by the Legislature. Tax monies and revenue sharing monies are apportioned between Plan A and Plan B in proportion to the member's compensation. These additional sources of income are used as additional employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities.

Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources: As of December 31, 2023, the District Attorney reported a liability in its government-wide financial statements of \$45,756 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the System. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2022 by an actuarial valuation performed of the retirement system as of the date. The District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District Attorney's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. As of December 31, 2022, the District Attorney's proportionate share of the System was 0.192180%, an increase of 0.24162% from the prior year.

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the District Attorney recognized a pension expense of \$32,004 in its governmental activities related to its participation in the System.

As of December 31, 2023, the District Attorney reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following resources:

	Governmental Activities	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 952	\$ 9,179
Changes in assumptions	2,157	-
Changes in proportion	654	3,080
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	71,965	-
	\$ 75,728	\$ 12,259

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

Year	
2023	\$ (245)
2024	9,228
2025	22,718
2026	31,768
Total	\$ 63,469

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of December 31, 2023 is as follows:

Valuation Date	December 31, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Cost

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Note 10 – Retirement Plans (Cont.)

Expected Remaining Service Lives	4 years
Investment Rate of Return	6.40%, per annum (net of investment expense)
Inflation Rate	2.30% per annum
Salary Increase	4.25%
Cost of Living Adjustments	Benefits currently being paid and those previously granted
Mortality	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Healthy Retirees, General Employees, and General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality (Healthy Retirees) and disabled annuitants (General Disabled Retirees).

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.40% for Plan B. 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 and non-employer contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates, which are calculated in accordance with relevant statutes and approved by the Board of Trustees and the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. 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 to Changes in Discount Rate: The following presents the net pension liability/(asset) of the participating employers calculated using the discount rate of 6.40%, as well as what the employer's net pension liability/(asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.40%) or one percentage point higher (7.40%) than the current rate as of December 31, 2022.

	Changes in Discount Rate:		
	1% Decrease 5.40%	Current Discount Rate 6.40%	1% Increase 7.40%
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 148,059	\$ 45,756	\$ (39,881)

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Support of Non-Employer Contributing Entities: Contributions received by a pension plan from non-employer contributing entities that are not in a special funding situation are recorded as revenue by the respective pension plan. The District Attorney recognizes revenue in an amount equal to its proportionate share of the total contributions to the pension plan from these non-employer contributing entities. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the District Attorney recognized revenue as a result of support received from the non-employer contributing entities of \$3,063 for its participation in the System.

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Positions: Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report for the System available at www.persla.org.

Certain individuals who work at the District Attorney's offices are paid by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and are also members of the Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana. Retirement expense related to these individuals for the year ended December 31, 2023 is included with the total amount above. Plan information, including actuarial valuation information and funding status, can be found in the annual report of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government.

Note 11 – Lease

The District Attorney leases the building from which the Child Support, PTI, and Drug Court/DWI departments operate from the Terrebonne Children’s Advocacy Center. The term of the lease is six years from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2026. As of December 31, 2023, the value of the lease liability is \$604,301, original value of \$1,266,276 less accumulated amortization of \$661,975. During the year, the lease liability balance decreased by \$134,360.

The future principal and interest payments related to this lease as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

<u>Year Ended</u> <u>December 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 235,853	\$ 16,147	\$ 252,000
2025	243,633	8,367	252,000
2026	<u>124,815</u>	<u>1,185</u>	<u>126,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 604,301</u>	<u>\$ 25,699</u>	<u>\$ 630,000</u>

The lease agreement does not contain variable payments, residual value guarantees, or termination penalties.

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Note 12 – Subsequent Events

Subsequent events were evaluated by management through May 23, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and it was determined that no events occurred that require disclosure. No events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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 Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund
 Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES				
Fines and fees	\$ 875,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 992,453	\$ (207,547)
Intergovernmental	150,000	150,000	185,728	35,728
Reimbursed attorney fees and salaries	-	-	124,000	124,000
Other	175,000	165,000	67,202	(97,798)
Asset and bond forfeitures	-	-	35,283	35,283
Interest earned	-	-	11,045	11,045
Total Revenues	<u>1,200,000</u>	<u>1,515,000</u>	<u>1,415,711</u>	<u>(99,289)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
General government - judicial - current:				
Personnel services and benefits	1,000,000	1,100,000	1,108,595	(8,595)
General operating	650,000	700,000	667,856	32,144
Total Current Expenditures	<u>1,650,000</u>	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>1,776,451</u>	<u>23,549</u>
Capital outlay	50,000	-	3,828	(3,828)
Debt service:				
Principal	-	-	10,043	(10,043)
Interest	-	-	1,743	(1,743)
Total Expenditures	<u>1,700,000</u>	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>1,792,065</u>	<u>7,935</u>
Excess of Expenditures over Revenues	(500,000)	(285,000)	(376,354)	(91,354)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Operating transfers in	-	-	434,596	434,596
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
	(500,000)	(285,000)	58,242	343,242
FUND BALANCES				
Beginning of year	<u>719,000</u>	<u>1,247,000</u>	<u>1,246,971</u>	<u>(29)</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 219,000</u>	<u>\$ 962,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,305,213</u>	<u>\$ 343,213</u>

See Independent Auditor's Report.

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Special Revenue Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental revenue	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 1,825,735	\$ 1,075,735
Fines and fees	750,000	1,100,000	97,659	(1,002,341)
Reimbursed attorney fees and salaries	-	-	30,000	30,000
Interest earned	-	-	3,565	3,565
Other	250,000	250,000	63	(249,937)
Total Revenues	<u>2,100,000</u>	<u>2,100,000</u>	<u>1,957,022</u>	<u>(142,978)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
General government - judicial - current:				
Personnel services	850,000	850,000	892,554	(42,554)
General operating	850,000	500,000	591,924	(91,924)
Total Current Expenditures	<u>1,700,000</u>	<u>1,350,000</u>	<u>1,484,478</u>	<u>(134,478)</u>
Capital outlay	10,000	10,000	50,331	(40,331)
Debt service:				
Principal	-	-	6,365	(6,365)
Interest	-	-	808	(808)
Total Expenditures	<u>1,710,000</u>	<u>1,360,000</u>	<u>1,541,982</u>	<u>(181,982)</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>390,000</u>	<u>740,000</u>	<u>415,040</u>	<u>(324,960)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Note payable proceeds	-	-	35,631	35,631
Other	-	-	4,700	4,700
Operating transfers out	-	-	(434,596)	(434,596)
Total Other Financing Uses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(394,265)</u>	<u>(394,265)</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>390,000</u>	<u>740,000</u>	<u>20,775</u>	<u>(719,225)</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Beginning of year	<u>928,000</u>	<u>702,000</u>	<u>702,469</u>	<u>469</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 1,318,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,442,000</u>	<u>\$ 723,244</u>	<u>\$ (718,756)</u>

See Independent Auditor's Report.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Year	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Covered Employee Payroll	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
District Attorneys' Retirement System					
2023	0.575876%	\$ 493,843	\$ 381,991	129.28%	85.85%
2022	0.590325%	635,905	421,474	150.88%	81.65%
2021	0.672419%	119,712	442,526	27.05%	96.79%
2020	0.713346%	565,164	398,311	141.89%	84.86%
2019	0.677445%	217,936	423,772	51.43%	93.13%
2018	0.681592%	219,331	377,275	58.14%	92.92%
2017	0.762205%	205,583	312,385	65.81%	93.57%
2016	0.516196%	98,804	342,341	28.86%	95.09%
2015	0.541230%	29,154	438,105	6.65%	98.56%

Parochial Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Plan B

2023	0.192180%	\$ 45,756	\$ 185,277	24.70%	94.26%
2022	0.168018%	(93,890)	202,674	-46.33%	114.20%
2021	0.159059%	(40,835)	154,886	-26.36%	106.76%
2020	0.118570%	(8,578)	116,872	-7.34%	102.05%
2019	0.102929%	27,808	51,176	54.34%	91.93%

Notes to Schedule:

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Schedule of Employer Contributions
Year Ended December 31, 2023

<u>Year</u>	<u>Statutorily Required Contributions</u>	<u>Contributions in Relation to Statutorily Required Contributions</u>	<u>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</u>	<u>Employer's Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</u>
District Attorneys' Retirement System					
2023	\$ 36,439	\$ 36,439	\$ -	\$ 383,567	9.50%
2022	36,289	36,289	-	381,991	9.50%
2021	16,859	16,859	-	421,474	4.00%
2020	17,701	17,701	-	442,526	4.00%
2019	4,979	4,979	-	398,311	1.25%
2018	-	-	-	423,772	0.00%
2017	-	280	(280)	377,275	0.07%
2016	10,933	10,933	-	312,385	3.50%
2015	23,964	23,964	-	342,341	7.00%

Parochial Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Plan B

2023	\$ 14,073	\$ 14,073	\$ -	\$ 187,644	7.50%
2022	13,896	13,896	-	185,277	7.50%
2021	15,201	15,201	-	202,674	7.50%
2020	11,616	11,616	-	154,886	7.50%
2019	8,765	8,765	-	116,872	7.50%
2018	3,838	3,838	-	51,176	7.50%

Notes to Schedule:

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OTHER INFORMATION

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Justice System Funding Schedule – Collecting/Disbursing Entity (Cash Basis)
As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	First Six-Month Period Ended June 30, 2023	Second Six-Month Period Ended December 31, 2023
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected	\$ -	\$ 451,817
Add: Collections		
Asset forfeiture/sale - asset forfeiture income	269,461	39,681
Pre-trial diversion program fees	225,295	87,753
Criminal court costs/fees - Drug Court fees	48,497	28,257
Criminal court costs/fees - DWI fees	965	1,300
Restitution - issuing worthless checks	12,350	12,607
Probation/Parole/Supervision fees - narcotic diversion income	14,354	11,505
Probation/Parole/Supervision fees - Wildlife and Fisheries	-	120
Probation/Parole/Supervision fees - Department of Probation fees	86,312	95,216
Probation/Parole/Supervision fees - PTI fees	155,747	125,410
Other - expungements	1,600	1,350
Total Collections	<u>814,581</u>	<u>403,199</u>
Less: Disbursements To Governments:		
Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office - asset forfeitures	52,425	13,880
Terrebonne Parish Criminal Court Fund - asset forfeitures	27,505	215,649
DART - asset forfeitures	1,437	500
Houma Police Department - asset forfeitures	5,640	16,341
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency		
Collection fee for collecting/disbursing to others based on percentage of collection - asset forfeitures	28,882	226,614
Less: Disbursements to individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies		
Restitution payments to individuals	222,476	105,064
Other disbursements to individuals - asset forfeitures	24,399	168,222
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage	<u>362,764</u>	<u>746,270</u>
Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained	<u>\$ 451,817</u>	<u>\$ 108,746</u>

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District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Justice System Funding Schedule – Receiving Entity (Cash Basis)
As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	<u>First Six-Month Period Ended June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Second Six-Month Period Ended December 31, 2023</u>
Receipts From:		
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government - fines and fees collected	\$ 126,636	\$ 130,499
Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office - fines and fees collected	31,279	29,537
Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office - 2% fee	45,375	39,831
Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office - Act 942	31,099	5,551
City Court of Houma - Act 293	3,983	9,489
City Court of Houma - juvenile fees	1,133	993
City Court of Houma - District Attorney fines	<u>34,180</u>	<u>35,165</u>
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 273,685</u>	<u>\$ 251,065</u>

See Independent Auditor's Report.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
 Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other
 Payments to the District Attorney
 Year Ended December 31, 2023

Agency Head Name: Joseph L. Waitz, Jr., District Attorney

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 94,465
Retirement	10,155
Car allowance/automobile expense	9,000
Travel	7,595
Registration fees	275
Conference	-
Cell phone	-
Membership fees	-
Deferred compensation	-
Reimbursements	-
Per diem	-
Service fees	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing	-
Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-
Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-

This schedule is used to satisfy the reporting requirements of R.S. 24:513(A)(3).

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

To the Honorable Joseph L. Waitz, Jr.
District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government
Houma, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District (the District Attorney), a component unit of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 23, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney'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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

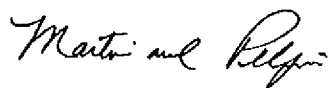
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District Attorney's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed one instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, and which is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2023-001.

The District Attorney's Response to Finding

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District Attorney's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The District Attorney's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

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



Houma, Louisiana
May 23, 2024

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

1. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District.
2. No deficiencies in internal control were noted during the audit of the financial statements.
3. One instance of noncompliance (see finding 2023-001) required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* was noted during the audit.
4. No deficiencies in internal control were noted during the audit of internal control over the major federal award program.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award program for the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District expresses an unmodified opinion on the major federal program.
6. No audit findings relative to the major federal award program were noted.
7. The program tested as a major program was the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Child Support Services, ALN #93.563.
8. The threshold used for distinguishing between Type A and B programs was \$750,000.
9. The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District qualified as a low-risk auditee.
10. A management letter was not issued.

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

2023-001

Statement of Condition: Though the District Attorney did amend its budget during the year, a required amendment was not made when there was a greater than 5% unfavorable variance in revenues and expenses.

Criteria: Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1310 and 1311 require governmental entities to adopt a budget amendment if there is a 5% unfavorable variance in revenues or expenditures.

Effect of Condition: The District Attorney was not in compliance with state budgetary law.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Cause of Condition: The management of the District Attorney did not make a sufficient number of periodic comparisons of actual results to budgeted amounts, and, as such, was unaware of the unfavorable variances.

Recommendation: We recommend that the District Attorney increase the number of periodic comparisons of budgeted to actual results that will enable it to comply with state budgetary law and amend its budget when required.

Section III – Internal Control Findings

No findings related to the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District's internal control, which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, were noted during the audit.

Section IV – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Award Program Audit

No significant control deficiencies, findings, or questioned costs were noted during the audit of the major federal award program.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Management's Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Findings
Year Ended December 31, 2023

The contact person for all corrective actions noted below is Mr. Kevin Guidry, Administrator.

Section I – Internal Control and Compliance

2023-001

Statement of Condition: Though the District Attorney did amend its budget during the year, a required amendment was not made when there was a greater than 5% unfavorable variance in revenues and expenses.

Criteria: Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1310 and 1311 require governmental entities to adopt a budget amendment if there is a 5% unfavorable variance in revenues or expenditures.

Effect of Condition: The District Attorney was not in compliance with state budgetary law.

Cause of Condition: The management of the District Attorney did not make a sufficient number of periodic comparisons of actual results to budgeted amounts, and, as such, was unaware of the unfavorable variances.

Recommendation: We recommend that the District Attorney increase the number of periodic comparisons of budgeted to actual results that will enable it to comply with state budgetary law and amend its budget when required.

Section II – Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

This section is not applicable.

Section III – Management Letter

This section is not applicable.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Schedule of Prior Findings and Resolution Matters
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Note: The prior findings all relate to the December 31, 2022 audit engagement.

Section I – Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

This section is not applicable.

Section II – Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

This section is not applicable.

Section III – Management Letter

This section is not applicable.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Honorable Joseph L. Waitz, Jr.
District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government
Houma, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District Attorney's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. The District Attorney's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

The District Attorney's financial statements include the operations of the Thirty-Second Judicial Enforcement District (blended component unit) and the Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center (legally separate nonprofit organization), which expended no federal awards and \$138,432 in federal awards, respectively, and are not included in the District Attorney's schedule of expenditures of federal awards during the year ended December 31, 2023.

In our opinion, the District Attorney complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

We are required to be independent of the District Attorney and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District Attorney's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District Attorney's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District Attorney's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the District Attorney's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the District Attorney's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

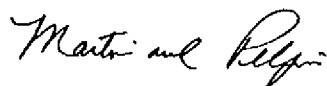
Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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



Houma, Louisiana
May 23, 2024

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Contract Number	Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES/</u>			
<u>Administration for Children and Families/</u>			
<u>Pass-through payments from the Louisiana Department</u>			
<u>of Children and Family Services</u>			
Child Support Services	93.563	2000585078	\$ 634,610 *
Foster Care Title IV-E	93.658	2000709630	33,497
<u>Pass-through payments from the State of Louisiana/</u>			
<u>Office of the Judicial Administrator</u>			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	N/A	79,549
<u>Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services</u>			
<u>Administration</u>			
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services			
Projects of Regional and National Significance	93.243	1H79TI085481-01; 5H79TI085481-02	221,177
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/</u>			
<u>Office of Justice Programs/</u>			
<u>Bureau of Justice Assistance</u>			
Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program	16.585	15PBJA-21-GG-04250-DGCT; 15PBJA-22-GG-03947-DGCT; 15PBJA-23-GG-02361-COAP	252,594
<u>Office of Justice Programs/</u>			
<u>Pass-through payments from the Louisiana</u>			
<u>Commission on Law Enforcement</u>			
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	6503; 6951	141,369
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/</u>			
<u>National Highway Traffic Safety Administration/</u>			
<u>Pass-through payments from the Louisiana</u>			
<u>Highway Safety Commission</u>			
Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for			
Driving While Intoxicated	20.608	2000712984; 2000790174	97,730
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY/</u>			
<u>Federal Emergency Management Agency/</u>			
<u>Pass-through payment from the Governor's Office of</u>			
<u>Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness</u>			
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially			
Declared Disasters)	97.036	FEMA-4611-DR-LA	17,910
			<u>\$ 1,478,436</u>

* Denotes a major program

See Independent Auditor's Report.

District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Note A – Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements.

Note B – Definition of a Major Program

The Uniform Guidance defines a major program based on the total federal awards expended during the year.

Note C – Assistance Listing Numbers

The Assistance Listing numbers included in this report were determined based on the program name, review of grant contract information, and the information at SAM.gov.

Note D – Indirect Cost Rate

The District Attorney did not elect to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed in the Uniform Guidance, Section 414.

STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

To the Honorable Joseph L. Waitz, Jr.
District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government
Houma, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

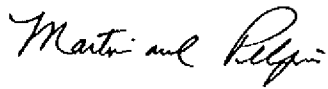
The District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are described on pages 64-81.

We were engaged by the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Second Judicial District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.



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The required procedures and our findings are as follows:

Procedures performed on the District Attorney's written policies and procedures:

Written Policies and Procedures

1. Obtain and inspect the District Attorney's written policies and procedures and observe that they address each of the following categories and subcategories, as applicable to public funds and the District Attorney's operations:

a) Budgeting, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for budgeting and found it to contain the requirements included above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

b) Purchasing, including (1) how purchases are initiated; (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list; (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders; (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law; and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for purchasing and found it to contain all requirements above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

c) Disbursements, including processing, reviewing, and approving

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for disbursements and found it to contain the requirements included above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

d) Receipts/Collections, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for receipts and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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- e) Payroll/Personnel, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for payroll and personnel and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- f) Contracting, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy related to contracting and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- g) Travel and expense reimbursement, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers

Performance: Obtained and read the travel and expense reimbursement policy and found it contained all requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- h) Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable), including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy related to credit cards and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- i) Ethics, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy related to ethics and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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- j) Debt Service, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.

Performance: Determined that the District Attorney is not required to have all requirements listed above in its written debt service policy as the only debt is related to vehicles purchased under state contract.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- k) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy related to information technology disaster recovery/business continuity and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- l) Prevention of Sexual Harassment, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy related to sexual harassment and found it to contain the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Board or Finance Committee

- 2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
 - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
 - b) Observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund and semi-annual budget-to-actual comparisons, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds.

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- c) Obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
- d) Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

Performance: Determined that board meetings were not required to be held. As such, this section does not apply.

Bank Reconciliations

- 3. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select four additional accounts (or all accounts if less than five). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:

Performance: Obtained the listing of bank accounts from management and received management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within two months of the related statement closing date;

Performance: Determined that randomly selected bank statements were reconciled within two months of the related statement closing date.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- b) Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within one month of the date the reconciliation was prepared;

Performance: Inspected documentation for management approvals within one month of the reconciliation date of each randomly selected bank reconciliation.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date.

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Performance: Determined whether there were any items outstanding for more than 12 months as of the end of the fiscal year.

Exceptions: There were multiple reconciling items outstanding for longer than 12 months as of December 31, 2023.

Management's response: These items have been properly removed from the cash accounts, and management will monitor the length of time that outstanding reconciling items have not cleared the bank and take action regarding those items going forward.

Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than five).

Performance: Observed the listing of deposit sites from management and received management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site, obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:

Performance: Observed the listing of collection locations from management and received management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- a) Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of client as to the sharing of cash drawers.

Exceptions: At cash collection location number 2, two employees share a drawer. One employee is a backup for the pay window. At cash collection location number 3, four employees share two drawers.

Management's response: Management will continue to closely monitor the collection activities of the District Attorney.

- b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation to the deposit.

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Performance: Inspected policy manual and inquired of client to ensure separation of duties for those employees collecting cash and those employees preparing/making bank deposits.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.

Performance: Inspected policy manual and inquired of client to ensure separation of duties for those employees collecting cash and those employees posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

Performance: Inspected policy manual and inquired of client to ensure separation of duties for those employees collecting cash and those employees reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in force during the fiscal period.

Performance: Determined whether employees who have access to cash are covered by a bond or insurance policy for theft.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the five bank accounts selected for procedure #3 under "Bank Reconciliations" above. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the ten deposits and:

- a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

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Performance: Determined that sequentially pre-numbered receipts are not required for all deposits that are received at the District Attorney. Sequentially pre-numbered receipts are generally for cash deposits. There were no cash deposits in the random selection.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.

Performance: Inspected deposits from two random deposit dates to determine if they had collection documentation that agreed to the respective deposit slips. Noted that pre-numbered receipts were not applicable to the randomly selected documents; however, collections were supported by adequate documentation.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

Performance: Inspected deposits from two random deposit dates to determine if the deposit slips agreed to the actual deposits per the bank statements.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location.

Performance: Determined if deposits from two random dates were deposited within one business day of receipt.

Exceptions: It appears that not all deposits tested were deposited within one business day of receipt based on check dates. The check stubs are not stamped when they are received.

Management's response: Management will ensure that deposits are made in a timely manner.

- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

Performance: Inspected deposits from two random deposit dates to determine if the deposits per the bank statements agree to the general ledger.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five locations (or all locations if less than five).

Performance: Obtained a listing of locations that processed payments for the fiscal period from management and received management's representation in a separate letter. Determined that two locations processed payments.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

9. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties, and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:

- a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.

Performance: Obtained a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions along with written policies and procedures for those functions to determine if there was a proper segregation of duties for initiating, approving, and making purchases.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.

Performance: Obtained a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions along with written policies and procedures for those functions to determine if there was a proper segregation of duties for processing and approving payments to vendors.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.

Performance: Inspected policy manual and inquired of management as to separation of duties related to vendor files.

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Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.

- d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments.

Performance: Inquired of management to determine if the employee responsible for processing payments mails those respective payments.
Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.

- e) Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

Performance: Inquired of management to determine whether release of each electronic disbursement is appropriately authorized.
Exceptions: No exceptions were noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.

10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select five disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction and:

Performance: Obtained the completed general ledger for the fiscal period and obtained management's representations in a separate letter. Randomly selected five disbursements from each location using a random number generator for check numbers to test the requirements below.
Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.

- a) Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and that supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.

Performance: Determined that the five random disbursements from each location matched their respective original invoices and that the invoices indicate that deliverables were received by the entity.
Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.

- b) Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.

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Performance: Determined whether the documentation for the five random disbursements from each location gave evidence of the segregation of duties tested under #9 above.

Exceptions: Invoices that are paid at the second location for processing payments do not include the Administrator's initials due to the nature of the transactions (disbursements from the worthless check and restitution programs).

Management's response: We will continue management oversight of the worthless check and restitution programs.

11. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedures #3, randomly select five non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than five) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized by the required number of authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy.

Performance: Determined that there was one non-payroll-related electronic payment during the year that was not a bank-related charge.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)

12. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

Performance: Observed the listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) from management and received management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

13. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select five cards (or all cards if less than five) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and:

- a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder.

Performance: Observed written approvals of credit card transactions on monthly statements.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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- b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

Procedures: Traced selected credit card statements to determine if any finance charges or late fees were applied to balances.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

14. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #13 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions. For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals.

Performance: Observed whether randomly selected credit card transactions were supported by the requirements listed above.

Exceptions: The receipt for one transaction was missing.

Management's response: The charge in question is recurring and was supported by the original receipt upon activation.

Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

15. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select five reimbursements, and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the five reimbursements selected:

Performance: Obtained a list of all travel and related expense reimbursements.

Management's representation of the listing was confirmed in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov).

Performance: Traced respective travel expenses to the approved per diem rates by the General Services Administration.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.

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Performance: Traced respective expenses to original itemized receipts, expense reports, and mileage reports.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by written policy (procedure #1g).

Performance: Reviewed documentation of the business/public purpose for each expense.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- d) Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Performance: Inspected each expense reimbursement request to find approval by supervisors.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Contracts

16. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five contracts (or all contracts if less than five) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and:

Performance: Observed the listing of contracts initiated during the fiscal year from management and received management's representation of completeness in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- a) Observe that the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law, if required by law.

Performance: Determined that the District Attorney was not subject to the Public Bid Law for any of the selected contracts in place.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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- b) Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law.

Performance: Determined that board approval does not apply to the District Attorney.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) If the contract was amended, observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms.

Performance: Determined that the contracts were not amended.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the five contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

Performance: Inspected the randomly selected invoice and compared to the written contract information to determine that the invoice and related payment complied with the terms of the contract.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Payroll and Personnel

17. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.

Performance: Observed the listing of employees with their related salaries from management and received management's representation of completeness in a separate letter. Compared compensation in the salary schedules with payments made to randomly selected employees. Reviewed salary/hourly amounts in personnel files.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

18. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the five employees or officials selected under #17 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:

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- a) Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave.

Performance: Determined that all selected employees documented their daily attendance and leave for the selected pay period.

Exceptions: The attendance of salaried employees is not documented.

Management's response: Salaried employees are not required to document their attendance, only their absences.

- b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials.

Performance: Determined that the attendance and leave of each employee for the selected pay period was approved by each employee's respective supervisor or by the signed supplement pay agreement, where applicable.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- c) Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records.

Performance: Determined that no leave was taken or accrued during the pay period, based on the randomly selected employees' ineligibility to receive such benefits.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

Performance: Determined that the rates paid to the employees/officials agree to the authorized rates found in each personnel's file.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

19. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employees' or officials' cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employees' or officials' authorized pay rates in the employees' or officials' personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

Performance: Obtained management's representation in a separate letter that only one of the terminated employees received a termination payment.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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20. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll-related amounts have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Performance: Obtained management's representation in a separate letter that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll-related amounts have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Ethics

21. Using the five randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #17 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain ethics documentation from management, and:

- a) Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Performance: Observed the ethics course completion certificates for the employees/officials tested.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

- b) Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official was notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

Performance: Determined that there were no changes to the ethics policy during the fiscal period to notify the employees/officials of.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

22. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Performance: Inquired as to whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Debt Service

23. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

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24. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants.

Performance: Determined that the procedures under #23 and #24 could be excluded as the only debt outstanding by the District Attorney is for vehicles purchased under State contract. This type of debt is not subject to the requirements of this section.

Fraud Notice

25. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the District Attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.

Performance: Inquired of management of any misappropriations of public funds or assets and determined that none were noted.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

26. Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

Performance: Inquired and observed such notice posted on the premises and website.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

27. Perform the following procedures and verbally discuss the results with management:

- a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
- b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past three months.

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- c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

Performance: We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

28. Randomly select five terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than five) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #19. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

Performance: Observed that five terminated employees have been removed/disabled from the network.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

29. Using the five randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:

- a) Hired before June 9, 2020 – completed the training; and
- b) Hired on or after June 9, 2020 – completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

Performance: Observed the cybersecurity training course completion certificates for the employees/officials tested.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

Prevention of Sexual Harassment

30. Using the five randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.

Performance: Observed that the employees/officials tested received one hour of the sexual harassment training during 2023.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Management's response: Not applicable.

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31. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website.

Performance: Inquired and observed such policy posted on the website.
Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.

32. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:

- a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
- b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
- c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
- d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
- e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

Performance: Observed that the annual sexual harassment report was completed for the current year and included the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344.
Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.
Management's response: Not applicable.