

**UNION PARISH SHERIFF**  
**Farmerville, Louisiana**

**Annual Financial Statements**  
**With Independent Auditor's Report**  
**As of and for the Year Ended**  
**June 30, 2021**  
**With Supplemental Information Schedules**

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

**UNION PARISH SHERIFF**  
Farmerville, Louisiana

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, fiduciary funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Union Parish Sheriff, a component unit of the Union Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Union Parish Sheriff's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

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

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

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I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

***Opinions***

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

***Other Matters***

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule and notes to required supplementary information, the Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, the Schedule of Employer's share of the Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of Employer Contributions, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I 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 managements's responses to my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

***Other Information***

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Union Parish Sheriff's basic financial statements. The combining and individual non major fund financial statements, Affidavit, Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head, Justice System Funding Schedule for Receiving, and Justice System Funding for Collecting/Disbursing as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U. S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

These schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 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 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 my opinion, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments, the Sheriff's Sworn Affidavit, Justice System Funding Schedule for Collecting/Disbursing, and Justice System Funding Schedule for Receiving Entities, 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.

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**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued a report dated July 21, 2021, on my consideration of the Union Parish Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on my 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 my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Union Parish Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Union Parish Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



West Monroe, Louisiana  
July 21, 2021

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**PART I**

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana

**Management's Discussion and Analysis**  
June 30, 2021

As management of the Union Parish Sheriff, I offer readers of the Union Parish Sheriff's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Union Parish Sheriff for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the basic financial statements and the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

This Management Discussion and Analysis document introduces the Sheriff's basic financial statements. The annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities (Government-wide Financial Statements) provide information about the financial activities as a whole and illustrate a longer-term view of the Sheriff's finances. The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund (Fund Financial Statements) tell how these 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 Financial Statements by providing information about the most significant funds. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Our auditor has provided assurance in her independent auditor's report that the Basic Financial Statements are fairly stated. The auditor, regarding the Required Supplemental Information and the Supplemental 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 other parts in the Financial Section.

**Government-wide financial statements.** The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Union Parish Sheriff's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Union Parish Sheriff's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Union Parish Sheriff is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (for example, earned, but unused, sick leave).

**Fund financial statements.** A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Union Parish Sheriff, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Union Parish Sheriff can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary (agency) funds.



**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Union Parish Sheriff adopts an annual appropriated budget for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement is provided to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**Fiduciary funds.** Fiduciary (agency) funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Since these resources are not available to support the Union Parish Sheriff's programs, Fiduciary (agency) funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statement.

**Notes to the financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other Information** in addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain *required supplementary information* concerning the Union Parish Sheriff's performance.

The combining schedules for nonmajor governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

### Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, assets of the Union Parish Sheriff exceeded liabilities by \$4,053,692. Approximately 83% of the Union Parish Sheriff's net position reflects its investment in capital assets (equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources.

An additional portion of the Union Parish Sheriff's net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions (e.g., debt service). The balance in unrestricted net position is affected by two factors: 1) resources expended, over time, by the Union Parish Sheriff to acquire capital assets from sources other than internally generated funds (i.e., debt), and 2) required depreciation on assets included in the statement of net position.

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

ASSETS	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$4,252,476	\$2,702,667
Receivables	249,426	288,913
Prepays	19,061	18,154
Due from other funds	1,302	1,171
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	3,902,109	3,872,501
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>8,424,374</b>	<b>6,883,406</b>

**DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Pension and OPEB related	<u>\$3,231,447</u>	<u>\$2,685,599</u>
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**LIABILITIES**

Accounts payable	17,011	24,241
Salaries payable	84,060	51,820
Withholdings payable	2,460	1,971
Federal revenue bonds payable	540,365	548,924
Interest payable	20,430	20,754
Compensated absences payable	77,029	66,930
Net pension liability	1,798,642	1,277,852
Net OPEB obligation	<u>4,661,218</u>	<u>4,236,459</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u><b>7,201,215</b></u>	<u><b>6,228,951</b></u>

**DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Pension and OPEB	<u>400,914</u>	<u>445,928</u>
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**NET POSITION**

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,361,744	3,323,577
Unrestricted	<u>691,948</u>	<u>(429,451)</u>

<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<u><b>\$4,053,692</b></u>	<u><b>\$2,894,126</b></u>
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**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

<b>Public safety:</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Personal services	\$3,338,723	\$3,118,643
Operating services	507,971	648,335
Materials and supplies	195,865	218,233
Travel	39,761	29,345
Depreciation expense	297,884	271,121
Debt service interest	<u>22,317</u>	<u>22,669</u>
Total Program Expenses	<u>4,402,521</u>	<u>4,308,346</u>
<b>Program revenues:</b>		
Charges for services:		
Civil and criminal fees	112,608	122,398
Commissions on license and taxes	71,439	67,392
Court attendance	7,805	4,012
Transportation of prisoners	14,917	21,226
Asset forfeiture	9,279	
Bond fees	17,267	13,306
Accident reports	<u>8,355</u>	<u>9,300</u>
Total program revenues	<u>241,670</u>	<u>237,634</u>
Net Program Expenses	(4,160,851)	(4,070,712)
<b>General revenues:</b>		
Taxes:		
Ad valorem	893,410	871,535
Sales	2,831,252	2,479,819
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:		
Federal sources	1,088,795	44,727
State sources	258,464	251,254
Local	63,033	67,057
Interest earned	10,299	12,415
Miscellaneous	150,944	141,048
Special items:		
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	<u>24,220</u>	<u>15,593</u>
Total general revenues	<u>5,320,417</u>	<u>3,883,448</u>
Change in Net Position	1,159,566	(187,264)

**NET POSITION**

Beginning of year

End of year

\$2,894,126 \$3,081,390\$4,053,692 \$2,894,126**Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**

As noted earlier, the Union Parish Sheriff uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The focus of the governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of June 30, 2021, combined governmental fund balances of \$4,418,734 showed an increase of \$1,485,861 over June 30, 2020. The General Fund's balance of \$4,340,534 showed an increase of \$1,485,823 from the 2020 balance of \$2,854,711.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

There was no budget amendment for the current year.

**Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets.** The Union Parish Sheriff's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2021, amounts to \$3,902,109 net of accumulated depreciation). This investment includes vehicles, furniture, and equipment. The increase in capital assets for the year was \$327,492. There were decreases of \$175,789 during the current year.

**Long-term debt.** At the end of the fiscal year, Union Parish Sheriff had total debt outstanding of \$7,077,254 in the form of compensated absences of \$77,029, federal revenue bonds of \$540,365, and net OPEB obligation of \$4,661,218. The Union Parish Sheriff contributes to a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan ("the Retiree Health Plan"). The plan provides lifetime healthcare insurance for eligible retirees through the sheriff's group health insurance plan. The liability associated with the Net Pension Obligation is \$1,798,642 at June 30, 2021.

**Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Union Parish Sheriff's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Union Parish Sheriff, P.O. Box 723, Farmerville, LA 71241.



## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2021

**ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$4,252,476
Receivables	249,426
Prepays	19,061
Due from other funds	1,302
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>3,902,109</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>8,424,374</b></u>

**DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Pension and OPEB related	<u>3,231,447</u>
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**LIABILITIES**

Accounts payable	17,011
Salaries payable	84,060
Withholdings payable	2,460
Interest payable	20,430
Federal Revenue Bonds:	
Due within one year	8,913
Due in more than one year	531,452
Compensated absences payable	77,029
Net pension liability	1,798,642
Net OPEB obligation	<u>4,661,218</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u><b>7,201,215</b></u>

**DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Pension and OPEB related	<u>400,914</u>
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**NET POSITION**

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,361,744
Unrestricted	<u>691,948</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<u><b>\$4,053,692</b></u>

See independent auditor's report and the related notes to the financial statements.

## Statement B

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
June 30, 2021

Public safety:	
Personal services	\$3,338,723
Operating services	507,971
Materials and supplies	195,865
Travel	39,761
Depreciation expense	297,884
Debt service interest	22,317
Total Program Expenses	<u>4,402,521</u>
Program revenues:	
Charges for services:	
Civil and criminal fees	112,608
Commissions on license and taxes	71,439
Court attendance	7,805
Transportation of prisoners	14,917
Asset forfeiture	9,279
Bond fees	17,267
Accident reports	8,355
Total program revenues	<u>241,670</u>
Net Program Expenses	<u>(4,160,851)</u>
General revenues:	
Taxes:	
Ad valorem	893,410
Sales	2,831,252
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:	
Federal sources	1,088,795
State sources	258,464
Local	63,033
Interest earned	10,299
Miscellaneous	150,944
Special item -	
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	<u>24,220</u>
Total general revenues	<u>5,320,417</u>
Change in Net Position	1,159,566
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Beginning of year	<u>2,894,126</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$4,053,692</u></u>

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UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
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GOVERNMENTAL FUND

Balance Sheet, June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Non Major Funds	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$4,174,276	\$78,200	\$4,252,476
Receivables	249,426		249,426
Prepays	19,061		19,061
Due from other funds	1,302		1,302
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$4,444,065</u></u>	<u><u>\$78,200</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,522,265</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$17,011		\$17,011
Salaries payable	84,060		84,060
Withholdings payable	2,460		2,460
Total Liabilities	103,531	NONE	103,531
Fund balance:			
Restricted		\$78,200	78,200
Unassigned	4,340,534		4,340,534
Total fund balance	4,340,534	78,200	4,418,734
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<u><u>\$4,444,065</u></u>	<u><u>\$78,200</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,522,265</u></u>

See independent auditor's report and the related notes to the financial statements.

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds  
Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Total Fund Balances at June 30, 2021 - Governmental Funds (Statement C)		\$4,418,734
Deferred outflows of resources		3,231,447
Cost of capital assets at June 30, 2021	\$6,776,386	
Less: Accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2021	<u>(2,874,277)</u>	3,902,109
Long-term liabilities at June 30, 2021 -		
Compensated absences payable	(77,029)	
Revenue bonds payable	(540,365)	
Interest payable	(20,430)	
Net pension liability	(1,798,642)	
Net OPEB obligation	<u>(4,661,218)</u>	(7,097,684)
Deferred inflows of resources		<u>(400,914)</u>
Net Position at June 30, 2021 (Statement A)		<u><u>\$4,053,692</u></u>

See independent auditor's report and the related notes to the financial statements.

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
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GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - GENERAL FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balance

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Non Major Funds	TOTAL
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Taxes:			
Ad valorem	\$893,410		\$893,410
Sales	2,831,252		2,831,252
Intergovernmental revenues:			
Federal grants	1,088,795		1,088,795
State grants:			
State supplemental pay	154,526		154,526
State revenue sharing (net)	102,229		102,229
Other	1,709		1,709
Local grants	63,033		63,033
Fees, charges, and commissions for services:			
Civil and criminal fees	112,608		112,608
Commissions on licenses and taxes	71,439		71,439
Court attendance	7,805		7,805
Transportation of prisoners	14,917		14,917
Asset forfeiture	9,279		9,279
Bond fees	17,267		17,267
Accident reports	8,355		8,355
Use of money and property	10,261	\$38	10,299
Other	34,712		34,712
Total revenues	<u>5,421,597</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>5,421,635</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Public safety:			
Current:			
Personal services and related benefits	2,857,705		2,857,705
Operating services	507,971		507,971
Materials and supplies	195,865		195,865
Travel and other charges	39,761		39,761
Debt Service	31,200		31,200
Capital outlay	327,492		327,492
Total expenditures	<u>3,959,994</u>	<u>NONE</u>	<u>3,959,994</u>

(Continued)

**Statement D**

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
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GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - GENERAL FUND  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balance

	General Fund	Non Major Funds	TOTAL
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	\$1,461,603	\$38	\$1,461,641
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCE:</b>			
Proceeds from disposal of assets	<u>24,220</u>		<u>24,220</u>
Total other financing source	\$24,220	NONE	\$24,220
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCE OVER OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	1,485,823	38	1,485,861
<b>FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>2,854,711</u>	<u>78,162</u>	<u>2,932,873</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</b>	<u><u>\$4,340,534</u></u>	<u><u>\$78,200</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,418,734</u></u>

(Concluded)

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UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
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Reconciliation of Governmental Funds  
Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes  
in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (Statement D)	\$1,485,861
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeds depreciation in the period:	29,608
Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.	324
Payments of long-term debt, including bonds, are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, those amounts are a reduction of long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and are not reflected in the Statement of Activities.	8,559
Payments of long-term debt, including contributions to OPEB obligation, are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, those amounts are a reduction of long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and are not reflected in the Statement of Activities.	(295,046)
In the Statement of Activities, certain operating expenses - compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid).	(10,099)
Non-employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plan	116,232
Pension expense associated with cost-sharing pension plan	<u>(175,873)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities (Statement B)	<u><u>\$1,159,566</u></u>

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Statement of Fiduciary Net Position  
Agency Funds

June 30, 2021

	TAX COLLECTOR FUND	CIVIL FUND	CRIMINAL FUND	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and equivalents	\$73,373	\$50,032	\$237,530	\$360,935
Total Assets	<u>\$73,373</u>	<u>\$50,032</u>	<u>\$237,530</u>	<u>\$360,935</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Unsettled deposits due to:				
Other funds		\$236	\$1,066	\$1,302
Others	\$73,373	49,796	236,464	359,633
Total Liabilities	<u>\$73,373</u>	<u>\$50,032</u>	<u>\$237,530</u>	<u>\$360,935</u>

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Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	TAX COLLECTOR FUND	CIVIL FUND	CRIMINAL FUND	TOTAL
<b>UNSETTLED DEPOSITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$59,722</u>	<u>\$53,747</u>	<u>\$150,852</u>	<u>\$264,321</u>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>				
Deposits:				
Sheriff's sales		334,048		334,048
Fines and costs			674,017	674,017
Garnishments		81,468		81,468
Other additions		25,809		25,809
Taxes, fees, etc.,	<u>13,435,963</u>			<u>13,435,963</u>
Total additions	<u>13,435,963</u>	<u>441,325</u>	<u>674,017</u>	<u>14,551,305</u>
Total	<u>13,495,685</u>	<u>495,072</u>	<u>824,869</u>	<u>14,815,626</u>
<b>REDUCTIONS</b>				
Deposits settled to:				
Louisiana Forestry Commission	28,833			28,833
Louisiana Tax Commission	18,175			18,175
Union Parish:				
Sheriff's General Fund	1,002,591	90,535	85,714	1,178,840
Police Jury	3,134,533		18,299	3,152,832
School Board	5,741,937			5,741,937
Assessor	778,965			778,965
Clerk of Court	3,255	9,825	31,303	44,383
East Union Hospital	702,915			702,915
Tri-Ward Hospital	275,970			275,970
Ward Five Fire District	319,121			319,121
Spencer-West Sterlington Fire District	21,218			21,218
District 7 Fire District	120,842			120,842
District 1 Fire District	317,863			317,863
Northeast Union Fire District	70,672			70,672
North Union Fire District	37,240			37,240
Bernice Fire District	87,800			87,800
Spearsville Fire District	58,038			58,038
Sadie-Tiger Fire District	38,743			38,743
Municipalities			5,464	5,464
Pension funds	369,790			369,790

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 Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

	TAX COLLECTOR FUND	CIVIL FUND	CRIMINAL	TOTAL
<b>REDUCTIONS: (CONTD.)</b>				
Deposits settled to: (Contd.)				
District attorney			\$97,904	\$97,904
Indigent defender board			71,343	71,343
LA Rehabilitation Service			2,338	2,338
Criminal court fund			143,865	143,865
Judicial district court			56,266	56,266
Litigants		\$323,211	5,550	328,761
North Louisiana Crime Lab			43,736	43,736
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement			8,985	8,985
Redemptions	\$7,998			7,998
Other reductions	285,813	21,705	17,638	325,156
Total reductions	<u>13,422,312</u>	<u>445,276</u>	<u>588,405</u>	<u>14,455,993</u>
<b>UNSETTLED DEPOSITS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$73,373</u>	<u>\$49,796</u>	<u>\$236,464</u>	<u>\$359,633</u>

(Concluded)

See independent auditor's report and the related notes to the financial statements.

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

The sheriff has the responsibility for enforcing state and local laws, ordinances, et cetera, within the territorial boundaries of the parish. The sheriff provides protection to the residents of the parish through on-site patrols, investigations, et cetera, and serves the residents of the parish through the establishment of neighborhood watch programs, anti-drug abuse programs, et cetera. Additionally, the sheriff, when requested, provides assistance to other law enforcement agencies within the parish.

The accompanying financial statements of the Union Parish Sheriff have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying basic 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*, issued in June 1999.

**A. REPORTING ENTITY**

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Union Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Union Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (police jury), (b) organizations for which primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Union Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit

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within the reporting entity is financial responsibility. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and:
  - a. The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
  - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the police jury.
2. Organizations for which the police jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the police jury.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the police jury maintains and operates the parish courthouse in which the sheriff's office is located and provides partial funding for equipment, furniture and supplies of the sheriff's office, the sheriff was determined to be a component unit of the Union Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the sheriff and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the Union Parish financial reporting entity.

**B. BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS**

The sheriff's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the sheriff as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the sheriff's major fund). Both government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. All activities of the sheriff are classified as governmental.

The Statement of Net Position (Statement A) and the Statement of Activities (Statement B) display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the sheriff, except for fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are reported in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position at the fund financial statement level.

In the Statement of Net Position, governmental activities are presented on a consolidated basis and are presented on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term obligations. Net position is reported in three parts;

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invested in capital assets, net of any related debt; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using 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 (Statement B) are derived directly from parties outside the sheriff's taxpayers or citizenry. Program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the sheriff's general revenues.

**Allocation of Indirect Expenses** - The sheriff reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities (Statement B). Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense, which can be specifically identified by function, is included in the direct expenses of each function. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

### C. BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial transactions of the sheriff are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the sheriff. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. Funds are classified into three categories; governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types". Governmental funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus of attention is on recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held for others. The sheriff's current operations require the use of only



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governmental and fiduciary funds. The governmental and fiduciary fund types used by the sheriff are described as follows:

#### **Governmental Fund Type**

**Major Fund - General Fund** - The General Fund, as provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 13:781, is the principal fund of the sheriff and is used to account for the operations of the sheriff's office. The various fees and charges due to the sheriff's office are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

**Non-Major Funds** - The State Construction Fund accounts for the remaining funds used for construction of the sheriff's office. The USDA Contingency Reserve and USDA Debt Service Funds account for funds to be held in accordance with debt service requirements.

#### **Fiduciary Fund Type - Agency Funds**

The agency funds are used as depositories for civil suits, cash bonds, taxes, fees, et cetera. Disbursements from the funds are made to various parish agencies, litigants in suits, et cetera, in the manner prescribed by law. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. Consequently, the agency funds have no measurement focus, but use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

### **D. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

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

#### **1. Accrual:**

Both governmental and fiduciary type activities in the government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

#### **2. Modified Accrual:**

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. 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

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resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Governmental funds 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 sheriff 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 compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

#### **Revenues**

Ad valorem taxes and the related state revenue sharing are recorded in the year the taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis and attach as an enforceable lien and become due and payable on the date the tax rolls are filed with the recorder of mortgages. Louisiana Revised Statute 47:1993 requires that the tax roll be filed on or before November 15 of each year. Ad valorem taxes become delinquent if not paid by December 31. The taxes are normally collected in December, January, and February of the fiscal year.

Interest income on time deposits is recorded when the time deposits have matured and the income is available.

Substantially all other revenues are recognized when received by the sheriff.

Based on the above criteria, intergovernmental revenue and fees, charges, and commissions for services are treated as susceptible to accrual.

#### **Expenditures**

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.



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**E. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

Under state law, the sheriff may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At June 30, 2021, the sheriff has cash and equivalents (book balances) totaling \$4,613,411 follows:

Demand deposits	\$4,612,311
Petty cash	<u>1,100</u>
Total	<u>\$4,613,411</u>

*Custodial Credit Risk:* Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the government will not be able to recover its deposits. Under state law, the deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal or exceed the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the Sheriff that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Further, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the Sheriff's name. The Sheriff does not have a policy concerning custodial risk.

Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances) at June 30, 2021, are secured as follows:

Bank balances	<u>\$4,618,928</u>
Federal deposit insurance	\$555,619
Pledged securities (uncollateralized)	<u>4,369,169</u>
Total	<u>\$4,924,788</u>

**F. SALES TAX**

The voters of the parish approved the continuance of a ½ of one percent sales and use tax and to levy an additional ½ of one percent sales and use tax for ten (10) years, beginning April 1, 2002. This sales tax was renewed beginning April 1, 2012 for a period of ten (10) years. The proceeds of the sales tax are dedicated for the purpose of providing additional funding for the law enforcement district. The sheriff's office has entered into an agreement with the Lincoln Parish Sales and Use Tax Commission for collection of the tax. For its services, the tax commission receives one and one-eighths per cent (1-1/8%) of gross collections for the year ended June 30, 2021.

## G. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The sheriff maintains a threshold level of \$1000 or more for capitalizing capital assets. Capital assets are recorded in the GWFS, but are not reported in the FFS. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public purposes by the sheriff, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 - 15 years
Equipment	5 - 20 years

## H. VACATION AND SICK LEAVE

All employees are granted from one to two weeks of vacation leave each year, depending on length of service. Vacation leave must be taken in the year granted and may not be accumulated and carried forward to succeeding years. Sick leave is earned at a rate of eight hours per month, and may not be accumulated and carried forward to succeeding years.

## I. RISK MANAGEMENT

The sheriff is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets and errors and omissions. To handle such risk of loss, the sheriff maintains commercial insurance policies covering his automobiles and surety bond coverage. No claims were paid on any of the policies during the past three years which exceeded the policies' coverage amounts. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the year ended June 30, 2021.

## J. PENSION PLANS

The Union Parish Sheriff's Office is a participating employer in a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan as described in Note 6. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of each of the plans, and additions to/deductions for the plan's fiduciary net position have

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been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

## K. EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

*Nonspendable* - represents amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted* - represents balances where constraints have been established by parties outside the Sheriff's office or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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*Committed* - represents balances that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Sheriff's highest level of decision-making authority.

*Assigned* - represents balances that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are not restricted nor committed.

*Unassigned* - represents balances that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

The General Fund has an unassigned fund balance of \$4,340,534. If applicable, the Sheriff would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources and assigned resources as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first and to defer the use of these other classified funds. The Sheriff considers restricted amounts have been spent when an expenditure has been incurred for the purpose for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available.

#### **L. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions are reported as transfers.

#### **M. ELIMINATION AND RECLASSIFICATIONS**

In the process of aggregating data for the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified. Interfund receivables and payables were eliminated to minimize the "grossing up" effect on assets and liabilities within the governmental activities column.

#### **N. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

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

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resources represent an acquisitions of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until that time.

**O. ESTIMATES**

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

**P. TOTAL COLUMN ON THE BALANCE SHEET**

The total column on the balance sheet is captioned Memorandum Only (overview) to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

**2. LEVIED TAXES**

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

Constitutional	5.70 indefinite
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The taxes are normally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the ensuing year. Property taxes are recorded as receivables and revenues in the year assessed. The property tax calendar is as follows:

Assessment date	January 1
Levy date	June 30
Tax bills mailed	October 29
Total taxes due	December 31
Penalties & interest added	January 3 of ensuing year
Tax Sale	June 2 of ensuing year

The assessed value was \$197,527,611 in 2020. Louisiana state law exempts the first \$75,000 of assessed value of a taxpayer's primary residence from parish property tax. In 2020, this homestead exemption was \$2,238,850 of the total assessed value. The following are the principal taxpayers for the parish:

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	2020 Assessed Valuation	% of Total Assessed Valuation
Midcontinent Express Pipeline, LLC	\$14,482,240	7.33%
Foster Poultry Farms	12,511,030	6.33%
Gulf Crossing Pipeline Company	9,120,560	4.62%
Claiborne Electric Cooperative, Inc.	5,496,190	2.78%
Centurytel Service Group, LLC	4,383,979	2.22%
Total	<u>\$45,996,019</u>	<u>23.28%</u>

### 3. RECEIVABLES

The receivables of \$249,426 at June 30, 2021, are as follows:

Class of receivables:	General Fund
Taxes - Ad Valorem Tax	\$982
Taxes - Sales Tax	236,523
Civil and criminal fees	11,221
Other	700
Total	<u>\$249,426</u>

### 4. ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

Certain employees of the Union Parish Sheriff receive supplemental pay from the State. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 24, the Sheriff has recorded revenues and expenditures for these payments in the General Fund. Revenues and expenditures under this arrangement totaled \$154,526 and \$155,686 respectively. Amounts different due to pay dates and receivables and payables.

### 5. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in office furnishings, vehicles, and equipment follows:

Adjusted balance at June 30, 2020	\$6,624,683
Additions	327,492
Deletions	<u>(175,789)</u>
Balance at June 30, 2021	6,776,386
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,874,277)</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$3,902,109</u>



Depreciation expense of \$297,884 was charged to the public safety function

**6. NOTE DISCLOSURES AND REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR A COST-SHARING EMPLOYER**

The Sheriff contributes to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund (Fund) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established in accordance with the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 11:2171 to provide retirement, disability and survivor benefits to employees of the sheriff's offices throughout the State of Louisiana, employees of the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association and the Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund's office. Membership in the Fund is required for all eligible sheriffs and deputies. The Fund issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Fund, which can be obtained at [www.lla.state.la.gov](http://www.lla.state.la.gov).

***Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.***

The Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund prepares its employer schedules in accordance with Governmental Accounting Statement No. 68 - *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*. GASB Statement No. 68 established standards for measuring and recognizing liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and expenses/expenditures. It provides methods and assumptions that should be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. It also provides methods to calculate participating employer's proportionate share of net pension liability, deferred inflows, deferred outflows, pension expense and amortization periods for deferred inflows and deferred outflows.

The Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund's employer schedules were prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Employer contributions, for which the employer allocations are based, are recognized in the period in which the employee is compensated for services performed.

***Plan Fiduciary Net Position.***

Plan fiduciary net position is a significant component of the Fund's collective net pension liability. The Fund's plan fiduciary net position was determined using the accrual basis of accounting. The Fund's assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses were recorded with the use of estimates and assumptions in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements and estimates over the determination of the fair market value of the Fund's investments. Accordingly, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

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***Pension Amount Netting.***

The deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources attributable to differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments recorded in different years are netted to report only a deferred outflow or a deferred inflow on the schedule of pension amounts. The remaining categories of deferred outflows and deferred inflows are not presented on a net basis.

***Plan Description.***

The Fund was established for the purpose of providing retirement benefits for employees of sheriffs' offices throughout the State of Louisiana, employees of Louisiana Sheriffs' Association and the employees of the Fund. 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 Fund in accordance with the benefit terms and any additional legal agreements to provide benefits that are in force at the measurement date.

Substantially all employees of the Union Parish Sheriff's office are members of the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund (Fund), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate board of trustees.

***Plan Benefits***

**Retirement Benefits**

For members who become eligible for membership on or before December 31, 2011: Members with twelve years of creditable service may retire at age fifty-five; members with thirty years of service may retire regardless of age. The retirement allowance is equal to 3.33 percent of their final-average compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service, not to exceed 100% of average final compensation. Active, contributing members with at least ten years of creditable service may retire at age sixty. The accrued normal retirement benefit is reduced actuarially for each month or fraction thereof that retirement begins prior to the member's earliest normal retirement date assuming continuous service.

For a member whose first employment making him eligible for membership in the system began on or after January 1, 2012: Members with twelve years of creditable service may retire at age sixty-two; members with twenty years of service may retire at age sixty; members with thirty years of creditable service may retire at age fifty-five. The benefit accrual rate for such members with less than thirty years of service is three percent; for members with thirty or more years of service; the accrual rate is 3.33 percent. The retirement allowance is equal to the benefit accrual rate times the member's average final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service, not to exceed (after reduction for optional payment form) 100% of average final compensation. Members with twenty or more years of service may retire with a reduced retirement at age fifty.



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

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

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

#### Disability Benefits

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

#### Survivor Benefits

Survivor benefits for death solely as a result of injuries received in the line of duty are based on the following. For a spouse alone, a sum equal to 50% of the members' final average compensation with a minimum of \$150 per month. If a spouse is entitled to benefits and has a child or children under eighteen years of age (or over said age if physically or mentally incapacitated and dependent upon the member at the time of his death), an additional sum of 15% of the member's final average compensation is paid to each child with total benefits paid to spouse and children to exceed 100%. If a member dies with no surviving spouse, surviving children under age eighteen will receive monthly benefits of 15% of the member's final average compensation up to a maximum of 60% of final average compensation if there are more than four children. If a member is eligible for normal retirement at the time of death, the surviving spouse receives an automatic option 2 benefit. The additional benefit payable to children shall be the same as those available for members who die in the line of duty. In lieu of receiving option 2 benefit, the surviving spouse may receive a refund of the member's accumulated contributions. All

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benefits payable to surviving children shall be extended through age twenty-three, if the child is a full time student in good standing enrolled at a board approved or accredited school, college, or university.

Deferred Benefits:

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

Back Deferred Retirement Option Plan (Back-DROP)

In lieu of receiving a service retirement allowance, any member of the Fund who has more than sufficient service for a regular service retirement may elect to receive a "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 his actual date of retirement. For those individuals with thirty or more years, the Back-DROP period is the lesser of four years or service accrued between the time a member first becomes eligible for retirement and his actual date of retirement. 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 the 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 the Back-DROP period. In addition, the member's Back-DROP account will be credited with employee contributions received by the retirement fund during the Back-DROP period. Participants have the option to opt out of this program and take a distribution, if eligible or to rollover the assets to another qualified plan.

According to state statute, contribution requirements for all employers are actuarially determined each fiscal year. For the year ending June 30, 2021, the actual employer contribution rate was 12.25%.

In accordance with state statute, the Fund also receives ad valorem taxes, insurance premium taxes, and state revenue sharing funds. These additional sources of income are used as employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities, but are not considered special funding situations. Non-employer contribution revenue for the year ended June 30, 2020 was \$116,232.

The Sheriff's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2020 was 12.25% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. The Union Parish Sheriff's contributions to the Fund for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$240,974 and \$235,017, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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

For the years ending June 30, 2021 and 2020, the Sheriff reported a liability of \$1,798,642 and \$1,277,852, respectively, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, respectively, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Sheriffs' proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Sheriffs' long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating sheriffs', actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the Sheriffs' proportion was .2599 percent, which was a decrease of .0103 from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Sheriff recognized pension expense of \$440,374. At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience		\$210,225
Changes in assumptions	\$442,089	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan	432,742	
Changes in employer's proportion of beginning NPL		161,513
Differences between employer and proportionate share of contributions	44	645
Sheriff contributions subsequent to the measurement date	240,974	
Total	\$1,115,849	\$372,383

\$240,974 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Union Parish Sheriffs' contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2021	\$43,976
2022	136,975
2023	166,397
2024	139,203
2025	15,942
Total	\$502,493

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**Actuarial assumptions.** The total pension liability in the June 30, 2020 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2020
Actuarial cost Method	Entry Age Normal Method
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of investment expense
Discount Rate	7.00%
Projected salary increases	5.0% (2.50% inflation, 2.50% merit)
Mortality rates	<p>Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Employees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for active members, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.</p> <p>Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Healthy Retirees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for annuitants and beneficiaries, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.</p> <p>Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Disabled Retirees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for active members, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.</p>
Expected remaining service lives	2020 - 6 years, 2019 - 6 years, 2018 - 6 years, 2017 - 7 years, 2016 - 7 years, 2015 - 6 years
Cost of Living Adjustments	The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the Fund and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

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

The discounted rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.10%. 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 and non-employer



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contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the Fund's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the Fund'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.

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

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

***Sensitivity of the Sheriffs' proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.*** The following presents the net pension liability of the participating employers calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the employers' net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower, or one percentage point higher than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Sheriffs' proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$3,266,958	\$1,798,642	\$574,138

## 7. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

***Plan Description.*** The Union Parish Sheriff's Office (the Sheriff) provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The Union Parish Sheriff's OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the Sheriff. The authority to establish

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and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with the Sheriff. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

*Benefits Provided* - Medical, dental and life insurance benefits are provided to employees upon actual retirement. The employer pays 100% of the medical and dental coverage for the retiree only (not dependents). Employees are covered by a retirement system whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age, or age 55 and 12 years of service. For employees hired on or after January 1, 2012, retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at age 55 or, age 62 and 12 years of service or, age 60 and 20 years of service.

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

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

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	14
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	0
Active employees	46
Total employees	<u>60</u>

### **Total OPEB Liability**

The Sheriff's total OPEB liability of \$4,661,218 was measured as of June 30, 2021 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

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

Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	3.0%, including inflation
Prior Discount rate	2.21%
Discount rate	2.16%
Healthcare cost trend rates	5.5% annually until year 2030, then 4.5%
Mortality	SOA RP-2014 Table

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

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

**Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

Balance at June 30, 2020	\$4,236,459
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	68,696
Interest	94,385
Differences between expected and actual experience	306,255
Changes of assumptions	37,130
Benefit payments and net transfers	(81,707)
Net Changes	424,759
Balance at June 30, 2021	<u>\$4,661,218</u>

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate* - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Sheriff, as well as what the Sheriff's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (1.16%) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.16%) than the current discount rate:

	1.0% Decrease (1.16%)	Current Discount Rate (2.16%)	1.0% Increase (3.16%)
Total OPEB liability	\$5,585,529	\$4,661,218	\$3,939,007

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

	1.0% Decrease (4.5%)	Current Discount Rate (5.5%)	1.0% Increase (6.5%)
Total OPEB liability	\$3,963,653	\$4,661,218	\$5,542,267

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

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Sheriff recognized OPEB expense of \$376,752. At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

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	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual expenditures	\$1,127,675	(\$28,531)
Changes in assumptions	987,923	
Total	<u>\$2,115,598</u>	<u>(\$28,531)</u>

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

Year ended June 30:	
2022	\$213,672
2023	213,672
2024	213,672
2025	213,672
2026	213,672
Thereafter	\$1,018,708

## 8. LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS

At June 30, 2021, the sheriff has an outstanding issue of federal long-term revenue bonds. In 2011 the sheriff sold a revenue bond to the United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Home Administration. The issue dated July 22, 2011 was for \$600,000. The issue bears interest at 4.125 per cent per annum. Principal and interest are to be repaid in annual payments of \$31,200 through July 22, 2051. All long-term debt is to be repaid from the revenues derived from the operation of the civil and criminal divisions of the sheriffs office.

The following is a summary of long-term obligation transactions for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Revenue Bonds	Compensated Absences	Total
Long-term obligations, June 30, 2020	\$548,924	\$66,930	\$615,854
Additions		49,375	49,375
Deletions	(8,559)	(42,666)	(51,225)
Adjustments		3,390	3,390
Long-term obligations, June 30, 2021	<u>\$540,365</u>	<u>\$77,029</u>	<u>\$617,394</u>

Revenue bonds payable at June 30, 2021, are comprised of the following individual issues:



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\$600,000 - dated July 22, 2011. The principal is due in annual installments of \$31,200 July 22, 2051, with interest of 4.125 per cent. Debt retirement payments are made from the Sheriff's General Fund.

\$540,365

The annual requirements to amortize the revenue bonds outstanding at June 30, 2021 are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2021	\$8,913	\$22,287	\$31,200
2022	9,280	21,920	31,200
2023	9,663	21,537	31,200
2024	10,062	21,138	31,200
2025	10,477	20,723	31,200
2026-2030	59,233	96,767	156,000
2031-2035	72,500	83,500	156,000
2036-2040	88,739	67,261	156,000
2041-2045	108,615	47,385	156,000
2046-2050	132,943	23,057	156,000
2051	29,940	1,260	31,200
Total	<u>\$540,365</u>	<u>\$426,835</u>	<u>\$967,200</u>

## 9. DUE FROM/TO OTHER FUNDS

Individual balances due from/to other funds at June 30, 2021, are as follows:

	<u>Due From</u>	<u>Due To</u>
General Fund	\$1,302	
Agency Funds:		
Civil Fund		\$236
Criminal Fund		1,066
Total	<u>\$1,302</u>	<u>\$1,302</u>

## 10. TAX COLLECTOR ENDING CASH BALANCE

At June 30, 2021, the tax collector has cash and equivalents (book balances) totaling \$73,373 as follows:

Ad valorem taxes	\$10,569
Protest taxes	19,520
Interest on tax account	3

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Interest on delinquent taxes	\$1,495
Interest on protest taxes	3,047
Redemptions	17,546
Costs	21,227
Due from general fund	<u>(34)</u>
Total	<u><u>\$73,373</u></u>

**11. AD VALOREM TAXES COLLECTED**

The tax collector has collected and disbursed the following taxes for the year ended June 30, 2021, by taxing body as follows:

Louisiana Forestry Service	\$33,960
Louisiana Tax Commission	18,175
Union Parish Assessor	772,178
Union Parish Police Jury	2,859,438
Union Parish School Board	5,637,273
Union Parish Sheriff	885,604
East Union Hospital	696,039
Tri Ward Hospital	263,768
Ward 5 Fire District	317,176
Spencer-West Sterlington	15,120
District 7 Fire District	120,446
District 1 Fire District	317,045
Northeast Union Fire District	70,620
North Union Fire District	37,207
Bernice Fire District	87,452
Spearsville Fire District	57,820
Sadie-Tiger Bend Fire District	<u>38,259</u>
Total	<u><u>\$12,227,580</u></u>

**12. TAX UNCOLLECTED AND UNSETTLED**

The tax collector has not collected and disbursed the following taxes for the year ended June 30, 2021, by taxing body as follows:

Louisiana Forestry Service	\$4
Union Parish Assessor	10,128
Union Parish Police Jury	45,217
Union Parish School Board	76,520
Union Parish Sheriff	11,615
East Union Hospital	10,870

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Tri Ward Hospital	\$875
Ward 5 Fire District	427
Spencer/West Sterlington	360
District 7 Fire District	4,801
District 1 Fire District	1,511
Northeast Union Fire District	7,615
North Union Fire District	93
Bernice Fire District	124
Spearsville Fire District	563
Sadie-Tiger Fire District	770
Total	<u>\$171,493</u>

The majority of uncollected taxes consist of gas and oil wells and moveable property. The Sheriff has hired an outside firm to collect outstanding taxes. There are also several assessments that have been determined to be 'no property found', but the assessor has not removed it from the tax roll.

**13. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS**

At June 30, 2021, the Union Parish Sheriff is involved in several lawsuits. In the opinion of the sheriff's legal counsel, the outcome will not materially affect the financial statements.

**14. EXPENDITURES OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
PAID BY THE PARISH POLICE JURY**

The Union Parish Sheriff's office is located in a building outside of the courthouse. The cost of maintaining and operating the sheriff's office is paid by the Union Parish Sheriff's office. The Union Parish Police Jury donated the land for the site of the sheriff's office.

**15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through July 21, 2021, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and it has been determined that one significant event requires disclosure. The COVID-19 outbreak in the United States and Louisiana has caused business disruption through mandated and voluntary closings of businesses. While the disruption is currently expected to be temporary, there is considerable uncertainty around the duration of the closings and whether those closings will precipitate a wider economic recession. As a result, the related financial impact on the Union Parish Sheriff and the duration cannot be estimated at this time.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**PART II**

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	ORIGINAL/FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Taxes:			
Ad valorem	\$855,000	\$893,410	\$38,410
Sales	2,350,000	2,831,252	481,252
Intergovernmental revenues:			
Federal grants - federal revenue		1,088,795	1,088,795
State grants:			
State supplemental pay	160,000	154,526	(5,474)
State revenue sharing (net)	100,695	102,229	1,534
Other state grants	8,720	1,709	(7,011)
Local grant	64,000	63,033	(967)
Fees, charges, and commissions for services:			
Civil and criminal fees	143,000	112,608	(30,392)
Commissions on licenses and taxes	500	71,439	70,939
Court attendance	2,000	7,805	5,805
Transportation of prisoners	10,000	14,917	4,917
Asset forfeiture		9,279	9,279
Bond fees	16,000	17,267	1,267
Accident reports	14,000	8,355	(5,645)
Other fees	1,000		(1,000)
Use of money and property	1,000	10,261	9,261
Other revenue	10,000	34,712	24,712
Total revenues	<u>3,735,915</u>	<u>5,421,597</u>	<u>1,685,682</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Public safety:			
Current:			
Personal services and benefits	3,130,650	2,857,705	272,945
Operating services	646,500	507,971	138,529
Materials and supplies	273,200	195,865	77,335
Travel and other charges	45,905	39,761	6,144
Debt service	31,200	31,200	
Capital outlay	361,500	327,492	34,008
Total expenditures	<u>4,488,955</u>	<u>3,959,994</u>	<u>528,961</u>
<b>EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>(753,040)</u>	<u>1,461,603</u>	<u>2,214,643</u>

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 GENERAL FUND

	ORIGINAL/FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES-</b>			
Proceeds from disposal of assets	\$25,000	\$24,220	(\$780)
Proceeds from insurance	15,000		(15,000)
Total financing sources	<u>40,000</u>	<u>24,220</u>	<u>(15,780)</u>
<b>EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	(713,040)	1,485,823	2,198,863
<b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>2,598,802</u>	<u>2,854,711</u>	<u>255,909</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$1,885,762</u>	<u>\$4,340,534</u>	<u>\$2,454,772</u>

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See independent auditor's report and the related notes to the financial statements.

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NOTE TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
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A proposed budget, prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, is published in the official journal at least ten days prior to the public hearing. A public hearing is held at the Union Parish Sheriff's office during the month of June for comments from taxpayers. The budget is then legally adopted by the sheriff and amended during the year, as necessary. The budget is established and controlled by the sheriff at the object level of expenditure. Appropriations lapse at year-end and must be reappropriated for the following year to be expended.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budgeted amounts included in the accompanying budgetary comparison schedule include the original adopted budget amounts. There were no budget amendments for the current audit period.



Union Parish Sheriff  
Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios  
FYE June 30, 2021

<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Service cost	\$69,653	\$34,057	\$50,807	\$68,696
Interest	77,967	76,754	92,118	94,385
Changes of benefits terms	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
Differences between expected and actual experience	(33,493)	489,612	523,659	306,255
Changes of assumptions	NONE	137,789	1,040,770	37,130
Benefit payments	(92,837)	(97,943)	(77,447)	(81,707)
Net change in total OPEB liability	21,290	640,269	1,629,907	424,759
Total OPEB liability - beginning	1,944,993	1,966,283	2,606,552	4,236,459
Total OPEB liability - ending	<u>\$1,966,283</u>	<u>\$2,606,552</u>	<u>\$4,236,459</u>	<u>\$4,661,218</u>
Covered employee payroll	\$989,684	\$1,019,375	\$1,604,537	\$1,652,673
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	198.68%	255.70%	264.03%	282.04%
<i>Benefit Changes</i>	None	None	None	None
<i>Changes in Assumptions:</i>				
<i>Discount Rate:</i>	3.87%	3.50%	2.21%	2.16%
<i>Mortality:</i>	RP-2000	RP-2000	RP-2014	RP-2014
<i>Trend:</i>	5.50%	5.50%	Variable	Variable

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See independent auditor's report and the related notes to the financial statements.

**Union Parish Sheriff**  
**Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability**  
**June 30, 2021**

Fiscal Year *	Employer Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer 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 Employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2014	0.304057%	\$1,204,067	\$2,120,709	56.78%	87.34%
2015	0.331117%	\$1,475,960	\$2,204,600	66.95%	86.61%
2016	0.313717%	\$1,991,129	\$2,142,581	92.93%	82.09%
2017	0.294745%	\$1,276,327	\$2,040,628	62.55%	88.49%
2018	0.285070%	\$1,093,143	\$1,962,804	55.69%	90.41%
2019	0.270146%	\$1,277,852	\$1,890,011	67.61%	88.91%
2020	0.259876%	\$1,798,642	\$1,918,509	93.75%	84.76%

\* Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (previous fiscal year end).

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**Union Parish Sheriff**  
**Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension**  
**June 30, 2021**

Fiscal Year *	Contractually Required Contribution	Contributions in Relations to Contractual Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Employer's Covered Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2014	\$294,556	\$294,556	\$0	\$2,120,709	13.89%
2015	\$314,156	\$314,156	\$0	\$2,204,600	14.25%
2016	\$294,605	\$294,605	\$0	\$2,142,581	13.75%
2017	\$270,383	\$270,383	\$0	\$2,040,628	13.25%
2018	\$250,257	\$250,257	\$0	\$1,962,804	12.75%
2019	\$231,526	\$231,526	\$0	\$1,890,011	12.25%
2020	\$235,017	\$235,017	\$0	\$1,918,509	12.25%

\* Amounts presented were determined as of the end of the fiscal year.

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STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF UNION

**AFFIDAVIT  
DUSTY J. GATES, SHERIFF OF UNION PARISH**

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared, DUSTY J. GATES, SHERIFF OF UNION PARISH, State of Louisiana, who after being duly sworn, deposed and said:

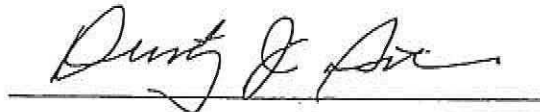
The following information is true and correct:

\$73,373 is the amount of cash on hand in the tax collector account on June, 30, 2021.

He further deposed and said:

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

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dusty J. Gates", written over a horizontal line.

DUSTY J. GATES, SHERIFF  
SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR

SWORN to and subscribed before me, Notary, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2021, in my office in Farmerville, Louisiana.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marla Calton", written over a horizontal line.

MARLA CALTON, NOTARY PUBLIC #157684  
UNION PARISH, LOUISIANA

**OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**PART III**

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

DUSTY GATES, SHERIFF

<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Salary	\$159,749
Expense Allowance	17,676
Benefits-insurance	10,812
Benefits-retirement	21,735
Benefits-other	2,628
Cellphone	674
Registration fees	100
Housing and lodging	340
Membership dues - other	135
Membership dues-Sheriffs Association	13,347

See independent auditor's report.

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana  
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

**NON MAJOR FUNDS**

**STATE CONSTRUCTION FUND**

The State Construction Fund was used for the cost of construction of the law enforcement building with proceeds from Facilities Planning and Control grants.

**USDA CONTINGENCY RESERVE FUND**

The USDA Contingency Reserve Fund may be used for unusual or extraordinary maintenance, repairs, replacements, and extensions and for the cost of improvements to the building.

**USDA DEBT SERVICE FUND**

This fund is used to pay bond principal and interest as they become due.



UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana  
GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - NON MAJOR FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet, June 30, 2021

	State Construction Fund	USDA Contingency Reserve	USDA Debt Service Fund	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash	\$7,599	\$35,302	\$35,299	\$78,200
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$7,599</u>	<u>\$35,302</u>	<u>\$35,299</u>	<u>\$78,200</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>				
Fund Balance - Restricted	\$7,599	\$35,302	\$35,299	\$78,200
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<u>\$7,599</u>	<u>\$35,302</u>	<u>\$35,299</u>	<u>\$78,200</u>

See independent auditor's report.

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana  
GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - NON MAJOR FUNDS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	State Construction Fund	USDA Contingency Reserve	USDA Debt Service Fund	TOTAL
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Use of money and property	NONE	\$19	\$19	\$38
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Operating services	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	NONE	19	19	38
<b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	\$7,599	35,283	35,280	78,162
<b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR</b>	\$7,599	\$35,302	\$35,299	\$78,200

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UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana  
JUSTICE SYSTEM FUNDING SCHEDULE - RECEIVING ENTITY  
GENERAL FUND  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

CASH BASIS PRESENTATION	First Six Month Period Ended 12/30/2020	Second Six Month Period Ended 6/30/2021
<b>Receipts From:</b>		
Union Parish Police Jury - Court Costs/Fees	\$4,039	\$3,766
Union Parish District Attorney - Asset Forfeiture	7,838	1,441
<b>Subtotal Receipts</b>	<u>\$11,877</u>	<u>\$5,207</u>
<b>Total: Ending Balance of Amounts collected but not Received</b>	<u>NONE</u>	<u>NONE</u>

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UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana  
JUSTICE SYSTEM FUNDING SCHEDULE - COLLECTING/DISBURSING ENTITY  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

CASH BASIS PRESENTATION	First Six Month Period Ended 12/30/2020	Second Six Month Period Ended 6/30/2021
<b>Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected</b>	<b>\$205,470</b>	<b>\$209,075</b>
<b>Add: Collections</b>		
Civil Fees	40,664	40,803
Bond Fees	102,525	159,326
Asset Forfeiture/Sale	46,428	287,621
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	88,426	104,298
Criminal Fines Other	80,397	129,862
Restitution	3,010	6,173
Service/Collection Fees	30,202	44,331
Interest Earnings on Collected Balances	73	68
<b>Subtotal Collections</b>	<b>391,725</b>	<b>772,482</b>
<b>Less: Disbursements To Governments &amp; Nonprofits</b>		
Union Parish Tax Collector, Asset Forfeiture/Sale	76	10,216
Union Parish Clerk of Court, Asset Forfeiture/Sale	4,690	4,970
Union Parish Clerk of Court, Bond Fees	844	14,659
Union Parish Clerk of Court, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	14,790	1,010
Union Parish Police Jury, Criminal Fines Other	57,387	86,478
Union Parish Police Jury, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	9,200	9,099
Town of Farmerville, Asset Forfeiture/Sale	NONE	1,618
Town of Farmerville, Criminal Fines Other	1,201	1,618
Town of Farmerville, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	350	471
Third Judicial District Indigent Defender Board, Bond Fees	17,415	17,367
Third Judicial District Indigent Defender Board, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	18,423	18,139
Third Judicial District Attorney, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	7,859	7,647
Third Judicial District Attorney, Criminal Fines Other	18,303	24,999
Third Judicial District Attorney, Bond Fees	19,525	19,572
Third Judicial District Court Fund, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	11,427	11,784
Third Judicial District Court Fund, Bond Fees	16,571	16,485
North Louisiana Crime Lab, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	21,412	22,324
Louisiana Commission On Law Enforcement, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	4,281	4,704
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	1,412	340
Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	800	1,025
Treasurer-State of Louisiana, CMIS, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	1,165	1,222
Union Parish Crime Stoppers, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	986	981
Louisiana Rehabilitation Services, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	958	1,380
Louisiana Supreme Court, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	180	194
Caddo Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	65	170
East Baton Rouge Sheriff, Civil Fees	510	747
Jefferson Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	60	NONE
Lincoln Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	9	338
Louisiana Department of Justice, Civil Fees	536	326

Union Parish Sheriff  
Justice System Funding Schedule -  
Collecting/Disbursing  
FYE June 30, 2021

Orleans Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	\$120	\$60
Ouachita Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	520	379
Richland Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	30	NONE
Grayson County Sheriff, Civil Fees	NONE	170
Pulaski County Sheriff, Civil Fees	NONE	50
Morehouse Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	NONE	43
Jackson Parish Clerk of Court, Civil Fees	NONE	165
Jackson Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	NONE	61
Grant County Sheriff, Civil Fees	NONE	99
<b>Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency</b>		
Union Parish Sheriff, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	7,505	6,909
Union Parish Sheriff, Criminal Fines Other	9,863	13,710
Union Parish Sheriff, Bond Fees	23,745	23,982
Union Parish Sheriff, Civil Fees	3,636	5,826
Union Parish Sheriff, Asset Forfeiture/Sale	20,444	25,180
Union Parish Sheriff, Service/Collection Fees	11,966	11,368
<b>Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies</b>		
Civil Fee Refunds	645	5,079
Bond Fee Refunds	800	4,750
Restitution Payments to Individuals	54,430	273,102
Other Disbursements to Individuals	5,191	7,618
Payments to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Collection/Processing Agencies	18,790	35,861
<b>Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage</b>	<b>388,120</b>	<b>694,295</b>
<b>Total: Ending Balance of Amounts collected but not Disbursed/Retained</b>	<b>\$209,075</b>	<b>\$287,262</b>

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UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana  
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

<u>FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM NAME</u>	<u>CFDA NUMBER</u>	<u>PASS-THROUGH GRANT NUMBER</u>	<u>FEDERAL EXPENDITURES</u>
<b>United States Department of Justice</b>			
Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738	Street Sales Disruption	\$7,991
Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Discretionary Funds	16.751	CESF 2020 Emergency	10,320
Victims of Crime (VOCA)	16.575	Domestic Violence	<u>38,748</u>
Total United States Department of Justice			<u>57,059</u>
<b>United States Department of The Treasury</b>			
Coronavirus Relief Fund	20.019	CARES ACT	<u>1,031,736</u>
Total United States Department of The Treasury			<u>1,031,736</u>
Total Federal Financial Assistance			<u>\$1,088,795</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

**Union Parish Sheriff**  
**Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

**NOTE 1 - GENERAL** The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal awards programs of the Union Parish Sheriff, Farmerville, Louisiana. The Union Parish Sheriff (the "Sheriff") reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the Sheriff's financial statements. Federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, is included on the schedule. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of operations of the Sheriff, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the Sheriff.

**NOTE 2 - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING** The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Sheriff's financial statements. Such expenses are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expense are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

**NOTE 3 - RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Federal awards revenues are reported in the Sheriff's fund financial statements as follows:

Major Fund

General Fund

\$1,088,796

**NOTE 4 - RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS** Amounts reported in the accompanying schedule agree with the amounts reported in the related federal financial reports except for changes made to reflect amounts in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**NOTE 5 - FEDERAL AWARDS** For those funds that have matching revenues and state funding, federal expenditures were determined by deducting matching revenues from total expenditures. Federal awards do not include the Sheriff's operating income from rents or investment (or other non-federal source). In addition, the entire amount of operating subsidy received during the fiscal year is considered to be "expended during the fiscal year."

**NOTE 6 - INDIRECT COST RATE** The Sheriff has elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance, when applicable. No indirect costs were reported for 2021.



**REPORTS REQUIRED BY  
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS  
PART IV**

**Independent Auditors Report on Internal Control Over Financial  
Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters  
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed  
in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards***

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana

I have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, the fiduciary funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Union Parish Sheriff, a component unit of the Union Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Union Parish Sheriff's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated July 21, 2021.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

*A deficiency in internal control* exist 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.

My 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 my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

UNION PARISH SHERIFF

Farmerville, Louisiana

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance

And Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, etc.

June 30, 2021

**Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Union Parish Sheriff's financial statements are free from material misstatement, I 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 my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

**Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Union Parish Sheriff'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 Union Parish Sheriff's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.



West Monroe, Louisiana

July 21, 2021

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**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on  
Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

**Independent Auditor's Report**

Sheriff Dusty Gates  
Union Parish Sheriff  
Farmerville, Louisiana

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

I have audited Union Parish Sheriff's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Sheriff's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Sheriff's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

***Management's Responsibility***

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

***Auditor's Responsibility***

My responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Sheriff's major federal program based on my audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the uniform Guidance require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Sheriff's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

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



UNION PARISH SHERIFF

Farmerville, Louisiana

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance  
for Each Major Federal Program; Report on  
Internal Control Over Financial Reporting  
Required by the Uniform Guidance  
June 30, 2021

***Report on Internal Control Over Compliance***

Management of the Sheriff is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing my audit of compliance, I considered the Sheriff's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control over compliance.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is 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.

My consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I consider to be a material weakness. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of my 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. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Office of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.



West Monroe, LA  
July 21, 2021

UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

**A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS**

**Financial Statement Audit**

1. The type of audit report issued was an unmodified opinion on the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remain fund information.
2. There were no material weaknesses required to be disclosed by *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America.
3. No instances of non compliance material to the financial statements of Union Parish Sheriff, which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, were disclosed during the audit.

**Audit of Federal Awards**

4. There were no material weaknesses required to be disclosed by the *Uniform Guidance* (2CFR 200).
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award program for Union Parish Sheriff expresses an unmodified opinion on all major federal programs.
6. No audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with 2CFR section 200.516(a) were disclosed.
7. The program tested as a major program was: Coronavirus Relief Fund, 20.019.
8. The threshold used for distinguishing between Type A and B programs was \$750,000.
9. Union Parish Sheriff was determined not to be a low-risk auditee.

**B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT**

No findings are reported.

**C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS-MAJOR FEDERAL  
AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT**

No findings are reported.

**UNION PARISH SHERIFF  
Farmerville, Louisiana**

**Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

There were no audit findings reported in the audit for the year ended June 30, 2020.