

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022
WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**Board of Fire Commissioners
District No. 2, Township of Jackson
County of Ocean
Jackson, New Jersey 08527**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate that raise substantial doubt about Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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Required Supplementary Information

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 9, 2023, on our consideration of the Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey'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 Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Toms River, New Jersey

November 9, 2023

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

**Board of Fire Commissioners
Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson
Jackson, New Jersey 08527**

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 9, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's internal control.

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

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

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Toms River, New Jersey
November 9, 2023

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022
(Unaudited)**

As management of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson (hereafter referred to as the "Fire District") we offer readers of the Fire District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2022. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Fire District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the information furnished in the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance, their understanding of the Fire District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

- The net position of the fire district which represents the difference between assets and liabilities was \$2,004,581. This represents an increase of \$67,819 from 2021.
- The amount raised by taxation was \$2,147,647 or 80.68% of all revenues.
- Total expenditures were \$2,593,995 as compared to \$2,298,693 in 2021; an increase of \$295,302 or 12.85%. The most significant increases were maintenance and repairs - building, \$104,299, depreciation, \$41,248 and book value of disposed assets, \$94,289.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson's basic financial statements is comprised of three components: district-wide financial statements; fund financial statements; and notes to the basic financial statements.

Reporting on the District as a Whole

Our analysis of the District as a whole begins on page -12. - District-wide financial statements are provided to give the reader a broad overview of the District's financial position and its financial activity for the year. It is presented in a format similar to the private sector to give the reader a familiar point of reference.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the assets and liabilities of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson, The difference between the two is reported as the District's Net Position. Significant increases or decreases in the District's Net Position can be an indication of the financial health of the District.

The Statement of Activities presents financial information about activities that result in the District's Net Position increasing or decreasing during the year. Financial activities are recorded when the transactions occur rather than when the cash is received or paid out. As a result, there could be activities that result in cash flow in a future period.

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
(Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Reporting on the District as a Whole (Continued)

The district-wide financial statements report on the financial data by function. Fire District No.2, Township of Jackson provides firefighting services to the citizens of Jackson Township.

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. Like other state and local governments, Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson uses fund accounting to document compliance with finance-related legal matters. Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson has three types of fund groups, and that is the general fund, capital projects fund and debt service fund.

Governmental Funds

Fire District No. 2 of the Township of Jackson's activities are all reported in governmental funds. These funds record the flow of cash in and out of the District during the period and the balances remaining at year end for future periods. The modified accrual basis of accounting is utilized for reporting purposes. This method of accounting measures cash and all other financial assets that can be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services that it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's services.

The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation at the bottom of the fund financial statements.

As required by N.J.S.A. 40A:14:78-3, Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson adopts an annual budget which is voted on by the legal voters of the district on the third Saturday in February. Budgetary comparison schedules have been prepared to document compliance with budgetary requirements.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the financial statements.

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
(Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson's Net Position is a useful indicator of the District's financial condition. At the end of 2022, the District's assets exceeded the liabilities by approximately \$2.005 million. A significant portion of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson's Net Position is its investment in capital assets. The District uses these assets to provide fire-fighting services to the community; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

Statement of Net Position:

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2 TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2022				
	2022	2021	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 6,583,249	\$ 6,804,227	\$ (220,978)	-3.25%
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	(4,578,668)	(4,867,465)	(288,797)	-5.93%
Net position	\$ 2,004,581	\$ 1,936,762	\$ 67,819	3.50%
Analysis of net position				
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 1,750,132	\$ 1,878,139	\$ (128,007)	-6.82%
Restricted for:				
Capital projects	1,026,795	826,795	200,000	24.19%
Unrestricted	(772,346)	(768,172)	(4,174)	0.54%
Total net position	\$ 2,004,581	\$ 1,936,762	\$ 67,819	3.50%

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
(Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Governmental Activities

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of the governmental activities and general revenues. A summary of these activities follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>\$ Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>% Increase (Decrease)</u>
Expenses				
Administrative expenses	\$ 209,923	\$ 225,641	\$ (15,718)	-6.97%
Cost of operations and maintenance	1,892,562	1,641,962	250,600	15.26%
Operating appropriations offset with revenues	170,306	123,715	46,591	37.66%
Interest expense	19,008	13,687	5,321	38.88%
Length of Service Award Program Contribution	32,912	34,276	(1,364)	-3.98%
Special funding situation - OPEB - State of NJ	269,284	259,412	9,872	3.81%
Total program expenses	<u>2,593,995</u>	<u>2,298,693</u>	<u>295,302</u>	12.85%
General revenues				
Property taxes levied for:				
General purposes	1,734,462	1,748,564	(14,102)	-0.81%
Capital projects	200,000	200,000	-	0.00%
Debt service	213,185	86,684	126,501	145.93%
Total property taxes levied	<u>2,147,647</u>	<u>2,035,248</u>	<u>112,399</u>	5.52%
Charges for services	152,067	117,784	34,283	29.11%
Other revenue	92,816	73,217	19,599	26.77%
Special funding situation - OPEB - State of NJ	269,284	259,412	9,872	3.81%
Total general revenues	<u>2,661,814</u>	<u>2,485,661</u>	<u>176,153</u>	7.09%
Increase (decrease) in net position	67,819	186,968	(119,149)	63.73%
Net position, January 1	1,936,762	1,749,794	186,968	10.69%
Net position, December 31	<u>\$ 2,004,581</u>	<u>\$ 1,936,762</u>	<u>\$ 67,819</u>	3.50%

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
(Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT FUNDS

Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson uses fund accounting to document compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Government Fund

The primary objective of the District's governmental funds is to report on cash flows in and out during the period and the ending balances of the spendable resources. This information is useful to evaluate the performance of the district and to assess its future needs and available resources.

As of December 31, 2022, the combined balance of the governmental cash and cash equivalents of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson was approximately \$2.667 million. This balance is approximately \$48,000 less than last year's combined governmental funds balance.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT FUNDS (Continued)

The combined fund balance of the governmental funds of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson was a surplus of approximately \$2.782 million. Amounts of approximately \$1,027,000 is restricted for capital projects, approximately \$513,000 is restricted for investment in length of service award program, approximately \$39,000 is assigned - other, approximately \$250,000 is assigned - designated for subsequent year's expenditures and approximately \$953,000 is unassigned.

The general fund is the main operating fund of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson. At the end of 2022, the total fund balance of the general fund was approximately \$1.755 million.

During 2022, the general fund balance surplus of Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson decreased by approximately \$239,000. The primary reason for this decrease is due to the excess of revenues over expenditures.

At the end of 2022, the District has a capital projects fund balance of approximately \$1,027,000. This was an increase of approximately \$200,000 from the previous year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The original budget projected a deficit of \$403,300. The District had an excess of revenues over expenditures of approximately \$61,000 in 2022.

Administrative expenses were approximately \$98,000 less than budgeted in 2022.

Cost of operations and maintenance were approximately \$110,000 less than originally budgeted in 2022.

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
(Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

As of December 31, 2022, Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson had invested in capital assets for government activities of approximately \$2,564,000 (net of accumulated depreciation). Capital assets consist of land, buildings and leasehold improvements, fire apparatus, vehicles and fire equipment. Additions for 2022 a security system at 785 Miller Rd, \$32,094, a security systyem at 10 Toms River Rd, \$29,903 and a security system at 81 Whitesville Rd, \$25,241 and SCBA, \$17,413. The District also disposed of a 2006 Spartan Pumper, \$260,703, a 1986 GMC brush truck, \$64,995 and a 2011 GMC Yukon, \$37,671.

CAPITAL ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2022			
	2022	2021	\$ Increase (Decrease)
Capital assets			
Land	\$ 165,000	\$ 165,000	\$ -
Buildings and leasehold improvements	2,340,546	2,253,308	87,238
Fire apparatus	4,145,957	4,509,326	(363,369)
Vehicles and fire equipment	1,029,938	1,012,525	17,413
Total capital assets	7,681,441	7,940,159	(258,718)
Accumulated depreciation	(5,117,428)	(5,053,962)	63,466
Total capital assets, net	\$ 2,564,013	\$ 2,886,197	\$ (322,184)

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEARS BUDGET

In 2022, Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson was able to fund its appropriations through the fire tax levy and other revenues. The 2022 budget projected a deficit of \$403,300 but it finished the year with an excess of \$61,227.

Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson adopted the 2023 budget on January 12, 2023. The 2023 budget reflects a 11.5% increase in the tax levy compared to 2022. The proposed budget reflects an increase in the tax rate for 2023 of \$.010. The proposed tax rate per \$100 of assessed value will be \$.113.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

The District financial report is designed to provide users of the financial statements with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. The financial statements of the District are a matter of public record.

If you have any questions about this report or need additional information please contact The Board Clerk at 81 South Hope Chapel Road, Jackson New Jersey 08527.

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2022

	2022
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,667,370
Accounts receivable	6,978
Prepaid expenses	74,729
Capital assets, net	2,564,013
Right of use asset	8,385
Contribution receivable - length of service award program	32,912
Cash and investments - length of service award program	480,577
Total assets	5,834,964
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred outflows - PERS	24,444
Deferred outflows - PFRS	723,841
Total deferred outflows of resources	748,285
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	6,583,249
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities	
Capital lease obligation payable	197,812
Lease liability	1,733
Due to fire companies	27,213
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	453,563
Total current liabilities	680,321
Noncurrent liabilities	
Capital lease obligation payable	616,069
Lease liability	6,652
Net pension liability - PERS	243,727
Net pension liability - PFRS	1,852,605
Net assets available for program benefits - length of service award program	513,489
Total noncurrent liabilities	3,232,542
Total liabilities	3,912,863
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflows - PERS	166,969
Deferred inflows - PFRS	404,786
Deferred inflows - other	94,050
Total deferred inflows of resources	665,805
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	4,578,668
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	1,750,132
Restricted for capital projects	1,026,795
Unrestricted	(772,346)
Total net position	\$ 2,004,581

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON**

**STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	2022
Expenses:	
Operating appropriations:	
Administration	\$ 209,923
Cost of operations and maintenance	1,892,562
Operating appropriations offset with revenues	170,306
Interest expense	19,008
Length of service award program (LOSAP) - Contribution P.L. 1997, c.388)	32,912
Special funding situation - OPEB - State of NJ	269,284
Total program expenses	2,593,995
 General revenues:	
Amount raised by taxation	2,147,647
Charges for services	152,067
Interest on investments and deposits	839
Operating grant revenues	4,438
Other revenue	87,539
Special funding situation - OPEB - State of NJ	269,284
Total general revenues	2,661,814
 Change in net position	 67,819
 Net position - beginning of year	 1,936,762
Net position - end of year	\$ 2,004,581

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,640,575	\$ 1,026,795	\$	\$ 2,667,370
Accounts receivable	6,978			6,978
Prepaid expenses	74,729			74,729
Contribution receivable - length of service award program	32,912			32,912
Cash and investments - length of service award program	480,577			480,577
Total assets	2,235,771	1,026,795	-	3,262,566
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	453,563			453,563
Due to fire companies	27,213			27,213
Total liabilities	480,776	-	-	480,776
FUND BALANCES				
Restricted for Capital Projects		1,026,795		1,026,795
Investment in length of service award program	513,489			513,489
Assigned - other	38,896			38,896
Assigned - Designated for subsequent year's expenditures	250,000			250,000
Unassigned	952,610			952,610
Total fund balances	1,754,995	1,026,795	-	2,781,790
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 2,235,771	\$ 1,026,795	\$ -	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (A-1) are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of the assets is \$7,681,441 and the accumulated depreciation is \$5,117,428.

2,564,013

Deferred outflows and inflows related to pensions and other

82,480

Long-term liabilities, including net pension liability, capital lease obligation payable, length of service awards program payable, are not due and payable in the current period and are therefore not reported as liabilities in the funds.

(3,423,702)

\$ 2,004,581

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues:				
Amount raised by taxation	\$ 1,734,462	\$ 200,000	\$ 213,185	\$ 2,147,647
Charges for services	152,067			152,067
Interest on investments and deposits	839			839
Investment income - length of service award program	(78,015)			(78,015)
Operating grant revenues	4,438			4,438
Other revenue	81,839			81,839
Total revenues	<u>1,895,630</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>213,185</u>	<u>2,308,815</u>
Expenditures:				
Administration	258,300			258,300
Cost of operations and maintenance	1,650,900			1,650,900
Operating appropriations offset with revenues	170,306			170,306
Capital Expenditures		-		-
Debt service principal payments			194,177	194,177
Interest payments on debt			19,008	19,008
Participant distributions, forfeitures and charges length of service award program	55,441			55,441
Total expenditures	<u>2,134,947</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>213,185</u>	<u>2,348,132</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(239,317)	200,000	-	(39,317)
Fund balance, January 1	1,994,312	826,795	-	2,821,107
Fund balance, December 31	<u>\$ 1,754,995</u>	<u>\$ 1,026,795</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,781,790</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Total net changes in fund balance - governmental funds (B - 2) \$ (39,317)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A - 2) 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 useful lives as depreciation expense

Capital outlays	104,651	
Book value of disposed assets	(94,289)	
Depreciation expense	<u>(332,546)</u>	(322,184)

District pension contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when made. However, they are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported net pension liability is measured a year before the District's report date. Pension expense, which is the change in the net pension liability adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, is reported in the Statement of Activities.

Pension - PERS	48,377	
Pension - PFRS	80,522	
Deferred inflows - other	<u>5,700</u>	134,599

Length of service award program contribution is not reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the expense is equal to the amount of contributions to the volunteers accounts as determined by the benefit terms. Investment income LOSAP is not a revenue in the government-wide financial statements as it is payable to the volunteers in accordance with the plan benefits

District contribution to length of service award program	(32,912)	
Length of service award investment income	78,015	
Participant withdrawals	<u>55,441</u>	100,544

Principal payments on capital leases 194,177

Changes in net position of governmental activities (A - 2) \$ 67,819

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Description of Reporting Entity

Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson is a political subdivision of the Township of Jackson, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey. A board of five commissioners oversees all operations of the Fire District. The length of each commissioner's term is three years with the annual election held the third Saturday of every February.

Fire Districts are governed by the *N.J.S.A. 40A: 14-70* et al. and are taxing authorities charged with the responsibility of providing the resources necessary to provide fire fighting services to the residents within its territorial location.

The primary criterion for including activities with the District's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of the *GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, is whether:

- the organization is legally separate (can sue or be sued in their own name);
- the District holds the corporate powers of the organization;
- the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's board;
- the District is able to impose its will on the organization;
- the organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the District;
- there is a fiscal dependency by the organization on the District.

There were no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity under the criteria as described above. Furthermore, the District is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

B. District Officials

The District is governed by a board of five commissioners. The following were in office at December 31, 2022:

<u>Officials</u>	<u>Term Expires</u> <u>March</u>
Vincent Rubio	2024
John Ryan	2024
Kieran Fleming	2023
Robert Redington	2023
Keenan Flemming	2025

C. Accounting Records

The official accounting records of the Fire District No. 2 Township of Jackson are maintained in the office of the district.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Fire District No. 2, Township of Jackson (the "Fire District") have been prepared to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("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 following is a summary of the more significant of these policies.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The Fire District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the government. The Fire District's operations consist of governmental activities, which normally are supported by property taxes.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function of segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and, therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function.

In regards to the fund financial statements, the Fire District segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Fire District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a single column.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied, as under New Jersey State Statute, Statute, a municipality is required to remit to its fire district the entire balance of taxes in the amount voted upon or certified, prior to the end of the fire district year. The Fire District records the entire approved tax levy as revenue (accrued) at the start of the year since the revenue is both measurable and available. The Fire District is entitled to receive moneys under the following established payment schedule: on or before April 1, an amount equaling 21.25% of all moneys assessed; on or before July 1, an amount equaling 22.5% of all moneys assessed; on or before October 1, an amount equaling 25% of all moneys assessed; and on or before December 31, an amount equaling the difference between the total of all moneys so assessed and the total amount of moneys previously paid over.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when they are deemed both available and measurable. Available means when revenues are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Fire District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty (60) days of the end of the current year. Measurable means that the amount of revenue can be determined. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

Property taxes, reimbursable-type grants, and interest associated with the current year are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current year. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Fire District.

The Fire District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - The general fund is the primary operating fund of the Fire District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Capital Projects Fund - The capital projects fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

Debt Service Fund - The debt service fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgets/Budgetary Control

The Fire District must adopt an annual budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.1 et al. The fire commissioners must introduce and approve the annual budget not later than sixty days prior to the annual election. At introduction, the commissioners shall fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and must advertise the time and place at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper having substantial circulation in the Fire District. The public hearing must not be held less than twenty-eight days after the date the budget was introduced. After the hearing has been held, the fire commissioners may, by majority vote, adopt the budget.

Amendments may be made to the Fire District budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.3. The budget may not be amended subsequent to its final adoption and approval, except for provisions allowed by N.J.S.A 40A:14-78.5.

Subsequent to the adoption of the Fire District budget, the amount of money to be raised by taxation in support of the Fire District budget must appear on the ballot for the annual election for approval of the legal voters.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgets/Budgetary Control (Continued)

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

The budget, as detailed on exhibit C-1, includes all amendments and modifications to the adopted budget has approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded to assign a portion of the applicable appropriation, is utilized for budgetary control purposes. Encumbrances are a component of fund balance at year-end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities, but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. Open encumbrances in the governmental funds, which have not been previously restricted, committed, or assigned, should be included within committed or assigned fund balance, as appropriate.

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current year end. The encumbrances at December 31, 2022 totaled \$38,896 for the general fund and \$58,592 for the capital projects fund.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents, for all funds, include petty cash, cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. Certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

New Jersey fire districts are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey fire districts.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (Continued)

N.J.S.A 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"), a multiple financial institutional collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include State of federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, The deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of governmental units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the amount of their deposits to the governmental units.

Inventories

Inventories recorded on the government-wide financial statements are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased. The Fire District did not have any significant inventory for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses recorded on the government-side financial statements represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2022.

Capital Assets

Capital assets represent the cumulative amount of capital assets owned by the Fire District. Purchased capital assets are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund financial statements and are capitalized at cost on the government-wide statement of net position. In the case of gifts or contributions, such capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the time received.

The Fire District's capitalization threshold is \$5,000. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance is expensed as incurred. All reported capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Buildings and improvements	20 - 50 years
Apparatus	10 -25 years
Vehicles	5 years
Equipment	5 - 15 years

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between the summation of assets and the summation of liabilities. Net position is classified into the following three components:

Net Investment in Capital Assets - This component represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, net of outstanding balances of borrowings used for acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted - Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Fire District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Unrestricted - Net position is reported as unrestricted when it does not meet the criteria of the other two components of net position.

The Fire District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Fund Balance

The Fire District reports fund balance in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the Fire District is bound to honor constraints of the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. The Fire District's classifications, and policies for determining such classifications, are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, such as inventories and prepaid amounts.

Restricted - The restricted fund balance classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes. Such restrictions, or constraints, are placed on the use of resources either by being (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Fire District's highest level of decision-making authority, which, for the Fire District, is the Board of Fire Commissioners. Such formal actions consists of an affirmative vote by the Board of Fire Commissioners, memorialized by the adoption of a resolution. Once committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Fire Commissioners removes, or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Balance (Continued)

Assigned - The assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are constrained by the Fire District's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by either the Board of Fire Commissioners or by the Fire Chief, to which the Board of Fire Commissioners has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Such authority of the Fire Chief is established by way of a formal job description for the position, approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Unassigned - The unassigned fund balance classification is the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceed the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, it is the policy of the Fire District to spend restricted fund balances first. Moreover, when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used, it is the policy of the Fire District to spend fund balances, if appropriated in the following order: committed, assigned, and then unassigned.

Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

The District has evaluated subsequent events through November 9, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Fire District's deposits might not be recovered. Although the Fire District does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). Under the Act, the first \$250,000 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). Public funds owned by the Fire District in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA.

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES:

Following is a tabulation of district assessed valuations, tax levies and property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuations for the current and preceding four years:

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Assessed Valuations</u>	<u>Total Tax Levy</u>	<u>Property Tax Rates</u>
12/31/2022	\$ 2,089,419,000	\$ 2,147,647	0.103
12/31/2021	\$ 2,034,812,553	\$ 2,035,248	0.100
12/31/2020	\$ 2,022,223,773	\$ 2,005,999	0.100
12/31/2019	\$ 2,006,264,502	\$ 1,948,350	0.098
12/31/2018	\$ 2,003,609,577	\$ 1,829,075	0.092

SITE LEASE WITH OPTION - CELL PHONE TOWER

The Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Township of Jackson, which is now a part of District No. 2 (landlord), entered into a rental lease agreement with Mobilite Investments II, LLC (tenant). Term of lease is thirty (30) years commencing July 17, 2009. The purchase price paid at closing was \$171,000. The rental is being amortized over three hundred sixty (360) months at \$475 per month.

Permitted Use - Premises may be used by tenant for transmission and reception of radio communication signals.

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CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets together with accumulated depreciation and estimated useful lives consists of the following:

	2022	Estimated Useful Life (Years)
Assets		
Land	165,000	--
Buildings and leasehold improvements	2,340,546	20 - 30
Apparatus	4,145,957	10
Equipment	1,029,938	5
	7,681,441	
Less: accumulated depreciation	(5,117,428)	
	\$ 2,564,013	

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

	2022
Accounts payable	\$ 26,027
Accrued LOSAP	32,912
Accrued professional fees	22,175
Accrued vacation and comp time	141,588
Accrued pension	230,861
	\$ 453,563

COMMITMENTS

The District leases facilities from Cassville Volunteer Fire Company #1 for storage of equipment, housing of fire apparatus, training and education of fire fighters, public meetings, deployment of fire personnel and other appropriate and necessary fire service related functions. The lease is for a term of one year and is automatically renewable from year to year unless either party notifies the other by written notice that the leases will not be renewed or extended. Rental is paid to Cassville Volunteer Fire Company #1 quarterly in the amount of \$7,500 totaling \$30,000 per annum subject to annual appropriation by legal voters within the District.

The District has entered into a Fire Protection Service Agreement with Whitesville Volunteer Fire Company #1. The Agreement has a one year duration commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021. The agreement was renewed and extended for one year January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022. Consideration for the agreement is \$10,000 per annum.

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CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS PAYABLE

Voters approved the purchase of a fire truck for an amount not exceeding \$900,000 at a special fire district election held on September 29, 2018. The cost of the truck was financed by a capital lease/purchase and a down payment coming from the Reserve for Future Capital Outlays. On June 12, 2019 the Board entered into a lease/purchase agreement with U.S. Bancorp Government leasing and Finance, Inc. To purchase a 75' Aerial Ladder Truck. The terms of the lease require the principal repayment of \$541,990 to be paid in seven annual installments beginning June 12, 2020 at 2.906%.

The fire district obtained voter approval on April 20, 2021 to purchase a fire truck for an amount not exceeding \$610,000. The vote was 136 yes and 51 no. Application was filed with the Local Finance Board for a Pierce Arrow XT Custom Pumper lease with an option to purchase in the amount of \$610,000. The Local Finance Board voted affirmatively on the Board's application on August 11, 2021.

The Board has entered into a five (5) year lease with the option to purchase agreement with TD Equipment Finance. The lease dated August 20, 2021 in the amount of \$610,000 is payable in annual installments of \$126,501. The note bears interest at the rate of 1.22%.

<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2021</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2022</u>	<u>Due Within</u> <u>One Year</u>
\$ 1,008,058	\$ _____	\$ (194,177)	\$ 813,881	\$ 197,812

The following is a schedule of future lease payments under the lease together with the present value of the lease payments as of December 31, 2022:

<u>Due Date</u>	<u>75' Aerial</u> <u>Ladder</u>	<u>Pierce Arrow XT</u> <u>Custom Pumper</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$ 86,684	\$ 126,501	\$ 213,185
2024	86,684	126,501	213,185
2025	86,684	126,501	213,185
2026	86,684	126,501	213,185
Total lease payments	346,736	506,004	852,740
Less: amount representing interest	(23,795)	(15,063)	(38,858)
Present value of lease payments	\$ 322,941	\$ 490,941	\$ 813,882

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RIGHT OF USE ASSET/LEASE LIABILITY

The Board leases office equipment under a long-term operating lease agreement. The lease is for a term of five (5) years. The copier lease expires on July 31, 2027. We include in the determination right-of-use asset and liabilities any renewal options when the options are reasonably certain to be exercised.

The weighted-average discount rates are based on the discount rates implicit in the leases. We have elected the option to use the risk-free rate determined using a period comparable to the leases terms as discount rates for leases where the implicit rates are not readily determinable.

The right-of-use assets and lease liabilities at December 31, 2022 are as follows:

		<u>2022</u>
Operating right-of-use asset - copier	\$	<u>8,385</u>
Operating lease liability - copier	\$	<u>8,385</u>

The following summarizes the weighted-average remaining lease term and weighted-average incremental borrowing rate:

	<u>2022</u>
Weighted-average remaining lease term in years:	
Operating lease - copier	5
Weighted -average incremental borrowing rate:	
Operating lease - copier	3.00%

The future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases with terms greater than one year are listed below as of December 31:

<u>Year Ended December 31:</u>		<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>		<u>Total</u>
2023	\$	1,733	\$	227	\$	1,960
2024		1,785		175		1,960
2025		1,840		120		1,960
2026		1,895		65		1,960
2027		<u>1,132</u>		<u>11</u>		<u>1,143</u>
Total lease payments	\$	<u>8,385</u>	\$	<u>598</u>	\$	<u>8,983</u>

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PENSION PLAN

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Plan Description - The State of New Jersey, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about PERS, please refer to Division's Annual Financial Statements which can be found at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml>.

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

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

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

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4, with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 with 30 years or more of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Basis of Presentation - The schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations and the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of PERS, its participating employers or the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of PERS its participating employers or the state. The accompanying schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of PERS to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Allocation Methodology - GASB Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers in PERS to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective pension expense.

Contributions - The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For fiscal year 2022, the State's pension contribution was more than the actuarial determined amount.

The local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years, beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the District's contractually required contribution to PERS was \$20,366.

Components of Net Pension Liability - As of December 31, 2022, the District reported a liability of \$243,727 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability for the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the ratio of the District's contribution to the total contributions to PERS during the measurement period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The District's proportion measured as of June 30, 2022 was .001615%. There was an increase from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021 of .000078%.

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Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Collective Balances as of December 31, 2022 and 2021

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Actuarial valuation date (including roll forward)	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 24,444	\$ 32,957
Deferred inflows of resources	\$ 166,969	\$ 285,465
Net pension liability	\$ 243,727	\$ 182,121
District's portion of the plan's total net pension liability	0.001615%	0.001537%

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - For the year ended December 31, 2022 the District recognized pension expense (benefit) of (\$28,011). As of December 31, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Changes of assumptions	\$ 755	\$ 36,496
Difference between expected and actual experience	1,759	1,551
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	10,088	
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>11,842</u>	<u>128,922</u>
Total	<u>\$ 24,444</u>	<u>\$ 166,969</u>

Amounts allocated as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be included in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended December 31:</u>	<u>PERS</u>
2023	\$ (117,104)
2024	(59,661)
2025	(29,096)
2026	63,475
2027	<u>(139)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (142,525)</u>

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Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

The District will amortize the above sources of deferred outflows and inflows related to PERS over the following number of years:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflow of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017	5.48	
2018		5.63
2019	5.21	
2020	5.16	
2021		5.13
2022		5.04
Changes of assumptions		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017		5.48
2018		5.63
2019		5.21
2020		5.16
2021	5.13	
2022		5.04
Difference between projected and actual investment earning on pension plan investments:		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017	5.00	
2018	5.00	
2019	5.00	
2020	5.00	
2021	5.00	
2022	5.00	
Changes in proportion:		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017	5.48	5.48
2018	5.63	5.63
2019	5.21	5.21
2020	5.16	5.16
2021	5.13	5.13
2022	5.04	5.04
2020	5.16	5.16

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Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Measurement date	June 30, 2022
Actuarial valuation date	July 1, 2021
Inflation rate	
price	2.75%
wage	3.25%
Salary increases:	2.75 - 6.55%
	based on years of service
Investment rate of return	7.00%

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return 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. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table.

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Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. developed markets equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real assets	3.00%	7.60%
High yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private credit	8.00%	8.10%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as of June 30, 2022 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1-percentage -point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 313,118	\$ 243,727	\$ 184,673

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Effective in 2021, District No. 1 was enrolled in the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS). They were not reflected in the State of New Jersey Police and Firemen's Retirement System Schedule of Employer and Nonemployer allocations and schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer and Nonemployer-June 30, 2022.

Plan Description - The State of New Jersey, Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about PFRS, please refer to the Division's annual financial statements which can be found at <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml>.

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

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

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

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

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

Basis of Presentation - The schedule of employer and non-employer allocations and the schedule of pension amounts by employer and non-employer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of PFRS, its participating employers or the State as a non-employer contributing entity. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of PFRS, the participating employers, or the State. The accompanying Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of PFRS to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Allocation Methodology - GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers in PFRS to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective pension expense. The employer and nonemployer allocation percentages presented in the schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations and applied to amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer are based on the ratio of the contributions of an individual employer to the total contributions of PFRS during the measurement period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Employer and nonemployer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes; therefore, amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer may result in immaterial differences. Contributions from employers are recognized when due, based on statutory requirements.

Although the Division administers one cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, separate (sub) actuarial valuations are prepared to determine the actuarially determined contribution rate by group. Following this method, the measurement of the collective net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and pension expense are determined separately for each individual employer of the State and local groups of the plan.

To facilitate the separate (sub) actuarial valuations, the Division maintains separate accounts to identify additions, deductions, and fiduciary net position applicable to each group. The allocation percentages presented for each group in the schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations are applied to amounts presented in the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer. The allocation percentages for each group as of June 30, 2022 are based on the ratio of each employer's contributions to total employer contributions of the group for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

Contributions - The contribution policy for PFRS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's contribution amount is based on an actuarially determined rate, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. For fiscal year 2022, the State contributed an amount more than the actuarially determined amount. The Local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PFRS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets. For the year ended December 31, 2022 the Districts contractually required contribution to PFRS was \$210,496.

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

Special Funding Situation - Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed that legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employer as well as revenue in an amount equal to the nonemployer contributing entities total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

Components of Net Pension Liability - At December 31, 2022, the District reported a liability of \$1,852,605 for its proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's actual contributions to the plan relative to the total of all participating employers' contributions for the year ended June 30, 2022. The District's proportion measured as of December 31, 2022, was .016185%, which was an increase of .000907% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2021.

Collective Balances at December 31, 2022 and 2021

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Actuarial valuation date (including roll forward)	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 723,841	\$ 584,512
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 404,786	\$ 1,081,921
Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,852,605	\$ 1,116,663
District's portion of the Plan's total net pension liability	0.016185%	0.015278%

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

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - For the year ended December 31, 2022, the District recognized pension expense of \$130,014. At December 31, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes of assumptions	\$ 5,077	\$ 233,206
Difference between expected and actual experience	83,854	113,497
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	169,644	
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	465,266	58,083
	\$ 723,841	\$ 404,786

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 December 31:	PFRS
2023	\$ 335,460
2024	214,380
2025	204,220
2026	(426,585)
2027	(4,111)
Thereafter	(4,309)
Total	\$ 319,055

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

The District will amortize the above sources of deferred outflows and inflows related to PFRS over the following number of years:

	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017	5.59	-
2018	5.73	-
2019	-	5.92
2020	5.90	-
2021	-	6.17
2022	6.22	-
Changes of assumptions		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017	-	5.59
2018	-	5.73
2019	-	5.92
2020	-	5.90
2021	6.17	-
2022	-	6.22
Difference between projected and actual investment earning on pension plan investments:		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2018	5.00	-
2019	5.00	-
2020	5.00	-
2021	5.00	-
2022	5.00	-
Changes in proportion:		
Year of pension plan deferral:		
2017	5.59	5.59
2018	5.73	5.73
2019	5.92	5.92
2020	5.90	5.90
2021	6.17	6.17
2022	6.22	6.22

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

Additionally, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the District is \$329,709 as of December 31, 2022. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined using updated procedures to roll forward the total pension liability from an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, to the measurement date of June 30, 2022. The State's proportion of the net pension liability associated with the District was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. The State's proportion measured as of June 30, 2022 was .016185%, which was an increase of .000907% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021, which is the same proportion as the District's.

District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,852,605
State's Proportionate Share of the New Pension Liability Associated With the District	<u>329,709</u>
Total Net Pension Liability	\$ <u><u>2,182,314</u></u>

For the year ended December 31, 2022 the state's proportionate share of PFRS expense associated with the District was \$38,040.

Actuarial Assumptions - The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

Measurement date	June 30, 2022
Actuarial valuation date	July 1, 2021
Inflation rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary increases:	
Through	All future years 3.25% - 16.25%
	based on years of service
Thereafter	Not Applicable
Investment rate of return	7.00%

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

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return 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 adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PFRS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. developed markets equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real assets	3.00%	7.60%
High yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private credit	8.00%	8.10%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

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

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as of June 30, 2022 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.00%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.00%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.00%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 2,541,974	\$ 1,852,605	\$ 1,278,702

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OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan

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

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

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

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

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
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OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

Basis of Presentation - The schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations and the schedule of OPEB amounts by employer and nonemployer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of its participating employers or the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of the participating employers or the State. The accompanying Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such presentation requires management of the Plan to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Allocation Methodology - GASB Statement No. 75 requires participating employers in the Plan to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective OPEB expense (benefit). The special funding situation's and nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB expense (benefit) are based on separately calculated total OPEB liabilities. For the special funding situation and the nonspecial funding situation, the total OPEB liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2022 were \$3,361,552,823 and \$12,729,372,321, respectively. The nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and OPEB expense (benefit) are further allocated to employers based on the ratio of the plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan's nonspecial funding situation during measurement period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Employer and nonemployer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes; therefore, amounts presented in the schedule of OPEB amounts by employer and nonemployer may result in immaterial differences.

Special Funding Situation - Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Therefore these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan, there is no net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is associated with the local participating employer. The participating employer is required to record in their financial statements, as an expense and corresponding revenue, their proportionate share of the OPEB expense allocated to the State of New Jersey under the special funding situation.

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
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OPEB Plan - (Continued)

Special Funding Situation

The amount of actual contributions to the OPEB Plan made by the State, on behalf of the Fire District is not known; however under the special funding situation the State's OPEB expense, on behalf of the Fire District is \$269,284 for the year ended December 31, 2022. The State of New Jersey proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributable to Jackson Township Fire District No. 2 is \$1,641,763 as of June 30, 2022. The District has 8 (eight) members included in the plan and District No. 2's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability is .048662%. For this purpose, the proportionate share was developed based on eligible plan members subject to the special funding situation. This data takes into account active members from both participating and non-participating employer locations and retired members currently receiving OPEB benefits.

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
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LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM

LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

VALIC - Fire District No. 1

The Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) for the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, of the Township of Jackson, Whitesville Volunteer Fire Company was created by a Fire District Resolution adopted on February 10, 2004 pursuant to Section 457 (e)(11)(13) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, except for provisions added by reason of the Length of Service Award Program as enacted into federal law in 1997. The voters of the Township of Jackson, Fire District No. 1, Whitesville Volunteer Fire Company approved the adoption of the Program at the general election held on February 21, 2004. The first year of eligibility for entrance into the program was calendar year 2004.

Lincoln Financial Group - Fire District No. 2

The Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) for the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 2 of the Township of Jackson was pre-existing prior to legislation being enacted and voter approval was not required as the program continued after the legislation was enacted pursuant to statute and case law.

The tax deferred income benefits for active volunteer members of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 2, Township of Jackson come from contributions made solely by the Board of Fire Commissioners, on behalf of those volunteers who meet the criteria of the Program created by the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Contributions

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

The Fire District after notice to the participants and public publication elected to automatically make the maximum annual contribution permitted by the Division of Local Government Services and budgets accordingly.

The Fire District elected to contribute \$1,936 for the year ended December 31, 2022 per eligible volunteer, into the Plan. Participants direct the investment of the contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
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Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the Fire District's contribution and Plan earnings, and charged with administrative expenses. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Fire District elected to pay substantially all of the Plan's administrative costs. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. In accordance with the amendments to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, and the State Deferred Revenue Regulations, the Fire District has placed the amounts deferred, including earnings, in a trust for the exclusive benefit of the plan participants and their beneficiaries.

VALIC and Lincoln Financial Group ("Contractors"), approved Length of Service Awards Contractors provide investment and other services regarding the length of services award program. The Fire District's practical involvement in administering the Plans are essentially limited to verifying the eligibility of each participant and remitting the funds to the Plan Contractors.

Vesting

Benefits, plus actual earnings thereon, are one hundred percent (100%) vested after five (5) years of active emergency service. "Year of active emergency service" means a twelve (12) month period during which an active volunteer member participates in the Fire Service and satisfies the minimum requirements of participation established by the sponsoring agency on a consistent uniform basis.

Payment of Benefits

Upon separation from service or disability as defined under the program, vested participants may select various options, which include lump sum, periodic, or annuity payments. In the case of death, with certain exceptions, any amount invested under the participant's account is paid to the beneficiary or the participant's estate.

The Board did adopt an amended plan in 2010 wherein "In-Service Distribution" after vesting is permitted. Such distribution requires the total vested amount is withdrawn by the participant. No partial distribution is permitted. If a participant elects in-service distribution the participant must thereafter complete at least five (5) years of emergency service again to vest in the program. Participants do not have to separate himself/herself from service.

Forfeited Accounts

During the year ended December 31, 2022 forfeitures and charges were \$925.

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
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LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM - INVESTMENTS

An investment agreement was entered into at the inception of the Plan between the Fire District and the Plan Contractor, whereby the Plan Contractor would have custody of the securities of the Plan and also advises the Fire District as to investment alternatives.

The investments consist of pooled separate accounts by Fund. Each participant may choose his/her allocation from among these investments. The investments are made by the Plan Contractor for benefit of plan participants. The investments are valued at fair value at the end of each year and the increase/decrease benefit of plan is posted to the participant's account.

	<u>2022</u>
Pooled Separate Accounts	\$ <u>480,577</u>

TAX STATUS - LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

In accordance with the amendments to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and the State Deferred Revenue Regulations, the Fire District has placed the amounts deferred, including earnings, in a trust for the exclusive benefit of the plan participants and their beneficiaries. The Plan administrator and the management of the Fire District believe that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Service Code.

The Plan is generally subject to routine audits by the Internal Revenue Service, for three years. There are currently no audits in progress.

RISK AND UNCERTAINTIES - LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participant's account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

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**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
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FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The District categorizes its assets and liabilities measured at fair value into a three-level hierarchy based on the priority of the inputs to the valuation technique used to determine fair value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level III). If the inputs used in the determination of the fair value measurement fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Assets and liabilities valued at fair value are categorized based on the inputs to the valuation techniques as follows:

- Level 1 Inputs that utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Authority has the ability to access. Fair values for these instruments are estimated using pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics.
- Level 2 Inputs that include quoted market prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.
- Level 3 Inputs that are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are typically based on an entity's assumptions, as there is little, if any, related market activity. Fair values for these instruments are estimated using appraised values.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the District may remeasure the carrying value of assets and liabilities measured on a nonrecurring basis to fair value. Adjustments to fair value usually result when certain assets are impaired. Such assets are written down from their carrying amounts to their fair value.

The preceding methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2022.

Pooled Separate Accounts: Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of the participation units held by the plan at year end. The NAV, as reported by the insurance company, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying mutual fund held in the subaccounts.

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LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2022.

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2022

VALIC

Pooled Separate Accounts:	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Aggressive Growth Lifestyle	\$ 9,775	\$	\$	\$ 9,775
Dividend Value	4,186			4,186
Fixed Account Plus	-			-
GS VIT Gov Money Mkt FD Inst	7,318			7,318
International Equities Index Fund	6,477			6,477
Int'l Opportunities	1,942			1,942
Intl Socially Responsible Fund	5,155			5,155
Mid Cap Index Fund	68,779			68,779
Science & Technology Fund	8,212			8,212
Short Term Fixed Account	30,522			30,522
Small Cap Index Fund	11,178			11,178
Stock Index Fund	22,971			22,971
Total Pooled Separate Accounts	\$ 176,515	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 176,515
Total Assets at Fair Value	\$ 176,515	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 176,515

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2022

Lincoln Financial Group

Pooled Separate Accounts:	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
American Funds Global Growth	\$ 5,244	\$	\$	\$ 5,244
American Funds Growth	4,578			4,578
American Funds Growth-Income	6,334			6,334
Blackrock Global Allocation	189			189
Delaware VIP Small Cap Value	2,998			2,998
Fidelity VIP Contrafund	4,061			4,061
Fixed Account	93,754			93,754
LVIP Blended Lrg Cap Growth Mngd Voltlty	472			472
LVIP Delaware Bond	505			505
LVIP Delaware High Yield Fund	314			314
LVIP Delaware Mid Cap Value Fund	3,737			3,737
LVIP Delaware Reit Series	3,386			3,386
LVIP Delaware SMid Cap Core Series	2,507			2,507
LVIP Dimensional US Core Equity 1	2,629			2,629
LVIP Mondrian International Value	2,424			2,424
LVIP SSGA S&P 500 Index	165,393			165,393
LVIP SSGA Small-Cap Index	911			911
MFS Utilities	4,626			4,626
Total Pooled Separate Accounts	\$ 304,062	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 304,062
Total Assets at Fair Value	\$ 304,062	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 304,062

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Budgetary Basis</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Modified</u>		
Revenues				
Miscellaneous anticipated revenues:				
Interest investments and deposits	\$ 720	\$ 720	\$ 839	\$ 119
Miscellaneous revenue	9,975	9,975	11,158	1,183
Total miscellaneous anticipated revenues	<u>10,695</u>	<u>10,695</u>	<u>11,997</u>	<u>1,302</u>
Operating grant revenues:				
Supplemental fire service grant	4,342	4,342	4,342	-
Cares grant			96	96
Total operating grant revenues	<u>4,342</u>	<u>4,342</u>	<u>4,438</u>	<u>96</u>
Miscellaneous revenues offset with appropriations:				
Uniform fire safety act revenues				
Annual registration fee	135,750	136,750	106,741	(30,009)
Penalties and fines	500	500	43,916	43,416
Other revenues			1,410	1,410
Total uniform fire safety act revenues	<u>136,250</u>	<u>137,250</u>	<u>152,067</u>	<u>14,817</u>
Amount to be raised by taxation to support the district budget	<u>2,147,647</u>	<u>2,147,647</u>	<u>2,147,647</u>	<u>-</u>
Total anticipated revenues	<u>2,298,934</u>	<u>2,299,934</u>	<u>2,316,149</u>	<u>16,215</u>
Non-budgetary revenues:				
Other revenue			70,681	70,681
Total revenues	<u>2,298,934</u>	<u>2,299,934</u>	<u>2,386,830</u>	<u>86,896</u>
Expenditures				
Operating appropriations:				
Administration:				
Salaries and wages(excluding commissioners)	168,420	168,420	130,479	37,941
Commissioners	8,750	8,750	8,750	-
Fringe benefits	68,429	68,429	52,895	15,534
Elections	4,000	4,000	1,822	2,178
Office expense	7,100	7,100	4,374	2,726
Professional services	50,000	50,000	46,430	3,570
Engineering fees	50,000	50,000	13,550	36,450
Total administration	<u>356,699</u>	<u>356,699</u>	<u>258,300</u>	<u>98,399</u>
Cost of operations and maintenance:				
Salaries and wages	677,611	593,611	593,523	88
Fringe benefits	371,107	371,107	362,370	8,737
Advertising	3,000	3,000	926	2,074
Insurance	170,000	170,000	153,294	16,706
Maintenance and repairs - buildings	40,000	143,903	143,148	755
Maintenance and repairs - equipment	17,000	19,000	18,810	190
Maintenance and repairs - apparatus	175,000	164,385	118,468	45,917
Hydrant rental	42,140	43,140	42,397	743
Supplies expense	10,000	10,000	1,699	8,301
Training and education	12,000	13,000	12,972	28
Uniforms and personal equipment	12,000	13,000	12,718	282
Utilities	44,000	44,000	43,655	345
Fire suppression contracts	41,400	41,400	40,000	1,400
Payroll services fees	5,500	6,500	6,122	378
Physicals	12,000	12,000	9,568	2,432
Fuel	30,000	45,000	44,309	691
Expense reimbursement	4,000	4,000		4,000
SFSG expenses	4,342	4,342		4,342
New equipment	90,000	60,000	46,921	13,079
Total cost of operations and maintenance	<u>1,761,100</u>	<u>1,761,388</u>	<u>1,650,900</u>	<u>110,488</u>

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FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Budgetary Basis</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Modified</u>		
Expenditures (Continued)				
Operating appropriations offset with revenues:				
Salaries and wages	98,000	123,000	122,775	225
Fringe benefits	9,800	30,800	30,075	725
Operating expenses	28,450	17,929	17,456	473
	<u>136,250</u>	<u>171,729</u>	<u>170,306</u>	<u>1,423</u>
Total operating appropriations offset with revenues				
Capital appropriations:				
Capital appropriations	200,000	200,000		200,000
Length of service award program (LOSAP)	35,000	35,000	32,912	2,088
Debt service for capital appropriations:				
Principal payment on debt service	194,177	194,177	194,177	-
Interest payment on debt service	19,008	19,008	19,008	-
	<u>213,185</u>	<u>213,185</u>	<u>213,185</u>	<u>-</u>
Total debt service for capital appropriations				
Total expenditures	<u>2,702,234</u>	<u>2,738,001</u>	<u>2,325,603</u>	<u>412,398</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(403,300)</u>	<u>(438,067)</u>	<u>61,227</u>	<u>499,294</u>
Fund balance, January 1			<u>2,207,074</u>	
Fund balance, December 31			<u>\$ 2,268,301</u>	
RECAPITULATION OF FUND BALANCE				
Restricted fund balance				
Capital projects			\$ 1,026,795	
Assigned fund balance				
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures			250,000	
Other purposes			38,896	
Unassigned fund balance			<u>952,610</u>	
Total budgetary basis			2,268,301	
Reconciliation to governmental fund statements::				
Length of service award program investment balance not recognized on the budgetary basis			<u>513,489</u>	
Total fund balance per governmental funds			<u>\$ 2,781,790</u>	

**FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
RECONCILIATION OF BUDGET TO STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Sources/Inflows of Resources:

Actual amount (budgetary basis) total revenues from budgetary comparison schedule (C - 1)	\$ 2,386,830
Budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the District does not budget for length of service award program investment income	<u>(78,015)</u>
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - governmental funds (B - 2)	\$ <u><u>2,308,815</u></u>

Use/Outflows of Resources:

Actual amount (budgetary basis) total expenditures from budgetary comparison schedule (C - 1)	2,325,603
Budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the District is required to budget for contributions to the length of service award program. Expenditures under the current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting are limited to the benefits paid in accordance with the plan	
Length of service award program district contribution	(32,912)
Participant distributions, forfeitures and charges	<u>55,441</u>
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - governmental funds (B - 2)	\$ <u><u>2,348,132</u></u>

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Measurement Date Ended June 30,

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0016%	0.0015%	0.0025%	0.0025%	0.00250%	0.00254%	0.00101%	0.00092%	0.00090%	0.00227%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 243,727	\$ 182,121	\$ 406,600	\$ 450,747	\$ 492,793	\$ 590,583	\$ 299,477	\$ 205,803	\$ 167,858	\$ 433,563
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 120,552	\$ 115,844	\$ 111,832	\$ 179,100	\$ 176,764	\$ 139,307	\$ 66,400	\$ 63,240	\$ 62,000	\$ 132,872
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	202.18%	157.21%	363.58%	251.67%	278.79%	423.94%	451.02%	325.43%	270.74%	326.30%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	62.91%	70.33%	58.32%	56.27%	53.60%	48.10%	40.14%	47.93%	52.08%	48.72%

*** This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for ten years.

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

For the year ended December 31,

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 20,366	\$ 18,004	\$ 27,276	\$ 24,333	\$ 24,895	\$ 23,503	\$ 8,983	\$ 7,882	\$ 7,391	\$ 17,093
District's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>20,366</u>	<u>18,004</u>	<u>27,276</u>	<u>24,333</u>	<u>24,895</u>	<u>23,503</u>	<u>8,983</u>	<u>7,882</u>	<u>7,391</u>	<u>17,093</u>
District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 122,080	\$ 119,024	\$ 112,664	\$ 145,716	\$ 177,768	\$ 175,760	\$ 139,307	\$ 66,400	\$ 63,240	\$ 62,000
District's Contributions as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	16.68%	15.13%	24.21%	16.70%	14.00%	13.37%	6.45%	11.87%	11.69%	27.57%

*** This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for ten years.

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
POLICE AND FIREMEN'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Measurement Date Ended June 30,

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.01619%	0.01528%	0.01480%	0.01300%	0.00964%	0.01253%	0.00930%	0.00715%	0.00673%	0.00615%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,852,605	\$ 1,116,663	\$ 1,911,889	\$ 1,591,348	\$ 1,304,227	\$ 1,934,620	\$ 1,777,272	\$ 1,191,149	\$ 846,898	\$ 817,714
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 592,508	\$ 556,162	\$ 523,052	\$ 465,964	\$ 372,243	\$ 375,698	\$ 298,100	\$ 249,569	\$ 212,648	\$ 179,104
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	312.67%	200.78%	365.53%	341.52%	350.37%	514.94%	596.20%	477.28%	398.26%	456.56%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	68.33%	77.26%	63.52%	65.00%	62.48%	58.60%	52.01%	56.31%	62.41%	58.70%

*** This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for ten years.

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
POLICE AND FIREMEN'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

For the year ended December 31,

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 210,495	\$ 178,055	\$ 165,301	\$ 131,350	\$ 94,229	\$ 110,906	\$ 75,858	\$ 58,129	\$ 51,711	\$ 44,876
District's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>210,495</u>	<u>178,055</u>	<u>165,301</u>	<u>131,350</u>	<u>94,229</u>	<u>110,906</u>	<u>75,858</u>	<u>58,129</u>	<u>51,711</u>	<u>44,876</u>
District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>	\$ <u> -</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 608,252	\$ 576,764	\$ 535,560	\$ 500,870	\$ 431,747	\$ 328,929	\$ 375,698	\$ 298,100	\$ 249,569	\$ 212,648
District's Contributions as a Percentage of it's Covered-Employee Payroll	34.61%	30.87%	30.87%	26.22%	21.83%	33.72%	20.19%	11.87%	11.69%	21.10%

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FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2022

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Changes of Benefit Terms

None.

Changes of Assumptions

None.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Changes of Benefit Terms

None.

Changes of Assumptions

None.

Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP)

Changes in Benefit Terms

None.

Changes of Assumptions

None.

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FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance related to the financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and with audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

None.

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FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS PREPARED BY MANAGEMENT**

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

None.