

BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT  
Year Ended June 30, 2020

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## FINANCIAL SECTION

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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Board of County Commissioners  
Bertie County, North Carolina

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bertie County, North Carolina, as of and for the year then ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Bertie County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

### ***Auditors' Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of Bertie County ABC Board. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Bertie County ABC Board is based solely on the report of the other auditors. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. The financial statements of Bertie County ABC Board were not audited in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards*.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors



consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

### ***Opinions***

In our opinions, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bertie County, North Carolina as of June 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### ***Other Matters***

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Other Postemployment Benefits Schedules of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, the Local Government Employees' Retirement System Schedules of the County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and County Contributions, and the Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset and County Contributions, the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance schedules of the Changes in Total Pension Liability and Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We and other auditors 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.

*Supplementary and Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Bertie County, North Carolina. The combining and individual fund statements, budgetary schedules, other schedules as well as the accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards, *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200*, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and the *State Single Audit Implementation Act* are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements, budgetary schedules, other schedules and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the report of the other auditors, the combining and individual fund financial statements, budgetary schedules, other schedules, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

*Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 6, 2021 on our consideration of Bertie County'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 the report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Bertie County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Co., PA*  
*Wilmington, North Carolina*  
*August 6, 2021*

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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As management of Bertie County, we offer readers of Bertie County's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Bertie County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

### Financial Highlights

- The NC Local Government Commission examines audit reports for each unit of local government and then publishes the available fund balance for each county and municipality.
- In FY 2019, the NC Local Government Commission reported Bertie County's fund balance available for appropriation as \$1,973,874 using the calculation in NCGS 159-8(a).
- Bertie County's fund balance available for appropriation as reported for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 is \$278,713 which is a decrease of \$1,695,161 or 85.9 percent below the prior year, using the NC Local Government Commission calculation in NCGS 159-8(a).
- The NC Local Government Commission recommends that units of local government maintain a minimum of eight percent (8%) fund balance to cover cash flow and operating cycle, emergency reserves and credit rating requirements.
- Based on the LGC calculation, Bertie County's available fund balance for appropriation is 1.05 percent of total general fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.
- Bertie County has adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the General Fund, which instructs management to conduct the business of the County in such a manner that the available fund balance is at least equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) of budgeted expenditures.
- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Bertie County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$13,312,650 (*net position*), as reported in Exhibit 1.
- The government's total net position increased by \$544,340 primarily due to the governmental funds. The figure reflects the difference of the governmental funds' increase of \$891,288 and the business activities' (regional water system) decrease of \$346,948 as indicated in Figure 3.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, Bertie County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,468,065, a decrease of \$514,668 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 93.35 percent of this total amount or \$4,171,059 is restricted or non-spendable by statute for stabilization purposes as reflected in Exhibit 3.
- The combined ending fund balances in governmental funds of \$4,468,065 noted above, and the reported decrease of \$514,668 is primarily attributable to the Major Fund's decrease of

\$1,134,714. This decrease includes payments made from the Tax Revaluation Fund and school debt service payments from the School Capital Reserve Fund.

- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$284,275, or 1.07 percent of total general fund expenditures of \$26,459,383 for the fiscal year, while total fund balance for Governmental Funds represents 16.89% of that same amount.
- Beginning with the audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the presentation of unassigned fund balance for the General Fund in Exhibit 3 includes a separate delineation of “Subsequent year expenditures” for assigned fund balance. In the adopted budget for the General Fund in FY 2020-2021, there was no appropriation of fund balance.
- The final revised budget for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 included \$1,903,050 in appropriated fund balance for the General Fund budget and the net change in fund balance is reflected as a decrease of \$756,811 in Exhibit 5.
- Exhibit 3 provides the most well-defined measure of changes in fund balance for the General Fund from a management perspective, and incorporates a consolidation of reporting for budgeted transfers for the Tax Revaluation Fund and the School Capital Reserve Fund which correlates with Exhibit 5.
- The net change in fund balance for the General Fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 reflects a decrease of fund balance in the amount of \$756,811. The amount of \$756,811 is \$1,146,239 less than the appropriated fund balance of \$1,903,050.
- As reported in prior years’ financial statements, Bertie County experienced significant flooding during both Tropical Storm Julia in September 2016 and with Hurricane Matthew in October 2016, which resulted in the loss of three County facilities—Lawrence Memorial Public Library, Cooperative Extension Office building and EMS Station One in Windsor.
- Recovery from these capital asset losses is a multiyear process, and significant grant funds have been approved to assist with the rebuilding for all three facilities. However, recovery grant funds are available on a reimbursement basis, and Bertie County must utilize its General Fund reserves (fund balance) to rebuild these facilities and subsequently apply for reimbursement for federal, state, and Golden LEAF Foundation funds to support these projects.
- The Coronavirus pandemic, which we began experiencing in March 2020, required expending funds to respond effectively and mitigate risks of COVID-19. Many of these expenses are FEMA reimbursable; however, all reimbursements were not received by June 30, 2020.

- The following reimbursements were requested during this fiscal year and were not received by June 30, 2020.

<u>Project/Cause</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Reimbursement Requested</u>
Soil & Water Conservation Technician	NC Division of Soil & Water	\$23,300
Bulletproof Vest Program	Department of Public Safety	\$2,985
Ambulance Cost Settlement	Department of Health & Human Services	\$544,744
Haz-Mat Training	HMEP Grant	\$7,000
Response to COVID-19	FEMA	\$165,373

- If the requested reimbursements were received by June 30, 2020, the available fund balance as a percentage of total general fund expenditures would have increased significantly.

**Bertie County General Fund Net Changes in Fund Balance (using Exhibit 5 historical data) and revaluation years are highlighted.**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Net Change</b>	<b>Fund balance (Ending June 30)</b>
<b>1999-2000</b>	\$ 136,555	\$ 4,576,226
<b>2000-2001</b>	\$ 157,505	\$ 4,733,731
<b>2001-2002</b>	\$ 375,706	\$ 5,109,437
<b>2002-2003</b>	\$ 397,791	\$ 5,507,228
<b>2003-2004</b>	\$ 951,438	\$ 6,458,666
<b>2004-2005</b>	\$ 287,067	\$ 6,745,733
<b>2005-2006</b>	\$ (376,921)	\$ 6,368,812
<b>2006-2007</b>	\$ 682,229	\$ 7,051,038
<b>2007-2008</b>	\$ (21,197)	\$ 7,029,841
<b>2008-2009</b>	\$ (423,025)	\$ 6,606,816
<b>2009-2010</b>	\$ 556,810	\$ 7,163,626
<b>2010-2011</b>	\$ (49,930)	\$ 7,113,696
<b>2011-2012</b>	\$ (601,157)	\$ 6,512,539
<b>2012-2013</b>	\$ 535,608	\$ 7,048,167
<b>2013-2014</b>	\$ 650,080	\$ 7,698,247
<b>2014-2015</b>	\$ (620,906)	\$ 7,077,341
<b>2015-2016</b>	\$ (696,478)	\$ 6,380,863
<b>2016-2017</b>	\$ 347,053	\$ 6,727,916
<b>2017-2018</b>	\$ (319,256)	\$ 6,408,660
<b>2018-2019</b>	\$ (1,502,496)	\$ 4,906,564
<b>2019-2020</b>	\$ (756,811)	\$ 4,149,753

- The fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 reflects a total fund balance for the General Fund of \$4,149,753 as noted in Exhibit 5 on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance which is a decrease \$756,811 from the beginning balance on July 1, 2019.
- Maintaining adequate cash reserves and fund balances allows the County to meet its commitments for debt service payments, appropriations to the school system, and general county obligations for monthly operating expenses and payroll. The Board of Commissioners approves capital projects and major program initiatives, while being mindful of the burden on taxpayers and the need to maintain a stable cash position for the County at all times, and maintaining financial stability from year to year.
- Bertie County's total debt outstanding as of June 30, 2020 is \$62,272,742. Long-term debt outstanding for Bertie County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 was reported as 60,243,167. The NC Local Government Commission has provided revised reporting guidelines for this information based on recent interpretations for GASB accounting standards, clarifying the presentation of limited obligation bonds related to the County's water system.
- The governing body's strategic decision to refinance the general obligation bonds for the County's water system originally issued in the mid to late 1990s, occurred in 2013 with the issuance of \$11,770,000 of Limited Obligation Bonds for Water Districts I, II, III, and IV totaling \$12,267,100 in par amount. This effort yielded a "true interest cost" for the Bonds of 3.58% with a final maturity of June 1, 2040.
- Financial reporting for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 continues to reflect substantial changes due to the incorporation of new governmental accounting requirements, commonly referred to as GASB 74 and 75. This new presentation format provides an expanded calculation of the long-term liability for non-pension related, other post-employment benefits (OPEB), which are primarily attributable to the County's commitment for health insurance coverage for retired county employees.
- For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 the Net OPEB Obligation for the County was \$17,062,847.
- In the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the governing body continued its examination of unfunded actuarial liability for other post-employment benefits (OPEB) and the impact on the County's cash position stability relative to fund balance reserves for future accounting reporting and adherence to increasing financial impacts. At issue is the cost of health insurance requirements for retired county employees, and the expenditure for this obligation in this year is \$394,779. The budgeted amount for retiree health insurance in FY 2019-2020 is \$380,000 and the Board of Commissioners is continuing to review the impact for taxpayers to meet this long-term obligation.
- A full discussion of the County's OPEB obligations can be found beginning on page 52. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 the Net OPEB Obligation for the County is \$21,461,181, an increase of 4,398,334 from the prior year.



- Employees hired after July 1, 2016 are not be eligible for retiree health insurance.
- Beginning with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the governing body established an annual funding appropriation in the adopted budget ordinance for contributions to an irrevocable trust OPEB reserve to meet future retiree health insurance obligations in the amount of \$242,400 per year.
- Tax collection rate was 98.11 percent for FY 2019-2020.

## TAX INFORMATION

### General Information.

	FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Assessed Valuation:						
Assessment Ratio <sup>1</sup>	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Real Property	\$916,963,491	\$989,446,045	\$952,015,343	\$935,148,152	1,000,645,250	1,000,000,784
Personal Property	311,579,579	261,882,753	327,797,144	326,085,402	323,739,810	341,877,404
Public Service Companies <sup>2</sup>	45,567,048	59,784,401	60,349,819	60,349,819	58,000,000	57,867,415
Total Assessed Valuation	1,274,110,118	1,311,113,199	1,340,162,306	1,321,583,373	1,382,385,051	1,399,746,603
at Rate per \$100	0.84	0.84	0.83	0.83	.83	.865
Levy <sup>3</sup>	\$10,702,524.99	\$11,013,350.88	\$11,123,213.99	\$10,969,142.00	11,473,795.92	12,107,808.12

<sup>1</sup>Percentage of appraised value has been established by statute.

<sup>2</sup>Valuation of railroads, telephone companies and other utilities as determined by the North Carolina Property Tax Commission.

<sup>3</sup>Includes discoveries, releases and abatements.

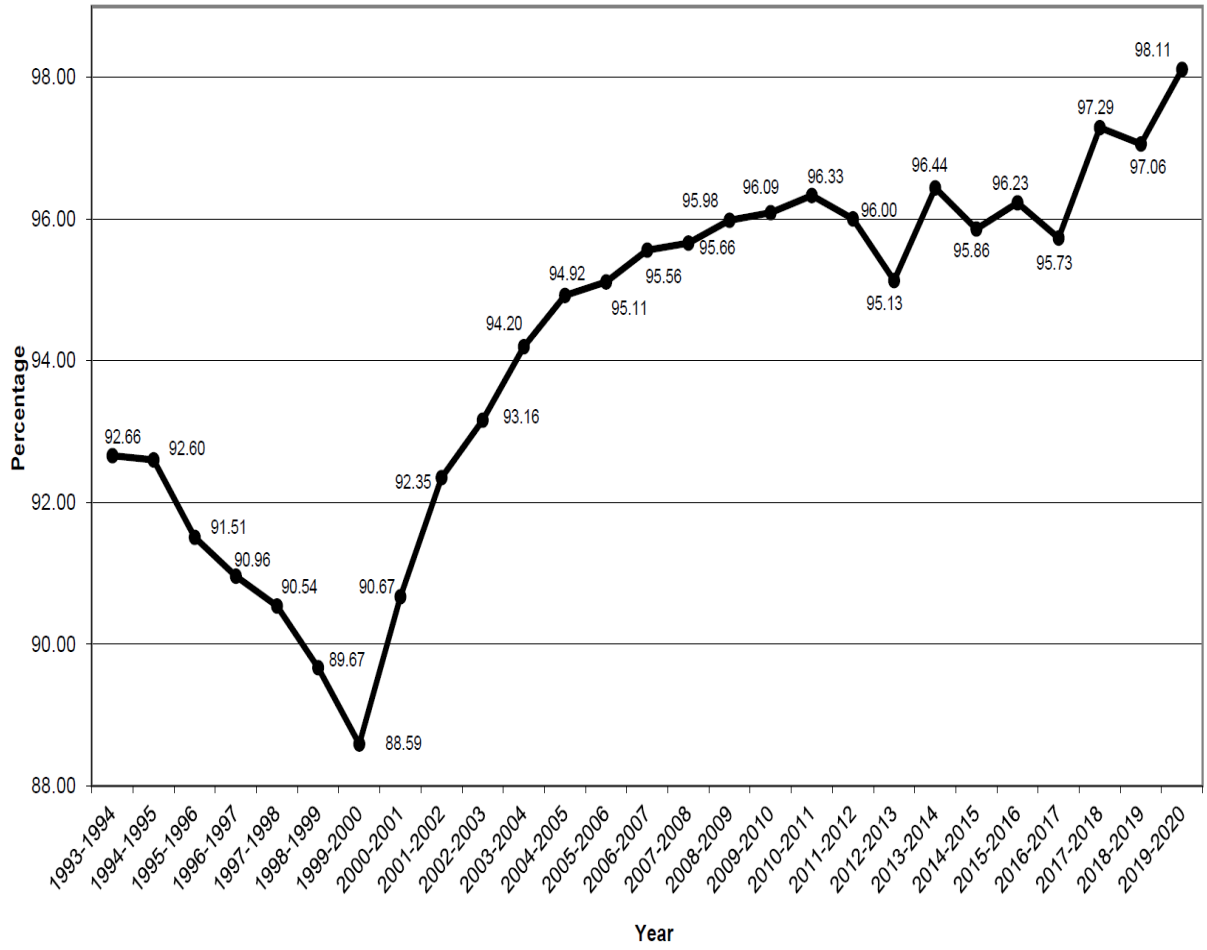
### Tax Collections.

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30	PRIOR YEARS' LEVIES COLLECTED	CURRENT YEAR'S LEVY COLLECTED	PERCENTAGE OF CURRENT YEAR' LEVY COLLECTED
2008	\$417,432	\$7,966,251	95.66%
2009	369,926	8,108,694	95.98
2010	371,562	8,165,170	96.09
2011	356,111	8,229,415	96.33
2012	325,136	8,297,321	96.00
2013	346,814	9,032,179	95.13
2014	427,415	10,274,111	96.44
2015	316,093	10,259,496	95.86
2016	464,204	10,598,564	96.23
2017	408,098	10,647,937	95.73
2018	420,157	10,672,111	97.29
2019	362,383	10,596,374	97.06
2020	321,374	11,239,202	98.11

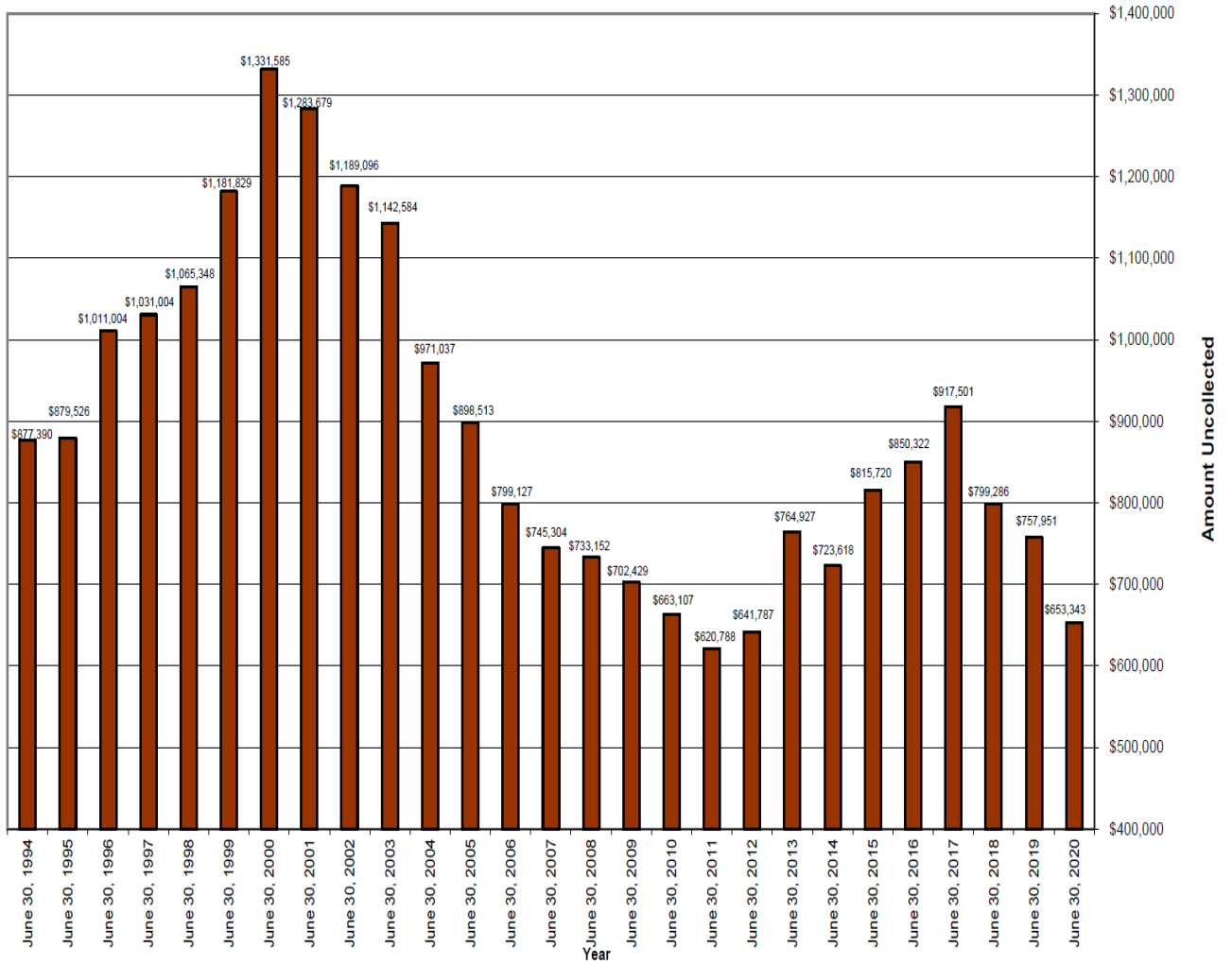
### Ten Largest Taxpayers for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020.

Name	Type of Enterprise	Assessed Valuation	Tax Levy
Perdue Foods LLC	Poultry Processing	\$50,512,721	\$436,934.80
Roseburg Resources Co	Timberland Management	23,238,198	201,010.30
Weyerhaeuser Company	Timberland Management	20,845,336	180,312.06
Rial Corporation	Land Development	18,625,013	161,106.27
Avoca LLC	Botanical Extraction	18,077,846	156,373.29
Republic Services of NC LLC	Waste Industry/Landfill	13,505,436	116,821.96
Valley Proteins Inc.	Rendering/Recycling	6,980,266	60,379.27
Avoca Tech. of Delaware Inc.	Botanical Extraction	3,940,507	34,085.37
Innsbrook Golf & Marina LLC	Land Development	3,863,745	33,421.38
Select Recycling W&S Inc.	Scrap Metal Recycling	3,513,074	30,388.07

Current Year Tax Collection Rate - All Property



**Delinquent Taxes Owed to Bertie County**  
 (Each Year Includes the Current Year Plus the Prior 9 Years)

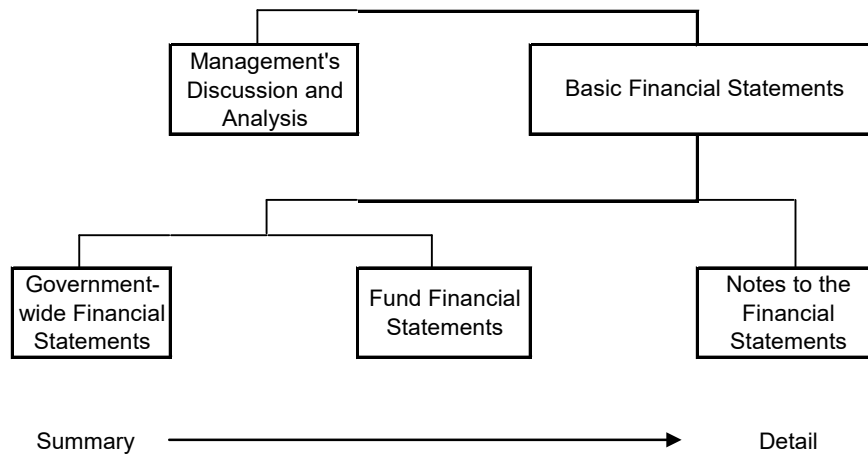


## Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to Bertie County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements consist of three components; 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (see Figure 1). The basic financial statements present two different views of the County through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of Bertie County.

### Required Components of Annual Financial Report

Figure 1



## Basic Financial Statements

The first two statements (Exhibits 1 and 2) in the basic financial statements are the **Government-wide Financial Statements**. They provide both short and long-term information about the County's financial status.

The next statements (Exhibits 3 through 9) are **Fund Financial Statements**. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the County's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements. There are four parts to the Fund Financial Statements: 1) the governmental funds statements; 2) the budgetary comparison statements; 3) the proprietary fund statements; and 4) the fiduciary fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **notes**. The notes to the financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, **supplemental information** is provided to show details about the County's major and non-major governmental funds and internal service funds, with the non-major funds added together in one column on the basic

financial statements. Budgetary information required by the General Statutes also can be found in this part of the statements.

Following the notes is the required supplemental information. This section contains funding information about the County's pension plan and other postemployment benefits.

### **Government-wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the County's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the County's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the County's net position and how it has changed. Net position is the difference between the total of the County's assets and deferred outflows of resources and total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Measuring net position is one way to gauge the County's financial condition.

The government-wide statements are divided into three categories: 1) governmental activities; 2) business-type activities; and 3) component units. The governmental activities include most of the County's basic services such as public safety, parks and recreation, and general administration. Property taxes and state and federal grant funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those that the County charges customers to provide. These include the water services offered by Bertie County. The final category is the component unit. Although legally separate from the County, the ABC Board is important to the County because the County is financially accountable for the Board by appointing its members and because the Board is required to distribute a portion of its profits to the County.

The government-wide financial statements are on Exhibits 1 and 2 of this report.

### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the County's most significant activities. 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. Bertie County, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the County's budget ordinance. All of the funds of Bertie County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental Funds** – Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the County's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out, and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting*. This method also has a current financial resources focus. As a result, the

governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps him or her determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the County's programs. The relationship between government activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

Bertie County adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the County, the management of the County, and the decisions of the Board about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the County to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the County complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the County succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the board; 2) the final budget as amended by the board; 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund; and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges.

**Proprietary Funds** – Bertie County has one kind of proprietary fund. *Enterprise Funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Bertie County uses enterprise funds to account for its water operations. These funds are the same as those separate activities shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

**Fiduciary Funds** – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Bertie County has four fiduciary funds, one of which is a pension trust fund and three of which are agency funds.

**Notes to the Financial Statements** – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements start on page 34 of this report.

**Other Information** – In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information concerning Bertie County's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. Required supplementary information can be found beginning on page 62 of this report.

**Interdependence with Other Entities** – The County depends on financial resources flowing from, or associated with, both the Federal Government and the State of North Carolina. Because of this dependency, the County is subject to changes in specific flows of intergovernmental revenues based on modifications to Federal and State laws and Federal and State appropriations. It is also subject to changes in investment earnings and asset values associated with US Treasury Securities because of actions by foreign government and other holders of publicly held US Treasury Securities.

## Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The County's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$13,312,650 as of June 30, 2020. The County's net position increased by \$544,340 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. One of the largest portions of the County's net position (\$28,295,887) reflects the County's net investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, and equipment). Bertie County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although Bertie County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. An additional portion of Bertie County's net position (\$4,165,497) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$19,148,734 is unrestricted.

**Bertie County's Net Position**  
**Figure 2**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Current and other assets	\$ 8,344,482	\$ 8,982,550	\$ 1,581,164	\$ 1,671,303	\$ 9,925,646	\$ 10,653,853
Capital assets	31,960,379	30,872,486	30,681,980	31,302,727	62,642,359	62,175,213
Total assets	40,304,861	39,855,036	32,263,144	32,974,030	72,568,005	72,829,066
Total deferred outflows of resources	5,579,982	2,199,005	297,698	250,912	5,877,680	2,449,917
Current and other liabilities	1,617,868	882,933	397,755	379,790	2,015,623	1,262,723
Long-term liabilities outstanding	47,090,253	44,783,876	15,182,489	15,514,212	62,272,742	60,298,088
Total liabilities	48,708,121	45,666,809	15,580,244	15,894,002	64,288,365	61,560,811
Total deferred inflows of resources	799,104	900,902	45,566	48,960	844,670	949,862
Net Position:						
Net investment in capital assets	11,275,424	9,423,976	17,020,463	17,441,376	28,295,887	26,865,352
Restricted	4,165,497	3,981,854	-	-	4,165,497	3,981,854
Unrestricted	(19,063,303)	(17,919,500)	(85,431)	(159,396)	(19,148,734)	(18,078,896)
Total net position	\$ (3,622,382)	\$ (4,513,670)	\$ 16,935,032	\$ 17,281,980	\$ 13,312,650	\$ 12,768,310

Several particular aspects of the County's financial operations positively influenced the total unrestricted governmental net position:

- Continued diligence in the listing of business personal property and the collection of property taxes, both current year levy and prior year delinquent taxes.
- Revenues were higher than budgeted in ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, beer and wine taxes, state funding for aging, and other miscellaneous revenues and refunds.
- Savings were realized in several departments due to lapsed salaries, as well as unspent supplies, utilities and equipment appropriations.



**Bertie County**  
**Changes in Net Position**  
**Figure 3**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Program Revenues						
Charges for Services	\$ 6,666,669	\$ 5,862,051	\$ 2,421,661	\$ 2,629,561	\$ 9,088,330	\$ 8,491,612
Operating grants and contributions	5,238,096	4,711,086	-	-	5,238,096	4,711,086
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	369,525	275,473	369,525	275,473
General revenues:						
Property taxes	11,497,139	11,026,222	-	-	11,497,139	11,026,222
Other taxes	3,712,272	2,872,659	-	-	3,712,272	2,872,659
Investment earnings	752,347	764,985	6,780	10,484	759,127	775,469
Miscellaneous	-	64,081	-	-	-	64,081
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>27,866,523</b>	<b>25,301,084</b>	<b>2,797,966</b>	<b>2,915,518</b>	<b>30,664,489</b>	<b>28,216,602</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
General government	3,490,620	6,210,243	-	-	3,490,620	6,210,243
Public Safety	9,828,024	9,596,440	-	-	9,828,024	9,596,440
Environmental protection	543,039	552,801	-	-	543,039	552,801
Economic and physical development	2,386,294	546,905	-	-	2,386,294	546,905
Human services	4,874,960	5,368,888	-	-	4,874,960	5,368,888
Education	3,680,568	3,617,158	-	-	3,680,568	3,617,158
Special appropriations	693,272	949,018	-	-	693,272	949,018
Cltural and recreational	443,761	551,703	-	-	443,761	551,703
Interest and fees on long-term debt	1,034,697	319,047	-	-	1,034,697	319,047
Water districts	-	-	3,144,914	3,106,224	3,144,914	3,106,224
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>26,975,235</b>	<b>27,712,203</b>	<b>3,144,914</b>	<b>3,106,224</b>	<b>30,120,149</b>	<b>30,818,427</b>
Increase (decrease) in net position	891,288	(2,411,119)	(346,948)	(190,706)	544,340	(2,601,825)
Net position, beginning	(4,513,670)	(2,102,551)	17,281,980	17,472,686	12,768,310	15,370,135
Net position, June 30, ending	\$ (3,622,382)	\$ (4,513,670)	\$ 16,935,032	\$ 17,281,980	\$ 13,312,650	\$ 12,768,310

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities increased the County's net position by \$891,288. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

- Revenues for governmental activities increased due to increases in charges for services, operating grants and contributions, and taxes.
- Expenses for governmental activities decreased by \$736,968 primarily due to reductions in general government.

**Business-type activities:** Business-type activities decreased Bertie County's net position by \$346,948. Key elements of this decrease are as follows:

- A decrease in water sales contributed to the overall decrease in net position for the water system.
- The Governor's moratorium on utility shut-offs greatly contributed to the loss of water sales and collection of fees.

## Financial Analysis of the County's Funds

As noted earlier, Bertie County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental Funds.** The focus of Bertie County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing Bertie County's financing requirements. Specifically, fund balance available for appropriations can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The General fund is the chief operating fund of Bertie County. At the end of the current fiscal year, Bertie County's unassigned fund balance in the General Fund was \$284,275, while total fund balance in the General Fund reached \$4,144,191. The Governing Body of Bertie County has determined that the County should maintain an available fund balance of 10% of general fund expenditures in case of unforeseen needs or opportunities, in addition to meeting the cash flow needs of the County.

- Bertie County's reported available fund balance for the prior year (2019) was \$1,973,874.
- Bertie County's available fund balance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 is \$278,713 which is a decrease of \$1,695,161 or 86 percent below the prior year.
- The NC Local Government Commission recommends that units of local government maintain a minimum of eight percent (8%) fund balance to cover cash flow and operating cycle, emergency reserves, and credit rating requirements.
- Bertie County's available fund balance for appropriation is 1.05 percent of total General Fund expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

The County currently has an unassigned available fund balance of 1.07 percent of General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 15.66 percent of that same amount (\$26,459,383).

At June 30, 2020, the governmental funds of Bertie County reported a combined fund balance of \$4,468,065, an 10.33% decrease over last year.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights:** During the fiscal year, the County revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as Federal and State grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services.

**Statutory Calculation of Fund Balance Available for Appropriation At June 30**  
**Restricted - Stabilization by State Statute**

	6/30/2011 and Later	Without Including Restricted Cash
<u>Calculation</u>	<u>Total</u>	
<b>Fund Balance Available for Appropriation - G.S. §159-8(a)</b>		
Unrestricted Cash and Investments .....	\$ 1,058,559	\$ 1,058,559
Restricted cash and investments (This would normally include Powell Bill, Bond Proceeds, consolidated funds such as capital reserve funds or tax revaluation funds)	80,138	
Liabilities excluding those to be paid from restricted cash .....	826,380	826,380
Liabilities to be paid from restricted cash not included above		
Encumbrances at June 30 (listed in the notes) .....	---	---
Deferred or Unearned Revenues Arising from Cash Receipts ...	33,604	33,604
✓ <b>Fund Balance Available for Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$ 278,713</b>	<b>\$ 198,575</b>
Total Fund Balance (From Audited Financial Statements) .....	4,144,191	
Total Restricted by State Statute .....	\$ 3,865,478	
<b>Restricted by State Statute Presented on Financial Statements</b>		
Less Non Spendable - Inventory .....	---	
Non Spendable - Prepays	---	
Other Non Spendable amounts	---	
✓ <b>Restricted - Stabilization by State Statute (LGC calculation)</b>	<b>\$ 3,865,478</b>	
Restricted - Stabilization by State Statute (From Audited Financial Sta	\$ 3,865,478	
<b>Restricted - Stabilization by State Statute Correctly Reported.</b>		

<u>Analysis</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Without Including Consolidated Fund:</u>
<b>Expenditures - General Fund</b>		
Total Expenditures - General Fund .....	26,459,383	\$ 26,459,383
<b>Adjustments</b>		
Transfers Out .....	---	---
Issuance of Capital Leases & Installment Purchases .....	---	---
Total Expenditures (As Adjusted) .....	\$ 26,459,383	\$ 26,459,383
✓ <b>Fund Balance Available as % of Expenditures .....</b>	<b>1.05 %</b>	<b>0.75 %</b>

Counties and Municipalities may use this link to compare current information with their performance in prior fiscal years or with the ratios of their peer group.  
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**Proprietary Funds.** Bertie County’s proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. There is a deficit of \$85,431 for the unrestricted net position of the Water districts. There was a decrease in net position of \$346,948. Other factors concerning the finances of these funds have already been addressed in the discussion of Bertie County’s business-type activities.

**Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets.** Bertie County’s capital assets for its governmental and business – type activities as of June 30, 2020, totals \$62,642,359 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include buildings, land, equipment, and vehicles.

	Governmental		Business-Type		Total	
	Activities		Activities			
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Land	\$ 1,928,490	\$ 1,912,052	\$ 129,994	\$ 129,994	\$ 2,058,484	\$ 2,042,046
Building and system	23,522,127	24,047,372	27,209,565	27,996,850	50,731,692	52,044,222
Improvements	892,678	676,084	-	-	892,678	676,084
Machinery and equipment	1,554,092	1,718,695	-	-	1,554,092	1,718,695
Vehicles and motorized equipment	1,006,979	1,113,106	-	23,713	1,006,979	1,136,819
Construction in progress	3,056,013	1,405,177	3,342,421	3,152,170	6,398,434	4,557,347
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 31,960,379</b>	<b>\$ 30,872,486</b>	<b>\$ 30,681,980</b>	<b>\$ 31,302,727</b>	<b>\$ 62,642,359</b>	<b>\$ 62,175,213</b>

Additional information on the County’s capital assets can be found in Note III.A.5.

**Long-term Debt.** As of June 30, 2020, Bertie County had total debt outstanding of \$62,272,742.

	Governmental		Business-type		Total	
	Activities		Activities			
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Limited obligation bonds	\$ 19,205,000	\$ 19,760,000	\$ 9,115,000	\$ 9,530,000	\$ 28,320,000	\$ 29,290,000
Installment Purchases	3,539,808	5,068,668	2,519,472	2,667,172	6,059,280	7,735,840
Bond anticipation note	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revenue bond	-	-	1,639,179	1,664,179	1,639,179	1,664,179
Original issue discount	-	-	(35,421)	(37,587)	(35,421)	(37,587)
Original issue premium	-	-	423,287	449,190	423,287	449,190
Compensated absences	419,003	398,580	25,696	27,037	444,699	425,617
Net pension obligation	500,459	463,820	-	-	500,459	463,820
Net pension liability	3,252,473	2,998,809	207,605	190,452	3,460,078	3,189,261
Net OPEB liability	20,173,510	16,039,076	1,287,671	1,023,771	21,461,181	17,062,847
Other postemployment benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 47,090,253</b>	<b>\$ 44,728,953</b>	<b>\$ 15,182,489</b>	<b>\$ 15,514,214</b>	<b>\$ 62,272,742</b>	<b>\$ 60,243,167</b>

The State of North Carolina limits the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8 percent of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government’s boundaries. The legal debt margin for Bertie County is \$87,628,605.

## Budget overview for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020

### Governmental Activities – and personnel related costs

FY 2019-2020 County employee payroll:	\$8,314,522
Health insurance coverage for employees:	\$1,129,987
Health insurance coverage for retirees:	\$ 394,779
Contribution (OPEB) for future retiree health insurance:	\$ 242,400
Contribution for NC Local Government Employee Retirement System:	\$ 704,258
Contributions for NC 401k for law enforcement and all other staff:	<u>\$ 255,832</u>
Total	\$11,041,778

**Human Resources and staffing requirements for County Services**—In FY 2012-2013 Bertie County budgeted for 147 positions; and as of the year ended June 30, 2020, the County budgeted for 228 positions. Much of this financial report focuses on long term liabilities and unfunded OPEB liability based on actuarial assumptions which are now calculated at \$21,461,181 using GASB 74 and 75. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 the OPEB liability was estimated at \$17,062,847.

Most of the staffing expansion experienced since FY 2012-2013 is directly related to public safety functions, both law enforcement and emergency services.

### Business – type Activities:

Bertie County’s Regional Water System operating revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 total \$2,421,604 or \$176,104 less than the prior year.

Expenditures for the Regional Water System are reported as \$2,712,437 on Exhibit 7. The operating income loss of \$290,834 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 represents an increase of \$224,404 as compared with the operating loss of \$66,430 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

The Board of Commissioners has actively sought to achieve the merger and consolidation of the County’s regional water system with the Towns of Roxobel and Lewiston-Woodville and was successful in securing financing through the NC Drinking Water state revolving fund including a

\$500,000 grant which reflects principal forgiveness for this loan. Additionally, the Board of Commissioners consolidated Water District III with the South Windsor Association community water system in 2014 and has secured \$3,055,000 in USDA Rural Development financing, of which \$1,074,000 is a federal grant.

The water rates for residential, commercial and institutional customers in the County increased on July 1, 2014 for all four water districts. The Board of Commissioners engaged a new consulting engineering firm to perform a complete water system evaluation and operational review. Most notable in its findings, were the consultant's analysis of water rates and water production costs. Bertie County's cost of water production (excluding debt service) was calculated at \$4.50 per 1,000 gallons and its rate structure for commodity sales was \$3.48 per 1,000 gallons for a net financial loss of \$1.02 per 1,000 gallons sold. Hence, the need for immediate corrective action and the consumer rate adjustments approved by the Board for the subsequent fiscal year in all four water districts.

Additionally, the system evaluation noted during the last four calendar years, the County averaged a forty-six percent (46%) unaccounted water loss which equates to more than 500,000 gallons per day for the Bertie County Regional Water System comprised of the four water districts. The consultant's report identified the most likely contributing factors including line leaks, water storage overflows, meter accuracy, basic data logging, and non-reporting due to analog technology failures. Further investigation confirmed both faulty and non-existing altitude valves on elevated storage tanks, well performance deficiencies, meter inaccuracies and malfunctioning telemetry system communication network connections.

As noted in prior year financial statements, the Board of Commissioners directed management staff to immediately address these issues and provided funding allocated in the subsequent fiscal year to address each of these issues. The Board also commissioned the development of a water system asset management plan, and a five-year capital improvement plan including authorization to seek grant funding through state and federal programs.

#### Requests for Information

This report is designed to provide an overview of the County's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the Director of Finance, Bertie County, PO Box 530, Windsor, NC 27983.

## BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**June 30, 2020**

	<b>Primary Government</b>			<b>Component Units</b>
	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Business-type Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Bertie County ABC Board</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,135,503	\$ 1,067,513	\$ 3,203,016	\$ 45,779
Receivables, (net)	4,441,638	237,904	4,679,542	-
Notes receivable	1,668,184	-	1,668,184	-
Inventories	-	-	-	152,551
Prepaid Expenses	-	-	-	500
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	80,138	275,747	355,885	-
Total current assets	<u>8,325,463</u>	<u>1,581,164</u>	<u>9,906,627</u>	<u>198,830</u>
Net pension asset	19,019	-	19,019	-
Capital assets:				
Land, improvements, and construction in progress	4,984,503	3,472,415	8,456,918	3,789
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	26,975,876	27,209,565	54,185,441	17,054
Total assets capital assets	<u>31,960,379</u>	<u>30,681,980</u>	<u>62,642,359</u>	<u>20,843</u>
Total assets	<u>40,304,861</u>	<u>32,263,144</u>	<u>72,568,005</u>	<u>219,673</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	5,579,982	297,698	5,877,680	9,352
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,059,594	63,472	1,123,066	64,095
Advance from other governments	558,274	-	558,274	-
Liabilities to be paid from restricted assets	-	334,283	334,283	-
Long-term liabilities				
Net pension liability - LGERS	3,252,473	207,605	3,460,078	15,293
Total pension liability - LEOSSA	500,459	-	500,459	-
Net OPEB liability	20,173,510	1,287,671	21,461,181	307,890
Compensated absences payable	98,357	-	98,357	-
Due within one year	2,448,539	658,135	3,106,674	-
Due in more than one year	20,616,915	13,029,078	33,645,993	-
Total long-term liabilities	<u>47,090,253</u>	<u>15,182,489</u>	<u>62,272,742</u>	<u>323,183</u>
Total liabilities	<u>48,708,121</u>	<u>15,580,244</u>	<u>64,288,365</u>	<u>387,278</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	799,104	45,566	844,670	9,335
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	11,275,424	17,020,463	28,295,887	20,843
Restricted for:				
Stabilization by State Statute	4,171,059	-	4,171,059	-
Working capital	-	-	-	29,681
Tax Revaluation	64,317	-	64,317	-
Education (Capital Reserve-Schools Fund)	(69,879)	-	(69,879)	-
Unrestricted (deficit)	(19,063,303)	(85,431)	(19,148,734)	(218,112)
Total net position	<u>\$ (3,622,382)</u>	<u>\$ 16,935,032</u>	<u>\$ 13,312,650</u>	<u>\$ (167,588)</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government		Total	Component Unit
					Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities		Bertie County ABC Board
<b>Primary government:</b>								
Governmental Activities:								
General government	\$ 3,490,620	\$ 714,286	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,776,334)	\$ -	\$ (2,776,334)	\$ -
Public safety	9,828,024	2,857,144	952,381	-	(6,018,499)	-	(6,018,499)	-
Economic and physical development	2,386,294	-	595,238	-	(1,791,056)	-	(1,791,056)	-
Human services	4,874,960	952,381	3,675,597	-	(246,982)	-	(246,982)	-
Environmental protection	543,039	2,142,858	14,880	-	1,614,699	-	1,614,699	-
Intergovernmental:								
Education	3,680,568	-	-	-	(3,680,568)	-	(3,680,568)	-
Cultural and recreational	443,761	-	-	-	(443,761)	-	(443,761)	-
Debt services	1,034,697	-	-	-	(1,034,697)	-	(1,034,697)	-
Special appropriations	693,272	-	-	-	(693,272)	-	(693,272)	-
Total governmental activities	<u>26,975,235</u>	<u>6,666,669</u>	<u>5,238,096</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(15,070,470)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(15,070,470)</u>	<u>-</u>
Business-type activities:								
Water Districts	3,144,914	2,421,661	-	369,525	-	(353,728)	(353,728)	-
Total business-type activities	<u>3,144,914</u>	<u>2,421,661</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>369,525</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(353,728)</u>	<u>(353,728)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 30,120,149</u>	<u>\$ 9,088,330</u>	<u>\$ 5,238,096</u>	<u>\$ 369,525</u>	<u>\$ (15,070,470)</u>	<u>\$ (353,728)</u>	<u>\$ (15,424,198)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Component units:								
ABC Board	939,444	995,521	-	-	-	56,077	56,077	56,077
Total component units	<u>\$ 939,444</u>	<u>\$ 995,521</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 56,077</u>	<u>\$ 56,077</u>	<u>\$ 56,077</u>
General revenues:								
Taxes:								
Property taxes, levied for general purpose					\$ 11,497,139	\$ -	\$ 11,497,139	\$ -
Local option sales tax					2,414,250	-	2,414,250	-
Other taxes and licenses					1,298,022	-	1,298,022	-
Investment earnings, unrestricted					752,347	6,780	759,127	158
Profit distribution					-	-	-	(20,395)
Total general revenues					<u>15,961,758</u>	<u>6,780</u>	<u>15,968,538</u>	<u>(20,237)</u>
Change in net position					891,288	(346,948)	544,340	35,840
Net position-beginning					<u>(4,513,670)</u>	<u>17,281,980</u>	<u>12,768,310</u>	<u>(203,428)</u>
Net position, ending					<u>\$ (3,622,382)</u>	<u>\$ 16,935,032</u>	<u>\$ 13,312,650</u>	<u>\$ (167,588)</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**June 30, 2020**

	<u>Major</u>	<u>NonMajor</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,058,559	\$ 1,076,944	\$ 2,135,503
Restricted cash	80,138	-	80,138
Due from other funds	269,088	-	269,088
Receivables, (net):			
Accounts	3,596,390	305,581	3,901,971
Taxes	535,886	-	535,886
Notes	1,668,184	-	1,668,184
Total assets	<u>\$ 7,208,245</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,525</u>	<u>\$ 8,590,770</u>
<b>LIABILITIES DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	826,380	231,289	1,057,669
Advance from other governments	-	558,274	558,274
Due to other funds	-	269,088	269,088
Total liabilities	<u>826,380</u>	<u>1,058,651</u>	<u>1,885,031</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Taxes receivable	535,886	-	535,886
Prepaid taxes	33,604	-	33,604
Notes receivable	1,668,184	-	1,668,184
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>2,237,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,237,674</u>
Fund balances:			
Restricted			
Stabilization by state statute	3,865,478	305,581	4,171,059
Committed			
Tax Revaluation	64,317	-	64,317
Education (Capital Reserve-Schools Fund)	(69,879)	-	(69,879)
Unassigned	284,275	18,293	302,568
Total fund balances	<u>4,144,191</u>	<u>323,874</u>	<u>4,468,065</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 7,208,245</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,525</u>	<u>\$ 8,590,770</u>

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**June 30, 2020**

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

Total Fund Balance, Governmental Funds	4,468,065
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	31,960,379
Net pension asset	19,019
Contributions to pension plans in the current fiscal year are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position.	5,486,611
Benefit payments and pension administration costs for LEOWSA are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement on Net Position.	14,476
Contributions and pension administration costs for OPEB are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position	35,971
Net pension liability	(3,252,473)
Net OPEB liability	(20,173,510)
Total pension liability	(500,459)
Deferred inflows of resources for taxes and special assessments	2,204,070
Pension related deferrals	(143,223)
OPEB related deferrals	(655,880)
Some liabilities, including bonds payable and other postemployment benefits, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	(23,163,811)
The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the statement of net assets.	78,383
Net position of governmental activities	\$ <u><u>(3,622,382)</u></u>

OPEB and Pension related deferrals.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	<u>Major</u>	<u>NonMajor</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Governmental Funds</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes	11,601,747	-	11,601,747
Other taxes and licenses	551,674	-	551,674
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	3,160,598	-	3,160,598
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	3,735,585	2,644,473	6,380,058
Permits and fees	219,154	-	219,154
Sales and services	3,709,885	-	3,709,885
Investment earnings	751,877	471	752,348
Miscellaneous	1,594,149	1,519	1,595,668
Total revenues	<u>25,324,669</u>	<u>2,646,463</u>	<u>27,971,132</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Current:			
General government	3,876,564	-	3,876,564
Public safety	9,176,334	179,677	9,356,011
Economic and physical development	519,575	1,846,740	2,366,315
Human services	836,422	-	836,422
Environmental protection	497,608	-	497,608
Education	3,680,568	-	3,680,568
Cultural and recreational	345,932	-	345,932
Social Services	3,714,551	-	3,714,551
Debt services	3,118,557	-	3,118,557
Special appropriations	693,272	-	693,272
Total expenditures	<u>26,459,383</u>	<u>2,026,417</u>	<u>28,485,800</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(1,134,714)</u>	<u>620,046</u>	<u>(514,668)</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-
Transfers to other funds	-	-	-
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	(1,134,714)	620,046	(514,668)
Fund balances-beginning	5,278,905	(296,172)	4,982,733
Fund balances-ending	<u>\$ 4,144,191</u>	<u>\$ 323,874</u>	<u>\$ 4,468,065</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net changes in fund balance - total government funds	\$ (514,668)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeded capital outlays in the current year.	1,011,366
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year are not included on the Statement of Activities.	(661,166)
Benefit payments and pension administration costs for LEOSSA are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement on Net Position.	14,476
Contributions and pension administration costs for OPEB are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position.	35,971
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	638,386
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	(20,423)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	2,083,860
County's portion of collective pension expense.	(1,770,983)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of a telephone system to individual funds.	74,469
Total changes in net position of governmental activities	\$ 891,288

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Budget and Actual - General Fund**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	General Fund			Variance With Final Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 11,751,468	\$ 11,759,868	\$ 11,601,747	\$ (158,121)
Other taxes and licenses	451,380	467,380	551,674	84,294
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	2,387,350	2,387,350	3,160,598	773,248
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	3,539,208	3,807,843	3,735,585	(72,258)
Permits and services	228,300	228,300	219,154	(9,146)
Sales and services	4,478,095	4,478,095	3,709,886	(768,209)
Investment earnings	45,000	45,000	15,293	(29,707)
Miscellaneous	1,307,901	1,507,754	1,594,149	86,395
Total revenues	<u>24,188,702</u>	<u>24,681,590</u>	<u>24,588,086</u>	<u>(93,504)</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current:				
General government	4,137,726	4,165,325	3,814,190	351,135
Public safety	9,934,583	10,258,655	9,176,334	1,082,321
Economic and physical development	574,057	591,103	519,575	71,528
Human Services	859,079	931,860	836,422	95,438
Environmental protection	488,164	498,164	497,608	556
Education	3,548,446	3,699,713	3,680,568	19,145
Cultural and recreational	401,482	452,159	345,932	106,227
Social services	4,478,682	4,572,285	3,714,551	857,734
Debt service	3,118,560	3,118,560	3,118,557	3
Special appropriations	588,715	750,358	693,273	57,085
Total expenditures	<u>28,129,494</u>	<u>29,038,182</u>	<u>26,397,010</u>	<u>2,641,172</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(3,940,792)	(4,356,592)	(1,808,924)	2,547,668
<b>Other financing sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers from other funds	2,528,542	2,528,542	1,052,113	(1,476,429)
Transfers to other funds	(75,000)	(75,000)	-	75,000
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>2,453,542</u>	<u>2,453,542</u>	<u>1,052,113</u>	<u>(1,401,429)</u>
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>(1,487,250)</u>	<u>(1,903,050)</u>	<u>(756,811)</u>	<u>1,146,239</u>
Appropriated fund balance	<u>1,487,250</u>	<u>1,903,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,903,050)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(756,811)</u>	<u>\$ (756,811)</u>
Fund Balances - Beginning			4,906,564	
Fund Balances - Ending			<u>\$ 4,149,753</u>	
The legally budgeted Tax Revaluation Fund and Capital Reserve Fund are consolidated into the General Fund for reporting purposes:				
Investment earnings			\$ 736,584	
Transfers (to)/from other funds			(1,052,113)	
Expenditures			(62,374)	
Fund Balance, Beginning			372,341	
Fund Balance, Ending (Exhibit 4)			<u>\$ 4,144,191</u>	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Fund Net Position**  
**Proprietary Fund**  
**June 30, 2020**

	Major Enterprise	
	Fund	Internal Service
	Regional Water	Funds
	District	Funds
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,067,513	\$ -
Receivables, (net)	237,904	3,781
Total Current Assets	<u>1,305,417</u>	<u>3,781</u>
Noncurrent assets:		
Restricted assets:		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	275,747	-
Capital assets:		
Land and improvements	129,994	-
Construction in progress	3,342,421	-
Buildings, improvements, and equipment	40,273,504	305,185
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(13,063,939)</u>	<u>(228,658)</u>
Capital assets (net)	30,681,980	76,527
Total noncurrent assets	<u>30,957,727</u>	<u>76,527</u>
Total Assets	<u>32,263,144</u>	<u>80,308</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>297,698</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	63,472	1,925
Compensated absences	25,696	-
Installment purchase	147,702	-
Limited obligation bonds	435,000	-
Revenue bond	26,000	-
Original issue discount/premium	<u>23,737</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>721,607</u>	<u>1,925</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Liabilities payable from restricted assets:		
Accounts payable	-	-
Retainage payable	72,969	-
Customer deposits	261,314	-
Installment purchase	2,371,770	-
Compensated absences	-	-
Limited obligation bonds	8,680,000	-
Revenue bond	1,613,179	-
Original issue discount/premium	364,129	-
Net pension liability	207,605	-
Net OPEB liability	<u>1,287,671</u>	<u>-</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>14,858,637</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>15,580,244</u>	<u>1,925</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>45,566</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	17,020,463	76,527
Unrestricted	<u>(85,431)</u>	<u>1,856</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 16,935,032</u>	<u>\$ 78,383</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and**  
**Changes in Fund Net Position**  
**Proprietary Funds**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Exhibit 7

	Major Enterprise Fund	
	Regional Water District	Internal Service Fund
Operating revenues:		
User charges	\$ 2,399,388	\$ 67,650
Other operating revenue	22,215	-
Total Operating Revenues	<u>2,421,603</u>	<u>67,650</u>
Operating expenses:		
Cost of operations	1,877,702	74,469
Depreciation expense	834,735	12,223
Total operating expenses	<u>2,712,437</u>	<u>86,692</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	(290,834)	(19,042)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):		
Investment earnings	6,780	-
Tax refunds	58	-
Debt service	(432,477)	-
Interest, fees and amortization	-	-
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>(425,639)</u>	<u>-</u>
Income (loss) before contributions and operating transfers	(716,473)	(19,042)
Transfers in/(out)	-	-
Capital Contributions	369,525	-
Total transfers and capital contributions	<u>369,525</u>	<u>-</u>
Changes in net position	(346,948)	(19,042)
Net position, beginning	17,281,980	97,425
Total net position, ending	<u>\$ 16,935,032</u>	<u>\$ 78,383</u>



**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Proprietary Fund**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Exhibit 8

	Major Enterprise Fund	
	Regional Water District	Internal Service Fund
<b>Cash flows From operating activities:</b>		
Cash received from customers	\$ 2,399,388	\$ 67,650
Cash paid for goods and services	(1,122,456)	(62,617)
Cash paid to employees for services	(586,003)	-
Customer deposits (net)	17,869	-
Other operating revenues	22,215	-
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	731,013	(5,033)
<b>Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:</b>		
Nonoperating income	-	-
Tax refunds	58	-
Due to (from) other funds	-	-
Net cash flows provided (used) by noncapital financing activities	58	-
<b>Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:</b>		
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(190,251)	-
Interest paid on construction debt	(432,477)	-
Principal paid on bond maturities and equipment contracts	(587,700)	-
Capital contributions - Federal and State grants	369,525	-
Proceeds from long-term borrowing	-	-
Net cash flows provided (used) for capital and related financing activities	(840,903)	-
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Interest on investment	6,780	-
Net cash provided (used) for investing activities	6,780	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(103,052)	(5,033)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	1,446,312	5,033
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ 1,343,260	\$ -
<b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:</b>		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (290,834)	\$ (19,042)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and Amortization	834,735	12,223
Changes in assets and liabilities, and deferred outflows in inflows of resources:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(12,913)	(139)
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows of resources for pensions & OPEB	(46,786)	-
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability	17,153	-
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB liability	263,900	-
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows of resources for pensions & OPEB	(3,394)	-
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(47,376)	1,925
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	17,869	-
Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation	(1,341)	-
Total adjustments	1,021,847	14,009
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 731,013	\$ (5,033)

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Statement of Fiduciary Net Position**  
**June 30, 2020**

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<b>Assets</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>16,550</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Miscellaneous liabilities	<u>16,550</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Assets held in trust	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2020**

**I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies of Bertie County and its component units conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

**A. Reporting Entity**

The County, which is governed by a five-member board of commissioners, is one of the 100 counties established in North Carolina under North Carolina General Statute 153A-10. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the County and its component units, legally separate entities for which the County is financially accountable. One component unit of the County has no financial transactions or account balances; therefore, it does not appear in the combined financial statements. The blended component unit, although it is a legally separate entity, is, in substance, part of the County's operations. The discretely presented component unit below is reported in a separate column in the County's combined financial statements in order to emphasize that it is legally separate from the County.

Blended Component Unit

Bertie County Water Districts

Under State law [G.S. 162A-89], the County's board of commissioners also serve as the governing board for the Regional Water District. Therefore, the Regional Water District is reported as an enterprise fund in the County's financial statements. The Regional Water District does not issue separate financial statements.

Discretely Presented Component Units

Bertie County Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Financing Authority

Bertie County Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Financing Authority (the "Authority") exists to issue and service revenue bond debt of private businesses for economic development purposes. The Authority is governed by a seven-member board of commissioners, all of whom are appointed by the county commissioners. The County can remove any commissioner of the Authority with or without cause. The Authority has no financial transactions or account balances; therefore, it is not presented in the combined financial statements. The Authority does not issue separate financial statements.

Bertie County ABC Board

The members of the ABC Board's governing body are appointed by the County. The ABC Board is required by state statute to distribute its surpluses to the General Fund of the County. The ABC Board, which has a June 30 year-end, is presented as if it were a proprietary fund.

Complete financial statements of the component unit may be obtained at the administrative office of the entity.

Bertie County ABC Board  
P. O. Box 97  
Windsor, North Carolina 27983

**B. Basis of Presentation - Basis of Accounting**

Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus - Basis of Accounting

*Government-wide Statements* : The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government net position (the County) and its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the County. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the County and for each function of the County's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the statement of activities. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

*Fund Financial Statements:* The fund financial statements provide information about the County's funds, including its fiduciary funds and blended component units. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental*, *proprietary*, and *fiduciary* – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies, result from non-exchange transactions. Other non-operating items such as investment earnings are ancillary activities.

The County reports the following major governmental fund:

*General Fund* - This is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The Special Capital Fund is a legally budgeted fund under North Carolina General Statutes; however, for statement presentation in accordance with GASB Statement No. 54 it is consolidated in the General Fund.

The County reports the following major enterprise fund:

*Bertie County Regional Water Districts Fund* - This fund accounts for the County's water operations of all four of the County's water districts.

The County also reports the following fund types:

*Internal Service Fund.* The Internal Service Fund, which is a proprietary fund, is used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the governmental unit, or to other governmental units, on a cost reimbursement basis. Bertie County has one internal service fund. The Bertie Telephone is an internal service fund, which operates for County use only. The Bertie County Telephone Fund is consolidated with the Governmental Funds in the government-wide statements.

*Agency Funds.* Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve the measurement of operating results. Agency Funds are used to account for assets the County holds on behalf of others. The County maintains four Agency Funds: the Social Services Fund, which accounts for monies held by the Department of Social Services for the benefit of certain individuals; the Fines and Forfeitures Fund, which accounts for various legal fines and forfeitures that the County is required to remit to Bertie County Board of Education; the Tax Fund, which accounts for registered motor vehicle property taxes that are billed and collected by the County for various municipalities within the County; and the Pest Management Fund, which accounts for the moneys received from local farmers for Agriculture Extension services.

*Nonmajor Funds.* The County maintains five legally budgeted funds. The Emergency Telephone System and the Coronavirus Relief Fund are reported as nonmajor special revenue funds. The Library/Cooperative Extension Building and Construction Fund, the EMS Building Fund, the Disaster Recovery Fund, and the Bertie High School Construction Fund are reported as nonmajor capital project funds.

In accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, all funds of the County are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

*Government-wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements.* The government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus, except for the agency funds which have no measurement focus. The government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the County gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the County enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. The County also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the water and sewer system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements.* Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The County considers all revenues available if they are collected within 90 days after year-end, except for property taxes. Ad valorem property taxes are not accrued as revenue because the amount is not susceptible to accrual. At June 30, taxes receivable for property other than motor vehicles are materially past due and are not considered to be an available resource to finance the operations of the current year. Since September 1, 2013, the State of North Carolina has been responsible for billing and collecting the property taxes on registered motor vehicles on behalf of all municipalities and special tax districts. These property taxes are due when vehicles are registered. Motor vehicle property tax revenues are applicable to the fiscal year in which they are received. Uncollected taxes that were billed by the County for periods prior to September 1, 2013 or those for limited registration plates are shown as a receivable in these financial statements and are offset by deferred inflows of resources.

Sales taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, such as the utilities franchise tax, collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the County are recognized as revenue. Intergovernmental revenues and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been satisfied.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general revenues.

**C. Budgetary Data**

The County's budgets are adopted as required by the North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget is adopted for the General Fund, the Emergency Telephone, Fire District and Tax Revaluation Special Revenue Funds, and the Enterprise Funds. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end. Project ordinances are adopted for the Capital Reserve Special Revenue Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, and the Enterprise Capital Projects Funds. The Enterprise Capital Projects Funds are consolidated with the enterprise operating funds for reporting purposes.

All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the functional level for all annually budgeted funds and at the project level for the multi-year funds. Amendments are required for any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund or that change functional appropriations by more than \$5,000. The governing board must approve all amendments. During the year, several immaterial amendments to the original budget were necessary. The budget ordinance must be adopted by July 1 of the fiscal year or the governing board must adopt an interim budget that covers that time until the annual ordinance can be adopted.

**D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflow/Inflows of Resources and Fund Equity**

**1. Deposits and Investments**

All deposits of the County and Bertie County ABC Board are made in board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by G.S. 159-31. The County and the ABC Board may designate, as an official depository, any bank or savings association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the County and the ABC Board may establish time deposit accounts such as NOW and SuperNOW accounts, money market deposit accounts, and certificates of deposit.

State law [G.S. 159-30(c)] authorizes the County and the ABC Board to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States; obligations of the State of North Carolina; bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority; obligations of certain non-guaranteed federal agencies; certain high quality issues of commercial paper and bankers' acceptances and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT).

The majority of the County and the ABC Board's investments are carried at fair value. Non-participating interest earning investment contracts are accounted for at cost

- The North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT), which consists of two SEC registered funds, is authorized by G.S. 159-30(c)(8). One of these funds, the Government Portfolio, is a 2a7 fund which invests in treasuries and government agencies and is rated AAAM by S&P. The second fund, the Term Portfolio, is a short-term bond fund investing in treasuries, government agencies, and money market instruments allowed under G.S. 159-30. The Term Portfolio has no rating. Both the Government Portfolio and the Term Portfolio are reported at fair value.

**2. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The County pools moneys from several funds, except the Other Post Employment Trust Fund, to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are considered cash and cash equivalents. The ABC Board considers demand deposits and investments with maturity date of 90 days or less at time of the purchase to be cash and cash equivalents.

**3. Restricted Assets**

Customer deposits held by the County before any services are supplied are restricted to the service for which the deposit was collected. Money in the Tax Revaluation Fund is classified as restricted assets because its use is restricted per North Carolina General Statute 153A-150. Money in the Capital Reserve Schools Fund is classified as restricted assets because its use is restricted per North Carolina General Statutes 159-18 through 22. Cash and cash equivalents in the Other Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund is considered restricted because it can only be used to pay other postemployment benefit obligations. The County is required by the USDA to set aside ten percent (10%) of the current year's note payment as restricted cash in a separate account for ten years or until one payment has accrued or the note is paid out.

Governmental Activities:

General Fund	Tax Revaluation	\$	64,317
	USDA Reserves Account		15,821
Total Governmental Activities		\$	<u>80,138</u>
Business-type Activities			
Water District Regional	Customer deposits	\$	261,314
	USDA Reserves Account		14,433
Total Business-type Activities		\$	<u>275,747</u>

**4. Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable**

In accordance with State law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the County levies ad valorem taxes on property other than motor vehicles on July 1<sup>st</sup>, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1<sup>st</sup> (lien date); however, penalties and interest do not accrue until the following January 6<sup>th</sup>. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. As allowed by State law, the County has established a schedule of discounts that apply to taxes that are paid prior to the due date. In the County's General Fund, ad valorem tax revenues are reported net of such discounts.

**5. Allowances for Doubtful Accounts**

All receivables that historically experience uncollectible accounts are shown net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. This amount is estimated by analyzing the percentage of receivables that were written off in prior years.

**6. Inventories and Prepaid Items**

The inventories of the ABC Board are valued at cost (first-in, first-out), which approximates market. The inventory of the ABC Board consists of materials and supplies held for consumption or resale and is reported at lower of cost or market.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

**7. Capital Assets**

Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

The County holds title to certain Bertie County Board of Education properties that have not been included in capital assets. The properties have been deeded to the County to permit installment purchase financing of acquisition and construction costs and to permit the County to receive refunds of sales tax paid for construction costs. Agreements between the County and the Board of Education give the Board of Education full use of the facilities, full responsibility for maintenance of the facilities, and provide that the County will convey title to the property back to the Board of Education, once all restrictions of the financing agreements and all sales tax reimbursement requirements have been met. The properties are reflected as capital assets in the financial statements of the Bertie County Board of Education.

The County holds title to the Bertie High School property. The property has been deeded to the County to permit limited obligation bond financing for construction. Agreements between the County and the Board of Education give the Board of Education full use of the facilities, full responsibility for maintenance of the facilities, but provides that the County will retain title to the property.

Capital assets of the County are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	50
Improvements	10-20
Furniture and equipment	10
Vehicles	3-5
Computer equipment	5

Capital assets of the ABC Board are depreciated over their useful lives on a straight-line basis as follows:

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	20
Furniture and equipment	10
Vehicles	3-5
Leasehold improvements	10-20
Computers	3

**8. Deferred outflows / inflows of resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflow of resources. This separate financial statement element, Deferred Outflows of Resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The County has two items that meet this criterion – pension related deferrals and contributions made to the pension plan in the current fiscal year. In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position can also report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, Deferred Inflows of Resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The County has two items that meets the criterion for this category – prepaid taxes and other pension related deferrals.



**9. Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements and in the proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities on the statement of net position.

In the fund financial statements for governmental fund types, the face amount of debt issued is reported as an other financing sources.

**10. Compensated Absences**

The vacation policies of the County and the ABC Board provide for the accumulation of up to thirty days earned vacation leave with such leave being fully vested when earned. For the County's government-wide and proprietary funds and the ABC Board, an expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are recorded as the leave is earned.

The sick leave policies of the County and the ABC Board provide for an unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. Sick leave does not vest, but any unused sick leave accumulated at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. Since neither the County nor the ABC Board has any obligation for accumulated sick leave until it is actually taken, no accrual for sick leave has been made.

**11. Net Position/Fund Balances**

Net Position

Net position in government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are classified as net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. Restricted net position represents constraints on resources that are either a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or b) imposed by law through State statute.

Fund Balances

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is composed of five classifications designed to disclose the hierarchy of constraints placed on how fund balance can be spent.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. There is no nonspendable fund balance at June 30, 2020.

Restricted Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law.

Restricted for Stabilization by State Statute – North Carolina G.S. 159-8 prohibits units of government from budgeting or spending a portion of their fund balance. This is one of several statutes enacted by the North Carolina State Legislature in the 1930's that were designed to improve and maintain the fiscal health of local government units. Restricted by State statute (RSS), is calculated at the end of each fiscal year for all annually budgeted funds. The calculation in G.S. 159-8(a) provides a formula for determining what portion of fund balance is available for appropriation. The amount of fund balance not available for appropriation is what is known as "restricted by State statute". *Appropriated fund balance in any fund shall not exceed the sum of cash and investments minus the sum of liabilities, encumbrances, and deferred revenues arising from cash receipts, as those figures stand at the close of the fiscal year next preceding the budget.* Per GASB guidance, RSS is considered a resource upon which a restriction is "imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation." RSS is reduced by inventories and prepaids as they are classified as nonspendable. Outstanding Encumbrances are included within RSS. RSS is included as a component of Restricted Net Position and Restricted Fund Balance on the face of the balance sheet.

Restricted for drug task force – portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue source for drug investigations.

Committed Fund Balance – Portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purpose imposed by majority vote of Bertie County's governing body (highest level of decision-making authority). Any changes or removal of specific purposes requires majority action by the governing body.

Committed for Tax Revaluation – portion of fund balance that can only be used for Tax Revaluation.

Committed for Education – portion of fund balance that can only be used for capital reserves schools.

Committed for OPEB Trust – portion of fund balance that can only be used for Other Postemployment Benefit Trust when the Trust is established.

Assigned Fund Balance – Portion of fund balance that the Bertie County governing board has budgeted.

Subsequent year's expenditures – portion of fund balance that is appropriated in the next year's budget that is not already classified in restricted or committed. The governing body approves the appropriation.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Portion of fund balance that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes or other funds.

Bertie County has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Director will use resources in the following hierarchy: bond proceeds, federal funds, State funds, local non-county funds, and county funds. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in-order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and lastly, unassigned fund balance. The Finance Director has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the County.

Bertie County has also adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the General Fund which instructs management to conduct the business of the County in such a manner that available fund balance is at least equal to or greater than 10% of budgeted expenditures. Any portion of the General Fund balance in excess of 10% of budgeted expenditures may be appropriated for one-time expenditures and may not be used for any purpose that would obligate the County in a future budget.

## **12. Defined Benefit Pension and OPEB Plans**

The County participates in three cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plans that are administered by the State; the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LERS), the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund (RODSPF), the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance (LEOSSA) (collectively, the "state-administered defined benefit pension plans"), and one other postemployment benefit plan (OPEB), the Healthcare Benefits Plan (HCB). For purposes of measuring the net pension asset or liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net positions of the state-administered defined benefit pension plans and additions to/deductions from the state-administered defined benefit pension plans' fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the state administered defined benefit pension plans. For this purpose, plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The County's employer contributions are recognized when due and the County has a legal requirement to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the state-administered defined benefit pension plans. For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the HCB and additions to/deductions from the HCB's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the HCB. For this purpose, the HCB recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments for all plans are reported at fair value.

## **E. Reconciliation of Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

### **1. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net position**

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between fund total fund balance for the governmental funds and net position for the governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The net adjustment of (\$8,090,447) consists of the following:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the funds (total capital assets on government-wide statement in governmental activities column)	\$ 43,571,440
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(11,611,061)</u>
Net capital assets	31,960,379
Net pension asset.	19,019
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year	5,486,611
Total pension liabilities	(500,459)
Benefit payments and pension administration costs for LEOSSA	14,476
Contributions to OPEB plan in the current fiscal year	35,971
Pension related deferrals	(143,223)
OPEB related deferrals.	(655,880)
Liabilities for deferred inflows of resources reported in the fund statements but not the government-wide	2,204,070
Liabilities that, because they are not due and payable in the current period, do not require current resources to pay and are therefore not recorded in the fund statements:	
Bonds, leases, and installment financing	(22,744,808)
Compensated absences	(419,003)
Net OPEB liability	(20,173,510)
Net pension liability	<u>(3,252,473)</u>
	(46,589,794)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of a data information system to individual funds.	<u>78,383</u>
Total adjustment	<u>\$ (8,090,447)</u>

**2. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance and the government-wide statement of activities.**

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances for the governmental funds and changes in net position of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. The total adjustment of \$1,406,544 is comprised of the following:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Capital outlay expenditures recorded in the fund statements but capitalized as assets in the Statement of Activities	\$ 2,288,866
Depreciation expense, the allocation of those assets over their useful lives, that is recorded on the statement of activities but not in the fund statements.	(1,277,500)
Principal payments on debt owed are recorded as a use of funds on the fund statements but again affect only the statement of net position in the government-wide statements.	2,083,860
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year are not included on the Statement of Activities.	(661,166)
Benefit payments and administration costs for LEOSSA are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position.	14,476
Contributions to the OPEB plan are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position	35,971
Revenues reported in the statement of activities that do not provide current resources are not recorded as revenues in the fund statements.	
Change in deferred revenue	638,386
Expenses reported in the statement of activities that do not require the use of current resources to pay are not reported as expenditures in fund statements.	
Compensated absences	(20,423)
County's portion of collective pension expense	(1,770,395)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of a data information system to individual funds.	<u>74,469</u>
Total adjustment	<u>\$ 1,406,544</u>

**F. Subsequent Events - Date of Management Evaluation**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 30, 2021 the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

**II. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability**

**A. Significant Violations of Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions**

The audit report was issued 9 months after the required due date of October 31, 2020. The County experienced a hurricane which cause severe damage in the region. Additional time was required to reconcile the ledger and obtain necessary information to complete the audit.

**B. Deficit Fund Balance or Net Position of Individual Funds**

The Disaster Recovery Fund has a deficit fund balance due to timing issues related to income.

Corrective Action Plan. Deficits, caused by timing issues, will be eliminated with future revenues. Budgeted transfers will be made in a timely manner to eliminate deficit fun balance at year-end.

**C. Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations**

None.

**III. Detail Notes on All Funds**

**A. Assets**

**1. Deposits**

All of the County's and the ABC Board's deposits are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits exceeding the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the County's or the ABC Board's agents in these units' names. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capacity for the County and the ABC Board, these deposits are considered to be held by their agents in the entities' names. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the County or the ABC Board or with the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amount of collateral pledged for the County or the ABC Board under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for under collateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method.

The State Treasurer enforces standards of minimum capitalization for all pooling method financial institutions. The County relies on the State Treasurer to monitor those financial institutions. The County analyzes the financial soundness of any other financial institution used by the County. The County complies with the provisions of G.S. 159-31 when designating official depositories and verifying that deposits are properly secured. The ABC Board has no formal policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

At June 30, 2020, the County's deposits had a carrying amount of \$2,299,657 and a bank balance of \$2,471,934. Of the bank balance, \$663,510 was covered by federal depository insurance, the remainder was covered by the pooling method.

At June 30, 2020, Bertie County had \$1,225 cash on hand.

At June 30, 2020, the County's Fiduciary Funds deposits had a carrying amount of \$16,550 and a bank balance of \$16,550. Of the bank balance, all was covered by federal depository insurance.

At June 30, 2020, the carrying amount of deposits for Bertie County ABC Board was \$44,104 and the bank balance was \$60,693. All of the bank balance was covered by federal depository insurance. Petty cash funds totaled \$1,675 at year end.

**2. Investments**

At June 30, 2020, the County's investments consisted of \$1,258,019 in the North Carolina Capital Management Trust's Cash Portfolio. The County has no policy on credit risk.

\* As of June 30, 2020, the NCCMT Term Portfolio had a duration of 0.15 years. Because the NCCMT Government and Term Portfolios have a weighted average maturity of less than 90 days, they are presented as an investment with a maturity of less than 6 months. The NCCMT Government Portfolio has an AAAm rating from S&P. The NCCMT Term Portfolio has no rating.

At June 30, 2020, the ABC Board had no investments.

**3. Property Tax - Use-Value Assessment on Certain Lands**

In accordance with the general statutes, agriculture, horticulture, and forestland may be taxed by the County at the present-use value as opposed to market value. When the property loses its eligibility for use-value taxation, the property tax is recomputed at market value for the current year and the three preceding fiscal years, along with the accrued interest from the original due date. This tax is immediately due and payable. The following are property taxes that could become due if present use-value eligibility is lost. These amounts have not been recorded in the financial statements.

Year Levied	Tax	Interest	Total
2017	1,446,469	472,904	1,919,373
2018	1,436,235	340,191	1,776,426
2019	1,475,705	216,822	1,692,527
2020	1,531,305	87,706	1,619,011
Total	\$ 5,889,714	\$ 1,117,623	\$ 7,007,337

**4. Receivables**

Receivables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2020, were as follows:

	Accounts	Taxes and Related Accrued		Due from Other Governments	Other	Total
		Interest				
Governmental activities:						
General	\$ 1,539,303	\$ 653,343	\$ 2,241,803	\$ 1,668,184	\$ 6,102,633	
Other Governmental		-	305,581	-	305,581	
Internal Service Fund	3,781	-	-	-	3,781	
Total receivables	1,543,084	653,343	2,547,384	1,668,184	6,411,995	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(184,716)	(117,457)	-	-	(302,173)	
Total governmental activities	\$ 1,358,368	\$ 535,886	\$ 2,547,384	\$ 1,668,184	\$ 6,109,822	
Business-type activities:						
Regional Water District	\$ 269,240	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 269,240	
Total receivables	269,240.00	-	-	-	269,240.00	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(31,336.00)	-	-	-	(31,336.00)	
Total business-type activities	\$ 237,904	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 237,904	

**5. Capital Assets****Primary Government**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2020, was as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Beginning			
	Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,912,052	\$ 16,438	\$ -	\$ 1,928,490
Construction in progress	1,405,177	1,943,003	(292,167)	3,056,013
Total capital assets not being depreciated	3,317,229	1,959,441	(292,167)	4,984,503
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	30,541,923	-	-	30,541,923
Improvement	1,277,749	292,167	-	1,569,916
Equipment	4,065,459	219,425	(5,247)	4,279,637
Vehicles and motor equipment	2,627,909	110,000	(542,448)	2,195,461
Total capital assets being depreciated	38,513,040	621,592	(547,695)	38,586,937
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	6,418,024	601,772	-	7,019,796
Improvements	601,665	75,573	-	677,238
Equipment	2,346,764	384,027	(5,247)	2,725,544
Vehicles and motor equipment	1,514,803	216,128	(542,448)	1,188,483
Total accumulated depreciation	10,881,256	\$ 1,277,500	\$ (547,695)	11,611,061
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	27,631,784			26,975,876
Governmental activity capital assets, net	\$ 30,949,013			\$ 31,960,379

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

General government	\$ 706,228
Public safety	387,760
Human services	73,963
Parks and recreation	109,549
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 1,277,500</u>

Business-type Activities:	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Water Districts				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 129,994	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 129,994
Construction in progress	3,152,170	190,251	-	3,342,421
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>3,282,164</u>	<u>190,251</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,472,415</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Plant and distribution systems	40,100,679		-	40,100,679
Vehicles	172,825	-	-	172,825
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>40,273,504</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,273,504</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Plant and distribution systems	12,081,784	809,330	-	12,891,114
Vehicles	171,157	1,668	-	172,825
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>12,252,941</u>	<u>\$ 810,998</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>13,063,939</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>28,020,563</u>			<u>27,209,565</u>
Water District capital assets, net	<u>\$ 31,302,727</u>			<u>\$ 30,681,980</u>

#### Construction commitments

The government has active construction projects as of June 30, 2020. The projects include the Library/Cooperative Extension Building, Library/Cooperative Construction Building, the EMS Building, and the water district projects. At June 30, 2020, the government's commitments with contractors are as follows:

Project	Spent-to-date	Remaining Commitment
Library/Cooperative Extension Building Fund	\$ 1,805,911	\$ 2,565,693
EMS Building Fund	697,766	6,533
Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund - SCADA	1,314,245	-
Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund - Roxobel Merger	2,028,176	-
Total	<u>\$ 5,846,098</u>	<u>\$ 2,572,226</u>

#### Discretely presented component units

Activity for the ABC Board for the year ended June 30, 2020, was as follows:

ABC Board:	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 3,789	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,789
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>3,789</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,789</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	19,211	-	-	19,211
Leasehold improvement	25,582	-	-	25,582
Furniture and equipment	125,211	-	-	125,211
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>170,004</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>170,004</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	19,211	-	-	19,211
Furniture and equipment	11,536	2,558	-	14,094
Leasehold improvement	116,291	3,354	-	119,645
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>147,038</u>	<u>\$ 5,912</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>152,950</u>
ABC capital assets, net	<u>\$ 26,755</u>			<u>\$ 20,843</u>

**6. Cost-sharing commitments**

Bertie County and the Town of Windsor and Bertie County Water District II entered into an agreement on June 10, 2002 to purchase land jointly. The land was purchased in August 2003 and the North Carolina Department of Corrections completed constructing a 1,000 bed detention center on the land in July 2006. The Bertie County Water District II is the exclusive provider of water services to the detention center and the Town provides electric and sewer utility services. Once the prison was completed, the County and Town began deducting monthly 10% of the gross revenue for each utility and equally dividing between the County and the Town. These payments will continue until the purchase price and costs of establishing each utility service is paid in full. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, Bertie County paid the Town of Windsor \$20,681 from the water fund. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Town paid Bertie County \$0 and \$0 from the electric fund and water and sewer fund, respectively for the required payments.

After the net purchase price and the net costs as defined have been paid in full, the obligation of the County and the Town to monthly deduct 10% of gross revenue for each utility shall cease. The County and the Town will then monthly deduct 1% of the gross revenue for each utility, which monies will be applied towards an economic development fund to be administered by a joint County and Town board for the benefit of the citizens of the County and Town.

**B. Liabilities**

**1. Payables**

Payables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2020, were as follows:

	<u>Vendors</u>	<u>Total</u>
Governmental Activities:		
General	\$ 826,380	\$ 826,380
Other Governmental	231,289	231,289
Internal Service Fund	1,925	1,925
Total governmental funds	<u>\$ 1,059,594</u>	<u>\$ 1,059,594</u>
Business-type Activities:		
Regional Water Districts	<u>\$ 63,472</u>	<u>\$ 63,472</u>
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 63,472</u>	<u>\$ 63,472</u>

**2. Pension Plan and Other Post Employment Obligations**

**a. Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System**

*Plan Description.* The County is a participating employer in the statewide Local Governmental employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of North Carolina. LGERS membership is comprised of general employees and local law enforcement officers (LEOs) of participating local governmental entities. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the state Senate, one appointed by the state House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, by calling (919) 981-5454, or at [www.osc.nc.gov](http://www.osc.nc.gov).

*Benefits Provided.* LGERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.85% of the member's average final compensation times the member's years of creditable service. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. Plan members are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 65 with five years of creditable service, at age 60 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. Plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service (age 55 for firefighters). Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age (15 years of creditable service for firefighters and rescue squad members who are killed in the line of duty) or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions. The plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon actuarial gains of the plan.

LGERS plan members who are LEOs are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 55 with five years of creditable service as an officer, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. LEO plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 15 years of creditable service as an officer. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of LEO members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who also have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age, or have completed 15 years of service as a LEO and have reached age 50, or have completed five years of creditable service as a LEO and have reached age 55, or have completed 15 years of creditable service as a LEO if killed in the line of duty. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions.

**Contributions.** Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. County employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by the LGERS Board of Trustees. The County's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2020, was 9.70% of compensation for law enforcement officers and 8.95% for general employees, firefighters, and the register of deeds, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$703,368 for the year ended June 30, 2020.

**Refunds of Contributions** - County employees who have terminated service as a contributing member of LGERS, may file an application for a refund of their contributions. By state law, refunds to members with at least five years of service include 4% interest. State law requires a 60 day waiting period after service termination before the refund may be paid. The acceptance of a refund payment cancels the individual's right to employer contributions or any other benefit provided by LGERS.

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

At June 30, 2020, the County reported a liability of \$3,460,078 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2019 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the County's long-term share of future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the County's proportion was 0.1267% (measured as of June 30, 2019), which was a decrease of .0071% from its proportion as of June 30, 2019 (measured as of June 30, 2018).

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the County recognized pension expense of \$1,557,856. At June 30, 2020, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 592,453	\$ -
Changes of assumptions	563,935	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	84,396	-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions	30,862	151,759
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	703,368	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,975,014</u>	<u>\$ 151,759</u>

\$703,368 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year Ended June 30</b>	
2021	595,969
2022	162,192
2023	294,335
2024	67,391
2025	-
Thereafter	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,119,887</u>

**Actuarial Assumptions.** The total pension liability in the December 31, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0 percent
Salary Increases	3.50 to 7.75 percent, including inflation and productivity factor
Investment rate of return	7.00 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation



The plan actuary currently uses mortality rates based on the *RP-2014 Total Data Set for Healthy Annuitants Mortality Table* that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections 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. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Fixed Income	29.0%	1.4%
Global Equity	42.0%	5.3%
Real Estate	8.0%	4.3%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.9%
Credit	7.0%	6.0%
Inflation Protection	6.0%	4.0%
Total	100%	

The information above is based on 30 year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2020 asset, liability, and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.05%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset or liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset or net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1 % Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$7,913,832	\$3,460,078	(\$241,893)

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina.

**b. Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance**

**1. Plan Description.**

Bertie County administers a public employee retirement system (the Separation Allowance), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the County's qualified sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 62 who have completed at least 30 years of creditable service or have attained 55 years of age and have completed five or more years of creditable service. The Separation Allowance is equal to 0.85 percent of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly.

All full-time County law enforcement officers are covered by the Separation Allowance.

At the December 31, 2019, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of:

Retirees Receiving Benefits	1
Active Plan Members	25
Total	26

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of Accounting.* The County has chosen to fund the Separation Allowance on a pay as you go basis. Pension expenditures are made from the General Fund, which is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

The Separation Allowance has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the following criteria which are outlined in GASB Statement 73.

**3. Actuarial Assumptions**

The entry age actuarial cost method was used in the December 31, 2018 valuation. The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.5 percent per annum.
Salary increases	3.50 to 7.35 percent per annum.
Discount rate	3.26 per annum, compounded

The discount rate is based on the weekly average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20 year Municipal Bond Index as of December 31, 2019.

Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Mortality tables with adjustments for mortality improvements.

**4. Contributions**

The County is required by Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the amounts necessary to cover the benefits earned on a pay as you go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operating budget. There were no contributions made by employees. The County's obligation to contribute to this plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. Administration costs of the Separation Allowance are financed through investment earnings. The County paid \$14,476 as benefits came due for the reporting period.

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

At June 30, 2020, the County reported a total pension liability of \$500,459. The total pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2019 based on a December 31, 2018 actuarial valuation. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2019 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. For the year ended June 30, 2020, the County recognized pension expense of \$35,971.

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 65,746
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	31,407	18,568
County benefit payments and administrative expenses subsequent to the measurement date.	-	-
Total	\$ 31,407	\$ 84,314

\$00 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from benefit payments made and administrative expenses incurred subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year Ended</b>	
<b>June 30</b>	
2021	(13,807)
2022	(13,807)
2023	(13,264)
2024	(9,188)
2025	(2,948)
Thereafter	107
	<u>\$ (52,907)</u>

*Sensitivity of the County's total pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* following presents the County's total pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.26 percent, as well as what the County's total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.26 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.26 percent) than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease</b>	<b>Discount Rate</b>	<b>1% Increase</b>
	<b>(2.26%)</b>	<b>(3.26%)</b>	<b>(4.26%)</b>
Total pension liability	\$ 549,716	\$ 500,459	\$ 456,106

**Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance**

Beginning balance	\$ 463,820
Service Cost	33,158
Interest on the total pension liability	16,620
Changes of benefit terms	-
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total pension liability	(16,078)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	17,415
Benefit payments	(14,476)
Other changes	-
Ending balance of the total pension liability	<u>\$ 500,459</u>

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study as of December 31, 2014.

**c. Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers and General Employees**

*Plan Description.* The County contributes to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan (Plan), a defined contribution pension plan administered by the Department of State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. The Plan provides retirement benefits to law enforcement officers employed by the County. Article 5 of G.S. Chapter 135 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes the pension trust fund financial statements for the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) plan that includes the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981- 5454.

*Funding Policy.* Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the County to contribute each month an amount equal to five percent of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2020 were \$83,253, which consisted of \$62,283 from the County and \$20,970 from the law enforcement officers.

The County also elected to contribute an amount equal to three percent of each general employee's salary. All amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the general employees may make voluntary contributions to the plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2020 were \$272,636 which consisted of \$193,443 from the County and \$79,193 from the general employees.

**d. Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund**

*Plan Description.* Carolina County also contributes to the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund (RODSPF), a noncontributory, defined benefit plan administered by the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer. RODSPF provides supplemental pension benefits to any eligible county register of deeds who is retired under the Local Government Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) or an equivalent locally sponsored plan. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 161 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the state Senate, one appointed by the state House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, by calling (919) 981-5454, or at [www.osc.nc.gov](http://www.osc.nc.gov).

*Benefits Provided.* An individual's benefits for the year are calculated as a share of accumulated contributions available for benefits for that year, subject to certain statutory limits. An individual's eligibility is based on at least 10 years of service as a register of deeds with the individual's share increasing with years of service. Because of the statutory limits noted above, not all contributions available for benefits are distributed.

*Contributions.* Benefits and administrative expenses are funded by investment income and 1.5% of the receipts collected by each County Commission under Article 1 of Chapter 161 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The statutory contribution currently has no relationship to the actuary's required contribution. The actuarially determined contribution this year and for the foreseeable future is zero. Registers of Deeds do not contribute. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 161-50 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$936 for the year ended June 30, 2020.

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

At June 30, 2020, the County reported an asset of \$19,019 for its proportionate share of the net pension asset. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2019. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2019 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension asset was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan, relative to contributions to the pension plan of all participating RODSPF employers. At June 30, 2019, the County's proportion was 0.09634%, which was a decrease of 0.0208% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the County recognized pension expense of \$2,429. At June 30, 2020, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 917
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	195	-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions	3,435	-
Changes of assumptions	-	-
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	936	-
Total	<u>\$ 4,566</u>	<u>\$ 917</u>

\$936 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net pension asset in the year ended June 30, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year Ended June 30</b>	
2021	1,051
2022	1,195
2023	842
2024	(375)
2025	-
Total	<u>\$ 2,713</u>

*Actuarial Assumptions.* The total pension liability in the December 31, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0 percent
Salary Increases	3.50 to 7.75 percent, including inflation and productivity factor
Investment rate of return	3.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study as of December 31, 2014.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. These projections 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. The adopted asset allocation policy for the RODSPF is 100% in the fixed income asset class. The best estimate of arithmetic real rate of return for the fixed income asset class as of June 30, 2020 is 1.4%.

The information above is based on 30 year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2020 asset, liability, and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.00%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 3.75 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.75 percent) than the current rate:

	<b>1 % Decrease (2.75%)</b>	<b>Discount Rate (3.75%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (4.75%)</b>
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	(\$1,281)	\$19,019	(\$1,148)

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina.

**e. Other Postemployment Benefit**

**Healthcare Benefits**

*Plan Description.* Under the terms of a County resolution, the County administers a single-employer defined benefit Healthcare Benefits Plan (the HCB Plan). The County’s Board of Commissioners has the authority to establish and amend the benefit terms and financing requirements. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

*Benefits Provided.* The plan provides postemployment healthcare benefits to retirees of the county, provided they participated in the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees’ Retirement System (System). The County provides these benefits according to the following guidelines: a) The County will pay 50% of the cost of the premiums for an employee who is at least 55 years of age retiring with 15 years of continuous service with Bertie County; b) The County will pay 100% of the cost of the premiums for an employee retiring with 20 years of continuous service with Bertie County; c) The County will pay 100% of the cost of the premiums for an employee retiring with 25 years of non-continuous service with Bertie County; Coverage will continue until the employee becomes eligible for Medicare, at which time the County will convert coverage to a Medicare Supplement policy. The cost for the employee’s share of the premiums, if any, will be determined on an annual basis. Service time credit with the County will be calculated based on actual service time and any sick leave time that is on balance with the County at the time of retirement. The health insurance provision of this article shall apply to County Commissioners. The County pays the full cost of coverage for these benefits through private insurers. The Board of Commissioners may amend the benefit provisions. A separate report was not issued for the plan.

Employees hired after July 1, 2016, are not eligible for retiree health insurance benefits upon retirement.

Membership of the HCB Plan consisted of the following at June 30, 2019, the date of the latest actuarial valuation:

Inactive Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	49
Active Members	<u>124</u>
Total	<u>173</u>

**Total OPEB Liability**

The County’s total OPEB liability of \$21,461,181 was measured as of June 30, 2020 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019.

*Actuarial assumptions and other inputs.* The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.50%
Real wage growth	1.00%
Wage Inflation	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.5% to 7.75%
Municipal bond index rate	2.21%
Healthcare cost trends	
Pre-Medicare	7.00% for 2019 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2026
Medicare	5.00% for 2019 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2021

The discount rate is based on the June average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond index published by The Bond Buyer.

**Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>	
<b>Balance at July 1, 2019</b>	\$ 17,062,847
<b>Changes for the year:</b>	
Service cost	859,320
Interest	590,388
Changes of benefit terms	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	335,773
Changes in assumptions	3,005,449
Benefit Payments	<u>(392,596)</u>
<b>Net changes</b>	<u>4,398,334</u>
<b>Balance at June 30, 2020</b>	<u>\$ 21,461,181</u>

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.50% to 2.21%.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant base rates projected to the valuation date using MP-2015, projected forward generationally from the valuation date using MP-2015.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period of January 2010 through December 2014.

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (1.21 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.21 percent) than the current discount rate:

	<b>1% Decrease (1.21%)</b>	<b>Discount Rate (2.21%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (3.21%)</b>
Total OPEB Liability	\$26,141,917	\$21,461,181	\$17,882,633

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

	<b>1% Decrease</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>1% Increase</b>
Total OPEB Liability	\$17,315,755	\$21,461,181	\$27,078,699

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

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$1,966,811. At June 30, 2020, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>		<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	423,208	\$	-
Changes of assumptions		3,499,660		607,680
Benefit payment and administrative costs made subsequent to the measurement date		-		-
Total	\$	<u>3,922,868</u>	\$	<u>607,680</u>

\$00 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from benefit payments made and administrative expenses incurred subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year Ended June 30</b>	
2021	517,103
2022	517,103
2023	517,103
2024	517,103
2025	517,103
Thereafter	729,673
Total	<u>\$ 3,315,188</u>

**f. Other Employment Benefits**

The County has elected to provide death benefits to law enforcement officers through the Death Benefit Plan for members of the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (Death Benefit Plan), a multiple-employer, State-administered, cost-sharing plan funded on a one-year term cost basis. The beneficiaries of those employees who die in active service after one year of contributing membership in the System, or who die within 180 days after retirement or termination of service and have at least one year of contributing membership service in the system at the time of death are eligible for death benefits. Lump sum death benefit payments to beneficiaries are equal to the employee's 12 highest months salary in a row during the 24 months prior to the employee's death, but the benefit will be a minimum of \$25,000 and will not exceed \$50,000. All death benefit payments are made from the Death Benefit Plan. The County has no liability beyond the payment of monthly contributions. The contributions to the Death Benefit Plan cannot be separated between the post employment benefit amount and the other benefit amount. The County considers these contributions to be immaterial.

**3. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources at year-end is comprised of the following:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Pensions - difference between expected and actual experience		
LGERS	\$ 592,453	\$ -
Register of Deeds	-	917
LEOSSA	-	65,746
Pensions - difference between projected and actual investment earnings		
LGERS	84,396	-
Register of Deeds	195	-
Pensions - change in proportion and difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		
LGERS	30,862	151,759
Register of Deeds	3,435	-
OPEB - difference between expected and actual experience	423,208	-
Changes in assumptions		
LGERS	563,935	-
OPEB	3,499,660	607,680
Register of Deeds	-	-
LEOSSA	31,407	18,568
Contributions to pension plan in 2019-2020 fiscal year		
LGERS	703,368	-
Register of Deeds	936	-
Prepaid taxes not yet earned (General)	-	33,604
Taxes receivable, net (General)	-	535,886
Special assessments receivable, net (General)	-	1,668,184
Total	<u>\$ 5,933,855</u>	<u>\$ 3,082,344</u>

**4. Risk Management**

The County is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County participates in two self-funded risk-financing pools administered by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. Through these pools, the County obtains property coverage equal to replacement cost values of owned property subject to a limit of \$125.5 million for any one occurrence, general, auto, professional, and employment practices liability coverage of \$2 million per occurrence, auto physical damage coverage for owned autos at actual cash value, crime coverage of \$250,000 per occurrence, and workers' compensation coverage up to the statutory limits. The pools are audited annually by certified public accountants, and the audited financial statements are available to the County upon request. Two of the pools are reinsured through a multi-state public entity captive for single occurrence losses in excess of \$500,000 up to a \$2 million limit for liability coverage, \$600,000 of aggregate annual losses in excess of \$50,000 per occurrence for property, auto physical damage, and crime coverage, and single occurrence losses of \$350,000 for workers' compensation. The pool is reinsured through commercial carrier for individual losses in excess of \$100,000.



Blue Cross/Blue Shield of North Carolina provides the County’s health insurance and the dental insurance is provided by Guardian.

The County carries flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Plan (NFIP). Because the County is in an area of the State that has been mapped and designated an “A” area (an area close to a river, lake, or stream) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the County is eligible to purchase coverage of \$500,000 per structure through the NFIP. The County also is eligible to but has not purchased commercial flood insurance for another \$3,500,000 of coverage per structure.

In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the County’s employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the County’s funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond. The Director of Finance, the Tax Collector, and the Register of Deeds are each individually bonded for \$50,000 each. The Sheriff is individually bonded for \$25,000. The remaining employees that have access to funds are bonded under a blanket bond for \$250,000.

The County carries commercial coverage for all other risks of loss. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Bertie County ABC Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injury to employees; and natural disasters. The Board has property, general liability, auto liability, workers' compensation, and employee health coverage. The Board also has liquor legal liability coverage. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

**5. Long-Term Obligations**

a. Operating Leases

The County has entered into an agreement to lease certain vehicles. The lease agreement qualifies as an operating lease for accounting purposes. The following is a schedule of the minimum rental payments under the lease agreement as of June 30, 2020.

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2021	\$ 195,259
2022	122,542
2023	48,115
2024	-
Total	<u>\$ 365,916</u>

b. Installment Purchases

*Serviced by the General Fund:*

In February 2000, the County entered into a direct placement installment purchase contract for \$9,950,000 to finance construction on a new hospital. Principal and interest payments of \$68,888 are payable monthly. Interest is payable at a 5.5% rate. The County leases the new facilities to Vidant Medical Center. The amount of the lease payments shall be equal to the future debt service and all associated costs on the debt incurred by the County for the purpose of constructing the new facility. The final payment is due January 2022. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$1,249,900.

As authorized by State law [G.S.160A-20 and 153A-158.1], the County financed various property acquisitions for use by Bertie County Board of Education during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 by installment purchase. The installment purchase was issued pursuant to a deed of trust that requires that legal title remain with the County as long as the debt is outstanding. The County has entered into a lease with Bertie County Board of Education that transfers the rights and responsibilities for maintenance and insurance of the property to the Board of Education. The lease calls for nominal annual lease payments and also contains a bargain purchase option. The lease term is the same as that of the installment purchase obligation. Due to the economic substance of the transaction, the capital assets associated with the installment purchase obligation are recorded by the Board of Education.

The direct placement installment purchase was executed on July 1, 2003 for various property improvements for use by Bertie County Board of Education. The transaction requires fifteen principal payments by the County of \$212,181 ending December 2023. There is no interest due. The payments are deposited into an interest drawing account. The remainder of the payments, totaling \$787,572, will be made from the interest account.

The direct placement installment purchase was executed on October 12, 2007 for various property improvements for use by Bertie County Board of Education. The transaction requires fifteen principal payments by the County of \$109,460 ending October 2024. There is no interest due. The payments are deposited into an interest drawing account. The remainder of the payments, totaling \$358,100, will be made from the interest account. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$686,480.

In November 2005, the County entered into a direct placement installment purchase contract for \$6,000,000 to finance the construction on a new Middle School. The financing contract requires 30 semi-annual fixed principal payments of \$200,000 and varying interest payments at a rate of 3.8% beginning May 31, 2006 and ending November 2020. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$200,000.

In October 2006, the County entered into a direct placement installment purchase contract for \$3,300,000 to finance the construction of the new Department of Social Services Building. The financing contract requires 15 annual fixed principal payments of \$220,000 with an interest rate of 3.93% beginning October 2007. In October 2012, the County modified their agreement with the lender for a lower interest rate of 2.93%. The payment schedule continues without interruption and will be paid out October 2021. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$440,000.

In April 2017, the County entered into a direct placement installment purchase contract for \$788,000 to finance the purchase of emergency equipment. The financing contract requires 15 annual payments, including interest, of \$64,821 with an interest rate of 2.75% beginning April 2018 and ending April 2032. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$654,956.

In October 2017, the County entered into a direct placement installment purchase contract for \$347,000 to finance the purchase of emergency equipment. The financing contract requires 15 annual payments, including interest, of \$28,545 with an interest rate of 2.75% beginning October 2018 and ending October 2033. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$308,472.

*Serviced by the Water Districts*

In January 2014, the County entered into revolving loan for \$277,046 to finance a water supply system project for Water District II. The financing contract requires 18 annual principal payments of \$11,650 ending May 2032. The interest rate is 0.00%. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$139,795.

In January 2018, the County entered into revolving loan for \$1,283,408 to finance a water supply system project for Water District II. The financing contract requires 20 annual principal payments of \$64,170 ending May 2038. The interest rate is 0.00%. As of June 30, 2020, the County has received \$1243,237. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$1,085,828.

In May 2018, the County entered into revolving loan for \$1,437,608 to finance a water supply system project for Water District IV. The financing contract requires 18 annual principal payments of \$71,880 ending November 2037. The interest rate is 0.00%. As of June 30, 2020, the County has received \$1,437,608. The balance at June 30, 2020 is \$1,293,843.

For Bertie County, the future minimum payments of these direct placement installment purchases as of June 30, 2020, including \$263,519 of interest, are:

Year Ending June 30	Governmental Activities			
	Hospital		DSS County Building	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2021	776,562	50,008	220,000	10,516
2022	473,338	8,874	220,000	5,258
2023	-	-	-	-
2024	-	-	-	-
2025	-	-	-	-
Principal and interest payment totals	\$ 1,249,900	\$ 58,882	\$ 440,000	\$ 15,774

Year Ending June 30	QZAB Bertie				
	High	Middle School		Medical Equipment	
	Principal	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2021	109,460	200,000	3,380	46,809	18,012
2022	109,460	-	-	48,096	16,725
2023	109,460	-	-	49,419	15,402
2024	109,460	-	-	50,778	14,042
2025	109,460	-	-	52,174	12,646
2026-2030	139,180	-	-	283,198	40,902
2031-2035	-	-	-	124,482	5,158
Principal and interest payment totals	\$ 686,480	\$ 200,000	\$ 3,380	\$ 654,956	\$ 122,887

Year Ending June 30	Business-type Activities				
	Medical Equipment		DENR	DWSFRF	DWSRF
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Principal	Principal
2021	20,062	8,483	11,650	64,171	71,881
2022	20,614	7,931	11,650	64,170	71,880
2023	21,181	7,364	11,650	64,171	71,881
2024	21,762	6,782	11,650	64,170	71,881
2025	22,360	6,184	11,650	64,170	71,880
2026-2030	121,370	21,350	58,250	320,853	359,402
2031-2035	81,123	4,502	23,295	320,853	359,403
2036-2040	-	-	-	123,270	215,635
Principal and interest payment totals	\$ 308,472	\$ 62,596	\$ 139,795	\$ 1,085,828	\$ 1,293,843

**c. Limited Obligation Bonds**

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes, the Bertie County Board of Commissioners enters into an installment contract and issues Limited Obligation Bonds for the purpose of designing, constructing and equipping a new high school for use by the Bertie County Board of Education. The 2012 Bonds are limited obligations of the County and payments thereon are limited to funds appropriated for that purpose by the Board of Commissioners of the County in its discretion. As security for the Bonds, the County executed a Deed of Trust, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing as of November 1, 2012 granting a lien of record on the site of the Project and the real estate improvements thereon.

The proceeds of the 2012 Bonds were used to construct the new Bertie High School which is a 147,000 square foot facility, including a 500 seat auditorium, a 1,000 seat gymnasium and a cafeteria designed to seat approximately 300 students. The facility was turned over to the Board of Education in May 2014.

The obligation to make payments with respect to the bonds is not a general obligation of the County, and the taxing power of the County is not pledged directly or indirectly to secure any monies due to the owners of the bonds. Principal and interest payments are appropriated when due.

The Water Districts (a blended component unit of the County) issue General Obligation debt, the proceeds of which are used to refund existing USDA District debt. The County then issues Limited Obligation Bonds in an amount sufficient enough to purchase all the Districts General Obligation debt. Both the District and the County assign their rights to a third party trustee that received the debt payments from the District and uses those funds to make the debt service payments on the Limited Obligation Bonds.

The County's limited obligation bonds payable at June 30, 2020 are comprised of the following individual issues:

*Limited obligation bonds serviced by the General Fund:*

\$18,030,000 limited obligation Series 2012A QSCB issued November 2012 due in semi-annual interest payments with the principal due in 2036. Interest at 4.667%.	\$ 18,030,000
\$3,455,000 limited obligation Series 2012B issued November 2012 due in annual installments of \$285,000 to \$420,000 through 2022. Interest at varying rates of 1% - 4%.	1,175,000
	<u>\$ 19,205,000</u>

Limited obligation bonds serviced by the Regional Water District Fund:

\$2,525,000 refunding Series 2013 issued May 2013 due in annual installments of \$85,000 to \$130,000 through 2036. Interest at varying rates of 2% - 4%.	\$ 1,900,000
\$3,540,000 refunding Series 2013 issued May 2013 due in annual installments of \$105,000 to \$180,000 through 2037. Interest at varying rates of 2% - 4%.	2,750,000
\$2,290,000 refunding Series 2013 issued May 2013 due in annual installments of \$75,000 to \$120,000 through 2035. Interest at varying rates of 2% - 4%.	1,680,000
\$3,415,000 refunding Series 2013 issued May 2013 due in annual installments of \$80,000 to \$160,000 through 2040. Interest at varying rates of 2% - 4%.	2,785,000
	<u>\$ 9,115,000</u>

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the General Fund and the Water District Service Fund limited obligation bonds are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Governmental activities totals		Business-type activities total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2021	755,000	861,710	435,000	362,756
2022	420,000	841,460	455,000	345,356
2023	-	841,460	465,000	327,157
2024	-	841,460	485,000	298,856
2025	-	841,460	515,000	278,856
2026-2030	-	4,207,300	2,745,000	1,066,059
2031-2035	18,030,000	4,207,300	2,800,000	505,475
2036-2040	-	1,262,190	1,215,000	91,157
Principal and interest payment totals	\$ 19,205,000	\$ 13,904,340	\$ 9,115,000	\$ 3,275,672

**d. Revenue Bonds**

\$1,717,000 Water Revenue Bond issued March 27, 2018 due in annual installments of \$71,530 through 2048. Interest at 2.75%. At June 30, 2020, the County has received \$1,717,000.

The future payments of the revenue bond are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest
2021	26,000	45,155
2022	27,000	44,440
2023	28,000	43,698
2024	28,000	42,928
2025	29,000	42,158
2026-2030	159,000	198,275
2031-2035	180,000	175,313
2036-2040	207,000	149,160
2041-2045	237,000	119,048
2046-2050	271,000	84,645
2051-2055	312,000	45,183
2056-2060	135,179	5,717
Principal and interest payment totals	\$ 1,639,179	\$ 995,720

At June 30, 2020, Bertie County had a legal debt margin of \$87,628,605.

The following is a summary of changes in the County's long-term obligations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020:

	Balance June 30, 2019	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2020	Current Portion of Balance
<b>Governmental activities:</b>					
Direct Placement Installment purchase	\$ 5,068,668	\$ -	\$ 1,528,860	\$ 3,539,808	\$ 1,372,893
Limited obligation debt	19,760,000	-	555,000	19,205,000	755,000
Compensated absences	398,580	341,069	320,646	419,003	320,646
Total pension liability (LEOSSA)	463,820	36,639	-	500,459	-
Net pension liability (LRS)	2,998,809	253,664	-	3,252,473	-
Net OPEB liability	16,039,076	4,134,434	-	20,173,510	-
Total governmental activities	\$ 44,728,953	\$ 4,765,806	\$ 2,404,506	\$ 47,090,253	\$ 2,448,539
<b>Business-type activities:</b>					
Direct Placement Installment purchase	\$ 2,667,172	\$ -	\$ 147,700	\$ 2,519,472	\$ 147,702
Limited obligation debt	9,530,000	-	415,000	9,115,000	435,000
Revenue bond	1,664,179	-	25,000	1,639,179	26,000
Original issue discount	(37,587)	-	2,166	(35,421)	(2,166)
Original issue premium	449,190	-	25,903	423,287	25,903
Compensated absences	27,037	-	1,341	25,696	25,696
Net pension liability (LRS)	190,452	17,153	-	207,605	-
Net OPEB liability	1,023,771	263,900	-	1,287,671	-
Total business-type activities	\$ 15,514,214	\$ 281,053	\$ 617,110	\$ 15,182,489	\$ 658,135
<b>Discretely presented component unit:</b>					
Net pension liability (LRS)	\$ 14,234	\$ 1,059	\$ -	\$ 15,293	\$ -
Net OPEB liability	319,106	-	11,216	307,890	-
Total discretely presented component unit	\$ 333,340	\$ 1,059	\$ 11,216	\$ 323,183	\$ -

Compensated absences typically have been liquidated in the general fund and are accounted for on a LIFO basis, assuming that employees are taking leave time as it is earned.

**e. Conduit Debt Obligations**

Bertie County Industrial Facility and Pollution Control Authority has issued industrial revenue bonds to provide financial assistance to private businesses for economic development purposes. These bonds are secured by the properties financed as well as letters of credit and are payable solely from payments received from the private businesses involved. Ownership of the acquired facilities is in the name of the private business served by the bond issuance. Neither the County, the Authority, the State, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for the repayment of the bonds. Accordingly, the bonds are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. As of June 30, 2020, there were no industrial revenue bonds outstanding.

**C. Interfund Balances and Activity**

Transfers to/from other funds at June 30, 2020, consist of the following:

Transfer from the Capital Reserve Schools to the General Fund for debt services.	\$ 1,127,113
Transfer from the General Fund to the Revaluation Fund to accumulate resources for the revaluation of real property.	(75,000)
	<u>\$ 1,052,113</u>

The composition of internal balances as of June 30, 2020 is as follows:

<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Receivable Fund</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>	
Emergency Medical Services Building Fund	\$	184,541
Disaster Recovery Fund		84,547
Total	\$	<u>269,088</u>

All of the above were for operating expenditures.

**D. Net Investment in Capital Assets**

	Governmental	Business-type
Capital Assets	\$ 31,960,379	\$ 30,681,980
Less: long-term debt	22,744,808	13,273,651
Add: debt related to assets not owned by the County	2,136,380	-
Net investment in capital assets	<u>\$ 11,351,951</u>	<u>\$ 17,408,329</u>

**E. Fund Balance**

Bertie County has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Director will use resources in the following hierarchy: bond proceeds, federal funds, State funds, local non-county funds, and county funds. For purposes of fund balance classification expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in-order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and lastly unassigned fund balance. The Finance Director has the authority to deviate from this policy if it's in the best interest of the County.

The following schedule provides management and citizens with information on the portion of General fund balance that is available for appropriations:

<b>Total fund balance - General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 4,144,191</b>
<b>Less:</b>	
<b>Stabilization by State Statute</b>	3,865,478
<b>Tax Revaluation</b>	64,317
<b>Education</b>	(69,879)
<b>Remaining Fund Balance</b>	<b>284,275</b>

Bertie County has adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the General Fund which instructs management to conduct the business of the County in such a manner that available fund balance is at least equal to or greater than 10% of budgeted expenditures.

**III. Joint Ventures**

The County participates in a joint venture to operate the Albemarle Regional Library with three other local governments. Each participating government appoints three board members to the twelve member board of the Library. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the joint venture because the Library's continued existence depends on the participating governments' continued funding. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the Library, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2020. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$37,520 to the Library to supplement its activities. Complete financial statements for the Library may be obtained from the Library's offices at Winton, North Carolina.

The County participates in a joint venture to operate East Carolina Behavioral Health with nine other counties. Each participating government appoints members to the eighteen member board. Bertie County appoints two members to the board. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the joint venture because the Center's continued existence depends on the participating governments' continued funding. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the Center, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2020. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$44,590 to the Center to supplement its activities. Complete financial statements for the Center may be obtained from the Center's offices at 144 Community College Road, Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910.

The County participates in a joint venture to operate the Bertie-Martin Regional Jail (Jail) with one other local government. Each participating government appoints three board members to the six-member board of the Jail. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the joint venture because the Jail's continued existence depends on the participating governments' continued funding. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the Jail, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2010. In accordance with the governmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$1,147,006 to the Jail to supplement its activities. This amount represents 46.0% of the total contributions by the participating governments. Complete financial statements for the Jail may be obtained from the Jail's office at 230 County Farm Road, Windsor, North Carolina 27983.

The County participates in a joint venture to operate the Choanoke Public Transportation Authority with three other local governments. Each participating government appoints board members to the nine member board based upon population. Bertie County appoints two members to the board. The County has an ongoing financial responsibility for the joint venture because the Authority's continued existence depends on the participating governments' continued funding. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the Authority, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2020. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$10,000 to the Authority to supplement its activities. Complete financial statements for the Authority may be obtained from the Authority's office at P. O. Box 320, Rich Square, North Carolina 27869.

**IV. Jointly Governed Organizations**

The County, in conjunction with four other counties and thirty-nine municipalities, established the Mid-East Council of Governments (Council). The participating governments established the Council to coordinate various funding received from federal and State agencies. Each participating government appoints one member to the Council's governing board. The County paid membership fees of \$6,863 to the Council during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

**V. Summary Disclosure of Significant Commitments and Contingencies**

**Federal and State Assisted Programs**

The County has received proceeds from several Federal and State grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant moneys to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

**VI. Supplemental and Additional Supplemental One-Half of One Percent Local Government Sales and Use Tax**

State law (Chapter 105, Articles 40 and 42, of the North Carolina General Statutes) requires the County to use a portion of the proceeds of its supplemental and additional supplemental sales taxes, or local option sales taxes, for public school capital outlays or to retire public school indebtedness. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the County reported these local option sales taxes within its General Fund and Capital Projects Fund. The County expended the restricted portion of these taxes for public school capital outlays and retirement of school indebtedness.

**VII. Notes Receivable**

General Fund

In December 1999, the County entered into a capital lease agreement with Vidant Medical Center (formerly Pitt County Memorial Hospital). The County is responsible for the construction and financing of a new hospital. As of June 20, 2002, the hospital was completed and the County began leasing the new facilities to Vidant. The title to the facilities transfers to Vidant at the end of the lease term, thus creating a note receivable from Vidant. At June 30, 2020, the fair market value of the lease was \$1,249,901.

In December 1993, the County accepted a note receivable from Landmark Asset Services, Inc., in exchange for 6.78 acres of land. The face value of the note is \$90,000, due in one single principal payment in 2044 and is non-interest bearing. The note is valued on the financial statements at the fair market value of the land of \$39,163 and is recorded as deferred revenue because the revenue is measurable, but not available.

In December 1995, the County accepted a note receivable from Landmark Asset Services, Inc., in consideration for environmental clean-up and site improvement expenditures incurred by the County. The face value of the note is \$249,520, due in one single payment in 2046 and is non-interest bearing. The note is valued on the financial statements at face value and is recorded as a deferred revenue because the revenue is measurable, but not available.

In July 2004, the County accepted a note receivable from Bertie Memorial Limited Partnership in consideration for environmental clean-up and site improvement expenditures incurred by the County. The face value of the note is \$129,600, due in eighteen payments beginning in 2037 and is non-interest bearing. The note is valued on the financial statements at face value and is recorded as a deferred revenue because the revenue is measurable, but not available.

**VIII. Significant Effects of Subsequent Events**

There are no subsequent events that would have a material affect on the financial statements. Subsequent events have been analyzed through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

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This section contains additional information required by generally accepted accounting principals.

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Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset – Local Government Employees’ Retirement System

Schedule of Contributions – Local Government Employees’ Retirement System

Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset – Register of Deeds

Schedule of Contributions – Register of Deeds

Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability - Law Enforcement Officer’s Special Separation Allowance

Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios



**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Bertie County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**Last Seven Fiscal Years\***

**Local Government Employees' Retirement System**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.12670%	0.13380%	0.13060%	0.11400%	0.10470%	0.0811%	0.8310%
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ 3,460,078	\$ 3,174,194	\$ 1,995,817	\$ 2,420,311	\$ 469,977	\$ (478,284)	\$ 1,001,674
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 7,692,289	\$ 7,180,138	\$ 7,198,427	\$ 6,638,186	\$ 6,546,107	\$ 5,337,910	\$ 5,337,910
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	44.98%	44.21%	27.73%	36.46%	7.18%	( 8.96%)	18.77%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	92.00%	94.18%	91.47%	98.09%	98.79%	102.64%	94.35%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Bertie County's Contributions**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**Last Seven Fiscal Years**

**Local Government Employees' Retirement System**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 703,368	\$ 604,727	\$ 547,481	\$ 523,363	\$ 445,210	\$ 428,252	\$ 354,841
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	703,368	604,727	547,481	523,363	445,210	428,252	354,841
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 7,754,480	\$ 7,692,289	\$ 7,180,138	\$ 7,198,427	\$ 6,638,186	\$ 6,546,107	\$ 5,337,910
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	9.07%	7.86%	7.62%	7.27%	6.71%	6.54%	6.65%

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Bertie County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**Last Seven Fiscal Years\***

**Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.09634%	0.11714%	0.12288%	0.11913%	0.11998%	0.12285%	0.11879%
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ (19,019)	\$ (19,402)	\$ (20,974)	\$ (22,273)	\$ (27,804)	\$ (27,841)	\$ (25,374)
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	153.31%	153.77%	160.17%	197.29%	193.88%	190.50%	188.75%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
Bertie County's Contributions  
Required Supplementary Information  
Last Seven Fiscal Years**

**Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 936	\$ 916	\$ 1,002	\$ 1,068	\$ 973	\$ 960	\$ 1,003
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	936	916	1,002	1,068	973	960	1,003
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability**  
**Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**June 30, 2020**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Beginning balance	463,820	462,633	475,161	457,728
Service Cost	33,158	37,612	29,088	26,421
Interest on the total pension liability	16,620	14,390	18,062	16,082
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total pension liability	(16,078)	(15,725)	(75,901)	-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	17,415	(20,614)	30,699	(10,594)
Benefit payments	(14,476)	(14,476)	(14,476)	(14,476)
Ending balance of the total pension liability	<u>\$ 500,459</u>	<u>\$ 463,820</u>	<u>\$ 462,633</u>	<u>475,161</u>

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending December 31.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll**  
**Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance**  
**June 30, 2020**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 500,459	\$ 463,820	\$ 462,633	\$ 475,161
Covered payroll	1,206,025	1,221,743	1,140,114	1,049,983
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	41.50%	37.96%	40.58%	45.25%

Notes to the schedules:

Bertie County has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 73 to pay related benefits.

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2020**

<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
Service cost	\$ 859,320	737,297	787,570
Interest	590,388	571,511	520,792
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	335,773	81,065	111,283
Changes of assumptions	3,005,449	1,192,035	(937,941)
Benefit payments	(392,596)	(417,726)	(420,356)
<b>Net change in total OPEB liability</b>	<b>4,398,334</b>	<b>2,164,182</b>	<b>61,348</b>
<b>Total OPEB liability - beginning</b>	<b>17,062,847</b>	<b>14,898,665</b>	<b>14,837,317</b>
<b>Total OPEB liability - ending</b>	<b>\$ 21,461,181</b>	<b>17,062,847</b>	<b>14,898,665</b>
Covered payroll	\$ 5,421,133	4,875,577	4,875,577
County's OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	395.88%	349.97%	305.58%

**Notes to Schedule**

Changes of assumptions: Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate of each period. The following are the discount rates used in each period:

<u>Fiscal year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2018	3.89%
2019	3.50%
2020	2.21%

## GENERAL FUND

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The General Fund accounts for resources traditionally associated with government that are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in other funds.

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**General Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Ad Valorem Taxes:			
Current year	\$	\$ 11,160,750	\$
Prior year		313,814	
Penalties and Interest		127,183	
Total	<u>11,759,868</u>	<u>11,601,747</u>	<u>(158,121)</u>
Other Taxes and Licenses:			
Local 1 percent sales tax-article 39		442,175	
Excise tax		82,624	
Motor vehicle lease tax		73	
Scrap tire disposal tax		26,802	
Total	<u>467,380</u>	<u>551,674</u>	<u>84,294</u>
Unrestricted Intergovernmental Revenues:			
Wine and beer		59,084	
Solid waste disposal tax		13,041	
Payment in lieu of taxes		47,480	
Local 1/2¢ sales tax-article 40		1,171,348	
Local 1/2¢ sales tax-article 42		506,265	
Local 1/2¢ sales tax-article 44		736,621	
Local 1/4¢ sales tax-article 46		16	
State DWI		1,305	
Medicaid EMS cost settlement		625,438	
Total	<u>2,387,350</u>	<u>3,160,598</u>	<u>773,248</u>
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues:			
State and federal grants		244,518	
Other grants		7,350	
Court facilities fees		34,908	
Profits for law enforcement		182,566	
Aging office		334,399	
Social services revenues		2,931,844	
Total	<u>3,807,843</u>	<u>3,735,585</u>	<u>(72,258)</u>
Permits and fees:			
Register of deeds		59,979	
Sheriff fees		19,235	
Inspection fees		65,465	
Tax collection fees		12,551	
Franchise fees		8,184	
Cultural Resources		2,031	
Social Services		7,060	
ABC taxes		12,928	
Other Fees		31,721	
Total	<u>228,300</u>	<u>219,154</u>	<u>(9,146)</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**General Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Sales and Services:			
Jail fees		4,315	
Landfill host fees		2,007,629	
Emergency medical services fees		633,841	
Non-emergency transport		1,000,297	
Nutrition program income		11,360	
Rental income		47,365	
Other sales and services income		5,079	
Total	<u>4,478,095</u>	<u>3,709,886</u>	<u>(768,209)</u>
Investment Earnings: Interest	<u>45,000</u>	<u>15,293</u>	<u>(29,707)</u>
Miscellaneous:			
Other taxes		3,427	
FEMA reimbursement		185,437	
Other revenues		72,259	
Insurance claims reimbursement		3,325	
Motor fuel refund		64,821	
Hospital Lease Revenue		826,650	
Utilities revenue		20,682	
NC 911		30,427	
Indirect cost		259,159	
Fine		84,415	
Attorney fees - foreclosures		43,547	
Total	<u>1,507,754</u>	<u>1,594,149</u>	<u>86,395</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>24,681,590</u>	<u>24,588,086</u>	<u>(93,504)</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
General Fund  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
General Government			
Governing body			
Salaries and employee benefits		78,263	
Other operating expenditures		150,730	
Total	<u>255,693</u>	<u>228,993</u>	<u>26,700</u>
Administration			
Salaries and employee benefits		297,390	
Other operating expenditures		57,977	
Total	<u>405,211</u>	<u>355,367</u>	<u>49,844</u>
Tax administration			
Salaries and employee benefits		410,841	
Other operating expenditures		205,309	
Total	<u>626,600</u>	<u>616,150</u>	<u>10,450</u>
Information technology			
Salaries and employee benefits		186,959	
Other operating expenditures		96,053	
Capital outlay		5,700	
Total	<u>299,078</u>	<u>288,712</u>	<u>10,366</u>
Legal			
Contracted services	<u>135,000</u>	<u>129,074</u>	<u>5,926</u>
Register of deeds			
Salaries and employee benefits		199,864	
Other operating expenditures		129,941	
Capital Outlay		9,950	
Total	<u>367,748</u>	<u>339,755</u>	<u>27,993</u>
Elections			
Salaries and employee benefits		141,234	
Other operating expenditures		63,726	
Total	<u>264,741</u>	<u>204,960</u>	<u>59,781</u>
Public buildings			
Salaries and employee benefits		412,079	
Other operating expenditures		316,592	
Capital outlay		85,261	
Total	<u>887,619</u>	<u>813,932</u>	<u>73,687</u>
Human resources			
Salaries and employee benefits		54,680	
Other operating expenditures		14,799	
Total	<u>87,475</u>	<u>69,479</u>	<u>17,996</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**General Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Finance			
Salaries and employee benefits		245,617	
Other operating expenditures		39,277	
Capital outlay		-	
Total	<u>300,921</u>	<u>284,894</u>	<u>16,027</u>
Court Facilities			
Other operating expenditures		88,095	
Capital outlay		-	
Total	<u>96,480</u>	<u>88,095</u>	<u>8,385</u>
Appropriations			
Retiree health insurance	<u>438,759</u>	<u>394,779</u>	<u>43,980</u>
Total General Government	<u>4,165,325</u>	<u>3,814,190</u>	<u>351,135</u>
Public Safety			
Sheriff			
Salaries and employee benefits		1,985,739	
Other operating expenditures		553,056	
Capital outlay		130,485	
Total	<u>3,087,116</u>	<u>2,669,280</u>	<u>417,836</u>
Communication			
Salaries and employee benefits		496,058	
Other operating expenditures		34,767	
Total	<u>584,025</u>	<u>530,825</u>	<u>53,200</u>
Emergency management			
Salaries and employee benefits		95,753	
Other operating expenditures		468,827	
Capital outlay		22,093	
Total	<u>598,722</u>	<u>586,673</u>	<u>12,049</u>
Emergency services			
Salaries and employee benefits		2,220,556	
Other operating expenditures		330,312	
Capital outlay		207,699	
Total	<u>2,965,264</u>	<u>2,758,567</u>	<u>206,697</u>
Non-emergency transportation			
Salaries and employee benefits		578,812	
Other operating expenditures		139,019	
Capital outlay		85,299	
Total	<u>975,587</u>	<u>803,130</u>	<u>172,457</u>
Planning and inspections			
Salaries and employee benefits		243,384	
Other operating expenditures		45,757	
Capital outlay		17,473	
Total	<u>373,659</u>	<u>306,614</u>	<u>67,045</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
General Fund  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Animal control			
Salaries and employee benefits		126,508	
Other operating expenditures		22,998	
Capital outlay		17,247	
Total	<u>249,267</u>	<u>166,753</u>	<u>82,514</u>
Medical examiner			
Professional services	<u>20,000</u>	<u>12,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>
Pandemic Recovery Response			
Salaries and employee benefits		148,965	
Other operating expenditures		46,021	
Capital outlay		-	
Total	<u>258,009</u>	<u>194,986</u>	<u>63,023</u>
Appropriations			
Bertie-Martin Regional Jail	<u>1,147,006</u>	<u>1,147,006</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Public Safety	<u>10,258,655</u>	<u>9,176,334</u>	<u>1,082,321</u>
Economic and Physical Development			
Economic development			
Salaries and employee benefits		81,295	
Other operating expenditures		96,839	
Total	<u>193,290</u>	<u>178,134</u>	<u>15,156</u>
Cooperative extension			
Salaries and employee benefits		220,281	
Other operating expenditures		34,528	
Capital outlay		10,484	
Total	<u>316,593</u>	<u>265,293</u>	<u>51,300</u>
Soil conservation			
Salaries and employee benefits		73,634	
Other operating expenditures		2,514	
Total	<u>81,220</u>	<u>76,148</u>	<u>5,072</u>
Total Economic and Physical Development	<u>591,103</u>	<u>519,575</u>	<u>71,528</u>
Human Services			
Health department			
Administration	<u>103,741</u>	<u>103,741</u>	<u>-</u>
Veteran services			
Salaries and employee benefits		52,532	
Other operating expenditures		4,054	
Total	<u>58,247</u>	<u>56,586</u>	<u>1,661</u>
Aid to aging and nutrition			
Salaries and employee benefits		230,692	

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
General Fund  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Other operating expenditures		266,013	
Total	<u>590,482</u>	<u>496,705</u>	<u>93,777</u>
Appropriations			
Indigent care		120,000	
Mental health		44,590	
Mental health - ABC 5¢		4,800	
Choanoke Public Transit Authority		10,000	
Total	<u>179,390</u>	<u>179,390</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Human Services	<u>931,860</u>	<u>836,422</u>	<u>95,438</u>
Environmental Protection			
Tire disposal		39,614	
Convenience centers		451,164	
Contracted services		6,830	
Total Environmental Protection	<u>498,164</u>	<u>497,608</u>	<u>556</u>
Education			
Public schools current expense		3,178,938	
Public schools capital outlay		355,855	
Martin Community College current expense		59,275	
Martin Community College capital outlay		31,500	
Roanoke Chowan Community College current expense		55,000	
Total Education	<u>3,699,713</u>	<u>3,680,568</u>	<u>19,145</u>
Cultural and Recreational			
Parks and recreation			
Salaries and employee benefits		159,908	
Other operating expenditures		141,330	
Capital outlay		7,174	
Total	<u>412,159</u>	<u>308,412</u>	<u>103,747</u>
Library			
Other operating expenditures	<u>40,000</u>	<u>37,520</u>	<u>2,480</u>
Total Cultural and Recreational	<u>452,159</u>	<u>345,932</u>	<u>106,227</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
General Fund  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Social Services			
Administration			
Salaries and employee benefits		2,194,040	
Other operating expenditures		258,002	
Capital outlay		-	
Total	<u>2,974,342</u>	<u>2,452,042</u>	<u>522,300</u>
Programs			
Public assistance		151	
SAA		251,915	
State Foster care		19,381	
Medicaid		9,968	
Legal services		51,854	
Chore services		42,030	
Adoption assistance		19,192	
Foster Child Adoption Incentive		381	
Transport of patients and other		94,713	
Work First		6,838	
AFDC - Foster Care		7,608	
AFDC - Local		891	
Crisis Intervention		150,305	
Aid to blind		1,821	
Low Income Home Energy		153,508	
DNA testing		683	
Child support		451,270	
Total	<u>1,597,943</u>	<u>1,262,509</u>	<u>335,434</u>
Total Social Services	<u>4,572,285</u>	<u>3,714,551</u>	<u>857,734</u>
Debt Services			
Principal retirement		2,083,860	
Interest and fees		1,034,697	
Total	<u>3,118,560</u>	<u>3,118,557</u>	<u>3</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**General Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Special Appropriations			
Arts Council		3,000	
Airport		20,000	
Mideast Commission		6,863	
Roanoke River Partners		5,000	
Forest service		119,227	
Historical group		25,000	
Bertie County YMCA		20,000	
Library		140,973	
Juvenile detention		5,124	
CADA		13,000	
CBA task force		5,659	
Roanoke River Basin		2,062	
Windsor Area Chamber		8,000	
Food Bank of Albemarle		2,500	
Partnership for the Sounds		10,000	
Roanoke-Chowan Safe		4,000	
Rural general public transportation		43,700	
Highway 17 Association		4,000	
Three Rivers Healthy Carolina		250	
Children Matters		38,000	
Humane Society		2,000	
Vocation Jobs/Education		27,500	
Second Chance Counts		31,250	
Relay for Life		2,000	
Aulander Peanut Festival		500	
Roxobel Festival		1,000	
Black History Dinner		100	
Schools-fines and forefitures		84,415	
Resolutions Teen Court		20,855	
Site X local match		13,116	
NC Low Grant		5,000	
Fire Service Evaluation		15,872	
BMRJ Feasibility Study		12,457	
RROTC Military Ball Sponsorship		750	
West Roanoke Miss Baptist		100	
Total Special Appropriations	<u>750,358</u>	<u>693,273</u>	<u>57,085</u>



**Bertie County, North Carolina  
General Fund  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>29,038,182</u>	<u>26,397,010</u>	<u>2,641,172</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(4,356,592)	(1,808,924)	(2,734,676)
Other financing sources (uses):			
Transfers from other funds:			
Capital Reserve Schools Fund		1,127,113	
Transfers to other funds:			
Tax Revaluation Fund		<u>(75,000)</u>	
Total other financing sources and (uses)	<u>2,453,542</u>	<u>1,052,113</u>	<u>1,401,429</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>(1,903,050)</u>	<u>(756,811)</u>	<u>(1,333,247)</u>
Appropriated fund balance	<u>1,903,050</u>	-	<u>(1,903,050)</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ <u>-</u>	(756,811)	\$ <u>(756,811)</u>
Fund balance - beginning		<u>4,906,564</u>	
Fund balance - ending		<u>\$ 4,149,753</u>	

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Revaluation Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	
Expenditures			
Current:			
Revaluation	\$ 145,373	\$ 62,374	\$ 82,999
Total expenditures	<u>145,373</u>	<u>62,374</u>	<u>82,999</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(145,373)	(62,374)	82,999
Other Financing Sources			
Transfers in - General Fund	75,000	75,000	-
Fund balance appropriated	<u>70,373</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(70,373)</u>
Total other financing sources	<u>145,373</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>(70,373)</u>
Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>-</u>	12,626	<u>12,626</u>
Fund balance, beginning		<u>51,691</u>	
Fund balance, ending		<u>\$ 64,317</u>	

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Capital Reserve - Schools Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Final Budget	Actual	
Revenues:			
Investment earnings	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,811	\$ 3,811
QSCB interest	-	731,773	731,773
Total Revenues	<u>1,000</u>	<u>736,584</u>	<u>735,584</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfer out - General Fund	<u>(2,528,542)</u>	<u>(1,127,113)</u>	<u>1,401,429</u>
Total transfers	<u>(2,528,542)</u>	<u>(1,127,113)</u>	<u>1,401,429</u>
Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures	(2,527,542)	(390,529)	2,137,013
Appropriated fund balance	<u>2,527,542</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,527,542)</u>
Revenues, other sources (uses), and appropriated fund balance over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	(390,529)	\$ <u>(390,529)</u>
Fund Balance, beginning		<u>320,650</u>	
Fund Balance, ending		<u>\$ (69,879)</u>	

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2020**

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<b>Assets:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 668,672	\$ 408,272	\$ 1,076,944
Accounts receivable, net	16,929	288,652	305,581
Total Assets	<u>\$ 685,601</u>	<u>\$ 696,924</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,525</u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances:</b>			
<b>Current liabilities:</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 788	\$ 230,501	\$ 231,289
Advance from other governments	558,274	-	558,274
Due from other funds	-	269,088	269,088
Total liabilities	<u>559,062</u>	<u>499,589</u>	<u>1,058,651</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>			
Restricted			
Stabilization by State Statute	16,929	288,652	305,581
Unassigned	109,610	(91,317)	18,293
Total fund balances	<u>126,539</u>	<u>197,335</u>	<u>323,874</u>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<u>\$ 685,601</u>	<u>\$ 696,924</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,525</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2020**

	Special Revenue Funds			Capital Project Funds					Total Nonmajor Capital Projects Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Emergency Telephone System	Coronavirus Relief Fund	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Library Co-Op Extension Building Fund	Library Co-Op Construction	EMS Building Fund	Disaster Recovery Fund	Capital Project - Schools		
<b>Assets:</b>										
Cash and investments	\$ 110,398	\$ 558,274	\$ 668,672	\$ 20,282	\$ 385,067	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,923	\$ 408,272	\$ 1,076,944
Accounts receivable (net)	16,929	-	16,929	-	-	288,652	-	-	288,652	305,581
Total Assets	<u>\$ 127,327</u>	<u>\$ 558,274</u>	<u>\$ 685,601</u>	<u>\$ 20,282</u>	<u>\$ 385,067</u>	<u>\$ 288,652</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,923</u>	<u>\$ 696,924</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,525</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>										
Accounts payable	\$ 788	\$ -	\$ 788	\$ -	\$ 227,578	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,923	\$ 230,501	\$ 231,289
Advance from other governments	-	558,274	558,274	-	-	-	-	-	-	558,274
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	-	184,541	84,547	-	269,088	269,088
Total liabilities	<u>788</u>	<u>558,274</u>	<u>559,062</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>227,578</u>	<u>184,541</u>	<u>84,547</u>	<u>2,923</u>	<u>499,589</u>	<u>1,058,651</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>										
Restricted										
Stabilization by State Statute	16,929	-	16,929	-	-	288,652	-	-	288,652	305,581
Unassigned	109,610	-	109,610	20,282	157,489	(184,541)	(84,547)	-	(91,317)	18,293
Total fund balances	<u>126,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>126,539</u>	<u>20,282</u>	<u>157,489</u>	<u>104,111</u>	<u>(84,547)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>197,335</u>	<u>323,874</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 127,327</u>	<u>\$ 558,274</u>	<u>\$ 685,601</u>	<u>\$ 20,282</u>	<u>\$ 385,067</u>	<u>\$ 288,652</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,923</u>	<u>\$ 696,924</u>	<u>\$ 1,382,525</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues:			
Investment earnings	\$ 471	\$ -	\$ 471
Intergovernmental revenues	203,146	2,441,327	2,644,473
Miscellaneous	-	1,519	1,519
Total revenues	<u>203,617</u>	<u>2,442,846</u>	<u>2,646,463</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Public safety	179,677	-	179,677
Economic and physical development	-	1,846,740	1,846,740
Total Expenditures	<u>179,677</u>	<u>1,846,740</u>	<u>2,026,417</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>23,940</u>	<u>596,106</u>	<u>620,046</u>
Net change in Fund Balance	23,940	596,106	620,046
Fund balances:			
Beginning of Year, July 1	<u>102,599</u>	<u>(398,771)</u>	<u>(296,172)</u>
End of year, June 30	<u>\$ 126,539</u>	<u>\$ 197,335</u>	<u>\$ 323,874</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Nonmajor Governmental Funds**  
**Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Special Revenue Funds			Capital Project Funds					Total Nonmajor Capital Projects Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Emergency Telephone System	Coronavirus Relief Fund	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Library Co-Op Extension Building Fund	Library Co-Op Construction Fund	EMS Building Fund	Disaster Recovery Fund	Capital Project - Schools		
<b>Revenues:</b>										
Investment earnings	\$ 471	\$ -	\$ 471	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 471
Intergovernmental revenues	203,146	-	203,146	-	2,141,327	300,000	-	-	2,441,327	2,644,473
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	1,519	-	-	-	1,519	1,519
Total revenues	<u>203,617</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>203,617</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,142,846</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,442,846</u>	<u>2,646,463</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>										
Current:										
Public safety	179,677	-	179,677	-	-	-	-	-	-	179,677
Economic and physical development	-	-	-	-	1,805,911	31,559	9,270	-	1,846,740	1,846,740
Total Expenditures	<u>179,677</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>179,677</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,805,911</u>	<u>31,559</u>	<u>9,270</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,846,740</u>	<u>2,026,417</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	23,940	-	23,940	-	336,935	268,441	(9,270)	-	596,106	620,046
Net change in Fund Balance	23,940	-	23,940	-	336,935	268,441	(9,270)	-	596,106	620,046
Fund balance, beginning	102,599	-	102,599	20,282	(179,446)	(164,330)	(75,277)	-	(398,771)	(296,172)
Fund balance, ending	<u>\$ 126,539</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 126,539</u>	<u>\$ 20,282</u>	<u>\$ 157,489</u>	<u>\$ 104,111</u>	<u>\$ (84,547)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 197,335</u>	<u>\$ 323,874</u>

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

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Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to expenditure for particular purposes.

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Emergency Telephone System Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	
Revenues			
Investment earnings	\$ 500	\$ 471	\$ (29)
Intergovernmental revenues	203,146	203,146	-
Total Revenues	<u>203,646</u>	<u>203,617</u>	<u>(29)</u>
Expenditures			
Current:			
Public safety	\$ 258,260	\$ 179,677	\$ 78,583
Total Expenditures	<u>258,260</u>	<u>179,677</u>	<u>78,583</u>
Appropriated fund balance	<u>54,614</u>	-	<u>(54,614)</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	23,940	<u>\$ 23,940</u>
Fund balance, beginning		<u>102,599</u>	
Fund balance, ending		<u>\$ 126,539</u>	

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Coronavirus Relief Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	
Revenues			
Intergovernmental revenues	\$ 558,274	\$ -	\$ (558,274)
Total Revenues	<u>558,274</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(558,274)</u>
Expenditures			
Current:			
Public safety	\$ 558,274	\$ -	\$ 558,274
Total Expenditures	<u>558,274</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>558,274</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ <u>-</u>	-	\$ <u>-</u>
Fund balance, beginning		-	
Fund balance, ending		<u>\$ -</u>	

## CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

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Capital Projects Funds are used to account for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities other than those financed by proprietary funds.

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Library/Co-Op Extention Building Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Golden Leaf Grant	\$ 500,000	\$ 176,061	\$ -	\$ 176,061	\$ (323,939)
Donations	120,000	136,387	-	136,387	16,387
Total Revenues	<u>620,000</u>	<u>312,448</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>312,448</u>	<u>(307,552)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Economic and physical development	620,000	292,166	-	292,166	327,834
Total Expenditures	<u>620,000</u>	<u>292,166</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>292,166</u>	<u>327,834</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>20,282</u>	-	\$ <u>20,282</u>	\$ <u>20,282</u>
Fund Balance, beginning			20,282		
Fund Balance, ending			\$ <u>20,282</u>		

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Library/Co-Op Construction Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
Revenues:					
Golden Leaf Grant	\$ 4,125,768	\$ -	\$ 2,136,327	\$ 2,136,327	\$ (1,989,441)
Donations	420,282	-	-	-	(420,282)
FCS Grant	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
Miscellaneous	0	-	1,519	1,519	1,519
Total Revenues	<u>4,551,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,142,846</u>	<u>2,142,846</u>	<u>(2,408,204)</u>
Expenditures:					
Economic and physical development	<u>4,551,050</u>	<u>179,446</u>	<u>1,805,911</u>	<u>1,985,357</u>	<u>2,565,693</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>4,551,050</u>	<u>179,446</u>	<u>1,805,911</u>	<u>1,985,357</u>	<u>2,565,693</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(179,446)</u>	336,935	\$ <u>157,489</u>	\$ <u>157,489</u>
Fund Balance, beginning			(179,446)		
Fund Balance, ending			\$ <u>157,489</u>		

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**EMS Building Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual			Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date	
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Intergovernmental revenues	\$ 704,299	\$ 501,877	\$ 300,000	\$ 801,877	\$ 97,578
Total Revenues	<u>704,299</u>	<u>501,877</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>801,877</u>	<u>97,578</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Economic and physical development	704,299	666,207	31,559	697,766	6,533
Total Expenditures	<u>704,299</u>	<u>666,207</u>	<u>31,559</u>	<u>697,766</u>	<u>6,533</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(164,330)</u>	268,441	\$ <u>104,111</u>	\$ <u>104,111</u>
Fund Balance, beginning			(164,330)		
Fund Balance, ending			\$ <u>104,111</u>		

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Distaster Recovery 17 Project Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
<b>Revenues:</b>					
State grant	\$ <u>1,000,000</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(1,000,000)</u>
Total Revenues	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,000,000)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Economic and physical development	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>75,277</u>	<u>9,270</u>	<u>84,547</u>	<u>915,453</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>75,277</u>	<u>9,270</u>	<u>84,547</u>	<u>915,453</u>
Net change in fund balance	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(75,277)</u>	(9,270)	\$ <u>(84,547)</u>	\$ <u>(84,547)</u>
Fund Balance, beginning			<u>(75,277)</u>		
Fund Balance, ending			\$ <u>(84,547)</u>		

## PROPRIETARY FUNDS

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Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of net income is appropriate for accountability purposes.

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**Bertie County, North Carolina  
Regional Water District Fund  
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures  
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>			
Charges for services			
Sewage and garbage collection fees	\$	\$ 6,704	\$
Tap fees		36,413	
Service fees		325	
Connexion fees		17,954	
Reconnection fees		21,025	
Penalties		41,372	
Sale of water		2,275,596	
Other operating revenue		22,215	
Total Operating Revenues	<u>2,877,154</u>	<u>2,421,604</u>	<u>(455,550)</u>
<b>Nonoperating Revenues:</b>			
Investment earnings		6,779	
Total Nonoperating Revenues	<u>11,000</u>	<u>6,779</u>	<u>(4,221)</u>
Total Revenues	2,888,154	2,428,383	(459,771)
<b>Administration Expenditures:</b>			
Salaries and employment benefits		586,003	
Other administration expenditures		1,018,763	
Total Administration Expenditures	<u>1,659,314</u>	<u>1,604,766</u>	<u>54,548</u>
<b>Operating Expenditures:</b>			
Repairs and Maintenance		42,707	
Other operating expenditures		7,254	
Total Operating Expenditures	<u>56,745</u>	<u>49,961</u>	<u>6,784</u>
<b>Debt service:</b>			
Principal		587,702	
Interest, fees and amortization		425,199	
Total Operating Revenues	<u>1,020,215</u>	<u>1,012,901</u>	<u>7,314</u>
Capital Outlay	<u>200,000</u>	<u>190,251</u>	<u>9,749</u>
Total Expenditures	2,936,274	2,857,879	78,395
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(48,120)	(429,496)	(381,376)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>			
Transfers out		(7,500)	
Appropriated net assets		-	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>48,120</u>	<u>(7,500)</u>	<u>55,620</u>
Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	(436,996)	\$ <u>(436,996)</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina  
Regional Water District Fund  
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures  
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	
<b>Reconciliation from budgetary basis (modified accrual) to full accrual:</b>			
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(436,996)	
Reconciling items:			
Depreciation and amortization		(834,735)	
Capital outlay		190,251	
Debt principal		587,702	
Tax refunds		58	
Capital contributions		369,525	
Interest earnings		6,779	
Increase (decrease) in deferred outflows of resources - pensions and OPEB		46,786	
(Increase) decrease in net pension liability		(17,153)	
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows of resources - pensions and OPEB		3,394	
(Increase) decrease in net OPEB liability		(263,900)	
(Increase) decrease in accrued vacation payable		1,341	
Change in net position		\$ (346,948)	

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund - SCADA**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual			Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date	
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Tax refunds	\$ -	\$ 24,005	\$ -	\$ 24,005	\$ 24,005
Total Revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>24,005</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,005</u>	<u>24,005</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Construction	878,933	879,381	-	879,381	(448)
Engineering	379,500	379,501	-	379,501	(1)
Acquisition	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
Administration	1,500	-	-	-	1,500
Legal	6,100	374	-	374	5,726
Miscellaneous	29,287	25,921	-	25,921	3,366
Contingency	9,875	-	-	-	9,875
Total Expenditures	<u>1,310,195</u>	<u>1,285,177</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,285,177</u>	<u>25,018</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,310,195)	(1,261,172)	-	(1,261,172)	49,023
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
NC DWSRR Loan	1,283,408	1,214,169	29,068	1,243,237	(40,171)
Transfer from Water	26,787	26,787	-	26,787	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>1,310,195</u>	<u>1,240,956</u>	<u>29,068</u>	<u>1,270,024</u>	<u>(40,171)</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(20,216)</u>	<u>29,068</u>	\$ <u>8,852</u>	\$ <u>8,852</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**USDA Rural Development Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual			Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date	
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Restricted intergovernmental:					
State grants	\$ 1,074,000	\$ 1,074,000	\$ -	\$ 1,074,000	\$ -
Tax refunds	50,290	50,290	-	50,290	-
Total Revenues	<u>1,124,290</u>	<u>1,124,290</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,124,290</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Construction	2,628,447	2,597,797	-	2,597,797	30,650
Engineering	437,000	436,957	-	436,957	43
Acquisition	-	-	-	-	-
Administration	6,500	6,366	-	6,366	134
Legal	5,892	4,177	-	4,177	1,715
Miscellaneous	25,874	22,881	-	22,881	2,993
Contingency	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	31,562	31,561	-	31,561	1
Total Expenditures	<u>3,135,275</u>	<u>3,099,739</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,099,739</u>	<u>35,536</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(2,010,985)	(1,975,449)	-	(1,975,449)	35,536
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
NC DWSRR Loan	1,717,000	1,714,179	-	1,714,179	(2,821)
Transfer from Water	293,985	293,985	-	293,985	-
Interest earned on investment	-	347	-	347	347
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>2,010,985</u>	<u>2,008,511</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,008,511</u>	<u>(2,474)</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>33,062</u>	<u>-</u>	\$ <u>33,062</u>	\$ <u>33,062</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Department of Commerce Rural Center Fund - Kelford**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Restricted intergovernmental:					
State grants	\$ 72,262	\$ 72,263	\$ -	\$ 72,263	\$ 1
Tax refunds	-	1,052	-	1,052	1,052
Total Revenues	<u>72,262</u>	<u>73,315</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,315</u>	<u>1,053</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Construction	167,926	131,781	-	131,781	36,145
Engineering	29,400	29,400	-	29,400	-
Miscellaneous	394	394	-	394	-
Total Expenditures	<u>197,720</u>	<u>161,575</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>161,575</u>	<u>36,145</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(125,458)	(88,260)	-	(88,260)	37,198
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Transfer from Water	125,458	125,458	-	125,458	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>125,458</u>	<u>125,458</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>125,458</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>37,198</u>	<u>-</u>	\$ <u>37,198</u>	\$ <u>37,198</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Drinking Water State Revolving Fund - Roxobel Merger**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual			Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year	Total to Date	
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Restricted intergovernmental:					
State grants	\$ 500,000	\$ 255,447	\$ 202,484	\$ 457,931	\$ (42,069)
Tax refunds	-	24,772	58	24,830	24,830
Total Revenues	<u>500,000</u>	<u>280,219</u>	<u>202,542</u>	<u>482,761</u>	<u>(17,239)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Construction	1,490,108	1,415,945	-	1,415,945	74,163
Engineering	388,500	388,500	-	388,500	-
Acquisition	16,278	16,278	-	16,278	-
Legal	6,376	6,376	-	6,376	-
Miscellaneous	39,895	39,895	-	39,895	-
Contingency	35,203	-	-	-	35,203
Total Expenditures	<u>1,976,360</u>	<u>1,866,994</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,866,994</u>	<u>109,366</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,476,360)	(1,586,775)	202,542	(1,384,233)	92,127
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
NC DWSRR Loan	1,437,608	1,437,608	-	1,437,608	-
Transfer from Water	38,752	38,752	-	38,752	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>1,476,360</u>	<u>1,476,360</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,476,360</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(110,415)</u>	<u>202,542</u>	\$ <u>92,127</u>	\$ <u>92,127</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Asset Inventory - Phase II Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Restricted intergovernmental:					
State grants - H-AIA-D-2017-0062-2347- 536919	\$ 150,000	\$ 62,653	\$ 13,110	\$ 75,763	\$ (74,237)
Total Revenues	<u>150,000</u>	<u>62,653</u>	<u>13,110</u>	<u>75,763</u>	<u>(74,237)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Engineering	155,250	76,422	13,110	89,532	65,718
Administration	<u>2,250</u>	<u>1,263</u>	<u>987</u>	<u>2,250</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>157,500</u>	<u>77,685</u>	<u>14,097</u>	<u>91,782</u>	<u>65,718</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(7,500)	(15,032)	(987)	(16,019)	(8,519)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Transfer from Water	<u>7,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>7,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (7,532)</u>	<u>(987)</u>	<u>\$ (8,519)</u>	<u>\$ (8,519)</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Asset Inventory - Phase III Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Restricted intergovernmental:					
State grants	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ 124,863	\$ 124,863	\$ (25,137)
Total Revenues	<u>150,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>124,863</u>	<u>124,863</u>	<u>(25,137)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Engineering	155,250	-	130,113	130,113	25,137
Administration	2,250	-	2,250	2,250	-
Total Expenditures	<u>157,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>132,363</u>	<u>132,363</u>	<u>25,137</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(7,500)	-	(7,500)	(7,500)	-
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Transfer from Water	7,500	7,500	-	7,500	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>7,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>7,500</u>	<u>(7,500)</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>



**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Asset Inventory - Phase IV Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Project Authorization	Actual		Total to Date	Variance Positive (Negative)
		Prior Years	Current Year		
Revenues:					
Restricted intergovernmental:					
State grants	\$ 88,800	\$ 78,413	\$ -	\$ 78,413	\$ (10,387)
Total Revenues	<u>88,800</u>	<u>78,413</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>78,413</u>	<u>(10,387)</u>
Expenditures:					
Engineering	91,908	81,521	-	81,521	10,387
Administration	<u>1,332</u>	<u>1,332</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,332</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>93,240</u>	<u>82,853</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,853</u>	<u>10,387</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(4,440)	(4,440)	-	(4,440)	-
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfer from Water	<u>4,440</u>	<u>4,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,440</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>4,440</u>	<u>4,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,440</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenues and other sources over (under)	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Bertie Telephone Internal Service Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	2020		Variance Positive (Negative)
	Final Budget	Actual	
Revenues			
Operating revenues:			
User charges	\$	\$ 67,650	\$ 5,650
Total Revenues	<u>62,000</u>	<u>67,650</u>	<u>5,650</u>
Expenditures			
Operating:			
Administration	\$	\$ 74,469	\$ (12,469)
Total Expenditures	<u>62,000</u>	<u>74,469</u>	<u>(12,469)</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(6,819)	\$ <u><u>(6,819)</u></u>
<b>Reconciliation from budgetary basis</b>			
<b>(modified accrual) to full accrual:</b>			
Depreciation		<u>(12,223)</u>	
Change in net position		<u><u>(19,042)</u></u>	

## AGENCY FUNDS

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Agency funds are used to account for assets the County holds on behalf of others.

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**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Agency Funds**  
**Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	Balance July 01, 2019	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2020
<b>Social Services Fund:</b>				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,416	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,125	\$ 7,091
Liabilities:				
Miscellaneous liabilities	\$ 6,416	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,125	\$ 7,091
<b>Fines and Forfeitures</b>				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 84,415	\$ 84,415	\$ -
Liabilities				
Intergovernmental payable - Bertie County Board of Education	\$ -	\$ 84,415	\$ 84,415	\$ -
<b>Tax</b>				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ (2,857)	\$ 249,403	\$ 246,234	\$ 312
Liabilities				
Intergovernmental payable	\$ (2,857)	\$ 249,403	\$ 246,234	\$ 312
<b>Pest Management</b>				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,238	\$ 9,091	\$ 6,182	\$ 9,147
Liabilities				
Miscellaneous liabilities	\$ 6,238	\$ 9,091	\$ 6,182	\$ 9,147
<b>Total - All Agency Funds:</b>				
Assets:				
Cash and Investments	\$ 9,797	\$ 345,709	\$ 338,956	\$ 16,550
Liabilities				
Miscellaneous liabilities	\$ 9,797	\$ 345,709	\$ 338,956	\$ 16,550

## OTHER SCHEDULES

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This section includes additional information on property taxes.

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- Schedule of Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable
- Analysis of Current Tax Levy
- Schedule of Ten Largest Taxpayers

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**General Fund**  
**Schedule of Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable**  
**June 30, 2020**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Uncollected Balance July 1, 2019</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Collections And Credits</u>	<u>Uncollected Balance June 30, 2020</u>
2019-2020	\$ -	\$ 11,455,968	\$ 11,239,202	\$ 216,766
2018-2019	320,760	-	206,517	114,243
2017-2018	121,053	-	57,399	63,654
2016-2017	68,416	-	24,874	43,542
2015-2016	93,734	-	15,891	77,843
2014-2015	25,604	-	7,768	17,836
2013-2014	36,273	-	5,085	31,188
2012-2013	34,026	-	1,862	32,164
2011-2012	24,065	-	1,357	22,708
2010-2011	17,966	-	621	17,345
2009-2010	16,054	-	-	16,054
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ <u>757,951</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>11,455,968</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>11,560,576</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>653,343</u></b>
Less: Allowance for uncollectable accounts:				
General Fund				<u>(117,457)</u>
Ad valorem taxes receivable - net:				
General Fund				<u>\$ 535,886</u>
<u>Reconcilement with revenues</u>				
Ad valorem taxes - General Fund				\$ 11,601,747
Reconciling items:				
Interest collected				(127,183)
Taxes written off and adjustments				<u>86,012</u>
Total Collections and Credits				<u>\$ 11,560,576</u>

**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Analysis of Current Tax Levy**  
**County - Wide Levy**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

	County-wide			Total Levy	
	Property Valuation	Rate	Amount of Levy	Property Excluding Registered Motor Vehicles	Registered Motor Vehicles
Original levy:					
Property Taxes at Current Year's Rate	\$ 1,386,124,096	0.8300%	\$ 11,504,830	\$ 10,055,615	\$ 1,449,215
Total	<u>1,386,124,096</u>		<u>11,504,830</u>	<u>10,055,615</u>	<u>1,449,215</u>
Discoveries:					
Current year taxes	552,651	0.8300%	4,587	4,525	62
Abatements taxed at current year's rate	<u>(6,439,639)</u>	0.8300%	<u>(53,449)</u>	<u>(53,449)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total property valuation	<u>\$ 1,380,237,108</u>				
Net Levy			11,455,968	10,006,691	1,449,277
Current year's taxes collected			<u>11,239,202</u>	<u>9,789,925</u>	<u>1,449,277</u>
Uncollected taxes at June 30, 2020			\$ 216,766	\$ 216,766	\$ -
Current levy collection percentage			<u>98.11%</u>	<u>97.83%</u>	<u>100%</u>



**Bertie County, North Carolina**  
**Schedule of Ten Largest Taxpayers**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020**

<b>Taxpayer</b>	<b>Type of Business</b>	<b>2019 Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation</b>
Perdue Foods LLC	Agriculture	\$ 52,642,771	3.98 %
Roseburg Resources Co.	Real Estate	24,218,072	1.68
Weyerhaeuser Co.	Real Estate	21,724,337	1.53
Rial Corp	Real Estate	19,410,361	1.52
Avoca LLC	Agriculture	18,840,120	1.21
Republic Services LLC	Real Estate	14,074,940	0.99
Avoca Technical of Delaware	Agriculture	18,840,120	1.21
Valley Proteins Inc.	Agriculture	7,274,578	0.38
W R White Inc.	Agriculture	4,954,699	0.40
Avoca Technical of Delaware	Agriculture	4,106,627	0.31
Innsbrook Golf & Marina LLC	Real Estate	114,303	0.29
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ <u>186,200,929</u></b>	<b><u>13.50 %</u></b>

## COMPLIANCE SECTION

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**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***

**Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of County Commissioners  
Bertie County, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bertie County, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprises the Bertie County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2021. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Bertie County ABC Board, as described in our report on Bertie County's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported separately by those auditors. The financial statements of Bertie County ABC Board were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Bertie County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Bertie County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County'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 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 limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

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

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## **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance; With OMB Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act**

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of County Commissioners  
Bertie County, North Carolina

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

We have audited Bertie County, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on each of Bertie County's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020. Bertie County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### **Management's Responsibility**

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

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

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

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

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

In our opinion, Bertie County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020.

## **Other Matters**

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2020 – 002. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Bertie County's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit is described in the schedule of findings and questioned costs. Bertie County's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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

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

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 2020 – 001 and, 2020 – 002 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Bertie County's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The County's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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

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**Report On Compliance For Each Major State Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance; In accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance; and the State Single Audit Implementation Act**

**Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of County Commissioners  
Bertie County, North Carolina

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

We have audited Bertie County, North Carolina, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on each of Bertie County's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2020. Bertie County's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

**Management's Responsibility**

Management is responsible for compliance with State Statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its State awards applicable to its state programs.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Bertie County's major state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and applicable sections of Title 2 US Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), as described in the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, and the *State Single Audit Implementation Act*. Those standards, Uniform Guidance, and the State Single Audit Implementation Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Bertie County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures, as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Bertie County's compliance.



## **Opinion on Each Major State Program**

In our opinion, Bertie County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2020.

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

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

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

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

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

*Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Co., PA*

*Wilmington, North Carolina*

*August 6, 2021*

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Section I. Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance to GAAP:  
Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses identified?  Yes  No

Significant Deficiency(s) identified?  Yes  None Reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?  Yes  No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major federal programs:

Material weaknesses identified?  Yes  No

Significant Deficiency(s) identified?  Yes  None Reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified for all federal programs except for Medical Assistance Program (Title XIX – Medicaid). Which was modified.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?  Yes  No

Identification of major federal programs:

<u>CFDA Numbers</u>	<u>Names of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
66.468	Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
93.778	Medical Assistance Program (Title XIX – Medicaid)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs \$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?  Yes  No

State Awards

Internal control over major State programs:

• Material Weakness(es) identified?  Yes  No

• Significant deficiency(s) identified that are not considered to be a material weakness.  Yes  None Reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major State programs: Unmodified.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the State Single Audit Implementation Act  Yes  No

Identification of major State programs:

<u>Program Name</u>
Golden Leaf Grant

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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Section II. Financial Statement Findings

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**None Reported.**

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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Section III. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

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**Significant Deficiency**

US Department of Health and Human Services  
Passed through the NC Dept. of Health and Human Services  
Program Name: Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid; Title XIX)  
CFDA # 93.778

**Finding: 2020 - 001**

**Eligibility**

Criteria: Medicaid for Aged, Blind and Disabled case records should contain documentation that verifications were done in preparation of the application/recertification and these items will agree to reports in the NC FAST system. In this process, documentation should be present and agree back to the records in the NC FAST system. Any items discovered in the process should be considered in regards to a specific eligibility requirement and explained within the documentation.

Condition: There were forty-four (44) technical errors discovered during our procedures that verifications in the county documentation and the representative data contained in NC FAST were not the same amounts or files containing policy requirements were not properly documented to be considered in compliance with program control requirements. The errors were as follows: Six (6) did not have child support referrals completed, Nine (9) contained incomplete or untimely verification of facts, Thirteen (13) did not have accurate budget calculations in NC FAST, Three (3) lacked sufficient required documentation, Nine (9) did not have accurate resource calculations, Four (4) contained inaccurate needs unit calculations.

Questioned Costs: There was no affect to eligibility and there were no questioned costs.

Context: We examined 120 Medicaid applicants to re-determine eligibility. These findings were disclosed in a separately issued spreadsheet to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and are being reported with the financial statement audit as it relates to Medicaid administrative cost compliance audit.

Effect: For those certifications/re-certifications there was a chance that information was not properly documented and reconciled to NC FAST which affect countable resource or program specific requirements and a participant could have been approved for benefits that they were not eligible.

Identification of a repeat finding: This is a repeat finding from the immediate previous audit, 2019-001.

Cause: Ineffective record keeping and ineffective case review process, incomplete documentation, and incorrect application of rules for purposes of determining eligibility.

Recommendation: Files should be reviewed internally to ensure proper documentation is in place for eligibility. Workers should be retrained on what files should contain and the importance of complete and accurate record keeping. We recommend that all files include online verifications, documented resources of income and those amounts agree to information in NC FAST.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The County agrees with the finding. Supervisors will perform second party reviews to ensure proper documentation is contained in files to support eligibility determinations. Workers will be retrained on what information should be maintained in case files, the importance of complete and accurate record keeping, and reserve calculations. The County finance office will also participating in the review process.

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**Significant Deficiency/Noncompliance**

US Department of Health and Human Services

Passed through the NC Dept. of Health and Human Services

Program Name: Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid; Title XIX)

CFDA # 93.778

**Finding: 2020 - 002**

**Eligibility**

Criteria: In accordance with 42 CFR 435, documentation must be obtained as needed to determine if a recipient meets specific standards, and documentation must be maintained to support eligibility determinations. In accordance with 2 CFR 200, management should have an adequate system of internal controls procedures in place to ensure an applicant is properly determined or redetermined for benefits.

Condition: There were two errors discovered during our procedures that inaccurate information was entered when determining eligibility. Two applicant/beneficiaries that received assistance for which the recipient was not eligible

Questioned Costs: The amount of claims paid on behalf of the above ineligible participants for fiscal year ending 6/30/2020 did not exceed the threshold for a questioned cost determination.

Context: We examined 120 Medicaid applicants to re-determine eligibility. These findings were disclosed in a separately issued spreadsheet to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and are being reported with the financial statement audit as it relates to Medicaid administrative cost compliance audit.

Effect: For those certifications/re-certifications there was a chance that information was not properly documented and reconciled to NC FAST which affect countable resource or program specific requirements and a participant could have been approved for benefits that they were not eligible.

Identification of a repeat finding: This is a repeat finding from the immediate previous audit, 2019-002.

Cause: Ineffective record keeping and ineffective case review process, incomplete documentation, and incorrect application of rules for purposes of determining eligibility.

Recommendation: Files should be reviewed internally to ensure proper documentation is in place for eligibility. Workers should be retrained on what files should contain and the importance of complete and accurate record keeping. We recommend that all files include online verifications, documented resources of income and those amounts agree to information in NC FAST.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The County agrees with the finding. Supervisors will perform second party reviews to ensure proper documentation is contained in files to support eligibility determinations. Workers will be retrained on what information should be maintained in case files, the importance of complete and accurate record keeping, and reserve calculations. The County finance office will also participate in the review process.

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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Section IV. State Award Findings and Questioned Costs

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None Reported.

**County of Bertie**

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**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

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Section II. Financial Statement Findings

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**None Reported.**

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Section III. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

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**2020 - 001      Eligibility**

Name of contact person: Cindy Perry, Director

Corrective Action: Procedures and controls have been developed for caseworkers to follow and will be further developed to meet ongoing changes of the NC FAST system and NCDHHS policies for Medicaid. Medicaid caseworkers will receive additional training on the newly created Corrective Action Plan to be reminded of the policies and procedures that should be followed in the application process as well as the recertification process. Medicaid caseworkers will receive NC FAST Core Functions Certification training and Level 1 Programmatic training. Supervisors will review action reports and case files regularly to determine if the correct action was taken and properly followed through or closed. Workers will be retrained on all errors that occur, maintenance of case files, and the importance of complete and accurate record keeping and reserve calculations during monthly staff conferences.

Proposed Completion Date: December 1, 2021

**2020 - 002      Eligibility**

Name of contact person: Cindy Perry, Director

Corrective Action: Procedures and controls have been developed for caseworkers to follow and will be further developed to meet ongoing changes of the NC FAST system and NCDHHS policies for Medicaid. Medicaid caseworkers will receive additional training on the newly created Corrective Action Plan to be reminded of the policies and procedures that should be followed in the application process as well as the recertification process. Medicaid caseworkers will receive NC FAST Core Functions Certification training and Level 1 Programmatic training. Supervisors will review action reports and case files regularly to determine if the correct action was taken and properly followed through or closed. Workers will be retrained on all errors that occur, maintenance of case files, and the importance of complete and accurate record keeping and reserve calculations during monthly staff conferences.

Proposed Completion Date: December 1, 2021

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Section IV. State Award Findings and Questioned Costs

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None Reported.



**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Status:	2019-001	Still occurring.
	2019-002	Still occurring.

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2020**

Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	State/ Pass-through Grantor's Number	Federal (Direct & Pass-through) Expenditures	State Expenditures	Passed-through to Subrecipients	Local Expenditures
<b>Federal Awards:</b>						
<u>U.S. Dept. of Agriculture</u>						
Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services:						
Division of Social Services:						
Administration:						
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.561		381,285	-	-	381,285
<u>Environmental Protection Agency</u>						
Passed-through the N.C. Dept. Environmental Quality						
Division of Water Resources						
Capitalization Grants For Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.468	H-LRX-F-16-1912; H-LRX-F-16-1897	185,242	46,310	-	-
<u>U. S. Department of Homeland Security</u>						
Passed-through N.C. Dept. of Public Safety:						
Division of Emergency Management						
Emergency Service Performance Grant	97.042		19,452	19,452	-	-
Homeland Security Grant	97.067		9,700	-	-	-
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036		2,990	997	-	-
Total U. S. Department of Homeland Security			32,142	20,449	-	-
<u>U.S. Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services</u>						
TANF - Work First	93.558		175,245	-	-	187,432
Total TANF Cluster			175,245	-	-	187,432
<u>Foster Care and Adoption Cluster (Note 4&amp;5)</u>						
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658		29,684	3,483	-	22,973
Foster Care	N/A		4,834	-	-	2,565
Adoption Assistance	93.659		1,749	-	-	1,749
Total Foster Care and Adoption Cluster (Note 4&5)			36,267	3,483	-	27,286
Child Support Enforcement	93.563		497,238	(252)	-	256,404
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance:						
Administration						
Energy Assistance Payments	93.568		21,758	-	-	-
Crisis Intervention Program	93.568		153,508	-	-	-
Total Low-Income Home Energy Assistance			147,234	-	-	-
			322,500	-	-	-
SSBG - Other Service and Training	93.667		135,443	-	-	45,147
Division of Aging and Adult Services:						
Division of Social Services:						
SSBG - State In Home Service Fund	93.667		6,708	-	-	958
SSBG - Adult Protective Care	93.667		12,402	-	-	4,134
Total Social Service Block Grant			154,552	-	-	50,239
Division of Child Development and Early Education (Note 5)						
Subsidized Child Care (Note 4)						
<u>Child Care Development Fund Cluster:</u>						
Division of Social Services:						
Child Care Development Fund-Administration	93.596		82,656	-	-	-
Total Subsidized Child Care (Note 4)			82,656	-	-	-
Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services:						
Division of Health Benefits :						
Division of Social Services:						
Administration:						
Medical Assistance Program	93.778		1,017,326	10,525	-	391,457
Division of Social Services:						
Administration:						
Children's Health Insurance Program - N.C. Health Choice (Note 5)	93.767		37,382	258	-	2,559
Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Insurance:						
Medicare Enrollment Assistance Program						
MIPPA Grant	93.071		1,278	-	-	-
Total U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services			2,324,444	14,014	-	915,379
Total federal awards			2,923,113	80,773	-	1,296,664

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**  
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<b>State Awards:</b>						
<u>N.C. Dept. of Administration</u>						
Division of Veterans Affairs: Veterans Services			-	2,182	-	-
<u>N.C. Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services</u>						
Stream Debris Removal			-	300,000	-	-
<u>N.C. Department of Environmental Quality</u>						
Division of Waste Management Electronic Management Program			-	156	-	-
Division of Water Infrastructure						
Asset and Inventory Assessment		H-AIA-D-2019- 00000176-23	-	124,863	-	-
Asset and Inventory Assessment		H-AIA-D-2019- 00000175-23	-	13,110	-	-
Total Division of Water Infrastructure			-	137,973	-	-
Division of Coastal Management Public Beach & Coastal Waterfront Access Program			-	150	-	-
Total N.C. Dept. Environmental Quality			-	138,279	-	-
<u>N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services</u>						
Division of Social Services						
ST Child Welfare/CPS/CS LD			-	2,330	-	-
State Foster Home			-	6,763	-	6,763
Non-Allocating Reimbursable			-	-	-	80,077
Work First Non Reimbursable			-	-	-	8,909
County Funded Programs			-	-	-	137,766
CSE Disaster Non Reimbursable			-	-	-	15,210
Total Division of Social Services			-	9,093	-	248,725
Total N. C. Department of Health and Human Services			-	9,093	-	248,725
<u>N.C. Dept. of Insurance</u>						
SHIP Grant			-	4,095	-	-
<u>N.C. Dept. of Public Safety</u>						
Juvenile Crime Prevention Programs			-	109,598	-	-
Governor's Crime Commission			-	24,074	-	-
Juvenile Court Services			-	784	-	-
Total N. C. Department of Public Safety			-	134,456	-	-
Golden Leaf - Disaster Assistance			-	2,136,327	-	-
<u>N.C. Dept. of Transportation</u>						
Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) Cluster						
ROAP Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program		36220.10.9.1	-	64,400	-	-
ROAP Rural General Public Program		36228.22.9.1	-	66,532	-	-
ROAP Work First Transitional - Employment		36236.11.8.1	-	8,632	-	-
Total ROAP Cluster			-	139,564	-	-
<u>Administrative Office of the Courts</u>						
Safe Roads Act			-	1,337	-	-
Total State awards			-	2,865,334	-	248,725
Total federal and State awards			\$ 2,923,113	\$ 2,946,107	\$ -	\$ 1,545,389

**BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS**  
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Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	State/ Pass-through Grantor's Number	Federal (Direct & Pass-through) Expenditures	State Expenditures	Passed-through to Subrecipients	Local Expenditures
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Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Financial Awards:

**Note 1: Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and State awards (SEFSA) includes the federal and State grant activity of the Bertie County under the programs of the federal government and the State of North Carolina for the year ended June 30, 2020. The information in this SEFSA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 US Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Bertie County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of Bertie County.

**Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Expenditures reported in the SEFSA are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

**Note 3: Indirect Cost Rate**

Bertie County has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**Note 4: Cluster of Programs**

The following are clustered by the NC Department of Health and Human Services and are treated separately for state audit requirement purposes: Subsidized Child Care and Foster Care and Adoption

**Note 5: Benefit Payments Issued by the State**

The amounts listed below were paid directly to individual recipients by the State from federal and State moneys. County personnel are involved with certain functions, primarily eligibility determinations that cause benefit payments to be issued by the State. These amounts disclose this additional aid to County recipients that do not appear in the basic financial

Program Title	CFDA No.	Federal	State
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infant and Children	10.557	151,361	-
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.551	6,286,386	-
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	65,699	-
Adoption Assistance	93.659	62,230	14,323
Family Preservation	93.556	-	-
Special Children Adoption	93.558	4,642	-
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	31,072,991	14,774,258
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	316,544	24,383
Child Welfare Services Adoption	N/A	-	15,331
SAA/SAD HB 1030	N/A	-	-
SC/SA Domiciliary Care	N/A	-	252,359

**Note 6: Coronavirus Relief Funds**

Bertie County received \$558,273.90 of funding from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (21.019) and is scheduled to receive \$367,722 in July 2020. At least twenty-five percent (25%) of the funds are mandated to go to municipalities within Bertie County, at the discretion of the County. Municipalities are to have a plan to spend these funds by September 1, 2020, or any funds received are to be returned to the County. Counties and municipalities are liable to the State for funds not spent in accordance with US Dept. of Treasury, the granting agency, guidelines. According to the Office of State Budget and Management, the State's pass-through agency, municipalities are considered subrecipients of the Counties. However, under state statute, municipalities are liable to the State, not the County, for any misused or misspent funds. CRF must be spent during the period March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2021.