# HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND COMPLIANCE REPORTS

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2024** 

**INTRODUCTORY SECTION** 

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS PRINCIPAL PUBLIC OFFICIALS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

# **COMMISSIONERS COURT**

Jim Lovell	County Judge
Gary Lovell	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Willie Kitchen	
Gene Stokes	
Jimmy Henderson	

# **COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Morris Luker	Constable Precinct No. 1
Kenneth Smith	Constable Precinct No. 2
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Terri Meadows	County Clerk
Sarah T. Clark	County Court at Law
Charles R. Hodges	County Surveyor
Janis Omelina	County Treasurer
Mike McCreight	Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1
Ronnie Jordan	Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2
Randy Hargrove	Sheriff
Laronica Smith	Tax Assessor/Collector

# DISTRICT ELECTED OFFICIALS

Donna Gordon Kaspar	District Attorney, 349th Judicial District
Laura Goolsby	
Mark Alan Calhoon	District Judge, 3rd Judicial District
Pam Foster Fletcher	District Judge, 349th Judicial District

# **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Melissa Jeter	
Thomas Streetman	Juvenile Probation Department
Jo Smith	County Extension Agent – Agriculture
Vacant	County Extension Agent – Family & Consumer Science
Sheila Johnson	Grants Administrator
Heath Murff	Fire Marshal/Emergency Management Coordinator
Michael Maiden	
Cynthia Lum	Elections Administrator
Delman Orme	Environmental/Community Service Officer
Carl Johnson	Facilities Administrator

# FINANCIAL SECTION



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### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Honorable County Judge and Members of the Commissioners Court Houston County, Texas

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the fiduciary activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Houston County, Texas (the "County") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the fiduciary activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Houston County, Texas as of September 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

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

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the County's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT – CONTINUED**

#### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of changes in net pension liability, and the schedule of pension contributions and related notes on pages 11 - 17 and 65 - 85, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the 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.

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT – CONTINUED**

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 Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements and the combining fiduciary fund statements on pages 91-129 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not required parts of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards on pages 139-140, is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements, the combining fiduciary fund statements, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **Other Information**

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory section, but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

# Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2025, on pages 133-134, on our consideration of the 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 that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Todd, Hamaker & Johnson, LLP

Todd, Hamaker & Johnson, LLP Lufkin, Texas

June 30, 2025

As management of Houston County, Texas (the "County"), we offer readers of the County's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider information presented here as well as the County's financial statements, which follow this section.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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

- The County's overall assets exceeded its total liabilities by \$12,637,609 (net position) at September 30, 2024. Of this amount, \$4,173,169 is available to be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- Total assets (excluding current year net pension asset of \$522,061) decreased by \$761,505 from the prior year; total liabilities (excluding prior year net pension liability of \$73,011) decreased by \$1,479,379 from the prior year.
- Overall revenues exceeded expenses (or an increase in net position) by \$1,230,012. Depreciation expense of \$1,742,085 is included in these expenses.

#### Fund Financial Statements

- At the close of the current fiscal year, the County's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$6,353,627. Overall expenditures exceeded revenues by \$161,528.
- At September 30, 2024, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$2,293,522, or approximately 22% of total General Fund expenditures.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements.

**Government-wide Financial Statements.** The *government-wide financial statements*, which begin on page 23 of this report, are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the County's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

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

The statement of activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the fiscal year. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

**Fund Financial Statements.** A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

*Governmental Funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for general obligation bond principal and interest, which are reported as expenditures in the year due.

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

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 28 to 35 of this report.

*Fiduciary Funds* are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources are not available to support the County's own programs.

The fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 37 to 39 of this report.

**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 can be found on pages 43 to 62 of this report.

# **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of government's financial position. The County's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$12,637,609 at September 30, 2024.

A large portion of the County's net position, or \$5,294,553, reflects its investment in capital assets (\$14,581,405) less the related debt used to acquire those assets that remains outstanding (\$9,286,852). The County uses these capital assets to provide service to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the County's net position totaling \$3,169,887 represents resources that are subject to restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$4,173,169 is unrestricted in nature and used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

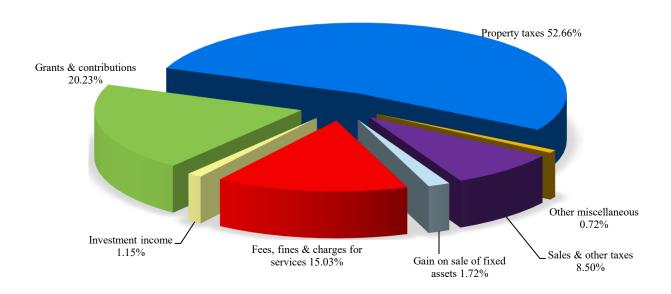
# The County's Net Position

	2024	( <i>Restated</i> ) 2023
Current and other assets	\$ 8,292,627	\$ 9,647,773
Net pension asset	522,061	-
SBITA assets, net	74,634	33,572
Capital assets, net	14,581,405	14,028,826
Total assets	23,470,727	23,710,171
Deferred outflows of resources	1,038,289	1,240,752
Long-term liabilities	9,916,486	10,629,126
Net pension liability	-	73,011
Other liabilities	1,863,784	2,630,523
Total liabilities	11,780,270	13,332,660
Deferred inflows of resources	91,137	210,666
Net position		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	5,294,553	4,254,121
Restricted	3,169,887	2,548,517
Unrestricted	4,173,169	4,604,959
Total net position	\$ 12,637,609	<u>\$ 11,407,597</u>

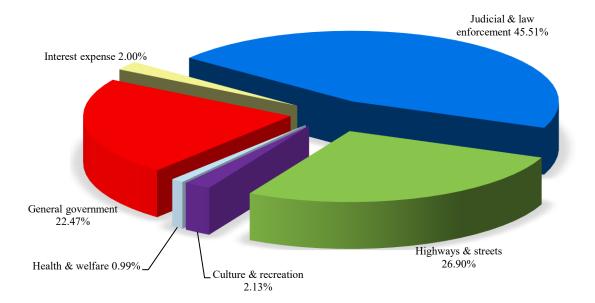
# **Change in Net Position**

	2024	(Restated) 2023	
Revenues			
Fees, fines, charges for services	\$ 2,860,722	\$ 2,344,083	
Property taxes	10,024,297	9,513,995	
Sales and other taxes	1,504,641	1,659,658	
Investment income	219,877	49,014	
Grants and contributions	3,850,809	3,146,482	
Payment in lieu of taxes	112,706	82,052	
Gain on sale of assets	327,398	79,112	
Other miscellaneous	136,730	131,123	
Total revenues	19,037,180	17,005,519	
Expenses			
General government	3,915,530	3,692,955	
Judicial and law enforcement	7,930,664	7,391,893	
Highways and streets	4,688,344	3,672,233	
Health and welfare	381,056	362,174	
Culture and recreation	371,329	263,138	
Pass-through expenditures	172,531	184,847	
Interest on long-term debt	347,714	372,691	
Total expenses	17,807,168	15,939,931	
Increase (decrease) in net position	1,230,012	1,065,588	
Net position at beginning of year	11,407,597	10,342,009	
Net position at end of year	\$ 12,637,609	<u>\$ 11,407,597</u>	

#### **Revenues by Source** For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024



**Expenses by Function** For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024



#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

**Governmental Funds.** The focus of the County's *governmental funds* is to provide information on nearterm inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balances* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The County's governmental fund financial statements are presented on pages 28 to 35.

As of September 30, 2024, the County's governmental funds reported a total fund balance of \$6,353,627. This fund balance is comprised of \$4,261,759 that is either in a nonspendable form, restricted or assigned for specific purpose. The remaining balance, \$2,091,868, is unassigned. Overall expenditures exceeded revenues in the current year by \$161,528.

**Budgetary Comparisons.** A comparison of the general fund, each individual road and bridge fund, FEMA fund, and Rural Law Enforcement grant fund budget and actual results are presented as required supplementary information on pages 65 to 77.

*General Fund.* Actual revenues were higher than budgeted amounts by \$667,860. Actual expenditures were lower than budgeted amounts by \$419,098. Actual other financing sources (uses) were favorable to budgeted amounts by \$10,663. An overall decrease in fund balance of \$1,661,599 had been projected, using prior year budget carryovers to fund the decrease. Overall fund balance decreased by \$770,496 (including prior period adjustment of \$206,518).

*Road and Bridge Funds (combined)*. Actual revenues were higher than budgeted amounts by \$30,395. Actual expenditures were lower than budgeted amounts by \$314,248. An overall decrease in fund balance of \$591,013 had been projected, using prior year budget carryovers to fund the decrease. The actual decrease in fund balance was \$250,300.

*FEMA Fund.* Actual revenues were higher than budgeted amounts by \$322,848. There were no expenditures and none were budgeted. There were no other financing sources (uses) and none were budgeted. No change in fund balance had been projected. Overall fund balance increased by \$529,366 (including prior period adjustment of \$206,518).

*Rural Law Enforcement Grant Fund*. Actual revenues were lower than budgeted amounts by \$280,697. Actual expenditures were lower than budgeted amounts by \$280,697. No change in fund balance had been projected and none occurred.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

The County's investment in capital assets as of September 30, 2024 totaled \$14,581,405 (net of accumulated depreciation).

Capital asset additions during the year totaled \$2,735,319. Significant purchases included:

- Various heavy equipment (debt and ARPA/LATCF grant funded)
- Old bank building and parking lot
- Armory roof replaced (ARPA grant funded)
- Various vehicles and outfitting (ARPA grant funded)

#### **Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)**

	2024			2023		
Land	\$	194,351	\$	181,382		
Construction in progress		34,392		355,625		
Buildings and improvements		20,008,096		19,440,890		
Infrastructure		650,551		350,177		
Rolling stock		9,802,454		9,015,389		
Furniture and equipment		2,095,188		1,951,903		
Less: accumulated depreciation		(18,203,627)		(17,266,540)		
Total	\$	14,581,405	\$	14,028,826		

#### **DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

At the end of the current fiscal year, the County had total debt and capital lease obligations of \$9,841,852. Three leases were paid off during the year. New debt issued during the year included:

• Four new lease agreements totaling \$547,643 were issued for the acquisition of equipment.

#### **Debt Outstanding**

	Beginning Balance Additions		R	eductions	Ending Balance		
Certificates of obligation	\$	7,315,000	\$ -	\$	620,000	\$	6,695,000
Unamortized premiums		442,544	-		44,254		398,290
Tax anticipation notes		820,000	-		265,000		555,000
Notes payable		1,045,542	-		45,000		1,000,542
Capital leases		971,619	 547,643		326,242		1,193,020
Total	\$	10,594,705	\$ 547,643	\$	1,300,496	\$	9,841,852

#### ECONOMIC FACTORS AND FUTURE FUNDING

Houston County, the first county established by the Republic of Texas, is east of Waco in the East Texas County, the first county established by the Republic of Texas, is east of Waco in the East Texas Timberlands region. It is bordered on the north by Anderson County, on the east by Cherokee, Angelina, and Trinity counties, on the south by Walker and Madison counties, and on the west by Leon County. Houston County covers 1,237 square miles, 791, 680 acres, with elevations ranging from 200 to 300 feet. The Neches River forms the northeastern boundary of the county, and the Trinity River is the western boundary. Between 21 and 30 percent of the land in the county is considered prime farmland.

Houston County cities include Crockett, the county seat, Grapeland, Kennard, Latexo and Lovelady. School Districts within Houston County include Crockett ISD, Grapeland ISD, Kennard ISD, Latexo ISD, Lovelady ISD and portions of Elkhart ISD and Groveton ISD.

The Davy Crockett National Forest is administered by the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service with a local ranger district office in Ratcliff and encompasses 94,481 acres of Houston County land.

Union Pacific Railroad provides freight rail service. The Houston County Airport (KDKR) features a 4,000-foot runway with on-site aircraft services.

As of the 2020 census, there were 22,066 citizens and 8,234 households residing in the county. The median income for a household in the county was \$40,838. From the 2010 census, the population decreased 7%, the median income for a household had an increase of 26% and the total households decreased by 5%.

Local property taxes provide the major source of funding for county governments in Texas. Property tax revenue is historically very stable and predictable.

During Fiscal Year 2024, Houston County was active with multiple grant funding projects:

- Community Development Block Grant street improvements in Precinct 1
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
- Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF)
- DETCOG Senior Center
- DETCOG 911 Rural Addressing
- DETCOG Home Delivered Meal Program
- FEMA/TDEM Hazard Mitigation Plan

Houston County's overall taxable assessed value rose 6.84% for tax year 2023. This is in part due to increases in commercial and residential growth as well as mandated value increases by the Houston County Appraisal District and the Texas Comptroller. New property added accounted for \$29,772,860 in taxable values, or \$133,382.41 in property taxes.

Houston County continues to be mindful of their financial condition and impact on the local taxpayers. We remain conservative and proactive in all aspects of county activities. We are concerned about the impact of declining state and federal revenues, including timber and mineral revenues from the Davy Crockett National Forest, and declining grant availability.

The Houston County Commissioners Court has worked with all of your elected officials to establish and adhere to a conservative, efficient budget while still providing adequate funding for important County services.

With cost cutting measures and adopting the tax rate of \$0.4480/\$100 for 2024, down from \$0.4747/\$100 for 2023, the County has continued to provide services to Houston County at a superior level.

#### **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances. If you have questions about this report or need any additional information, contact the Houston County Auditor at (936) 544-3255 or write to 401 E. Goliad, Suite 204, Crockett, Texas 75835.

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Primary Government Governmental Activities Total		
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,123,841	\$ 3,123,841	
Receivables			
Property taxes, net of allowance for uncollectibles	197,395	197,395	
Sales tax receivable	263,628	263,628	
Grants	290,104	290,104	
Other - miscellaneous	166,889	166,889	
Prepaids	168,207	168,207	
Restricted assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2,724,274	2,724,274	
Certificates of deposit	1,358,289	1,358,289	
Net pension asset	522,061	522,061	
SBITA assets, net of accumulated amortization	74,634	74,634	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	14,581,405	14,581,405	
TOTAL ASSETS	23,470,727	23,470,727	
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred amount on bond refunding	412,903	412,903	
Pension plan	625,386	625,386	
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,038,289	1,038,289	
LIABILITIES	´		
Accounts payable	371,556	371,556	
Accrued expenses	629,423	629,423	
Accrued interest	74,713	74,713	
Unearned revenues	577,036	577,036	
Compensated absences	211,056	211,056	
Noncurrent liabilities	211,050	211,050	
SBITA liabilities - current portion	27,815	27,815	
Long-term debt - current portion	1,385,295	1,385,295	
SBITA liabilities - noncurrent portion	46,819	46,819	
Long-term debt - noncurrent portion	8,456,557	8,456,557	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	11,780,270	11,780,270	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Pension plan	91,137	91,137	
-			
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	91,137	91,137	
NET POSITION			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	5,294,553	5,294,553	
Restricted for			
Deposits held as collateral by others	1,358,289	1,358,289	
Debt service	53,806	53,806	
General government	463,895	463,895	
Judicial and law enforcement	338,239	338,239	
Highways and streets	570,946	570,946	
Culture and recreation	384,712	384,712	
Unrestricted	4,173,169	4,173,169	
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 12,637,609	\$ 12,637,609	

# HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Functions/Programs		Expenses			
Primary government					
Governmental activities					
General government	\$	3,915,530			
Judicial and law enforcement		7,930,664			
Highways and streets		4,688,344			
Health and welfare		381,056			
Culture and recreation		371,329			
Pass-through expenditures		172,531			
Interest on long-term debt		347,714			
Total governmental activities	\$	17,807,168			

						et (Expenses)			
						Revenues and			
	(	Changes in							
	N	Net Position							
Fees, Fines,		Operating		Capital					
Charges for		Grants and		Grants and	G	overnmental			
Services	С	ontributions	ns Contributions			Activities			
\$ 398,886	\$	81,082	\$	233,200	\$	(3,202,362)			
1,638,421		872,803		332,281		(5,087,159)			
739,287		1,083,574		735,155		(2,130,328)			
48,935		224,156		-		(107,965)			
35,193		116,027		-		(220,109)			
-		172,531		-		-			
 		-		-		(347,714)			
\$ 2,860,722	\$	2,550,173	\$	1,300,636		(11,095,637)			

General revenues	
Property taxes	10,024,297
Sales taxes	1,408,983
Other taxes	95,658
Investment income	219,877
Payments in lieu of taxes	112,706
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	327,398
Miscellaneous income	136,730
General revenues, net	12,325,649
Change in net position	1,230,012
Net position - beginning	11,614,115
Prior period adjustment	(206,518)
Net position - ending	\$ 12,637,609

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 General Fund	Bri	Road and Bridge Fund Pct No. 1		oad and dge Fund ct No. 2
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,397,058	\$	209,511	\$	16,986
Certificates of deposit	1,354,702		-		-
Receivables					
Property taxes, net of allowance	173,822		-		-
Sales taxes	263,628		-		-
Grants Other - miscellaneous	2,667		-		-
Due from other funds	133,871 26,721		- 64,071		- 57,686
Prepaid items	128,594		3,848		4,345
-		+			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,481,063	\$	277,430	\$	79,017
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities Deficit in pooled cash Accounts payable and accrued expenses Due to other funds Unearned revenues	\$ 357,777 221,518	\$	- 55,747 -	\$	- 48,022 -
	 5,620		-		-
Total liabilities	 584,915		55,747		48,022
Deferred inflows of resources					
Unavailable revenues - property taxes	119,330		-		-
Unavailable revenues - grants	-		-		-
Unavailable revenues - other receivables	 -		-		-
Total deferred inflows of resources	 119,330				-
Fund balances					
Nonspendable	128,594		3,848		4,345
Restricted	1,354,702		-		-
Assigned	-		217,835		26,650
Unassigned	 2,293,522		-		-
Total fund balances	 3,776,818		221,683		30,995
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS					
OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 4,481,063	\$	277,430	\$	79,017

Br	oad and idge Fund ct No. 3	Bı	Road and ridge Fund Pct No. 4		FEMA Funds	Rural Law Enforcement Grant Fund	(page 91) Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
\$	293,634 -	\$	240,208	\$	295,448 -	\$ 737,389	\$	2,051,046 3,587	\$	6,241,280 1,358,289
	- - - 94,024 4,615		- - - 116,690 5,037		- 210,790 - 21,392 -	- - - - -		23,573 - 76,647 33,018 16,152 9,156		197,395 263,628 290,104 166,889 396,736 155,595
\$	392,273	\$	361,935	\$	527,630	\$ 737,389	\$	2,213,179	\$	9,069,916
\$	-	\$	-	\$	375,496	\$ 7,392	\$	10,277	\$	393,165
	45,508		39,778 -		- 147,345	377,059 2,938		77,088 24,935		1,000,979 396,736
	-		175		-	 350,000		221,241		577,036
	45,508		39,953		522,841	 737,389		333,541		2,367,916
	-		-		-	-		15,961		135,291
	-		-		210,790	-		-		210,790
	-		-	. <u> </u>	-	 -		2,292		2,292
			-		210,790	 -		18,253		348,373
	4 (15		5 027					0.15(		155 505
	4,615		5,037		-	-		9,156 1,805,783		155,595 3,160,485
	342,150		316,945		-	-		42,099		945,679
	-		-		(206,001)	 -		4,347		2,091,868
	346,765		321,982		(206,001)	 -		1,861,385		6,353,627
\$	392,273	\$	361,935	\$	527,630	\$ 737,389	\$	2,213,179	\$	9,069,916

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Total fund balances - governmental funds balance sheet	\$ 6,353,627
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Certain revenues are not available to pay current period expenditures and therefore, are reported as deferred inflows in the governmental funds.	348,373
Prepaid bond insurance is not a current financial resource and therefore, is not reported in the governmental funds.	12,612
Net pension assets are not current financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	522,061
Capital assets and SBITA assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	14,656,039
Differences resulting from the refunding of certificates of obligation relate to long-term debt and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	412,903
Deferred pension plan amounts relate to subsequent pension plan measurement periods and/or do not consume current financial resources and therefore, these amounts are not reported in the governmental funds.	534,249
Payables for accrued interest on long-term liabilities and accrued compensated absences are not due in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	(285,769)
Payables for long-term liabilities, including SBITA liabilities, certificates of obligation, capital leases, and net pension liabilities are not due in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.	 (9,916,486)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 12,637,609

# HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund Pct No. 1			Road and Bridge Fund Pct No. 2
REVENUES					
Property taxes	\$ 8,815,372	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes	1,408,983		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes	52,217		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits	196,057		110,465		145,349
Charges for services	1,256,291		-		-
Fines and forfeitures	166,059		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants	207,712		5,842		7,687
Contributions and donations from private sources	126		-		23,250
Payments in lieu of taxes	112,706		-		-
Investment earnings Other revenue	129,259		9,033		1,546
	 133,156		-		177.022
Total revenues	 12,477,938		125,340		177,832
EXPENDITURES					
General government	3,670,660		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement	5,836,935		-		-
Highways and streets	-		762,813		759,876
Health and welfare	-		-		-
Culture and recreation	110,365		-		-
Pass-through expenditures Capital outlay	- 307,859		- 8,447		- 467,352
Debt service	307,839		0,447		407,552
Principal	76,419		45,646		75,867
Interest	39,597		4,319		16,765
Total expenditures	 10,041,835		821,225		1,319,860
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES	2,436,103		(695,885)		(1,142,028)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			<u> </u>		
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	119		132,827		42,344
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		-		467,353
Transfers in	11,453		467,929		618,640
Transfers out	(3,011,653)		-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)	 (3,000,081)		600,756		1,128,337
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	 (563,978)		(95,129)		(13,691)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	4,547,314				44,686
			316,812		44,000
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	 (206,518)		-		
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 3,776,818	\$	221,683	\$	30,995

Bridge Fund B		Road and Bridge Fund Pct No. 4		FEMA Funds	Cural Law nforcement Grant Fund	•	(page 93) Nonmajor overnmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds		
\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	1,178,358	\$	9,993,730	
	-	-		-	-		-		1,408,983	
	-	-		-	-		43,441		95,658	
	168,604	156,976	5	-	-		277,190		1,054,641	
	-	-		-	-		225,880		1,482,171	
	-	-		-	-		160,302		326,361	
	8,916	8,30		318,059	424,354		3,109,901		4,090,772	
	52,000	800	)	-	-		52,938		129,114	
	-	-		-	-		-		112,706	
	9,920	8,510	5	4,789	2,569		54,245		219,877	
	2,464			-	 -		1,110		136,730	
	241,904	174,593	<u> </u>	322,848	 426,923		5,103,365		19,050,743	
	-	-		-	-		195,198		3,865,858	
	-	-		-	426,923		1,613,007		7,876,865	
	801,512	831,61	l	-	-		1,679,738		4,835,550	
	-	-		-	-		378,916		378,916	
	-	-		-	-		92,206		202,571	
	-	-		-	-		172,531		172,531	
	80,290	-		-	-		295,118		1,159,066	
	41,668	21,64	l	-	-		885,000		1,146,241	
	3,610	1,990		-	-		276,319		342,606	
	927,080	855,248	3	-	 426,923		5,588,033		19,980,204	
	(685,176)	(680,655	5)	322,848	 -		(484,668)		(929,461)	
	-	-		-	-		45,000		220,290	
	80,290	-		-	-		-		547,643	
	568,243	575,818	3	-	-		1,174,432		3,416,515	
	-	-		-	 -		(404,862)		(3,416,515)	
	648,533	575,818	<u> </u>	-	 -		814,570		767,933	
	(36,643)	(104,837	7)	322,848	-		329,902		(161,528)	
	383,408	426,819	)	(735,367)	-		1,531,483		6,515,155	
	-			206,518	 -		-		-	
\$	346,765	\$ 321,982	<u>2</u> <u>\$</u>	(206,001)	\$ -	\$	1,861,385	\$	6,353,627	

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Net change in fund balance - governmental funds	\$ (161,528)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are not reported as expenses in the statement of activities.	2,297,557
The depreciation and amortization of capital and SBITA assets used in governmental activities are not reported in the governmental funds.	(1,775,657)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds.	(340,962)
Repayment of SBITA liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but is not an expense in the statement of activities.	34,421
Repayment of long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but is not an expense in the statement of activities.	1,146,241
The net effect of other miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e. sales, trade-ins, disposals) decreases net position.	107,108
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases) do not provide revenue in the statement of activities, but are reported as current resources in the governmental funds.	(547,643)
Amount represents the change in accrued compensated absences from the beginning of the period to the end of the period.	(82,433)
Amount represents the change in accrued interest from the beginning of the period to the end of the period.	(2,083)
This amount represents the change in net pension assets and liabilities from the beginning of the period to the end of the period.	558,016
This amount represents the net change in the bond premium, prepaid bond insurance, and the deferred amount on refunding from the beginning of the period to the end of the period.	 (3,025)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 1,230,012

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## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Custodial Funds
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 2,178,727
Invested cash	300,870
Accounts receivable	-
Due from other funds	15,360
TOTAL ASSETS	2,494,957
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	1,737
Due to other funds	78,770
Due to other governmental units	380,286
TOTAL LIABILITIES	460,793
NET POSITION	
Restricted for:	
Individuals, organizations, or other governments	2,034,164
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 2,034,164

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## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Custodial
	 Funds
ADDITIONS	
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County	\$ 11,576,951
Taxes and fees collected for other governments	5,546,467
Trust/escrow contributions	2,169,480
Inmate accounts	135,290
Hot check collections	7,779
Seizures pending judgment	14,199
Investment interest	 29,939
TOTAL ADDITIONS	 19,480,105
DEDUCTIONS	
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County	11,606,845
Taxes and fees collected for other governments	5,546,599
Disbursements to beneficiaries	1,700,824
Inmate accounts	 31,190
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	 18,885,458
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION	594,647
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 1,439,517
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,034,164

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Introduction

The financial statements of Houston County, Texas (the "County") have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting and reporting policies used by the County are discussed below.

## **Reporting Entity**

Houston County, Texas (the "County") is a public corporation and political subdivision of the State of Texas. The County is governed by an elected Commissioners Court, comprised of the County Judge and four Commissioners. The County provides the following services as authorized by the laws of the State of Texas: general government (e.g. tax collection), judicial (courts, juries, district attorney, etc.), law enforcement (sheriff, jail, etc.), highways and streets, and public welfare (e.g. juvenile services and assistance to indigents).

For financial reporting purposes, based on standards established by GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus*, these financial statements should present the County (the primary government) and its component units. Component units generally are legally separate entities for which the primary government is financially accountable or for which the nature and significance of their relationship with a primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading. The County does not have any blended or discretely presented component units.

#### **Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These statements report information on all of the activities of the County as a whole. *Governmental activities* include programs normally supported by taxes, grants, and other intergovernmental revenues.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include: 1) charges to customers who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as *general revenues*.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity is eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements.

## New Accounting Pronouncements

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an Amendment to GASB 62* ("GASB 100"), is intended to enhance accounting and financial reporting for accounting changes and error corrections and is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2023. Implementation of GASB 100 is reflected in the County's financial disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences* ("GASB 101"), is intended to update the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences and is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2023. Management has not evaluated the effects of implementing GASB 101 on the financial disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures* ("GASB 102"), is intended to improve financial reporting and disclosure of certain concentrations or constraints and related events that have occurred or have begun to occur and is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2024. Management has not evaluated the effects of implementing GASB 102 on the financial disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements* ("GASB 103"), is intended to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision making and assessing a government's accountability and is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2025. Management has not evaluated the effects of implementing GASB 103 on the financial disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 104, *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets* ("GASB 104"), updates required disclosure information relating to capital assets. The requirements of this statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2025. Management has not evaluated the effects of implementing GASB 104 on the financial disclosures.

## Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax revenues are recognized in the year for which they are levied. Grants and donations are recognized as revenue in the fiscal year in which grantor eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Debt service expenditures, both principal and interest, are recorded only when payment is due.

Major governmental fund revenue sources susceptible to accrual include: sales and use taxes, property taxes, and investment income. In general, all other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received. Expenditure driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met.

The County's funds are classified as either governmental or fiduciary and are described below.

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds account for all or most of a government's general activity.

The *general fund* 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 principal sources of revenues include local property taxes, fines, fees, license and permits, and intergovernmental revenue and grants. Expenditures include general government; judicial; public safety; and health and welfare.

The *debt service fund* is used to account for the collection of interest and sinking funds collected and expenditures for the payment of the County's certificates of obligation.

Special revenue funds are used to account for resources restricted to, or designated for, specific purposes by the County or a grantor in a special revenue fund.

Fiduciary funds account for assets held by a government in a trustee or agency capacity on behalf of others.

*Custodial funds* are used to account for assets received and held for the benefit of other funds, individuals, or organizations. Custodial funds held by the county function as clearing accounts and are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs.

As of September 30, 2024, the general fund, FEMA fund, and the Rural Law Enforcement Grant funds are reported as major governmental funds. Additionally, the County has elected to present the road and bridge funds for precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 as major funds due to their significance within the County. The County has no proprietary funds.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available, it is the County's policy to generally consider restricted amounts to have been reduced first. When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, it is the policy of the County that committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts. In both instances, when a proposed expenditure is made with specific balances identified as the source of the funding, that specific fund balance will be used.

# Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Fund Balance

## **Deposits and Investments**

The County maintains a pooled cash and cash equivalents account. Each fund whose monies are deposited in the pooled cash and cash equivalents account has equity therein, and interest earned on the investment of these monies is allocated based upon relative equity at the previous month's end. The County's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, money market accounts, certificates of deposit, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and so near maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates. Cash equivalents include investments with original maturities of three months or less. Cash equivalents are stated at fair value.

Certificates of deposit consist of deposits with original maturities greater than three months. Certificates of deposit are recorded at cost, which approximates market value at September 30, 2024.

The County is required by the Public Funds Collateral Act (Government Code, chapter 2257) to maintain security for all deposits of funds that exceed coverage provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). As of the balance sheet date, the County's cash deposits were fully collateralized by securities pledged by the depository banks. Based on audit procedures conducted in conjunction with the audit of the basic financial statements, the County appears to have complied with the requirements of the Public Funds Collateral Act.

The County is required by the Public Funds Investment Act (Government Code, chapter 2256) (the "Act") to adopt, implement, and publicize a written investment policy which primarily emphasizes safety of principal and liquidity, and addresses investment diversification, yield, and maturity. Additionally, the policy must address the quality and capability of investment management and include the types of investments in which the entity may invest its funds, as well as the maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual

investment, the maximum dollar-weighted average maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio of pooled fund groups, and bid requirements for certificates of deposit.

The County is authorized to invest in financial instruments, as authorized by the Act, including:

- U.S. Treasury securities which have a liquid market; direct obligations of the State of Texas, and other obligations that are guaranteed by the State of Texas or United States of America;
- obligations of states, agencies, counties, and other political subdivisions of any state having been rated as investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm and having received a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent;
- fully insured or collateralized certificates of deposit at commercial banks;
- repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury or U.S. Government Agency securities in accordance with a master repurchase agreement;
- joint pools of political subdivisions in the State of Texas which invest in instruments and follow practices allowed by current law (the pool must be continuously rated no lower than "AAA" or "AAA-m" by at least one nationally recognized rating service).

The Act also requires an annual audit of investment practices. Based on audit procedures conducted in conjunction with the audit of the basic financial statements, the County appears to have complied with the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act.

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The County evaluates the fair value of its non-investment financial instruments based on the current interest rate environment and current pricing of debt instruments with comparable terms. The carrying value of all non-investment financial instruments, including debt, is considered to approximate fair value.

## **Property Tax Receivables**

Property taxes are levied on October 1 and are due upon receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. On February 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed. The County provides an allowance for all delinquent property taxes, calculated based on historical collection rates.

The County bills and collects for its own taxes and those for certain governmental entities within the County. Collections of the property taxes and subsequent remittances to the proper entities are accounted for in the Tax Assessor's Ad Valorem Fund. Tax collections deposited for the County are distributed on a periodic basis to the General and Road and Bridge Funds of the County. The distribution is based on the tax rate established for each fund by order of the Commissioner's Court for the year in which collections are made.

The tax rate, per \$100 valuation, adopted for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, was as follows:

General fund	\$ .420168
Debt service	 .054532
Total	\$ .474700

The appraisal of property within the County is the responsibility of the county-wide appraisal district which is required under the Property Tax Code to assess all property within the appraisal district on the basis of 100 percent of its appraised value and is prohibited from applying any assessment ratios. The value of the

property within the County must be reviewed every three years by the appraisal district unless the County, at its own expense, requires more frequent reviews. The County may challenge the appraised values through various appeals and, if necessary, legal action. Under this legislation, the County sets tax rates on County property.

Property tax receivables reflect outstanding and delinquent property tax levies and are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. The property tax receivable allowance is calculated based on 2% of the tax year's assessment or the receivable balance for that tax year (whichever is less).

## **Grant Receivables**

Accounts receivable from other governments include amounts due from grantors in regard to approved grants for specific programs and reimbursements for services performed by the County. Program grants are recorded as receivables and revenues at the time all eligibility requirements have been met and reimbursable costs are incurred.

## **Restricted Assets**

Certain assets are classified as restricted because they are maintained in separate accounts and their use is limited by applicable bond covenants, grant agreements, laws or regulations, and/or other contractual agreements.

## **Prepaid Items**

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.

## Capital Assets, Depreciation, and Amortization

The County's property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and reported in the applicable governmental type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Contributed capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date received.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Infrastructure assets are a subset of capital assets and primarily consist of roads and bridges. GASB No. 34 encourages but does not require Phase 3 governments (counties with revenues of less than \$10 million) to retroactively report major general infrastructure assets. New roads and bridges acquired after October 1, 2003 are required to be reported.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations.

The estimated useful lives of the County's capital assets are as follows:

Buildings and improvements	5 to 40 years
Office furniture and equipment	3 to 10 years
Other equipment and rolling stock	3 to 10 years
Infrastructure	20 years

#### **Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources**

*Deferred Outflows of Resources.* In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until that time. The County has three types of items, which arise only under a full accrual basis of accounting, that qualify for reporting in this category: unamortized differences – pension plan amounts, which are recognized as components of pension expense at an actuarially determined rate; pension contributions subsequent to the plan measurement date, is recognized as a component of pension expense in the following fiscal year; and deferred amount on bond refunding, which is an amount that arose due to the refunding of the County's Series 2008 certificates of obligation and is being amortized to interest expense over the life of the new Series 2015 bonds.

*Deferred Inflows of Resources.* In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has two types of items that qualify for reporting in this category: unavailable revenue, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting, is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available; and unamortized differences – pension plan amounts which arise only under a full accrual basis of accounting, are reported on the government-wide statement of net position and are recognized as components of pension expense at an actuarially determined rate.

## **Compensated Absences**

A liability for unused vacation time, comp time, and holiday pay for all full-time employees is calculated and reported in the government-wide statements. For financial reporting, the following criteria must be met to be considered as compensated absences:

- Leave or compensation is attributable to services already rendered;
- Leave or compensation is not contingent on a specific event (such as illness).

## **Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in governmental activities. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method that approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the bond premiums or discounts. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

In fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the period such activity occurs. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Assets acquired under the terms of capital leases are recorded as liabilities and capitalized in the governmentwide financial statements at the present value of net minimum lease payments at inception of the lease. In the year of acquisition, capital lease transactions are recorded as other financial sources and as capital outlay in the acquiring fund. Lease payments representing both principal and interest are recorded as expenditures in the applicable fund upon payment with an appropriate reduction of principal recorded in the government-wide financial statements.

## Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability/net pension asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the Fiduciary Net Position of the Texas County & District Retirement System ("TCDRS") and additions to/deductions from TCDRS's Fiduciary Net Position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TCDRS. For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized in the period that compensation is reported for the employee, which is when contributions are legally due. Benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

## **Net Position and Fund Balances**

In the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the County's total assets and total liabilities represents net position. Net position is displayed in three components – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted; and unrestricted. At September 30, 2024, restricted net position represents monies that are legally restricted for payment of debt service, law enforcement costs, grant costs, or other activities for which special assessments or revenues have been received. Restricted net position also includes time deposits held as collateral by lenders. Unrestricted net position represents the net assets available for future operations.

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

Non-spendable – amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in non-spendable form (such as inventories and prepaid amounts) or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes due to constraints imposed on resources either (a) externally by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal resolutions or ordinances of the Commissioners Court – the government's highest level of decision making authority. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Commissioners Court.

Assigned – amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes.

Unassigned – all other spendable amounts.

## Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

## STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### **Deficit Fund Balances**

Generally accepted accounting principles require disclosure of individual funds that have deficit balances at year end. At September 30, 2024, the FEMA fund, as well as certain nonmajor special revenue funds, had deficit balances. These deficits are the result of the timing relating to receipt of grant reimbursements, expenditures in excess of appropriations, and transfers to and from pooled funds.

## **DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

## ASSETS

#### **Deposits and Investments**

*Interest Rate Risk.* In accordance with its investment policy, the County manages its exposure to declines in fair value by limiting the maturity of any single investment to twelve months or less.

*Credit Risk.* State law and the County's investment policy limit investments to obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent.

*Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits.* In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. The County's investment policy requires funds on deposit at depository banks to be collateralized. As of September 30, 2024, the County's deposits with depository banks totaled \$10,044,914. Included in the balances are certificates of deposit totaling \$1,357,289 and custodial funds in the amount of \$2,483,256. All deposits were fully collateralized by securities pledged by the depository banks with total collateral value of \$15,673,431, in addition to FDIC coverage.

## Receivables

*Receivable and Uncollectible Accounts.* Receivables at year end for the County's individual major funds, including the related allowances for uncollectible accounts are as follows:

		Property	Sales					
		Taxes	Taxes		Grants	 Other		Totals
Receivables by fund								
General fund	\$	1,042,402 \$	263,628	\$	2,667	\$ 133,871	\$	1,442,568
Road and bridge		-	-		-	-		-
FEMA funds		-	-		210,790	-		210,790
Nonmajor funds		161,252			76,647	 33,018		270,917
Gross receivables		1,203,654	263,628		290,104	 166,889		1,924,275
Allowances								
General fund		(868,580)	-		-	-		(868,580)
Nonmajor funds		(137,679)				 		(137,679)
Total receivables, net	<u>\$</u>	197,395 \$	263,628	<u>\$</u>	290,104	\$ 166,889	<u>\$</u>	918,016

*Property Taxes.* Of the \$1,203,654 in gross property taxes receivable, \$835,491 represents the outstanding balances of assessments for tax years 2022 and prior.

## Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements ("SBITA") Assets

A summary of changes in SBITA assets for the year follows. See also, SBITA Liabilities later in these notes.

	Balance						Balance		
	09/30/2023		Additions		Disposals		09/30/2024		
SBITA assets	\$	67,145	\$	74,634	\$	-	\$	141,779	
Accumulated amortization		(33,573)		(33,572)		-		(67,145)	
Total SBITA assets, net	\$	33,572	\$	41,062	\$		\$	74,634	

Amortization expense of \$33,572 was charged to general government expenses.

## **Capital Assets**

	Balance 09/30/2023	Additions	Disposals	Balance 09/30/2024						
Capital assets, not being depreciate	ed									
Land	\$ 181,382	\$ 12,969	\$ -	\$ 194,351						
Construction in progress	355,625	8,447	(329,680)	34,392						
Total not being depreciated	537,007	21,416	(329,680)	228,743						
Capital assets, being depreciated										
Buildings and improvements	19,440,890	582,361	(15,155)	20,008,096						
Infrastructure	350,177	300,374	-	650,551						
Rolling stock	9,018,589	1,677,172	(893,307)	9,802,454						
Furniture and equipment	1,951,903	175,412	(32,127)	2,095,188						
Total being depreciated	30,761,559	2,735,319	(940,589)	32,556,289						
Less accumulated depreciation:										
Buildings and improvements	(9,943,975)	) (644,520)	7,704	(10,580,791)						
Infrastructure	(100,333)		) –	(170,690)						
Rolling stock	(5,925,806)		772,718	(6,020,621)						
Furniture and equipment	(1,299,626)	) (159,675)	27,776	(1,431,525)						
Total accumulated depreciation	(17,269,740)	) (1,742,085)	808,198	(18,203,627)						
Total being depreciated, net	13,491,819	993,234	(132,391)	14,352,662						
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 14,028,826</u>	<u>\$ 1,014,650</u>	<u>\$ (462,071</u> )	\$ 14,581,405						
	Less associa		(9,286,852)							
	Invested in capital assets, net of related debt									

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions/programs of governmental activities:

General government	\$	194,552
Judicial and law enforcement		668,330
Highways and streets		719,932
Health and welfare		12,385
Culture and recreation		146,886
Total	<u>\$</u>	1,742,085

## LIABILITIES

## **SBITA Liabilities**

Changes in SBITA liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2024 were as follows:

		Balance				Balance	Du	ue Within
	(	09/30/23	 Additions	R	eductions	09/30/24	_0	Dne Year
Pritchard & Abbott	\$	34,421	\$ 74,634	\$	(34,421) §	5 74,634	\$	27,815

*Pritchard & Abbott.* The District has entered into agreements with Pritchard & Abbott, Inc. to provide software to the County tax assessor/collector. The SBITA liability for the 2023-2024 agreement has been calculated using an imputed interest rate of 2.30%, resulting in interest charges of \$479 for the year. The County paid \$33,600 under the contract during the year. The SBITA liability for the 2025-2025 agreement has been calculated using an imputed interest rate of 3.00. The terms of the related agreements are as follows:

Tax collection software for tax years 2023 and 2024. The agreement totals \$33,600 for 2023 and \$34,900 for 2024, due in four (4) quarterly payments of \$8,400 beginning in October 2022 and four (4) quarterly payments of \$8,725 beginning in October 2023.

Tax collection software for tax years 2024 and 2025. The agreement totals \$28,725 for 2025, \$38,300 for 2026, and \$9,575 for 2027, due in eight (8) quarterly payments of \$9,575 beginning in January 2025.

## **Financing Leases**

The County has entered into lease agreements as lessee to finance the acquisition of machinery and equipment and vehicles. The agreements accrue interest at rates from 0.25% to 5.78% and are all for durations greater than 12 months. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes, and therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. The assets acquired through financing leases are as follows:

	General Fund			Road and ridge Funds	]	Nonmajor Funds	Totals		
Asset:									
Rolling stock	\$	157,093	\$	1,905,794	\$	-	\$	2,062,887	
Less accumulated depreciation		(151,856)		(854,605)		-		(1,006,461)	
Total	\$	5,236	<u>\$</u>	1,051,188	\$	-	<u>\$</u>	1,056,426	

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The future minimum financing lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of September 30, 2024, were as follows:

		General	]	Road and	]	Nonmajor		
Year ending September 30,		Fund	Br	idge Funds		Funds		Totals
2025	\$	55,813	\$	400,755	\$	-	\$	456,568
2026		22,637		176,023		-		198,660
2027		22,138		125,749		-		147,887
2028		-		288,340		-		288,340
2029		-		185,733				185,733
Total minimum lease payments	\$	100,588	\$	1,176,600	\$	-	\$	1,277,188
Less amount representing interest		(7,372)		(76,796)				(84,168)
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$</u>	93,216	<u>\$</u>	1,099,804	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	1,193,020

## **Long-term Liabilities**

Long-term liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2024, was as follows:

	Balance 09/30/23	Additions	Reductions	Balance 09/30/43	Due Within One Year
Long-term debt:					
Direct borrowings and placements					
Financing leases	\$ 971,619	\$ 547,643	\$ (326,242)	\$ 1,193,020	\$ 420,295
Note payable	1,045,542	-	(45,000)	1,000,542	50,000
2019 Bonds	820,000		(265,000)	555,000	275,000
	2,837,161	547,643	(636,242)	2,748,562	745,295
Other debt:					
2015 Bonds	7,315,000		(620,000)	6,695,000	640,000
	7,315,000		(620,000)	6,695,000	640,000
Bond premiums:					
2015 Bonds	442,544		(44,254)	398,290	
	442,544		(44,254)	398,290	
Other:					
Compensated absence	s <u>128,623</u>	82,433		211,056	104,205
-	128,623	82,433		211,056	104,205
Totals	<u>\$ 10,723,328</u>	<u>\$ 630,076</u>	<u>\$ (1,300,496</u> )	<u>\$ 10,052,908</u>	<u>\$ 1,489,500</u>

Interest expense for the year ended September 30, 2024 was as follows:

Interest charges	\$	342,606
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable		2,083
Amortization of 2015 bond insurance		1,401
Amortization of 2015 bond premium		(44,254)
Amortization of 2015 refunding loss		45,878
Total	<u>\$</u>	347,714

The annual debt service requirements to maturity for long-term debt (excluding unamortized bond premiums) are as follows:

	Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements			 Other	De	bt	
Year ending September 30,		Principal		Interest	 Principal		Interest
2025	\$	745,295	\$	82,389	\$ 640,000	\$	239,838
2026		515,269		55,633	665,000		219,431
2027		193,935		45,663	585,000		196,638
2028		342,331		40,595	710,000		172,225
2029		256,190		27,286	740,000		145,000
2030 - 2034		417,000		95,081	3,255,000		266,700
2035 - 2039		278,543		18,554	 -		-
Total	\$	2,748,563	\$	365,201	\$ 6,695,000	\$	1,239,832

At year end, the County had cash totaling \$46,760 available in the debt service fund to service long-term debt.

Long-term and other debt payable at September 30, 2024, are comprised of the following:

*Capital Leases (Direct Borrowings).* The County has entered into various lease purchase agreements for the purpose of purchasing equipment. During the year, the County paid-off four existing leases and incurred two new leases. The agreements accrue interest at rates from 0.25% to 5.78% and are all for durations greater than one year. Each lease purchase is collateralized by the equipment that each respective agreement serves to finance as well as certificates of deposit totaling \$1,354,702 held at the County's financial institution.

*Facility Improvement Loan (Direct Borrowing).* In September 2018, the County entered into a promissory note with National Bank & Trust for the purpose of funding certain energy efficiency facility improvements along with a one-time loan commitment fee of \$12,900. The loan is to be funded in multiple advances up to a total of \$1,336,682 and is payable as follows: monthly interest-only payments beginning after the first advance followed by 20 annual installment payments of principal and interest at 3.54% in varying amounts (ranging from \$77,319 to \$112,193). The loan matures in April 2038 and is secured by a first priority security interest in the facility improvements and any project funds held in escrow. The project was completed in fiscal year 2021 with advances totaling \$1,194,542 having been drawn.

*Houston County, Texas Tax Note Series 2019 (Private Placement).* In March 2019, the County issued \$1,800,000 of tax notes at a rate of 2.56%. The proceeds of the note (\$1,750,000 net of issuance costs of \$50,000) were used to reimburse and provide further funding for road and bridge repairs and improvements. The tax notes were sold through a private placement and mature at varying amounts from February 15, 2020 through February 15, 2026. The notes are payable from and secured by ad valorem taxes.

*Houston County, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (Other Debt).* In October, 2015, the County issued \$8,995,000 of general obligation refunding bonds carrying interest at rates of 2.00% to 4.00%. The County issued the bonds to advance refund a callable portion (\$8,635,000) of the outstanding *Certificates of Obligation, Series 2008* with interest at rates of 5.00% to 5.25% and original maturities of 2022-2033. The certificates were issued with an original issue premium of \$789,204. The premium is reported on the statement of net position and is being amortized over the life of the bonds as a component of interest expense.

The net proceeds were used to purchase U.S. Government securities which were deposited in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service on the refunded portion of the 2008 series bonds. The advance refunding was calculated by the County's financial adviser to have reduced total debt service payments over

the next 18 years by over \$1,457,000. The refunding resulted in a deferred amount on refunding totaling \$818,159, which is reported on the statement of net position as a deferred outflow of resources and is being amortized over the life of the bonds as a component of interest expense.

The bonds are secured by the County's ad valorem taxes and require annual payments of principal and semiannual payments of interest at varying amounts. The bond indenture allows the County to pay the bonds from the proceeds of an additional ad valorem tax that may be levied by the County, and the County has pledged any such proceeds to secure the payment. The bonds have been recorded in the debt service fund.

## **Bond Compliance Requirements**

The bond ordinances require that during the period in which the bonds are outstanding, the County must create and maintain certain accounts or funds to receive the proceeds from the sale of the bonds and to account for the revenues (as defined) and/or taxes, which are pledged for payment of the bonds. The assets can be used only in accordance with the terms of the bond ordinance and for the specific purpose(s) designated therein.

## Interfund Receivables, Payables, and Transfers

*Interfund Balances.* Interfund receivable and payable balances are the result of cash needed by a special revenue fund until the fund is able to generate sufficient revenues to cover expenditures. These receivables and payables are netted and eliminated on the government-wide statement of net position. Interfund receivable and payable balances at September 30, 2024 are as follows:

Fund	Re	Receivable		Payable
General	\$	26,721	\$	(221,518)
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1		64,071		-
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2		57,686		-
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3		94,024		-
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4		116,690		-
FEMA fund		21,392		(147,345)
Rural Law Enforcement Grant		-		(2,938)
Nonmajor		16,152		(24,935)
Totals	<u>\$</u>	396,736	\$	<u>(396,736</u> )

*Interfund Transfers*. Transfers between funds are indicative of funding for capital projects; lease payments or debt service; subsidies of various County operations; and re-allocations of special revenues. The following schedule summarizes the County's transfers at September 30, 2024:

	Transfers			Transfers
Fund		In		Out
General	\$	11,453	\$	(3,011,653)
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1		467,929		-
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2		618,640		-
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3		568,243		-
Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4		575,818		-
FEMA fund		-		-
Nonmajor		1,174,432		(404,862)
Totals	<u>\$</u>	3,416,515	<u>\$</u>	(3,416,515)

## **Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

*Plan Description.* Houston County participates as one of 868 plans in the non-traditional defined benefit plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System ("TCDRS"). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system. TCDRS in the aggregate issues a comprehensive annual financial report ("CAFR") on a calendar year basis. The CAFR is available online at *www.tcdrs.org*.

**Benefits Provided.** The County provides retirement benefits for all of its full-time employees. TCDRS is a savings-based plan. For the County's plan, 7% of each employee's pay is deposited into his or her TCDRS account. By law, employee accounts earn 7% interest on beginning of year balances annually. At retirement, the account is matched at an employer set percentage (current match is 150%) and is then converted to an annuity. There are no automatic cost of living adjustments. The plan provisions are adopted by the governing body of the County, within the options available in the Texas state statutes governing TCDRS.

Members can retire at ages 60 and above with 8 or more years of service, with 20 years of service regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after eight years of service but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by the County.

*Employees Covered by Benefit Terms.* At the December 31, 2023 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	99
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	202
Active employees	177
	478

*Contributions and Actuarial Information.* The plan is funded by monthly contributions from both employee members and the County based on the covered payroll of employee members. The contribution rates for employees in TCDRS are either 4%, 5%, 6%, or 7% of employee gross earnings. The employee contribution rate may be changed by the County, within the options available in the TCDRS Act. Under the TCDRS Act, the contribution rate of the County is actuarially determined annually, and the employer is required to contribute at that rate. The employer may increase its contribution rate and/or make additional contributions in excess of its annual required contribution.

The County has not elected the annually determined contribution rate ("ADCR") plan provisions of the TCDRS Act. The County contributed using the actuarially determined rate of 6.88% for calendar year 2023 and 6.91% for calendar year 2024. The contribution rate payable by the employee members for fiscal year 2024 is the rate of 7.00% as adopted by the County. For fiscal year 2024, the County's total contributions totaled \$484,221 and were equal to required contributions.

The County's Net Pension Liability/Asset ("NPL") was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the Total Pension Liability ("TPL") used to calculate the NPL was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions. The required contribution was determined as part of the December 31, 2023, actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions at December 31, 2023, included (a) 7.50% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), and (b) projected salary increases of 4.7 percent. Both (a) and (b) included an inflation component of 2.50 percent. The actuarial value of assets was determined using techniques that spread the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of investments over a five-year period. The total pension liability is being amortized as a level

percentage of payroll on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period at December 31, 2023 was 16.5 years.

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for active members were based on the Pub-2010 General Employees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table, using 135% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010. Mortality rates for retirees were based on the Pub-2010 General Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table, using 135% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010. Mortality rates for disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 General Disabled Retirees Amount-Weighted Mortality Table, using 160% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010. Mortality Table, using 160% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010. Mortality Table, using 160% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010. Mortality Table, using 160% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010. Mortality Table, using 160% for males and 120% for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale after 2010.

The demographic assumptions were developed from an actuarial experience investigation of TCDRS over the year 2017-2020. They were adopted by the TCDRS Board of Trustees in December of 2021. All economic assumptions were adopted by the TCDRS Board of Trustees in March of 2021. These assumptions, except where required to be different by GASB 68, are used to determine the total pension liability as of December 31, 2023. The assumptions are reviewed annually for continued compliance with the relevant actuarial standards of practice.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.60%. The long-term expected rate of return on TCDRS assets is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns, and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and information shown below are provided by TCDRS' investment consultant, Cliffwater LLC. The numbers shown are based on January 2023 information for a 10-year time horizon.

The valuation assumption for long-term expected return is re-assessed at a minimum of every four years, and is set based on a long-term time horizon; the current valuation assumption was adopted by TCDRS in March 2021. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table that follows.

		Long-term
		Expected Real
	Target	Rate of Return
Asset Class:	Allocation	(Geometric)
US equities	11.5%	4.75%
Global equities	2.5%	4.75%
International equities - developed	5.0%	4.75%
International equities - emerging	6.0%	4.75%
Investment-grade bonds	3.0%	2.35%
Strategic credit	9.0%	3.65%
Direct lending	16.0%	7.25%
Distressed debt	4.0%	6.90%
REIT equities	2.0%	4.10%
Master limited partnerships	2.0%	5.20%
Private real estate partnerships	6.0%	5.70%
Private equity	25.0%	7.75%
Hedge funds	6.0%	3.25%
Cash equivalents	2.0%	0.60%
Total	100.0%	

**Discount Rate.** The discount rate used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 7.60%, which is net of investment expenses and increased by 0.10% to be gross of administrative expenses. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at the rates specified in statute. Based on that assumption, the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. 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.

*Changes in the Net Pension Liability/Asset.* A schedule of changes in net pension liability/asset is as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)					
	Total Pension Liability (a)		Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)			Net Pension ability (Asset) (a) - (b)
Balance at 12/31/2022	\$	22,582,638	\$	22,509,627	\$	73,011
Changes for the year:						
Service cost		701,565		-		701,565
Interest on total pension liability		1,730,105		-		1,730,105
Effect of economic/demographic (gains) or losses		221,484		-		221,484
Effect of assumption changes or inputs		-		-		-
Refund of contributions		(55,339)		(55,339)		-
Benefit payments		(1,003,362)		(1,003,362)		-
Administrative expenses		-		(12,960)		12,960
Employer contributions		-		444,586		(444,586)
Member contributions		-		452,339		(452,339)
Net investment income		-		2,472,332		(2,472,332)
Other		-		11,662		(11,662)
Net changes		1,714,186		2,309,258		(595,072)
Balance at 12/31/2023	\$	24,296,824	\$	24,818,885	\$	(522,061)

*Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability/Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate.* The following presents the net pension liability/asset of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 7.60%, as well as what the County's net pension liability/asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.60%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.60%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (6.60%)	Discount Rate	1% Increase in Discount Rate (8.60%)
Total pension liability Fiduciary net position	\$ 27,246,767 24,818,885	\$ 24,296,824 24,818,885	, ,
Net pension liability (asset)	\$ 2,427,882	<u>\$ (522,061)</u>	<u>\$ (3,013,283)</u>

*Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions.* For the year ended September 30, 2024, the County recognized net pension (benefit) expense of \$(69,897). Net pension (benefit) expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

	Governmental
Function/program	Activities
General government	\$ (13,744)
Judicial and law enforcement	(43,733)
Highways and streets	(10,625)
Health and welfare	(1,284)
Culture and recreation	(511)
Total	<u>\$ (69,897</u> )

At September 30, 2024, the County reported deferred amounts related to pension from the following sources:

	D	<b>D</b> eferred	Deferred		
	Outflows of		In	flows of	
	R	esources	Re	esources	
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$	147,656	\$	(91,137)	
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings		95,429		-	
Changes in actuarial assumptions		-		-	
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		382,301			
Totals, governmental activities	\$	625,386	\$	<u>(91,137</u> )	

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

	Ľ	<b>D</b> eferred	D	eferred
	Ou	tflows of	Inflows of	
Plan year ended December 31,	R	esources	Re	sources
2024	\$	294,290	\$	(91,137)
2025		(6,258)		-
2026		490,890		-
2027		(153,536)		-
Total	<u>\$</u>	625,386	\$	(91,137)

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

#### **Post-Employment Health Insurance Benefits**

*Plan Description.* Houston County provides a retiree health insurance program to provide post-employment group medical insurance benefits for retired employees. The plan began during the year ended September 30, 2015 and amended during fiscal year 2017 and is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. A separate, audited GAAP-basis post-employment benefit plan report and actuarial data are not available for this plan.

*Eligibility and Benefits.* The program is available to retirees: who have more than 16 years of continuous service with the County (including years of part-time and full-time service); are eligible for retirement benefits under TCDRS guidelines; participating in the County's group health plan prior to retirement; and have not withdrawn/transferred accumulated TCDRS retirement funds. Coverage is provided as follows:

non-Medicare eligible employees are provided coverage equal to current employees for a period of six years or until the retiree becomes Medicare eligible; Medicare eligible employees will be provided with a Medicare supplement plan until death. The County's premium contribution portion ranges from 25% for a 50 year old with 25 years of service to 100% for a 59 year old with 16 years of service.

Coverage under the plan is discontinued if: the retiree withdraws/transfers accumulated TCDRS funds; coverage is dropped; the retiree fails to make required premium payments; the County discontinues group insurance or this plan.

*Funding Policy*. The County may contribute all, part, or none of the premium payment and the County's contribution, if any, is determined annually by Commissioners Court during the County budget process and is effective on a fiscal year basis. For the year ended September 30, 2024 the County contributed \$97,335 toward post-employment health insurance benefits.

## **Deferred Compensation Plan**

The County offers all of its employees deferred compensation plans created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The County has established custodial legal trust arrangements with Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc. and the Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company ("VALIC"), which administer the plans. The plans permit employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. All amounts of compensation deferred under the plan, all property and rights purchased with those amounts, and all income attributable to the related amounts, property, or rights are solely the property and rights of the employees. Accordingly, the amounts deferred and invested under these plans are not included in the County's financial statements.

## Tax Abatements

The County enters into tax abatement agreements with local businesses under the Property Tax Abatement Act ("Act") as allowed by § 312 of the Texas Tax Code. As an economic development tool, taxing units may enter into agreements with taxpayers providing for exemptions from taxes for all or part of the increase in value of real and/or personal property for up to 10 years. As required under the act, Houston County has created a reinvestment zone and established guidelines for granting abatements to eligible businesses within the zone.

*ETC Texas Pipeline, LTD.* In January, 2015, the County approved a resolution establishing a reinvestment zone pursuant to § 312 of the Texas Tax Code, and entered into an agreement with a pipeline company seeking to construct a natural gas processing plant. Terms of the agreement include: abatement of ad valorem and personal property taxes on the value of new eligible properties beginning with tax year 2016 (base year) and continuing for 10 years; and 65% of abated taxes payable to the county on January 1 of each year following the tax year for which the abatement applies. The agreement is subject to termination and abated taxes are subject to recapture in the event that the company violates the agreement or the facility is completed and begins producing product, but subsequently discontinues production (excepting certain casualty events) for a period of more than one year. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, the County's gross property tax revenues were reduced by approximately \$118,349.

*Vulcraft Texas, A Division of Nucor.* In June 2020, the County approved a resolution establishing Vulcraft Reinvestment Zone #1 pursuant to § 312 of the Texas Tax Code, and entered into an agreement with a lumber company seeking to construct a manufacturing facility. Terms of the agreement include: abatement of ad valorem and personal property taxes on the value of new eligible properties beginning with tax year 2020 (base year) and continuing for 5 years. The agreement is subject to termination and abated taxes are subject

to recapture in the event that the company violates the agreement (including: failure to complete improvements by required deadline; failure to maintain required number of full time jobs; bankruptcy; default under incentive performance agreement with Grapeland Municipal Development District; etc.) or the facility is completed and the owner fails to occupy and operate the facility for more than 30 consecutive days. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, the County's gross property tax revenues were reduced by approximately \$55,116.

*Lincoln Lumber Crockett, LLC.* In October 2020, the County approved a resolution establishing a reinvestment zone pursuant to § 312 of the Texas Tax Code and entered into an agreement with a lumber company seeking to construct a manufacturing facility. Terms of the agreement include: abatement of ad valorem and personal property taxes on the value of new eligible properties beginning with tax year 2021 (base year) and continuing for 5 years. The agreement is subject to termination and abated taxes are subject to recapture in the event that the company violates the agreement (including: failure to complete improvements by required deadline; failure to maintain required number of full time jobs; bankruptcy; default under incentive performance agreement with Crockett Economic Development Corporation; etc.) or the facility is completed and the owner fails to occupy and operate the facility for more than 30 consecutive days. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, the County's gross property tax revenues were reduced by approximately \$46,528. See also, *Subsequent Events* later in these notes.

## **Prior Period Adjustment**

As a result of program reviews by federal and state authorities, amounts totaling \$206,518 which were expected to be received under FEMA DR 4223 beginning in fiscal year 2016, have been disallowed. These denied amounts relate to items such as equipment activity logs and donated road materials claimed on certain project worksheets. Accordingly, prior period adjustments have been made to the financial statements to remove the uncollectible receivables and reallocate the interfund balances between the General and FEMA funds. The corrections to fund balances and net position are summarized in the table that follows.

	Increase (Decrease)										
		Grants	Due from		Due to			Deferred	Fund Balance/		
	R	eceivable	Other Funds		Other Funds			Revenue	Net Position		
Government-wide	¢	(20(510))	¢		¢		¢		¢	(20(519))	
Adjustments	2	(206,518)	<u></u>	-	2		2		2	<u>(206,518</u> )	
Fund Statements											
General fund	\$	-	\$	-	\$	206,518	\$	-	\$	(206,518)	
FEMA fund		(206,518)		21,392		(185,125)		(206,518)		206,518	
Fund adjustments, no	et <u>\$</u>	(206,518)	\$	21,392	\$	21,392	\$	(206,518)	\$		

## **Risk Management**

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions, injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County provides insurance coverage for each of these risks. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the County. Settled claims did not exceed this coverage during the current year.

## **Contingencies and Uncertainties**

*Grants*. All amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the granting agency. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may be required to be repaid to the granting agency. Amounts payable by the County in its capacity as a pass-through grantor have been

accrued along with an offsetting grant receivable (i.e. should expenditures claimed by subrecipients be disallowed by the granting agency(ies), no liability to the County would exist). The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the County expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

#### **Subsequent Events**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 30, 2025, the date when the financial statements were available to be issued.

*Tax Abatement Default - Lincoln Lumber Crockett, LLC.* In April 2025, the County was notified by Lincoln Lumber Crockett, LLC that it was ceasing operations at its Crockett location. The cessation of operations constitutes a default under the terms of the agreement, which requires job creation and payroll commitments through December 31, 2026. The company was provided with notice of the default in a letter dated May 1, 2025 and informed of the intent to terminate the agreement and recapture all tax abatements if the default was not cured within 30 days. As of September 30, 2024, the cumulative reduction of the County's gross property tax revenues under this agreement totaled \$168,922. Collectibility of the amount is uncertain and therefore the County's financial statements have not been adjusted to reflect this receivable.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

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## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts				A	ctual Amounts	Variances		
	Original		Final				Fav (Unfav)		
		Adopted		Appropriated		Fund Basis		l to Actual	
REVENUES	¢	0.017.644	¢	0.017.644	Φ.	0.016.050	¢	(102.272)	
Property taxes	\$	8,917,644	\$	8,917,644	\$	8,815,372	\$	(102,272)	
General sales and use taxes		1,200,000		1,200,000		1,408,983		208,983	
Selective sales and use taxes		36,300		36,300		52,217		15,917	
Fees, licenses, and permits		195,100		195,100		196,057		957	
Charges for services		606,150		876,527		1,256,291		379,764	
Fines and forfeitures		154,500		154,500		166,059		11,559	
Intergovernmental revenue and grants		198,200		210,189		207,712		(2,477)	
Contributions and donations from private sources		-		-		126		126	
Payments in lieu of taxes		70,000		105,000		112,706		7,706	
Investment earnings		25,000		25,000		129,259		104,259	
Other revenue		-		89,818		133,156		43,338	
Total revenues		11,402,894		11,810,078		12,477,938		667,860	
EXPENDITURES									
General government									
County judge		187,735		191,089		190,473		616	
County clerk		228,720		230,823		228,746		2,077	
Information technology		155,241		155,241		145,828		9,413	
Non-departmental		1,225,733		853,299		829,533		23,766	
Human resources		64,614		64,614		54,617		9,997	
District clerk		283,139		287,139		285,132		2,007	
County juvenile board		17,307		17,307		17,357		(50)	
Elections		185,169		209,958		196,691		13,267	
County auditor		295,490		297,098		297,008		90	
County treasurer		209,286		211,055		208,289		2,766	
County tax assessor-collector		410,579		410,579		399,362		11,217	
Grant administration		89,199		89,199		88,806		393	
Courthouse		393,894		425,232		406,242		18,990	
Insurance		113,500		129,000		126,497		2,503	
Utilities		186,000		200,500		196,079		4,421	
Total general government		4,045,606	_	3,772,133	_	3,670,660		101,473	
Judicial and law enforcement									
County court at law		395,460		396,682		391,396		5,286	
District court		154,154		160,274		153,720		6,554	
Justice of the peace, Pct No. 1		173,542		174,242		170,647		3,595	
Justice of the peace, Pct No. 2		145,644		157,869		155,535		2,334	
County attorney		433,046		434,799		424,781		10,018	
District attorney		338,304		337,877		335,338		2,539	
Environmental officer		91,737		91,737		91,109		628	
County constable, Pct No. 1		99,237		99,237		92,326		6,911	
County constable, Pct No. 2		99,558		99,558		92,537		7,021	
Sheriff		2,080,020		2,035,794		1,951,013		84,781	
Jail		1,889,560		2,061,752		1,925,101		136,651	
Department of public safety		54,606		54,605		40,575		14,030	
Texas Rangers		1,000		1,050		1,050		-	

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 (CONTINUED)

	Budgeted Amounts					ctual Amounts	Variances		
	Original Final						F	av (Unfav)	
		Adopted	/	Appropriated		Fund Basis	Fir	al to Actual	
Judicial and law enforcement (continued)									
Adult probation		14,080		14,080		9,825		4,255	
Emergency management		-		-		1,982		(1,982)	
Total judicial and law enforcement		5,969,948		6,119,556		5,836,935		282,621	
Culture and recreation									
Veteran services officer		26,716		26,716		24,325		2,391	
County extension service		115,552		115,552		86,040		29,512	
Texas parks and wildlife		1,000		1,000		-		1,000	
Total culture and recreation		143,268		143,268		110,365		32,903	
Capital outlay									
Non-departmental		-		306,931		306,931		-	
Courthouse		5,000		3,000		928		2,072	
Total capital outlay		5,000		309,931		307,859		2,072	
Debt service									
Principal		76,419		76,419		76,419		-	
Interest		39,526		39,626		39,597		29	
Total expenditures		10,279,767		10,460,933		10,041,835		419,098	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES									
OVER EXPENDITURES		1,123,127		1,349,145		2,436,103		1,086,958	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-		-		119		119	
Proceeds from debt issuance		-		-		-		-	
Transfers in		-		-		11,453		11,453	
Transfers out		(2,388,127)		(3,010,744)		(3,011,653)		(909)	
Net other financing sources (uses)		(2,388,127)		(3,010,744)		(3,000,081)		10,663	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(1,265,000)		(1,661,599)		(563,978)		1,097,621	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		4,547,314		4,547,314		4,547,314		-	
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT		-		-		(206,518)		(206,518)	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	3,282,314	\$	2,885,715	\$	3,776,818	\$	891,103	

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 1 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts					tual Amounts	Variances	
	Original Adopted		Final Appropriated		Fund Basis		Fav (Unfav) Final to Actual	
REVENUES								
Property taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes		-		-		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes		-		-		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits		109,426		109,426		110,465		1,039
Charges for services		-		-		-		-
Fines and forfeitures		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants Contributions and donations from private sources		6,485		6,485		5,842		(643)
Payments in lieu of taxes		-		-		-		-
Investment earnings		200		200		9.033		8,833
Other revenue		-		-		-		-
Total revenues		116,111		116,111		125,340		9,229
EXPENDITURES								
General government		-		-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement		-		-		-		-
Highways and streets		557,907		795,234		762,813		32,421
Health and welfare		-		-		-		-
Culture and recreation		-		-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures		-		-		-		-
Capital outlay		86,661		86,661		8,447		78,214
Debt service		15 (1)		15 (1(		15 (1(		
Principal Interest		45,646		45,646		45,646		- 7
		4,326		4,326		4,319		7
Total expenditures		694,540		931,867		821,225		110,642
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER EXPENDITURES		(578,429)		(815,756)		(695,885)		119,871
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-		132,827		132,827		-
Proceeds from debt issuance		-		-		-		-
Transfers in		363,429		467,929		467,929		-
Transfers out		-		-		-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)		363,429		600,756		600,756		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(215,000)		(215,000)		(95,129)		119,871
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		316,812		316,812		316,812		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	101,812	\$	101,812	\$	221,683	\$	119,871

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#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 2 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 Budgeted	Am	ounts	Actual Amounts		Variances	
	 Original Adopted	1	Final Appropriated	]	Fund Basis		(Unfav) to Actual
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes	-		-		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes	-		-		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits	143,981		143,981		145,349		1,368
Charges for services	-		-		-		-
Fines and forfeitures	-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants Contributions and donations from private sources	8,534		8,534 23,250		7,687 23,250		(847)
Payments in lieu of taxes	-		23,230		23,230		-
Investment earnings	_		-		1,546		1,546
Other revenue	_		-		-		-
Total revenues	 152,515		175,765		177,832		2,067
EXPENDITURES							
General government	-		-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement	-		-		-		-
Highways and streets	522,079		762,596		759,876		2,720
Health and welfare	-		-		-		-
Culture and recreation	-		-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures	-		-		-		-
Capital outlay	-		467,352		467,352		-
Debt service	175.000		75.067				
Principal	175,092		75,867		75,867		-
Interest	 16,484		16,765		16,765		-
Total expenditures	 713,655		1,322,580		1,319,860		2,720
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES							
OVER EXPENDITURES	 (561,140)		(1,146,815)		(1,142,028)		4,787
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	110,000		42,344		42,344		-
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		467,353		467,353		-
Transfers in	451,140		618,640		618,640		-
Transfers out	 -		-		-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)	 561,140		1,128,337		1,128,337		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-		(18,478)		(13,691)		4,787
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 44,686		44,686		44,686		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 44,686	\$	26,208	\$	30,995	\$	4,787

#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 3 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			ounts	A	ctual Amounts	Variances	
		Original Adopted	1	Final Appropriated	Fund Basis			av (Unfav) al to Actual
REVENUES								
Property taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes		-		-		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes		-		-		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits		167,019		167,019		168,604		1,585
Charges for services Fines and forfeitures		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants		9,899		9,899		8,916		(983)
Contributions and donations from private sources		-		52,000		52,000		-
Payments in lieu of taxes		-		-		-		-
Investment earnings		250		250		9,920		9,670
Other revenue		-		2,464		2,464		-
Total revenues		177,168		231,632		241,904		10,272
EXPENDITURES								
General government		-		-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement		-		-		-		-
Highways and streets		806,264		919,357		801,512		117,845
Health and welfare Culture and recreation		-		-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures		-		-		-		-
Capital outlay		-		80,290		80,290		-
Debt service				00,200		00,200		
Principal		41,668		41,668		41,668		-
Interest		3,610		3,610		3,610		-
Total expenditures		851,542		1,044,925		927,080		117,845
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER EXPENDITURES		(674,374)		(813,293)		(685,176)		128,117
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-		-		-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance		-		80,290		80,290		-
Transfers in		509,614		568,243		568,243		-
Transfers out		-		-		-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)		509,614		648,533		648,533		-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(164,760)		(164,760)		(36,643)		128,117
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		383,408		383,408		383,408		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	218,648	\$	218,648	\$	346,765	\$	128,117

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#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 4 FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			ounts	Actual Amounts			ariances
		Original Adopted	1	Final Appropriated	1	Fund Basis		r (Unfav) to Actual
REVENUES								
Property taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes		-		-		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes		-		-		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits		155,500		155,500		156,976		1,476
Charges for services		-		-		-		-
Fines and forfeitures		-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants		9,216		9,216		8,301		(915)
Contributions and donations from private sources		-		800		800		-
Payments in lieu of taxes Investment earnings		- 250		- 250		- 8,516		8,266
Other revenue		230		-		- 0,510		
Total revenues		164,966		165,766		174,593		8,827
EXPENDITURES								
General government		-		-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement		-		-		-		-
Highways and streets		814,481		914,652		831,611		83,041
Health and welfare		-		-		-		-
Culture and recreation		-		-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures		-		-		-		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-
Debt service		01.644		<b>21</b> (11				
Principal		21,641		21,641		21,641		-
Interest		1,996		1,996		1,996		-
Total expenditures		838,118		938,289		855,248		83,041
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER EXPENDITURES		(673,152)		(772,523)		(680,655)		91,868
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-		-		-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance		-		-		-		-
Transfers in		480,377		579,748		575,818		(3,930)
Transfers out		-		-		-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)		480,377		579,748		575,818	. <u> </u>	(3,930)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(192,775)		(192,775)		(104,837)		87,938
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		426,819		426,819		426,819		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	234,044	\$	234,044	\$	321,982	\$	87,938

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#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL FEMA GRANT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 Budgeted	Amo	unts	Actua	l Amounts	Variances	
	 Original Adopted	Aj	Final ppropriated	Fu	nd Basis		(Unfav) to Actual
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes	-		-		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes	-		-		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits	-		-		-		-
Charges for services Fines and forfeitures	-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants	-		-		318,059		318,059
Contributions and donations from private sources	-		_		-		-
Payments in lieu of taxes	-		-		-		-
Investment earnings	-		-		4,789		4,789
Other revenue	-		-		-		-
Total revenues	 -		-		322,848		322,848
EXPENDITURES							
General government	-		-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement	-		-		-		-
Highways and streets	-		-		-		-
Health and welfare Culture and recreation	-		-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures	-		-		-		-
Capital outlay	-		_		-		-
Debt service							
Principal	-		-		-		-
Interest	-		-		-		-
Total expenditures	 -		-		-		-
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES							
OVER EXPENDITURES	 -		-		322,848		322,848
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	-		-		-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		-		-		-
Transfers in	-		-		-		-
Transfers out	 -				-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)	 -		-		-		-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-		-		322,848		322,848
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	(735,367)		(735,367)		(735,367)		-
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	 -				206,518		206,518
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ (735,367)	\$	(735,367)	\$	(206,001)	\$	529,366

#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 Budgeted	Amo	ounts	Actual Amounts		Variances	
	 Original		Final		Fund Basis		w (Unfav) al to Actual
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
General sales and use taxes	-		-		-		-
Selective sales and use taxes	-		-		-		-
Fees, licenses, and permits	-		-		-		-
Charges for services Fines and forfeitures	-		-		-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants	350,000		- 700,000		424,354		(275,646)
Contributions and donations from private sources	-						(275,040)
Payments in lieu of taxes	-		-		-		-
Investment earnings	-		7,620		2,569		(5,051)
Other revenue	-		-		-		-
Total revenues	 350,000		707,620		426,923		(280,697)
EXPENDITURES							
General government	-		-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement	350,000		707,620		426,923		280,697
Highways and streets	-		-		-		-
Health and welfare	-		-		-		-
Culture and recreation	-		-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures	-		-		-		-
Capital outlay	-		-		-		-
Debt service							
Principal	-		-		-		-
Interest	 -		-		-		-
Total expenditures	 350,000		707,620		426,923		280,697
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES							
OVER EXPENDITURES	 -		-		-		-
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	-		-		-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		-		-		-
Transfers in	-		-		-		-
Transfers out	 -		-				-
Net other financing sources (uses)	 -		-		-		-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-		-		-		-
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 -		-				-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 	\$		\$	-	\$	-

#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS NOTES TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

#### **BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY PROCESS**

The County Judge submits an annual budget to the Commissioners Court for review and approval prior to September of the upcoming fiscal year. Routinely, several budget workshops are held in which the original budget is reviewed and possibly revised. In September, the Commissioners Court and County Judge adopt the annual budget for the General Fund and selected Special Revenue funds.

A proposed annual operating budget is filed by the County Judge and Commissioners Court with the County Clerk's office and made available for public inspection at least 15 days prior to public budget hearing. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments. The budget is legally enacted by the Commissioners Court on or before October 1, as required by statute. Only the Commissioners Court may amend the budget. Under state statute, actual expenditures cannot exceed budgetary appropriations at any level for which the budget is formally approved. Budgets are adopted for all funds except the fiduciary funds.

Subsequent to approval, the Commissioners' Court and County Judge may amend the legally adopted budget when unexpected modifications are required in estimated revenues and expenditures. The County amended its budget several times during the year, with all budget amendments being approved by an act of the Commissioners Court.

#### **BUDGET EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS**

The legal level of budgetary control is the department level. Therefore, expenditures may not legally exceed budget appropriations at the department level. In the County's major funds, expenditures exceeded appropriations at the legal level of budgetary control in various departments of the general fund.

#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS - LAST TEN YEARS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

		Plan Year Ending December 31, *										
		2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	
TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY												
Service cost Interest on total pension liability Effect of plan changes Effect of assumption changes or inputs		\$ 701,565 1,730,105 119,733	\$ 626,029 1,652,109 -	\$ 612,799 1,568,915 - (85,173)	\$ 562,308 1,477,946 - 1,116,142	\$ 510,362 1,370,720	\$ 528,148 1,291,013 -	\$ 557,516 1,198,208 - 92,737	\$ 582,530 1,098,287 -	\$ 480,944 1,009,813 (74,034) 160,468	\$ 478,176 930,594 - -	
Effect of economic/demographic (gains) or losses Benefit payments/refunds of contributions		221,484 (1,058,701)	(273,413) (1,049,451)	10,948 (1,003,517)	71,330 (761,712)	124,586 (707,023)	(140,561) (647,699)	(84,713) (531,831)	· · · /	(18,574) (458,381)	(37,965) (415,502)	
NET CHANGE IN TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY		1,714,186	955,274	1,103,972	2,466,014	1,298,645	1,030,901	1,231,917	982,287	1,100,236	955,303	
TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY - BEGINNING		22,582,638	21,627,364	20,523,392	18,057,378	16,758,733	15,727,832	14,495,915	13,513,628	12,413,392	11,458,089	
TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY - ENDING	(a)	\$ 24,296,824	\$ 22,582,638	\$ 21,627,364	\$ 20,523,392	\$ 18,057,378	\$ 16,758,733	\$ 15,727,832	<u>\$ 14,495,915</u>	\$ 13,513,628	\$ 12,413,392	
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION Employer contributions Member contributions Investment income, net of investment expenses Benefit payments/refunds of contributions Administrative expenses Other		\$ 444,586 452,339 2,472,332 (1,058,701) (12,960) 11,662	425,015 (1,397,996) (1,049,451)	\$ 339,336 387,496 4,365,459 (1,003,517) (13,034) (2,326)	\$ 333,999 373,322 1,880,829 (761,712) (14,648) 195	353,350 2,577,251 (707,023)	340,474 (298,570) (647,699)	329,461 2,033,546 (531,831)	338,953 953,230 (489,816)	\$ 338,512 342,983 13,409 (458,381) (9,219) 19,353	298,850 797,258 (415,502)	
NET CHANGE IN PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION		2,309,258	(1,583,110)	4,073,414	1,811,985	2,513,750	(324,288)	2,093,876	1,012,380	246,657	982,198	
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - BEGINNING		22,509,627	24,092,737	20,019,323	18,207,338	15,693,588	16,017,876	13,924,000	12,911,620	12,664,963	11,682,765	
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - ENDING	(b)	\$ 24,818,885	\$ 22,509,627	\$ 24,092,737	\$ 20,019,323	\$ 18,207,338	\$ 15,693,588	\$ 16,017,876	\$ 13,924,000	\$ 12,911,620	\$ 12,664,963	
NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) - ENDING	(a - b)	<u>\$ (522,061)</u>	\$ 73,011	<u>\$ (2,465,373)</u>	\$ 504,069	<u>\$ (149,960)</u>	<u>\$ 1,065,145</u>	<u>\$ (290,044)</u>	<u>\$ 571,915</u>	\$ 602,008	<u>\$ (251,571)</u>	
RELATED RATIOS Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of Total Pension Liability		102.15%	99.68%	111.40%	97.54%	100.83%	93.64%	101.84%	96.05%	95.55%	102.03%	
Pensionable Covered Payroll		\$ 6,461,983	\$ 6,071,644	\$ 5,535,661	\$ 5,333,165	\$ 5,047,854	\$ 4,863,915	\$ 4,706,590	\$ 4,825,624	\$ 4,835,892	\$ 4,269,280	
Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a percentage of Covered Payroll		-8.08%	1.20%	-44.54%	9.45%	-2.97%	21.90%	-6.16%	11.85%	12.45%	-5.89%	

\* - In accordance with GASB standards, the County has elected to present data calculated at the actuarial valuation/ measurement date, which occurs on December 31 of each fiscal year.

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#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Fiscal Year Ending September 30	De	ctuarially termined ntribution	Actual Employer Contribution		Defic	bution ciency cess)	(	nsionable Covered Payroll	Actual Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll
2015	\$	318,721	\$	318,721	\$	-	\$	4,559,555	7.0%
2016		339,512		339,512		-		4,850,190	7.0%
2017		290,442		290,442		-		4,732,866	6.1%
2018		285,425		285,556		(131)		4,788,525	6.0%
2019		297,119		297,119		-		4,939,135	6.0%
2020		328,260		328,260		-		5,304,180	6.2%
2021		339,055		339,055		-		5,498,262	6.2%
2022		443,421		443,421		-		6,093,585	7.3%
2023		450,076		450,076		-		6,360,066	7.1%
2024		484,221		484,221		-		7,014,789	6.9%

#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Valuation Date	Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of December 31,
	two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which the contributions are
	reported.

#### Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age
Amortization Method	Level percentage of payroll, Closed
Amortization Period	16.5 years (based on contribution rate calculate in 12/31/23 valuation)
Asset Valuation Method	5-year smoothed market
Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	4.7% average over career including inflation, varies by age and service.
Investment Rate of Return	7.50%, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Retirement Age	Members who are eligible for service retirement are assumed to commence receiving benefit payments based on age. The average age at service retirement for recent retirees is 61.
Mortality	135% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Table for males and 120% of the Pub-2010 General Retirees Table for females, both projected with 100% of the MP-2021 Ultimate scale after 2010.
Changes in Assumptions and	2015: New inflation, mortality, and other assumptions were reflected.
Methods Reflected in the Schedule of Employer Contributions*	2017: New mortality assumptions were reflected.
	2019: New inflation, mortality, and other assumptions were reflected.
	2022: New investment return and inflation assumptions were reflected.
Changes in Plan Provisions Reflected in the Schedule of	2015: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.
Employer Contributions*	2016: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.
	2017: New Annuity Purchase Rates were reflected for benefits earned after 2017.
	2018 - 2023: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.
*Only changes that affect the be	enefit amount and that are effective 2015 and later are shown in these Notes.
<b>Other Information</b>	No changes in plan provisions are reflected in the Schedule of Pension

Other InformationNo changes in plan provisions are reflected in the Schedule of Pension<br/>Contributions.Presentation of ScheduleIn accordance with GASB standards, the County reports contribution

**ntation of Schedule** In accordance with GASB standards, the County reports contribution activity included in the Schedule of Pension Contributions based on the County's fiscal year end of September 30.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COMBINING FUND STATEMENTS

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

		Debt Service Fund		Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds		
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	46,760	\$	2,004,286	\$	2,051,046	
Certificates of deposit		-		3,587		3,587	
Receivables Property taxes, net of allowance		23,573				23,573	
Grants		- 25,575		- 76,647		23,373 76,647	
Other - miscellaneous		-		33,018		33,018	
Due from other funds		-		16,152		16,152	
Prepaid items		-		9,156		9,156	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	70,333	\$	2,142,846	\$	2,213,179	
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities	¢		\$	10,277	¢	10 277	
Deficit in pooled cash Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	- 566	Ф	76,522	\$	10,277 77,088	
Due to other funds		-		24,935		24,935	
Unearned revenues		-		221,241		221,241	
Total liabilities		566		332,975		333,541	
Deferred inflows of resources							
Unavailable revenues - property taxes		15,961		-		15,961	
Unavailable revenues - grants		-		-		_	
Unavailable revenues - other receivables		-		2,292		2,292	
Total deferred inflows of resources		15,961		2,292		18,253	
Fund balances							
Nonspendable		-		9,156		9,156	
Restricted		53,806		1,751,977		1,805,783	
Assigned		-		42,099		42,099	
Unassigned				4,347		4,347	
Total fund balances		53,806		1,807,579		1,861,385	
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS							
OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	70,333	\$	2,142,846	\$	2,213,179	

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 Debt Service Fund	]	Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds		
REVENUES						
Property taxes	\$ 1,178,358	\$	-	\$	1,178,358	
Selective sales and use taxes	-		43,441		43,441	
Fees, licenses, and permits	-		277,190		277,190	
Charges for services	-		225,880		225,880	
Fines and forfeitures	-		160,302		160,302	
Intergovernmental revenue and grants	-		3,109,901		3,109,901	
Contributions and donations from private sources	-		52,938		52,938	
Investment earnings	7,020		47,225		54,245	
Other revenue	 -		1,110		1,110	
Total revenues	 1,185,378	<u> </u>	3,917,987		5,103,365	
EXPENDITURES						
General government	-		195,198		195,198	
Judicial and law enforcement	-		1,613,007		1,613,007	
Highways and streets	-		1,679,738		1,679,738	
Health and welfare	-		378,916		378,916	
Culture and recreation	-		92,206		92,206	
Pass-through expenditures	-		172,531		172,531	
Capital outlay	-		295,118		295,118	
Debt service						
Principal	885,000		-		885,000	
Interest	 276,319		-		276,319	
Total expenditures	 1,161,319		4,426,714		5,588,033	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES	 24,059		(508,727)		(484,668)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	-		45,000		45,000	
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		-		-	
Transfers in	-		1,174,432		1,174,432	
Transfers out	 -		(404,862)		(404,862)	
Net other financing sources (uses)	 -		814,570		814,570	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	24,059		305,843		329,902	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	29,747		1,501,736		1,531,483	
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	 -		-		-	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 53,806	\$	1,807,579	\$	1,861,385	

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 Jury Fund	 Airport Fund	Senior Fund		
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 120,717	\$ 84,523	\$	32,525	
Certificates of deposit	-	-		-	
Receivables	26.665	0 (04		10 (00	
Grants Other - miscellaneous	26,665 5,026	8,684 340		19,609	
Due from other funds	5,020 620	-		- 5,000	
Prepaid items	3,380	854		3,341	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 156,408	\$ 94,401	\$	60,475	
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities					
Deficit in pooled cash	\$ 187	\$ 54	\$	-	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	9,418	124		15,035	
Due to other funds	-	72		-	
Unearned revenues	 -	 8,684		-	
Total liabilities	 9,605	 8,934		15,035	
Deferred inflows of resources					
Unavailable revenues - property taxes	-	-		-	
Unavailable revenues - grants	-	-		-	
Unavailable revenues - other receivables	 -	 -		-	
Total deferred inflows of resources	 -	 -	. <u> </u>	-	
Fund balances					
Nonspendable	3,380	854		3,341	
Restricted	143,423	84,613		-	
Assigned	-			42,099	
Unassigned	 -	 -		-	
Total fund balances	 146,803	 85,467		45,440	
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS					
OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 156,408	\$ 94,401	\$	60,475	

	ourthouse Security Fund		il Bond Board	 Law Library Fund	(	Hotel Occupancy Tax	ommunity velopment	listorical mmission
\$	3,298	\$	1,550	\$ 58,262	\$	155,976 -	\$ 267,208 -	\$ 33,339
<u>\$</u>	976 10,000 - 14,274	<u>\$</u>	- - - 1,550	\$ - 875 - - 59,137	\$	7,952 - 1,000 164,928	\$ - - - 267,208	\$ 33,339
\$	- 7,860 - - 7,860	\$	- - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$	- 1,000 20 1,020	\$ - - - -	\$ 1,302 - - 1,302
			- - -	 			 - - -	 - - - -
	6,414 - - 6,414		- 1,550 - - 1,550	 59,137 - - - 59,137		1,000 162,908 - - 163,908	 267,208 - - 267,208	 32,037
\$	14,274	\$	1,550	\$ 59,137	<u>\$</u>	164,928	\$ 267,208	\$ 33,339

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	 Justice Court Security		Justice Court Technology		Truancy evention/ iversion
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Certificates of deposit Receivables Grants Other - miscellaneous Due from other funds	\$ 12,115 - - 122	\$	5,091 - - 407	\$	39,402 - - 645 -
Prepaid items TOTAL ASSETS	\$ - 12,237	\$	- 5,498	\$	- 40,047
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities Deficit in pooled cash Accounts payable Due to other funds Unearned revenues Total liabilities	\$ - - - -	\$	- - - -	\$	- - - -
Deferred inflows of resources Unavailable revenues - property taxes Unavailable revenues - grants Unavailable revenues - other receivables Total deferred inflows of resources	 - - -		- - -		- - -
Fund balances Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total fund balances	 - 12,237 - 12,237		- 5,498 - - 5,498		- 40,047 - - 40,047
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 12,237	<u>\$</u>	5,498	<u>\$</u>	40,047

Guardianship Fund		County & District Court Technology		Family Protection		Child Welfare Board			ld Abuse evention	Election Services Contracts	
\$	3,281	\$	4,891 -	\$	2,043	\$	10,278 3,587	\$	2,339	\$	11,228
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<u>\$</u>	3,351	<u>\$</u>	4,961	<u>\$</u>	2,043	<u>\$</u>	13,865	<u>\$</u>	2,359	\$	11,228
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	3,351		- 4,961 - - 4,961		2,043		- 13,035 - - 13,035		2,359		- 11,228 - - 11,228
\$	3,351	\$	4,961	\$	2,043	\$	13,865	\$	2,359	\$	11,228

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Right of Way		d & Bridge Fines	 Timber & Mineral Funds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Certificates of deposit Receivables	\$	25,606	\$ 68,328	\$ 230,240
Grants Other - miscellaneous Due from other funds Prepaid items		- - -	 - 4,666 - -	 - - -
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	25,606	\$ 72,994	\$ 230,240
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities Deficit in pooled cash Accounts payable Due to other funds Unearned revenues Total liabilities	\$	- - - -	\$ - 1,829 - - 1,829	\$ - - - - -
Deferred inflows of resources Unavailable revenues - property taxes Unavailable revenues - grants Unavailable revenues - other receivables Total deferred inflows of resources		- - -	 	 
Fund balances Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total fund balances		25,606 - - 25,606	 71,165	 230,240
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	25,606	\$ 72,994	\$ 230,240

Records Management & Preservation		Co Clerk Records Preservation		District Clerk Records Preservation		County Clerk Vital Records		 County Clerk Archives	District Clerk Archives		
\$	5,288	\$	58,202	\$	15,399 -	\$	4,041	\$ 172,006	\$	13,648	
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\$	5,298	\$	62,507	\$	15,939	\$	4,153	\$ 176,096	\$	13,658	

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5,298		57,427	15,939	4,153	176,096	13,658
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 5,298	. <u> </u>	57,427	 15,939	 4,153	 176,096	 13,658
\$ 5,298	\$	62,507	\$ 15,939	\$ 4,153	\$ 176,096	\$ 13,658

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Co Attorney Pre-trial Intervention		Hot Check Fees		District Attorney Hot Checks	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Certificates of deposit Receivables Grants Other - miscellaneous	\$	2,205 - - -	\$ 510 - -	\$	114 - - -	
Due from other funds Prepaid items		-	 -		-	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,205	\$ 510	\$	114	
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities Deficit in pooled cash Accounts payable Due to other funds Unearned revenues Total liabilities	\$	- - - -	\$ 72 192 - - 264	\$	- - - - -	
Deferred inflows of resources Unavailable revenues - property taxes Unavailable revenues - grants Unavailable revenues - other receivables Total deferred inflows of resources		- - -	 - - -		- - -	
Fund balances Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total fund balances		2,205	 - 246 - - 246		- 114 - - 114	
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	2,205	\$ 510	\$	114	

А	CountyDistrictAttorneyAttorneyForfeitureForfeiture		DA Salary Supplement			Sheriff Forfeiture	Permanent nprovement	Tax Anticipation Notes		
\$	1,382	\$	24,257	\$	4,290	\$	8,435	\$ 128,394	\$	-
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\$	1,382	\$	24,257	\$	4,290	\$	8,435	\$ 128,894	\$	-

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1,	382	24,257	2,441	8,075	128,894	-
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1,	382	24,257	 2,441	 8,075	 128,894	 -
<u>\$ 1,</u>	382 \$	24,257	\$ 4,290	\$ 8,435	\$ 128,894	\$ -

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	E	LEOSE ducation Funds	At	istrict torney rtionment	heriff's mmissary
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Certificates of deposit Receivables Grants	\$	13,143 - -	\$	0	\$ 34,078 - -
Other - miscellaneous Due from other funds Prepaid items		- 431		2,292 522 -	 -
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	13,574	\$	2,814	\$ 34,078
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities Deficit in pooled cash Accounts payable Due to other funds Unearned revenues Total liabilities	\$	- 74 - - 74	\$	292 442 - - 734	\$ 8,389 - - 8,389
Deferred inflows of resources Unavailable revenues - property taxes Unavailable revenues - grants Unavailable revenues - other receivables Total deferred inflows of resources		- - -		- 2,292 2,292	 - - -
Fund balances Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned Total fund balances		431 13,069 - - 13,500		- - (212) (212)	 25,689 - - 25,689
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	13,574	\$	2,814	\$ 34,078

Inver	Vehicle Inventory Tax Miscellaneous Interest Grants		American escue Plan Fund		LATCF Grant Funds	Emergency Management Grant			Victims Assistance Grant		
\$	1,727	\$	3,118	\$ 193,371 -	\$	26,428	\$	14,815	\$	18,099 -	
	-		1,441	-		-		-		5,706	
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\$	1,727	\$	4,559	\$ 193,371	\$	26,428	\$	14,815	\$	23,805	

\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 5,343	\$ -	\$	-
-	-		1,919	-	3,362		2,362
-	-		-	-	11,453		-
 -	 -		191,452	 21,085	 -		-
 -	 -		193,371	 26,428	 14,815		2,362
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1,727	-		-	-	-		21,443
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 -	 4,559		-	 -	 -		-
 1,727	 4,559	. <u> </u>	-	 	 -	. <u> </u>	21,443
\$ 1,727	\$ 4,559	\$	193,371	\$ 26,428	\$ 14,815	\$	23,805

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

HAVA Grant		911 Addressing Grant		Juvenile Probation	
\$	1,952	\$	15,263	\$	71,881
	-		-		- 14,542
	-		-		- - 150
\$	1,952	\$	15,263	\$	86,573
\$	1,952	\$	2,010	\$	4,329 20,193 4,350
	1,952		2,010		28,872
	- - - -		- - -		- - - -
	-		13,253		150 57,551 -
	-		13,253		57,701
\$	1,952	\$	15,263	\$	86,573
	\$ \$ 	Grant \$ 1,952	Grant	HAVA Grant       Addressing Grant         \$ 1,952       \$ 15,263 $   -$	HAVA Grant       Addressing Grant       I         \$       1,952       \$       15,263       \$ $                    \frac{5}{-}$ 1,952 $\frac{5}{-}$ $\frac{5}{-}$ $\frac{5}{-}$ $\frac{-}{-}$ $    \frac{-}{-}$ $  -$

 CDBG Grant	Total Nonmajor ecial Revenue Funds
\$ -	\$ 2,004,286 3,587
- - -	 76,647 33,018 16,152 9,156
\$ -	\$ 2,142,846

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\$	-	\$	10,277	
	-		76,522	
	-		24,935	
	-		221,241	_
	-		332,975	
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	-		2,292	_
	-		2,292	
				-
	-		9,156	
	-		1,751,977	
	-		42,099	
	-		4,347	
	-		1,807,579	-
	<u> </u>		,,,-	-
\$	-	\$	2,142,846	_
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		Jury Fund	 Airport Fund	Senior Fund	
REVENUES					
Selective sales and use taxes	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Fees, licenses, and permits		54,135	-		-
Charges for services		2,639	35,193		48,621
Fines and forfeitures		186	-		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants		58,500	72,020		229,911 475
Contributions and donations from private sources Investment earnings		- 4,578	- 350		473 800
Other revenue		4,378	330		
Total revenues		120,038	 107,563		<u> </u>
		120,030	 107,505		279,010
EXPENDITURES					
General government		-	-		-
Judicial and law enforcement		503,564	-		-
Highways and streets Health and welfare		-	-		378,916
Culture and recreation		-	- 69,992		578,910
Pass-through expenditures		_	-		_
Capital outlay		_	_		_
Debt service					
Principal		-	-		-
Interest		-	-		-
Total expenditures		503,564	 69,992		378,916
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES	_	(383,526)	37,571		(99,098)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-	-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance		-	-		-
Transfers in		440,000	29,700		80,000
Transfers out		-	 -		-
Net other financing sources (uses)		440,000	 29,700		80,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		56,474	67,271		(19,098)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		90,329	18,196		64,538
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT		-	 -		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	146,803	\$ 85,467	\$	45,440

(	Courthouse Security Fund	il Bond Board	 Law Library Fund	Hotel Occupancy Tax		mmunity /elopment	Historical Commission		
\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	42,966	\$ -	\$	-	
	10,390	-	12,588		-	-		-	
	4,276	-	-		-	-		-	
	-	-	-		-	89,007		-	
	-	-	-		-	-		90	
	1,076	42	1,390		4,238	5,245		928	
	-	 -	 -		39	 -		1,060	
	15,742	 42	 13,978		47,243	 94,252		2,078	
	-	-	-		45,525	-		-	
	224,503	-	-		-	-		-	
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	-	-	-		-	- 16,558		- 5,656	
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	224,503	 -	 		45,525	 16,558		5,656	
	(208,761)	 42	 13,978		1,718	 77,694		(3,578)	
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	-	-	-		-	-		-	
	180,000	-	-		-	-		2,935	
	-	 -	 -		-	 (29,700)		-	
	180,000	 -	 -		-	 (29,700)		2,935	
	(28,761)	42	13,978		1,718	47,994		(643)	
	35,175	1,508	45,159		162,190	219,214		32,680	
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\$	6,414	\$ 1,550	\$ 59,137	\$	163,908	\$ 267,208	\$	32,037	

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REVENUES					
Selective sales and use taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Fees, licenses, and permits	-		-		2,694
Charges for services	-		-		-
Fines and forfeitures	1,377		4,669		5,575
Intergovernmental revenue and grants Contributions and donations from private sources	-		-		-
Investment earnings	- 306		- 79		- 642
Other revenue	-		-		-
Total revenues	 1,683		4,748		8,911
EXPENDITURES	 		<u> </u>		
General government	-		-		-
Judicial and law enforcement	-		946		-
Highways and streets	-		-		-
Health and welfare	-		-		-
Culture and recreation	-		-		-
Pass-through expenditures	-		-		-
Capital outlay	-		-		-
Debt service Principal					
Interest	-		-		-
	 		946		
Total expenditures	 		940		
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	1,683		3,802		8,911
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	-		-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		-		-
Transfers in	-		-		-
Transfers out	 -		-		-
Net other financing sources (uses)	 -		-		-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	1,683		3,802		8,911
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	10,554		1,696		31,136
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	 -		-		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 12,237	\$	5,498	\$	40,047

G	uardianship Fund	County & District Court Technology		Family Protection	ld Welfare Board	ld Abuse	Election Services Contracts		
\$	- 1,020	\$ - 1,00		\$-	\$ -	\$ - 314	\$	-	
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	1,071	1,12		55	 6,567	 353		3,148	
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	1,071	1,12	22	55	(3,685)	353		3,148	
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	-				 5,000	 -		-	
	1,071	1,12	22	55	1,315	353		3,148	
	2,280	3,83		1,988	11,720	2,006		8,080	
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\$	3,351	\$ 4,96	51	\$ 2,043	\$ 13,035	\$ 2,359	\$	11,228	

	 Right of Way	Road & Bridge Fines			Timber & Mineral Funds	
REVENUES						
Selective sales and use taxes	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	
Fees, licenses, and permits	88,590		-		-	
Charges for services	-		-		-	
Fines and forfeitures	-		119,028		-	
Intergovernmental revenue and grants	-		-		369,263	
Contributions and donations from private sources	-		-		-	
Investment earnings	854		2,043		3,843	
Other revenue	 		-			
Total revenues	 89,444		121,071		373,106	
EXPENDITURES						
General government	-		-		-	
Judicial and law enforcement	-		-		-	
Highways and streets	7,664		47,382		-	
Health and welfare	-		-		-	
Culture and recreation	-		-		-	
Pass-through expenditures	-		-		172,531	
Capital outlay	-		-		-	
Debt service						
Principal	-		-		-	
Interest	 -		-		-	
Total expenditures	 7,664		47,382		172,531	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES	 81,780		73,689		200,575	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property	-		-		-	
Proceeds from debt issuance	-		-		-	
Transfers in	-		-		-	
Transfers out	 (90,000)		(130,000)		(125,000)	
Net other financing sources (uses)	 (90,000)		(130,000)		(125,000)	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(8,220)		(56,311)		75,575	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	33,826		127,476		154,665	
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	 -		-		-	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 25,606	\$	71,165	\$	230,240	

Records Management & Preservation		Co Clerk Records Preservation		District Clerk Records Preservation		County Clerk Vital Records		County Clerk Archives		District Clerk Archives	
\$	- 4,574	\$	- 41,698	\$	- 8,187	\$	- 1,709	\$ - 43,100	\$	- 220	
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	57		1,165		479		87	4,058		362	
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	4,631		42,863		8,666		1,796	 47,158		582	
	-		62,044		8,001		-	-		-	
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			62,044		8,001			 -		-	
	4,631		(19,181)		665		1,796	 47,158		582	
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			25,000					 		-	
	4,631		5,819		665		1,796	47,158		582	
	667		51,608		15,274		2,357	128,938		13,076	
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\$	5,298	\$	57,427	\$	15,939	\$	4,153	\$ 176,096	\$	13,658	

	Pr	Attorney e-trial rvention	t Check Fees	Att	strict orney Checks
REVENUES					
Selective sales and use taxes	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
Fees, licenses, and permits		-	-		-
Charges for services		-	-		-
Fines and forfeitures		2,200	566		-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants		-	-		-
Contributions and donations from private sources		-	-		-
Investment earnings		5	51		2
Other revenue		-	 -	·	-
Total revenues		2,205	 617		2
EXPENDITURES					
General government		-	-		-
Judicial and law enforcement		-	4,061		-
Highways and streets		-	-		-
Health and welfare		-	-		-
Culture and recreation		-	-		-
Pass-through expenditures		-	-		-
Capital outlay		-	-		-
Debt service					
Principal		-	-		-
Interest		-	 -	·	-
Total expenditures		-	 4,061		
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES		2,205	 (3,444)		2
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-	-		-
Proceeds from debt issuance		-	-		-
Transfers in		-	-		-
Transfers out		-	 -		-
Net other financing sources (uses)		-	 -		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		2,205	(3,444)		2
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		-	3,690		112
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT		-	 -		-
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	2,205	\$ 246	\$	114

 County Attorney Forfeiture	Attorney Attorney Diffeiture Forfeiture		DA Salary pplement	 Sheriff Forfeiture	ermanent provement	Tax Anticipation Notes		
\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	
-		-	-	-	6,967		-	
-		14,426	-	7,644	-		-	
-		-	-	-	-		-	
-		-	-	-	140		-	
-		627	87	156	3,754		-	
 -		-	 -	 -	 -		-	
 -		15,053	 87	 7,800	 10,861		-	
_		_	-	_	12,782		_	
-		7,332	47,233	1,472	-		-	
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-		-	-	-	-		-	
-		-	-	-	- 61,918		-	
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 -		7,332	 47,233	 1,472	 74,700		-	
 		7,721	 (47,146)	 6,328	 (63,839)			
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_		-	47,901	-	100,000		-	
-		-	-	-	-		-	
 -		-	 47,901	 -	 100,000		-	
-		7,721	755	6,328	36,161		-	
1,382		16,536	1,686	1,747	92,733		-	
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\$ 1,382	\$	24,257	\$ 2,441	\$ 8,075	\$ 128,894	\$	_	

	]	LEOSE Education Funds	At	istrict torney rtionment	Sheriff's mmissary
REVENUES					
Selective sales and use taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Fees, licenses, and permits		-		-	-
Charges for services		-		-	139,427
Fines and forfeitures		-		-	-
Intergovernmental revenue and grants Contributions and donations from private sources		12,868		27,500	-
Investment earnings		- 338		-	-
Other revenue		-		-	-
Total revenues		13,206		27,500	 139,427
EXPENDITURES					 
General government		-		-	-
Judicial and law enforcement		8,853		9,003	130,640
Highways and streets		-		-	-
Health and welfare		-		-	-
Culture and recreation		-		-	-
Pass-through expenditures		-		-	-
Capital outlay		-		-	-
Debt service					
Principal Interest		-		-	-
Total expenditures		8,853		9,003	 130,640
-		0,000		9,005	 150,040
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		4,353		18,497	8,787
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-		-	-
Proceeds from debt issuance		-		-	-
Transfers in		-		-	-
Transfers out		-		(18,709)	 -
Net other financing sources (uses)		-		(18,709)	 -
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		4,353		(212)	8,787
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		9,147		-	16,902
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT		-		-	 -
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	13,500	\$	(212)	\$ 25,689

Inv	Vehicle entory Tax Interest	Miscellaneous Grants				 LATCF Grant Funds	mergency anagement Grant	Victims Assistance Grant		
\$	475	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	
	-		-		-	-	-		-	
	-		-		-	-	-		-	
	-		5,762		1,292,915 40,000	328,424 5,750	-		53,840	
	142		376		-	3,776	961		311	
	-		-		-	 -	 -		-	
	617		6,138		1,332,915	 337,950	 961		54,151	
	-		-		64,894	-	-		-	
	-		5,762		207,643	-	148,031		66,399	
	-		20,314		827,178	382,950	-		-	
	-		-		-	-	-		-	
	-		-		-	-	-		-	
	-		-		233,200	-	-		-	
	-		-		-	-	-		-	
	-		-		-	 -	 -		-	
		. <u> </u>	26,076		1,332,915	 382,950	 148,031		66,399	
	617		(19,938)			 (45,000)	 (147,070)		(12,248)	
	-		-		-	45,000	-		-	
	-		-		-	-	-		-	
	-		-		-	-	120,000		19,806	
	-		-		-	 -	 (11,453)		-	
					-	 45,000	 108,547		19,806	
	617		(19,938)		-	-	(38,523)		7,558	
	1,110		24,497		-	-	38,523		13,885	
					-	 	 			
\$	1,727	\$	4,559	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	21,443	

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	HAVA Grant			911 dressing Grant	Juvenile Probation		
REVENUES							
Selective sales and use taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Fees, licenses, and permits		-		-		-	
Charges for services		-		-		-	
Fines and forfeitures		-		-		355	
Intergovernmental revenue and grants Contributions and donations from private sources		-		31,500		189,004	
Investment earnings		-		367		3,042	
Other revenue		_		- 507		5,042	
Total revenues				31,867		192,401	
EXPENDITURES							
General government		1,952		-		-	
Judicial and law enforcement		-		-		237,313	
Highways and streets		-		59,410		-	
Health and welfare		-		-		-	
Culture and recreation		-		-		-	
Pass-through expenditures		-		-		-	
Capital outlay		-		-		-	
Debt service							
Principal		-		-		-	
Interest				-			
Total expenditures		1,952		59,410		237,313	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES							
OVER EXPENDITURES		(1,952)		(27,543)		(44,912)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Proceeds from sale of real and personal property		-		-		-	
Proceeds from debt issuance		-		-		-	
Transfers in		-		31,000		65,000	
Transfers out		-		-		-	
Net other financing sources (uses)		-		31,000		65,000	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(1,952)		3,457		20,088	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		1,952		9,796		37,613	
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT		-		-		-	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	-	\$	13,253	\$	57,701	

CDBG Grant	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
\$ - - -	\$ 43,441 277,190 225,880 160,302
346,500 - - -	3,109,901 52,938 47,225 1,110
<u>346,500</u> 	195,198 1,613,007
- - -	378,916 92,206 172,531 295,118
	4,426,714
11,660	(508,727) 45,000
- 28,090 - 28,090	1,174,432 (404,862)
39,750 (39,750	305,843
\$ -	\$ 1,807,579

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	rict Clerk ee Fund	nty Clerk ee Fund	JP #1 Fee Fund	
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 16,959	\$ 34,720	\$	13,858
Invested cash	-	-		-
Accounts receivable	-	-		-
Due from other funds	 -	 -		-
TOTAL ASSETS	 16,959	 34,720	. <u> </u>	13,858
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	-	-		628
Due to other funds	14,786	34,720		13,230
Due to other governmental units	 -	 -		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 14,786	 34,720		13,858
NET POSITION				
Restricted for:				
Individuals, organizations, or other governments	 2,173	 -		_
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 2,173	\$ 	\$	-

JP #2 Fee Fund		Sheriff's Fee Fund			Criminal Justice Fee Fund		12th Circuit Court of Appeals		County Attorney Hot Check		DA Forfeiture Trust Fund	
\$	11,171	\$	682	\$	47,660	\$	-	\$	394	\$	22,436	
	-		-		-		-		-		-	
	-		-		-		-		-		-	
	-		_		15,235		125		-		-	
	11,171		682		62,895		125		394		22,436	
	368		-		347		-		394		-	
	10,803		682		4,549		-		-		-	
	-		-		57,999		125		-		-	
	11,171		682		62,895		125		394			
	-		-				-		-	. <u> </u>	22,436	
\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	22,436	

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	]	heriff's Inmate ust Fund	Tax ssessor's Valorem	Tax Assessor's VIT Escrow	
ASSETS					
Cash	\$	21,584	\$ 87,622	\$	28,078
Invested cash		-	-		-
Accounts receivable		-	-		-
Due from other funds		-	 -		-
TOTAL ASSETS		21,584	 87,622		28,078
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable		-	-		-
Due to other funds		-	-		-
Due to other governmental units		-	 87,622		57
TOTAL LIABILITIES		-	 87,622		57
NET POSITION					
Restricted for:					
Individuals, organizations, or other governments		21,584	 -		28,021
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	21,584	\$ -	\$	28,021

Tax Assessor's Boat Registration		Tax Assessor's Mobile Home Mvmt Escrow			Tax Assessor's Farm Fee		Tax Assessor's Highway Department		Assessor's / Emission Reg Fee	Tax Assessor's IVTRS Account	
\$	- - - -	\$	2,817	\$	280 - - - 280	\$	226,812 - - 226,812	\$	5,290 - - 5,290	\$	2,101 - - 2,101
	- - -		- - -		- 280 280		226,812 226,812		5,290 5,290		2,101 2,101
\$	-	\$	2,817 2,817	\$	<u> </u>	\$	-	\$	-	\$	<u> </u>

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	unty Clerk ust Fund	District Clerk Trust Fund		U	nclaimed Funds
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 389,610	\$	1,256,922	\$	9,731
Invested cash	121,629		179,241		-
Accounts receivable	-		-		-
Due from other funds	 -		-		-
TOTAL ASSETS	 511,239		1,436,163	. <u></u>	9,731
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	-		-		-
Due to other funds	-		-		-
Due to other governmental units	 -		-		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 				
NET POSITION					
Restricted for:					
Individuals, organizations, or other governments	 511,239		1,436,163		9,731
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 511,239	\$	1,436,163	\$	9,731

	Total
(	Custodial
	Funds
\$	2,178,727
	300,870
	-
	15,360
	2,494,957
	1,737
	78,770
	380,286
	460,793
	2,034,164
\$	2,034,164

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	District Clerk Fee Fund	County Clerk Fee Fund	JP #1 Fee Fund		
ADDITIONS					
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County	\$ 194,906	\$ 376,524	\$ 94,216		
Taxes and fees collected for other governments	43,601	35,924	65,551		
Trust/escrow contributions	6,178	-	16,517		
Inmate accounts	-	-	-		
Hot check collections	-	-	-		
Seizures pending judgment	-	-	-		
Investment interest					
TOTAL ADDITIONS	244,685	412,448	176,284		
DEDUCTIONS					
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County	194,906	376,524	94,216		
Taxes and fees collected for other governments	43,601	35,924	65,551		
Disbursements to beneficiaries	7,184	-	16,517		
Inmate accounts		-			
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	245,691	412,448	176,284		
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN					
FIDUCIARY NET POSITION	(1,006)	-	-		
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,179				
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,173	\$ -	\$		

 JP #2 Sheriff's Fee Fund Fee Fund																								Fee Fund		Criminal Justice Fee Fund	h Circuit Court Appeals	А	County Attorney ot Check	Forfeiture rust Fund
\$ 80,561	\$	6,238	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -																						
56,334		8,325		-	-		-	-																						
6,547		53,711		-	-		-	-																						
-		-		-	-		-	-																						
-		-		-	-		7,779	-																						
-		-		-	-		-	14,199																						
 -		-		-	 -		-	 -																						
 143,442		68,274	_		 		7,779	 14,199																						
80,561		6,237		_	_		565	_																						
56,334		8,325		_	_		-	_																						
6,547		53,712		_	_		7,214	30,669																						
-		-		-	_		-	-																						
 142 442		69 274			 		7 770	 20.660																						
 143,442		68,274			 		7,779	 30,669																						
-		-		-	-		-	(16,470)																						
-		-		-	-		-	38,906																						
\$ _	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 22,436																						

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	]	heriff's Inmate ust Fund	Tax Assessor's d Valorem	Tax Assessor's VIT Escrow	
ADDITIONS					
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County	\$	-	\$ 9,941,167	\$	9,987
Taxes and fees collected for other governments		-	3,027,175		41,606
Trust/escrow contributions		-	-		-
Inmate accounts		135,290	-		-
Hot check collections		-	-		-
Seizures pending judgment		-	-		-
Investment interest		-	 18,956		589
TOTAL ADDITIONS		135,290	 12,987,298		52,182
DEDUCTIONS					
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County		-	9,960,123		15,184
Taxes and fees collected for other governments		-	3,027,175		41,606
Disbursements to beneficiaries		97,059	-		-
Inmate accounts		31,190	 -		-
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		128,249	 12,987,298		56,790
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN					
FIDUCIARY NET POSITION		7,041	-		(4,608)
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR		14,543	 -		32,629
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$	21,584	\$ 	\$	28,021

x Assessor's Boat Mobile Home egistration Mvmt Escrow		ile Home	Tax Assessor's Farm Fee		x Assessor's Highway Department	Hwy	Assessor's / Emission Reg Fee	Tax Assessor's IVTRS Account	
\$ 1,973 16,807 - -	\$	- 2,810 -	\$	3,655	\$ 748,810 2,191,376 - - -	\$	49,073 - - -	\$	122,569 7,040 - - -
-		- 15		-	- 5,069		- 66		- 42
 18,780		2,825		3,655	 2,945,255		49,139		129,651
 1,973 16,807 - - 18,780		- 132 3,269 - 3,401		- 3,655 - - 3,655	 753,879 2,191,376 - - 2,945,255		66 49,073 - - 49,139		122,611 7,040 - - 129,651
\$ -	\$	(576) 3,393 2,817	\$	- - -	\$ -	\$	- - -	\$	-

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	County Clerk Trust Fund		District Clerk Trust Fund		Unclaimed Funds	
ADDITIONS						
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Taxes and fees collected for other governments		-		-		-
Trust/escrow contributions		1,200,741		881,486		1,490
Inmate accounts		-		-		-
Hot check collections		-		-		-
Seizures pending judgment		-		-		-
Investment interest		3,219		1,983		-
TOTAL ADDITIONS		1,203,960		883,469		1,490
DEDUCTIONS						
Taxes and fees collected for Houston County		-		-		-
Taxes and fees collected for other governments		-		-		-
Disbursements to beneficiaries		1,038,666		439,987		-
Inmate accounts		-		-		
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		1,038,666		439,987		-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN						
FIDUCIARY NET POSITION		165,294		443,482		1,490
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR		345,945		992,681		8,241
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$	511,239	\$	1,436,163	\$	9,731

Total Custodial			
	Funds		
\$	11,576,951 5,546,467 2,169,480 135,290 7,779 14,199		
	29,939		
	19,480,105		
	11,606,845		
	5,546,599		
	1,700,824		
	31,190		
	18,885,458		
	594,647		
	<i>,</i>		
	1,439,517		
\$	2,034,164		

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# **COMPLIANCE SECTION**

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

To the Honorable County Judge and Members of the Commissioners Court Houston County, Texas

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Houston County, Texas (the "County"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Houston County, Texas' basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2025.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the 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 the 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Houston County, Texas' 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

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS – CONTINUED

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

Todd, Hamaker & Johnson, LLP

Todd, Hamaker & Johnson, LLP Lufkin, Texas

June 30, 2025





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

To the Honorable County Judge and Members of the Commissioners Court Houston County, Texas

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

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

We have audited Houston County, Texas' (the "County") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2024. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Houston County, Texas 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 September 30, 2024.

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

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; 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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

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

#### **Responsibilities of Management for Compliance**

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

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

#### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

#### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies

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

in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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

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

Todd, Hamaker & Johnson, LLP

Todd, Hamaker & Johnson, LLP Lufkin, Texas

June 30, 2025





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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTMEBER 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/Other Grantor Program Title/Grant Title	Federal Assistance Listing	Grant Number/ Pass-through Grantor's Number	Total Federal Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients	
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u> <i>Passed through Texas Comptroller</i> Schools and Roads - Grants to States - Title I	10.665	-	<u>\$ 246,336</u>	<u>\$ 146,934</u>	
Total for Assistance Listing 10.665 Total U.S. Department of Agriculture:			<u>246,336</u> 246,336	<u>146,934</u> 146,934	
<u>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</u> <i>Passed through Texas Department of Agriculture</i> Community Development Block Grants/ State Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawai'i <i>Passed through Texas General Land Office</i> Community Development Block Grants/	14.228	CDV21-0354	306,750	-	
State Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawai'i	14.228	22-130-030-D922	28,000		
Total for Assistance Listing 14.228			334,750		
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:			334,750		
U.S. Department of the Interior Passed through Texas Comptroller					
National Forest Acquired Lands	15.438	-	51,195	25,597	
Total for Assistance Listing 15.438			51,195	25,597	
Total U.S. Department of the Interior:			51,195	25,597	

See Independent Auditors' Report and Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTMEBER 30, 2024 (CONTINUED)

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/Other Grantor Program Title/Grant Title	Federal Assistance Listing	Grant Number/ Pass-through Grantor's Number	Total Federal Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Transportation				
Passed through Texas Department of Transportation				
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	22CVCROCK	32,000 5	-
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	21CRCROCK	13,000 5	
Total for Assistance Listing 20.106			45,000	-
Total U.S. Department of Transportation:			45,000	
U.S. Department of the Treasury				
Direct Funding				
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	SLT-1168	1,292,915	
Total for Assistance Listing 21.027			1,292,195	
Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund	21.032	LATCF-0916	377,200	
Total for Assistance Listing 21.032			377,200	
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury:			1,670,115	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Passed through Texas Department of Family				
and Protective Services	02 (50	111000005010000	5 ( 10	
Title IV-E Legal Services Contract	93.658	HHS00025810038	5,648	
Total for Assistance Listing 93.658			5,648	
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:			5,648	
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards:			<u>\$ 2,353,044</u>	<u>\$ 172,531</u>

See Independent Auditors' Report and Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

#### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

#### **NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Expenditures reported on the accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards ("Schedule") are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly, all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities are included. Where applicable, such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance")*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Expenditures of Coronavirus Recovery Funds are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are recognized following the U.S. Treasury's cost guidelines for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

#### **NOTE 2 – Indirect Cost Rate**

Houston County has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the *Uniform Guidance*.

#### NOTE 3 – Basis of Presentation

*General.* The Schedule includes the federal grant activity of Houston County, Texas under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2024. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the *Uniform Guidance*. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Houston County, Texas, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of Houston County, Texas.

*Relationship to Federal Financial Reports.* For some grants, amounts included in federal financial reports filed by the County with grantor agencies are reported on the cash basis. Accordingly, the related cash basis reports may not agree with amounts reported in the accompanying Schedule.

#### **NOTE 4 – Presentation of Expenditures**

Expenditures included in the Schedule are reported exclusive of non-federal matching funds.

#### **NOTE 5 – Reimbursement of Prior Year Expenditures**

Total amount shown on the Schedule consists of expenditures incurred in prior fiscal years and subsequently approved for reimbursement under the federal program listed.

#### **NOTE 6 – Other**

Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

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### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

### Section I – Summary of Auditors' Results

#### Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued:			Unr	nodified		
• Material weakness(es) identified?				yes	$\checkmark$	no
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weakn				yes	✓	
Non-compliance material to financial statements noted?				yes	✓	no
Federal Awards						
Internal control over major programs:						
• Material weakness(es) identified?				yes	✓	no
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weakn				yes	✓	none reported
Type of auditors' report issued on complia major programs:	ance for		Unr	nodified_		
Any audit findings disclosed that are require to be reported in accordance with § 516(a) the <i>Uniform Guidance</i> ?				yes	✓	no
Identification of major programs:						
Federal Assistance Listing Number(s)		Name of	Feder	ral Progran	n or Clus	ster
21.027	Coroi	navirus Sta	ate and	l Local Fisc	al Recov	very Funds
Dollar threshold used to distinguish betwe						
type A and type B federal programs:			\$	750,000		
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?				yes	$\checkmark$	no

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Section II – Financial Statements Audit Findings

None.

## HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Section III - Major Federal Award Programs Audit Findings and Questioned Costs

None.

### HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Financial Statements Audit Findings

None.

Major Federal Award Programs Audit Findings

None.