

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended June 30, 2021





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors Superstition Fire & Medical District, Apache Junction, Arizona

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the remaining fund information of Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona's basic financial statements. The supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and is derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 20, 2021 on our consideration of the Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona'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 Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Tempe, Arizona

December 20, 2021

Henry + Home LLP





Superstition Fire & Medical District

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Basic Financial Statements June 30, 2021

The Superstition Fire & Medical District Management's Discussion and Analysis report represents management's overview of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year (FY) that ended June 30, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the District's basic financial statements which begin immediately following this analysis. This Annual Financial Report consists of two parts, Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section) and the Basic Financial Statements.

Nature of Operations

The Superstition Fire & Medical District ("SFMD" or the "District") provides fire, rescue, prevention and emergency medical services to homes, property, and persons residing within the District's boundaries, as well as services to locations and persons outside the District through automatic aid agreements and contracts.

SFMD also provides primary Advanced Life Support ("ALS") and primary Basic Life Support ("BLS") ground transport services to patients within the District and as requested within its automatic aid territory. As a result, SFMD can retain the care of its patients all the way to the emergency room with the overall intent of improving patient outcomes and providing its District customers with the highest quality service possible.

Results of Operations

Fire Suppression. During the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2021, the District's Fire Suppression division handled 10,729 Emergency Response calls, an increase of 3.6% over the previous fiscal year:

- 8,581 Rescue and Emergency Medical Service incidents
- 823 Service calls
- 611 Good Intent calls
- 227 Fire calls
- 213 False Alarm / False calls
- 171 Hazardous Condition incidents (no fire)
- 38 Special incident type calls
- 27 Unknown
- 8 Severe Weather

It is estimated that the Fire Suppression division saved \$7.9 million in property and content representing a 72% save ratio.

Average response time per emergent incident was 4 minutes, 32 seconds.

Ground Transport. During the FY ending June 30, 2020, the District's Ground Transport division handled 5,400 transports representing an average of 14.8 transports per day. This represents a 1.7% increase over the previous fiscal year.

- 4,622 Advanced Life Support (ALS) transports
- 778 Basic Life Support (BLS) transports
- 39,787 Billable miles

SFMD's ground transport division continues to far exceed Code 3 ambulance response time compliance rates set by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

State Land / Wild Land Deployments. During FY 2020 / 2021, the District served on 17 major wildland fire deployments involving 12,749 man-hours that generated \$847,321 in reimbursement from the state of Arizona.

Deployments within Arizona:

Black Hills fire: 55 man-hours
 Molino fire: 18 man-hours
 Gas Line fire: 65 man-hours

Cassadore Springs fire: 538 man-hours

Bumble Bee fire: 22 man-hours
 Goldfield fire: 137 man-hours
 Sycamore fire: 76 man-hours
 Constellation fire: 1,012 man-hours

Ridge fire: 303 man-hoursSalt fire: 320 man-hours

Superstition fire: 955 man-hours
 Hidden fire: 540 man-hours
 Seventy Nine fire: 24 man-hours

Lofer fire: 355 man-hours
 Griffen fire: 536 man-hours
 Race Track fire: 46 man-hours
 Ironwood fire: 188 man-hours
 Habanero fire: 164 man-hours

Pipe fire: 15 man-hours

Sycamore Canyon fire: 347 man-hours

Mescal fire: 81 man-hours
Telegraph fire: 1,667 man-hours
Walnut fire: 691 man-hours

Out-of-State Deployments:

o 2020 Modoc Lightning fire (CA): 779 man-hours

CY20 OSC Prepo fire (CA): 317 man-hours

Stagecoach fire (CA): 190 man-hours

Trimmer fire (CA): 583 man-hours

August Complex fire (CA): 1,324 man-hours

Dolan fire (CA): 276 man-hoursCastle fire (CA): 232 man-hours

Cameron Peak fire (CO): 893 man-hours

Operational Training. SFMD's training hours by category during FY 2020 / 2021 were:

17,633 Fire Operations training 0 4,692 **EMS** training 0 4,114 Health & Fitness 0 Driver / Operator training 2,448 0 Administrative training 1,897 0 Technical Rescue (TRT) training 914 0 Prevention / Fire Education training 717 0 282 Hazardous Material Handling training 0

Community Training. Tina Gerola, SFMD's Community Risk Reduction Specialist, conducts community-based services. Due to COVID-19's impact, the amount of services provided were significantly less than in a "normal" fiscal year. During FY 2020 / 2021, the following services were provided:

- o Trained 90 community members on how to perform the Hands-Only Cardio Cerebral Resuscitation (CCR) life-saving technique.
- Conducted 285 Automated External Defibrillator (AED) inspections.
- Placed 21 free child safety seats.
- Attended 28 community events, fairs, festivals, and city meetings.
- o Made 2 Fire & Life Safety presentations at community centers.
- Performed 535 business inspections, facilitated 130 business self-inspections, and performed 240 specialty request inspections.
- o Performed 21 Fire Investigations to determine the origin of the fire.
- Reviewed 139 pre-construction building plans for fire code compliance.

Cardiac Arrest Survival Rate. The District's cardiac arrest survival rate (ventricular fibrillation) was 27.3% during FY 2020 / 2021, compared to the Arizona statewide survival rate of 10.5%.

Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant. In FY 2020 / 2021, SFMD continued its participation in a three-year SAFER grant with a total value of \$1,159,829. This grant covers 75% of the wages and benefits of seven (7) new hire firefighters in years 1 and 2, and 35% of the wages and benefits in year 3. The SAFER grant ends on February 27, 2022.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) fund financial statements, 2) government-wide financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves. The main purpose of these statements is to provide the reader with sufficient information to assess whether or not the District's overall financial position has improved or deteriorated.

Fund Financial Statements

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances in a manner similar to private-sector business.

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

Condensed Statement of Net Position

		2021	 2020
Current and other assets		\$ 5,077,875	\$ 5,306,688
Capital assets		11,827,888	12,766,515
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	Total assets	 16,905,763	 18,073,203
Deferred outflows of resources		9,236,887	7,339,618
Other liabilities		2,206,622	2,224,427
Long-term liabilities outstanding	1	33,794,478	30,463,390
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	Total liabilities	36,001,100	32,687,817
Deferred inflows of resources		1,822,478	2,356,447
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	3	6,664,681	6,759,938
Restricted		340,031	369,963
Unrestricted		 (18,685,640)	 (16,761,344)
	Total net position	\$ (11,680,928)	\$ (9,631,443)

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Continued)

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

Condensed Statement of Changes in Net Position

	2021		2020	
Program revenues				
Charges for services	\$	3,936,215	\$	3,802,844
Capital / Operating grants and contributions		537,619		489,144
General revenues				
Taxes		15,697,213		14,990,335
Centrally assessed taxes		414,870		384,561
Insurance premiums		129,648		121,878
County Aid		400,000		400,000
Investment and other income		30,483		85,861
Total revenues	\$	21,146,048	\$	20,274,623
Program expenses				
Administration	\$	2,343,085	\$	2,138,239
Technical Services		617,860		586,773
Communication Services		245,171		207,049
Emergency Services		16,007,185		15,570,830
Community Services		138,709		139,266
Interest on debt/debt issuance costs		129,624		169,578
Transport Services		3,713,899		3,567,293
Total expenses	\$	23,195,533	\$	22,379,028
Change in net position	\$	(2,049,485)	\$	(2,104,405)
Net position - beginning of year		(9,631,443)		(7,527,038)
Restatement		-		-
Net position - beginning of year restated		(9,631,443)		(7,527,038)
Net position - end of year	\$	(11,680,928)	\$	(9,631,443)

Factors Affecting Future Results

The District remains subject to general economic conditions affecting property tax values. Even though anecdotally retail house prices have been increasing at an accelerated rate in recent months, the net assessed valuation (NAV) of properties within the District remains dramatically below its highest level that was recorded in FY 2008 / 2009. In fact, the NAV for FY 2020 / 2021 is still approximately 28% below FY 2008 / 2009 levels.

Recent legislative changes have and will continue to provide challenges for the District even in periods of rising property values. Proposition 117, passed by the Arizona legislature in November 2012, limits the annual increase of real property used to calculate property taxes to 5.0% over the prior year's value, and mandates that property taxes be levied on the lower of the limited property value (LPV) or full cash value (FCV). However, the District's *average* increase in NAV since the implementation of Proposition 117 in FY 2014 / 2015 has been approximately 4.31%, below the maximum of 5.0%. So the impact of Proposition 117 on the District has been, and continues to be, significant.

Recent home values and home sales have shown signs of improvement. For example, the NAV for FY 2021 / 2022 increased 6.47% over the previous fiscal year. The fact that the NAV increased for the third year in a row by more than 5.0% (which is the maximum allowed by Proposition 117 on existing home) means that the District is experiencing new residential and commercial growth.

It is important to remember that the NAV lags approximately 36 months, so the NAV for the FY 2021 / 2022 will reflect assessed home values in the 2018 / 2019 period.

The District continues to aggressively manage costs in all areas to effectively manage the consequences of Proposition 117 to operate within a balanced budget as mandated by Arizona statute while providing the highest quality fire, emergency medical services, and ground transport services to the residents of the District and surrounding communities.

Contacting the District

This financial report is designed to provide information for anyone with an interest in an overview of the District's finances. Any questions regarding this report or requests for additional information may be directed to the Superstition Fire & Medical District at 565 North Idaho Road in Apache Junction, Arizona 85119-4014.





SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2021

	Primary Government		
	Governmental		
	Activities	Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,072,182	\$ 192,948	\$ 3,265,130
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectible accounts)	660,864	401,839	1,062,703
Prepaids	62,621	18,216	80,837
Inventory	-	127,149	127,149
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	281,737	-	281,737
Internal balances	557,442	(557,442)	-
Investment in joint venture	159,911	-	159,911
Net OPEB asset	88,975	11,433	100,408
Capital assets			
Capital assets, not being depreciated	1,241,806	-	1,241,806
Capital assets, being depreciated, net	9,465,041	1,121,041	10,586,082
Total assets	15,590,579	1,315,184	16,905,763
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB	8,460,258	776,629	9,236,887
Total deferred outflows of resources	8,460,258	776,629	9,236,887
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	7,357	10,584	17,941
Accrued payroll and employee benefits	432,628	61,321	493,949
Current portion of:	.02,020	0.,02.	.00,0.0
Lease payable	106,887	155,375	262,262
Compensated absences	770,885	75,585	846,470
Bonds payable	586,000	-	586,000
Long-term portion of:	555,555		
Lease payable	507,085	495,044	1,002,129
Compensated absences	2,141,863	78,504	2,220,367
Bonds payable	3,203,000	-	3,203,000
Net pension liability	24,206,702	3,146,486	27,353,188
Net OPEB liability	6,839	8,955	15,794
Total liabilities	31,969,246	4,031,854	36,001,100
DEFENDED INTLOWS OF DESCRIPTION			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	400.040		400.040
Deferred inflow of resources for deferred gain on refunding	109,816	- 04 404	109,816
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB	1,621,501	91,161	1,712,662
Total deferred inflows of resources	1,731,317	91,161	1,822,478
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	6,194,059	470,622	6,664,681
Restricted for:			
Debt service	283,931	-	283,931
Grants	56,100	-	56,100
Unrestricted	(16,183,816)	(2,501,824)	(18,685,640)
Total net position	\$ (9,649,726)	\$ (2,031,202)	\$ (11,680,928)

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2021

Net position-ending

Revenue and **Program Revenues** Changes in Net Position Operating Capital Grants and Grants and Governmental Charges for Business-type Functions/Programs Services Contributions Contributions Activities Activities Total Expenses Primary government Governmental activities 36,222 Administration \$ 2,343,085 \$ \$ 19,053 \$ (2,287,810)(2,287,810)Technical services 617,860 (617,860)(617,860)245,171 Communication services (245,171)(245,171)933.719 998 **Emergency services** 16.007.185 (15,072,468) (15,072,468)Community services 138,709 92 481,346 342,729 342,729 Interest on debt 129,624 (129,624)(129,624)Total governmental activities 19,481,634 933,811 517,568 20,051 (18,010,204)(18,010,204)Business-type activities: Transport services 3,713,899 3,002,404 (711,495)(711,495)Total primary government \$ 23,195,533 \$ 3,936,215 \$ 517,568 20,051 (18,010,204) (711,495)(18,721,699) General revenues Property taxes 15.697.213 15.697.213 Centrally assessed taxes 414.870 414.870 Insurance premiums 129.648 129.648 County aid 400,000 400,000 21,229 2,031 Investment earnings 23,260 Net gain on sale of capital assets 500 500.00 Other income 6,413 310 6,723 Transfers in (out) (2,873,730)2,873,730 Total general revenues and transfers 13,796,143 2,876,071 16,672,214 Change in net position (4,214,061)2,164,576 (2,049,485)

Net (Expense)

(9,649,726)

(2,031,202)

\$ (11,680,928)

See accompanying notes 13

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2021

ASSETS	General	Capital Projects Fund	Non-Major Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables	\$ 2,010,762	\$1,005,320	\$ 56,100	\$ 3,072,182
Property taxes Accounts receivable	382,469 234,852	23,195 -	20,348	426,012 234,852
Due from other funds Prepaids	2,134 62,621	555,308 -	-	557,442 62,621
Restricted cash and cash equivalents			281,737	281,737
Total assets	2,692,838	1,583,823	358,185	4,634,846
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable Accrued wages and benefits	7,357 432,628	-	-	7,357 432,628
Accided wages and benefits	+52,020			402,020
Total liabilities	439,985			439,985
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred revenue	339,287	19,439	18,154	376,880
Total deferred inflows of resources	339,287	19,439	18,154	376,880
FUND BALANCES Nonspendable Restricted for:	64,755	555,308	-	620,063
Debt retirement	-	-	283,931	283,931
Grants	-	- 1 000 076	56,100	56,100 1,000,076
Assigned - capital projects Unassigned	1,848,811	1,009,076	<u> </u>	1,009,076 1,848,811
Total fund balances	1,913,566	1,564,384	340,031	3,817,981
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 2,692,838	\$1,583,823	\$ 358,185	\$ 4,634,846

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2021

Fund balance - total governmental funds balance sheet	\$	3,817,981
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Investment in joint venture		159,911
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.		
Governmental capital assets \$ 27,824,145 Less accumulated depreciation (17,117,298)		10,706,847
Deferred revenue is shown on the governmental funds,		
but is not deferred on the statement of net position		376,880
Some liabilities, including net pension liabilities, capital leases, loans payable, and bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Lease payable (613,972)		
Net OPEB asset 88,975		
Net pension liability (24,206,702)		
Net OPEB liability (6,839)		
Compensated absences (2,912,748)		
Deferred gain on bond refunding (109,816)	,	===
Bonds payable (3,789,000)	(31,550,102)
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB are applicable to future reporting periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB 8,460,258 Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB (1,621,501)		6,838,757
Net position of governmental activities - statement of net position	\$	(9,649,726)

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2021

		Capital Projects	Non-Major	Total Governmental
REVENUES	General	Fund	Funds	Funds
Taxes	\$13,979,492	1,074,465	\$ 645,124	\$ 15,699,081
Centrally assessed taxes	369,405	28,416	17,049	414,870
Insurance premiums	129,648	-	-	129,648
County aid	400,000	-	-	400,000
Charges for services	933,811	-	-	933,811
Grants	524,097	<u>-</u>	28,242	552,339
Interest revenues	13,286	4,074	3,869	21,229
Other income	2,318		4,095	6,413
Total revenues	16,352,057	1,106,955	698,379	18,157,391
EXPENDITURES Current				
Administration	2,343,034	25	26	2,343,085
Technical services	605,753	-	-	605,753
Communication services	245,171	-	-	245,171
Emergency services	12,995,769	-	-	12,995,769
Community services	112,964	-	-	112,964
Capital outlay	-	499,221	33,936	533,157
Debt service				
Principal	-	103,276	571,000	674,276
Interest and fiscal charges		25,078	123,349	148,427
Total expenditures	16,302,691	627,600	728,311	17,658,602
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	49,366	479,355	(29,932)	498,789
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND (USES)				
Transfers out	(1,859,558)	(1,014,172)	-	(2,873,730)
Sales of assets	-	500	-	500
Total other financing sources and uses	(1,859,558)	(1,013,672)		(2,873,230)
Net change in fund balances	(1,810,192)	(534,317)	(29,932)	(2,374,441)
Fund balances - beginning of year	3,723,758	2,098,701	369,963	6,192,422
Fund balances - end of year	\$ 1,913,566	\$1,564,384	\$ 340,031	\$ 3,817,981

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2021

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ (2,374,441)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Equity interest reported at cost for the investment in the City of Mesa joint venture		(7,690)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Expenditures for capital assets Less current year depreciation	\$ 394,726 (1,315,115)	(920,389)
Pension and OPEB contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when made. However, they are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported net position liability is measured a year before the District's report date. Pension expense, which is the change in the net pension liability adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, is reported in the Statement of Activities. Pension and OPEB contributions Pension and OPEB expense	2,323,178 (3,853,627)	(1,530,449)
Revenues received in the current year that were accrued in the statement of activities in prior years Property taxes Grants	(1,868) (6,529)	(8,397)
Repayment of long-term debt is an expenditure in the govern- mental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.		
Amortization Leases payable Bonds payable	18,303 103,276 571,000	692,579
Compensated absences expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		(65,274)
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$ (4,214,061)
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SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION-PROPRIETARY FUND June 30, 2021

ASSETS Current assets:	Transport Services
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectible accounts) Prepaid expenses Inventory	\$ 192,948 401,839 18,216 127,149
Total current assets	740,152
Noncurrent assets: Net OPEB asset Capital assets: Conital assets being depreciated not	11,433
Capital assets, being depreciated, net	1,121,041
Total capital assets, net	1,121,041
Total noncurrent assets	1,132,474
Total assets	1,872,626
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB	776,629
Total deferred outflows of resources	776,629
LIABILITIES Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued wages and benefits Due to other funds Lease payable Compensated absences	10,584 61,321 557,442 155,375 75,585
Total current liabilities	860,307
Noncurrent liabilities: Lease payable Compensated absences Net pension liability Net OPEB liability	495,044 78,504 3,146,486 8,955
Total noncurrent liabilities	3,728,989
Total liabilities	4,589,296
Deferred inflows of resources Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB	91,161
Total deferred inflows of resources	91,161
NET POSITION Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	470,622 (2,501,824)
Total net position	\$ (2,031,202)

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION-PROPRIETARY FUND

Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Transport Services
Operating revenues: Charges for services Other	\$ 3,002,404 2,341
Total operating revenues	3,004,745
Operating expenses: Transport General and administrative Depreciation	2,345,778 1,254,651 113,470
Total operating expenses	 3,713,899
Operating income (loss) before contributions	(709,154)
Other financing sources (uses) Transfers in Total ther financing sources (uses)	2,873,730 2,873,730
Change in net position	2,164,576
Net position, beginning of year	(4,195,778)
Net position, end of year	\$ (2,031,202)

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS-PROPRIETARY FUND Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Transport Services	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	\$	3,592,504
Payments to vendors		(1,098,491)
Payments for employees		(2,349,640)
Payments to other funds		(2,801,363)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		(2,656,990)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Transfers to/from other funds		2,873,730
Net cash provided (used) by noncapital financing activities		2,873,730
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND		
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payments for capital lease		(150,791)
Purchase of capital assets		(95,232)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and		
related financing activities		(246,023)
Net change in cash		
and cash equivalents		(29,283)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		222,231
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	192,948

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS-PROPRIETARY FUND Year Ended June 30, 2021

		Transport Services
Reconciliation of operating income		
(loss) to net cash provided (used)		
by operating activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$	(709,154)
Adjustments to reconcile operating		
income (loss) to net cash provided		
(used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense		113,470
Provisions for bad debt		1,390,430
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable		(802,671)
Prepaid expenses		(5,491)
Inventory		(3,940)
Net OPEB asset		(3,763)
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB		(219,561)
Increase (decrease) in:		(0.070)
Accounts payable		(6,259)
Accrued wages		3,883
Compensated absences		(29,950)
Due to other funds		(2,801,363)
Net OPEB liability		1,493
Net pension liability		529,777
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB		(113,891)
Total adjustments		(1,947,836)
Net cash provided (used) by		
operating activities	\$	(2,656,990)

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies and procedures of the Superstition Fire & Medical District conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The Superstition Fire & Medical District (the District) was organized in 1955 pursuant to Title 48 of the Arizona Revised State Statutes (ARS) and is operated as a special purpose local government that is governed by an elected governing body.

Reporting Entity

In evaluating how to define the government, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The basic, but not only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The District does not currently have any potential component units.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net position and the statement of activities) present financial information about the District as a whole. The reported information includes all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these financial statements. Governmental activities normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, and are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segments 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 or applicants 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, state shared revenues, investment income and other items not included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

<u>Government-Wide Financial Statements</u> – The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Special assessments are recognized as revenues in the year for which the related capital projects are substantially complete. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor or provider have been met.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

User fees, licenses and permits, charges for services, and investment income associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Grants and similar awards are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor or provider have been met. Miscellaneous revenues are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash.

The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. The District has two nonmajor funds for June 30, 2021.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – This fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

<u>Capital Project Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for funds received and expended for the construction of buildings and improvements as well as for the acquisition of apparatus and major equipment for use by the District.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

The District reports the following major proprietary fund:

<u>Transport Services Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for funds received and expended for ambulance services as well as for the acquisition of major equipment.

D. Budgeting and Budgetary Control

The District Board formally adopts an annual budget for all operating funds which is submitted to the county treasurer and county board of supervisors. The budgets are adopted by the District on a basis consistent with ARS 48-807. This basis allows the District Board or Fire Chief to alter the budget within the total expenditure allocation as needed during the year. The District management generally cannot exceed the total expenditure budget.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash represents amounts in demand deposits and amounts held in trust by financial institutions. The funds held in trust are available to the District upon demand. Cash equivalents are defined as short-term (original maturities of three months or less), highly liquid investments that are 1) readily convertible to known amounts of cash and 2) so near maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates.

F. Investments

The District reports all investments at fair value in the statement of net position.

G. Restricted Cash

Certain proceeds of the District's long-term debt, as well as certain resources set aside for repayment of debt are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because they are maintained in separate deposit accounts and their use is limited by applicable debt covenants.

H. Inventory

Purchases of inventory items are recorded at the time of purchase (purchases method) as expenditures in the funds from which the purchases were made.

I. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of the interfund loans).

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

I. Receivables and Payables (Continued)

Property taxes are levied by the District and collected by the Pinal County and Maricopa County Treasurers. Property taxes are levied no later than the third Monday in August and are payable in two installments due October 1 of the current year and March 1 of the subsequent year. Taxes become delinquent after the first business day of November and May, respectively. Interest attaches on installments after the delinquent date. Pursuant to A.R.S., a lien against assessed real and personal property attaches on the first day of January preceding assessment and levy; however according to case law, an enforceable legal claim to the asset does not arise. The District also levies various personal property taxes during the year which are due at the same time as real property taxes.

The business-type receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. The amount of the estimated uncollectible business-type receivables at June 30, 2021 was \$1,039,728, which represents 72.1% of the current business-type receivables balance.

J. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings and related improvements, equipment, vehicles, furniture and construction in progress, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life equal to or exceeding two years. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets for governmental activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are completed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

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.

Estimated useful lives for capital assets were determined based upon lives commonly used by other Arizona governmental agencies and various industry standards. Capital assets of the District are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	27.5 - 40
Equipment	7
Fire Trucks	10
Automobiles	5
Office Equipment	5

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

K. Fund Balances – Governmental Funds

Fund Balances

Fund balances of the governmental funds are reported separately within classifications based on a hierarchy of the constraints placed on those resources. The classifications are based on the relative strength of the constraints that control how the specific amounts can be spent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

<u>Nonspendable</u> – Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in Nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

<u>Restricted</u> – Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

<u>Committed</u> – Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the District Board. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through resolutions approved by the District Board.

<u>Assigned</u> – Amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. Under the District's adopted policy, only the Board or any official or body to which the District Board delegates authority may assign amounts for specific purposes.

Unassigned – All other spendable amounts.

The District would typically use Restricted fund balances first, followed by Committed resources, and then Assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend Unassigned resources first to defer the use of these other classified funds.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

L. Compensated Absences

The District's employee vacation and sick leave policies provide for granting vacation and sick leave with pay. Sick leave and vacation benefits accrue at the employee's current rate of pay. The current and long-term liabilities for accumulated vacation and sick leave are reported on the government-wide financial statements. Hours earned in excess of the annual allowable accumulations are paid out on the final paycheck of the fiscal year when approved by the Board. Any sick leave accrued amounts are paid at the maximum rate of sixty percent upon retirement and no payment upon resignation or termination. Accrued vacation is paid at one hundred percent, regardless of the nature of departure. A liability for these amounts is reported in government funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignation or retirement. Resources from the General Fund and the Transport Fund are generally used to liquidate the governmental funds, and business type liabilities, respectively, for compensated absences.

M. Interfund Activity

Flows of cash from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated in the Statement of Activities. Interfund transfers in the fund statements are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds.

N. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

O. Deferred Outflows/Inflows 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, *deferred outflows of resources*, 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 then.

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, *deferred inflows of resources*, 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.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

P. Pensions and OPEB

For purposes of measuring the net pension and other postemployment benefits (OPEB) assets and liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB, and pension and OPEB expense, information about the pension plans' fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Q. Proprietary Funds Operating and Non-operating Revenues and Expenses

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of proprietary funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds and internal service funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

NOTE 2 DEPOSITS

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, an entity will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the District's deposits totaled \$3,546,867 and the amount on deposit with the Pinal County Treasurer's Office was \$3,764,137. At June 30, 2021, none of the District's bank balance was exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department.

NOTE 3 CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets for governmental activities is as follows:

	ı	Beginning				ecreases /		Ending
Governmental Activities:		Balance		ncreases	T	ransfers		Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	_		_				_	
Land	\$	1,241,806	\$_		\$		\$	1,241,806
Capital assets, being depreciated: Buildings, infrastructure								
and improvements		12,926,916		5,435		-		12,932,351
Vehicles and apparatus		10,222,571		270,951		(496,512)		9,997,010
Furniture and equipment		3,534,639		118,340		-		3,652,979
Total capital assets being depreciated		26,684,126		394,726		(496,512)		26,582,340
Less accumulated depreciation for: Buildings, infrastructure								
and improvements		(7,815,342)		(543,101)		-		(8,358,443)
Vehicles and apparatus		(5,959,387)		(519,644)		496,512		(5,982,519)
Furniture and equipment		(2,523,967)		(252,370)				(2,776,337)
Total accumulated depreciation	(16,298,696)		(1,315,115)		496,512	(17,117,299)
Total capital assets,				_				
being depreciated, net		10,385,430		(920,389)		-		9,465,041
Governmental activities								
capital assets, net		11,627,236	\$	(920,389)	\$	-	\$	10,706,847
Puningga tung Activities								
Business-type Activities: Capital assets, being depreciated:								
Vehicles and apparatus	\$	1,592,245	\$	43,695	\$	_	\$	1,635,940
Furniture and equipment	Ψ	68,776	Ψ	51,537	Ψ	_	Ψ	120,313
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Total capital assets being depreciated Less accumulated depreciation for:	_	1,661,021		95,232	_			1,756,253
Vehicles and apparatus		(469,254)		(105,730)		_		(574,984)
Furniture and equipment		(52,488)		(7,740)				(60,228)
• •		<u> </u>						
Total accumulated depreciation		(521,742)		(113,470)				(635,212)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		1 120 270		(10 220)				1 121 041
Business-Type activities		1,139,279		(18,238)				1,121,041
capital assets, net	\$	1,139,279	\$	(18,238)	\$		\$	1,121,041

NOTE 3 CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to the various departments in the governmental activities as follows:

Governmental activities:	
Administrative	\$ 74,575
Technical Services	12,107
Emergency Services	1,228,433
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 1,315,115
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The depreciation expense for business-type activities was \$113,470.

NOTE 4 LONG TERM DEBT

General Obligation Bonds

In July 2018, the district issued general obligation refunding bonds, Series 2018 with an interest rate of 2.83% to refund the higher rate 2006 Greater Arizona Development Authority (GADA) notes. Interest at the rate of 2.83% is payable semiannually on January 1 and July 1. The bonds are being repaid by means of a secondary tax levied on all taxable property within the Superstition Fire & Medical District sufficient to pay principal, interest and administration costs. The funds are held in a separate County Treasurer account to be used for principal and interest payments. The original GADA notes were used to provide funds for construction and furnishings of new fire stations and training facilities, to expand and renovate existing fire stations and facilities, acquire interest in land for construction and expansion of facilities, to acquire firefighting, rescue and other life preserving equipment, and to pay all legal, engineering, architectural, accounting, financial consulting and other necessary costs in connection with these activities. The GADA notes are considered defeased, and related liabilities are not included in the District's financial statements.

The annual debt service requirements for this debt are as follows:

Fiscal year ending June 30,	Principal		nterest
2022	\$ 586,000		107,229
2023	604,000		90,645
2024	622,000		73,552
2025	639,000		55,949
2026	659,000		37,865
2027	679,000		19,216
Total	\$ 3,789,000	\$	384,455

NOTE 4 LONG TERM DEBT (Continued)

Capital Lease – The District entered into a lease agreement for capital purchases of vehicles in the governmental and business type activities. Such agreements are, in substance, purchases (capital leases) and are reported as capital lease obligations. The leases related to the governmental activity is payable in annual installments of \$128,354, including interest at 3.50%. The leases related to the business-type activity is payable in annual installments of \$175,148, including interest at 3.04%. The following schedule presents future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2021:

Year Ending, June 30	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		
2022		128,354	\$	175,148	
2023	,	128,354	•	175,148	
2024		128,354		175,148	
2025		128,354		175,148	
2026		128,354		-	
2027		42,255		-	
Total requirements		684,023		700,591	
Less interest		70,051		50,172	
Present value of remaining payments	\$	613,972	\$	650,419	

Vehicles and related accumulated depreciation under capital leases are as follows:

	Governmental Activities		siness-type Activities
Asset Vehicles	\$ 1,148,359	\$	1,595,061
Less accumulated depreciation	 (343,363)		(563,439)
Net	\$ 804,996	\$	1,031,622

NOTE 4 LONG TERM DEBT (Continued)

Changes in long-term debt as of June 30, 2021 are as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
Refunding series 2018 GO bonds	\$ 4,360,000	\$ -	\$ (571,000)	\$ 3,789,000	\$ 586,000
Deferred gain on refunding	128,119	-	(18,303)	109,816	-
Capital leases	717,248	-	(103,276)	613,972	106,887
Compensated absences	2,847,474	455,966	(390,693)	2,912,747	770,885
Net pension liability	20,630,430	3,576,272	-	24,206,702	-
Net OPEB liability	5,801	1,038	-	6,839	-
Governmental activities					
long-term liabilities	\$ 28,689,072	\$4,033,276	\$(1,083,272)	\$31,639,076	\$ 1,463,772
	Beginning			Ending	Due Within
	Balance	Additions	Reductions	Balance	One Year
Business-type activities:					
Capital lease	\$ 801,210	\$ -	\$ (150,791)	\$ 650,419	\$ 155,375
Compensated absences	184,039	34,608	(64,558)	154,089	75,585
Net pension liability	2,616,709	529,777	-	3,146,486	-
Net OPEB liability	7,462	1,493		8,955	
Business-like activities					
long-term liabilities	\$ 3,609,420	\$ 565,878	\$ (215,349)	\$ 3,959,949	\$ 230,960

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The District contributes to the plans described below. The plans are component units of the State of Arizona.

At June 30, 2021, the District reported the following aggregate amounts related to pensions for all plans to which it contributes:

Statement of Net Position and	G	overnmental	Business-type								
Statement of Activities	Activities		Activities		Activities		Activities		Activities		 Total
Net Pension Liability	\$	24,206,702	\$	3,146,486	\$ 27,353,188						
Net OPEB asset		88,975		11,433	100,408						
Net OPEB liability		6,839		8,955	15,794						
Deferred outflow of resources		8,460,258		776,629	9,236,887						
Deferred inflow of resources		1,621,501		91,161	1,712,662						
Pension and OPEB expense		3,761,756		551,619	4,313,375						

The District reported \$2,323,178 of pension and OPEB contributions as expenditures in the governmental funds related to all pension plans to which it contributes.

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

A. Arizona State Retirement System

ASRS

Plan Description – District employees not covered by the other pension plan described below participate in the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS). The ASRS administers a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit health insurance premium benefit (OPEB) plan, and a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit long-term disability (OPEB) plan. The Arizona State Retirement System Board governs the ASRS according to the provisions of A.R.S. Title 38, Chapter 5, Articles 2 and 2.1. The ASRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes its financial statements and required supplementary information. The report is available on its Web site at www.azasrs.gov.

Benefits Provided - The ASRS provides retirement, health insurance premium supplement, long-term disability, and survivor benefits. State statute establishes benefits terms. Retirement benefits are calculated on the basis of age, average monthly compensation, and service credit as follows:

Retirement

ASKS	Kettleritett			
	Initial membership date:			
	Before July 1, 2011	On or after July 1, 2011		
Years of service	Sum of years and age equals 80	30 years age 55		
and age required to	10 years age 62	25 years age 60		
receive benefit	5 years age 50*	10 years age 62		
	and years age 65	5 years age 50*		
		any years age 65		
Final average	Highest 36 consecutive months of	Highest 60 consecutive months		
salary is based on	last 120 months	of last 120 months		
Benefit percent per year of service	2.1% to 2.3%	2.1% to 2.3%		

^{*}With actuarially reduced benefits.

Retirement benefits for members who joined the ASRS prior to September 13, 2013, are subject to automatic cost-of-living adjustments based on excess investment earnings. Members with a membership date on or after September 13, 2013, are not eligible for cost-of-living adjustments. Survivor benefits are payable upon a member's death. For retired members, the survivor benefit is determined by the retirement benefit option chosen. For all other members, the beneficiary is entitled to the member's account balance that includes the member's contributions and employer's contributions, plus interest earned.

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Benefits Provided (Continued) – Health insurance premium benefits are available to retired or disabled members with 5 years of credited service. The benefits are payable only with respect to allowable health insurance premiums for which the member is responsible. For members with 10 or more years of service, benefits range from \$100 per month to \$260 per month depending on the age of the member and dependents. For members with 5 to 9 years of service, the benefits are the same dollar amounts as above multiplied by a vesting fraction based on completed years of service.

Active members are eligible for a monthly long-term disability benefit equal to two-thirds of monthly earnings. Members receiving benefits continue to earn service credit up to their normal retirement dates. Members with long-term disability commencement dates after June 30, 1999, are limited to 30 years of service or the service on record as of the effective disability date if their service is greater than 30 years.

Contributions - In accordance with state statutes, annual actuarial valuations determine active member and employer contribution requirements. The combined active member and employer contribution rates are expected to finance the costs of benefits employees earn during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. For the year ended June 30, 2021, active ASRS members were required by statute to contribute at the actuarially determined rate of 12.22 percent (12.04 percent for retirement and 0.18 percent for long-term disability) of the members' annual covered payroll, and the District was required by statute to contribute at the actuarially determined rate of 12.22 percent (11.65 percent for retirement, 0.39 percent for health insurance premium benefit, and 0.18 percent for long-term disability) of the active members' annual covered payroll. The District's contributions to the pension, health insurance premium benefit, and long-term disability plans for the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$270,082, \$9,041, and \$4,172, respectively.

During fiscal year 2021, the District paid 39 percent of ASRS contributions from the General Fund and 61 percent from the Transport Services Fund.

Liability - At June 30, 2021, the District reported the following asset and liabilities for its proportionate share of the ASRS' net pension/OPEB asset or liability.

ASRS

	Net pe	Net pension/OPEB		
	(Ass	set) Liability		
Pension	\$	3,557,135		
Health insurance premium benefit		(14,896)		
Long-term disability		15,794		

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Liability (Continued) - The net asset and liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2020. The total asset and liabilities used to calculate the net asset and liabilities was determined using update procedures to roll forward the total asset and liabilities from an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, to the measurement date of June 30, 2020. The District's proportion of the net liability was based on the District's actual contributions to the plan relative to the total of all participating employers' contributions for the year ended June 30, 2020. The District's proportion measured as of June 30, 2020, and the change from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019, were:

ASRS

	Proportion	Increase (decrease) from
	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019
Pension	0.02053%	0.00049%
Health insurance premium benefit	0.02104%	0.00049%
Long-term disability	0.02082%	0.00046%

Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension and OPEB expense for ASRS of \$514,704 and \$9,864, respectively. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

ASRS			Health Ir	nsurance		
	Pen	sion	Premiun	n Benefit	Long-term	Disability
	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of	Outflows of	Inflows of	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources	Resources	Resources	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and		•				
actual experience	\$ 32,180	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,352	\$ 1,374	\$ 407
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	-	-	8,258	-	1,702	-
Net difference between projected and actual						
earnings on pension plan investments	343,090	-	15,242	-	1,739	-
Changes in proportion and differences						
between District contributions and						
proportionate share of contributions	102,360	-	32	78	978	-
District contributions subsequent to the						
measurement date	270,082		9,041		4,173	
Total	\$ 747,712	\$ -	\$ 32,573	\$ 29,430	\$ 9,966	\$ 407

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (Continued) - The \$270,083 and \$13,214 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to ASRS pension and OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date, respectively, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension/OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to ASRS pensions and OPEB will be recognized in expenses as follows:

			Health	n Insurance	Long-term
 Year ending June 30	!	Pension	Prem	ium Benefit	 Disability
2022	\$	119,846	\$	(3,172)	\$ 886
2023		127,569		55	1,169
2024		124,099		748	1,221
2025		106,116		(829)	1,113
2026		-		(2,700)	663
Thereafter		-		-	334

Actuarial Assumptions - The significant actuarial assumptions used to measure the total pension liability are as follows:

ASRS	
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2019
Actuarial roll forward date	June 20, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Investment rate of return	7.5%
Projected salary increases	2.7 - 7.2% for pensions/not applicable for OPEB
Inflation	2.3%
Permanent benefit increase	Included for pensions/not applicable for OPEB
Mortality rates	2017 SRA Scale U-MP for pensions and health
	insurance premium benefit
Recovery rates	2012 GLDT for long-term disability
Healthcare cost trend rate	Not Applicable

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5-year period ended June 30, 2017.

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions (Continued) - The long-term expected rate of return on ASRS plan investments was determined to be 7.5 percent using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

ASRS		Long-Term
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Equity	50%	6.39%
Fixed income - credit	20%	5.44%
Fixed income - interest rate sensitive	10%	0.22%
Real estate	20%	5.85%
Total	100%	

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the ASRS total pension/OPEB liability was 7.5 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from participating employers will be made based on the actuarially determined rates based on the ASRS Board's funding policy, which establishes the contractually required rate under Arizona statute. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of District's Proportionate Share of the ASRS Net Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.5 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.5 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (8.5 percent) than the current rate:

ASRS		Current	
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% increase
	(6.5%)	(7.5%)	(8.5%)
District's proportionate share of the			
Net pension liability	\$ 4,864,333	\$ 3,557,135	\$ 2,464,384
Net insurance premium benefit liability (asset)	19,545	(14,896)	(44,207)
Net long-term disability liability	17,245	15,794	14,386

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ASRS financial report.

B. Public Safety Personnel Retirement System

Plan Description – Fire service employees who are regularly assigned hazardous duty participate in the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) or employees who became members on or after July 1, 2017, may participate in the Public Safety Personnel Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (PSPDCRP). The PSPRS administers agent and cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan and an agent and cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit health insurance premium benefit (OPEB) plan (agent plans). A nine-member board known as the Board of Trustees and the participating local boards govern the PSPRS according to the provisions of A.R.S. Title 38, Chapter 5, Article 4. Employees who were PSPRS members before July 1, 2017, participate in the agent plans, and those who became PSPRS members on or after July 1, 2017, participate in the cost-sharing plans (PSPRS Tier 3 Risk Pool) which are not further disclosed because of their relative insignificance to the District's financial statements.

The PSPRS issues a publicly available financial report that include their financial statements and required supplementary information. The reports are available on the PSPRS web site at www.psprs.com.

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Benefits Provided - The PSPRS provide retirement, health insurance premium supplement, disability, and survivor benefits. State statute establishes benefits terms. Retirement, disability, and survivor benefits are calculated on the basis of age, average monthly compensation, and service credit as follows:

PSPRS		Initial membership date:
	Before January 1, 2012	January 1, 2012 and
Retirement and		
Disability		
Years of service	20 years of service, any age	25 years of service or 15
and age required to	15 years of service, age 62	years of credited service,
receive benefit		age 52.5
Final average	Highest 36 consecutive	Highest 60 consecutive
salary is based on	months of last 20 years	months of last 20 years
Benefit percent		
Normal	50% less 2.0% for each year	1.5% to 2.5% per year of credited
Retirement	of credited service less than 20	service, not to exceed 80%
	years OR plus 2.0% to 2.5% for	
	each year of credited service	
	over 20 years, not to exceed 80%	
Accidental Disability		50% or normal retirement,
Retirement		whichever is greater
Catastrophic Disability Retirement		90% for the first 60 months then reduced to either 62.5% or normal retirement, whichever is greater
Ordinary Disability		Normal retirement calculated with actual years of
Retirement		credited service or 20 years of credited service,
		whichever is greater, mulitiplied by years of
		credited service (not to exceed 20 years) divided by 20
Survivor Benefits		
Retired Members		80% to 100% of retired member's pension benefit
Active Members		80% to 100% of accidental disability retirement benefit or 100% of average monthly compensation if death was the result of injuries received on the job.

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Retirement and survivor benefits are subject to automatic cost-of-living adjustments based on inflation. PSPRS also provides temporary disability benefits of 50 percent of the member's compensation for up to 12 months.

Health insurance premium benefits are available to retired or disabled members with 5 years of credited service. The benefits are payable only with respect to allowable health insurance premiums for which the member is responsible. Benefits range from \$100 per month to \$260 per month depending on the age of the member and dependents.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms - At June 30, 2021, the following employees were covered by the agent plans' benefit terms:

	PSPRS Pension Fire	PSPRS OPEB Fire
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	18	18
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	18	15
Active employees	72	72
Total	108	105

Contributions and Annual OPEB Cost - State statutes establish the pension contribution requirements for active PSPRS employees. In accordance with state statutes, annual actuarial valuations determine employer contribution requirements for PSPRS pension and health insurance premium benefits. The combined active member and employer contribution rates are expected to finance the costs of benefits employees earn during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Employer contribution rates for the year ended June 30, 2021, are indicated below. Rates are a percentage of active members' annual covered payroll.

	PSPRS
	Fire
Active members - Pension	7.65% - 11.65%
District	
Pension	31.56%
Health insurance premium benefit	0.28%

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

In addition, statute required the District to contribute at the actuarially determined rate indicated below of annual covered payroll of retired members who worked for the District in positions that an employee who contributes to the PSPRS would typically fill.

	PSPRS
	Fire
Pension	31.56%
Health insurance premium benefit	0.28%

The District's contributions to the plans for the year ended June 30, 2021, were:

	PSPRS
Pension	Fire
Contributions made to PSPRS	\$ 2,222,510
Health Insurance Premium Benefit	
Annual OPEB cost contributions made to PSPRS	\$ 20,775

During fiscal year 2021, the District paid 99 percent of the PSPRS pension and OPEB contributions from the General Fund and 1 percent from the Transport Services Fund.

Liability - At June 30, 2021, the District reported a PSPRS net pension liability and OPEB asset of \$23,796,052 and \$85,512, respectively.

The net assets and liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total liability used to calculate the net asset or liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - The significant actuarial assumptions used to measure the total pension liability are as follows:

PSPRS

Actuarial valuation date June 30, 2020 Actuarial cost method Entry age normal

Investment rate of return 7.30%

Wage inflation
3.5% for pensions/not applicable for OPEB
Price inflation
2.5% for pensions/not applicable for OPEB
Cost-of-living adjustment
1.75% for pensions/not applicable for OPEB

Mortality rates PubS-2010 tables Healthcare cost trend rate Not applicable

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5-year period ended June 30, 2017.

The long-term expected rate of return on PSPRS plan investments was determined to be 7.3 percent using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of plan investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

PSPRS		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Geometric
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
U.S. public equity	23%	4.93%
International public equity	15%	6.09%
Global private equity	18%	8.42%
Other assets (capital appreciation)	7%	5.61%
Core bonds	2%	0.22%
Private credit	22%	5.31%
Diversifying strategies	12%	3.22%
Cash - Mellon	1%	-0.60%
Total	100.00%	

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Discount Rates – At June 30, 2020, the discount rate used to measure the PSPRS total pension/OPEB liability was 7.3 percent, which was the same as the discount rate used as of June 30, 2019. The projection of cash flows used to determine the PSPRS discount rates assumed that plan members contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between the actuarially determined contribution rate and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the plans' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension/OPEB liability.

Changes in the Net Pension/OPEB Liability (Asset)

PSPRS - Firefighter		Pension Increase (Decrease	2)	Health	um Benefit ase)	
	•	Plan			Plan	
	Total	Fiduciary	Net	Total	Fiduciary	Net
	Pension	Net	Pension	OPEB	Net	OPEB
	Liability	Position	Liability	Liability	Position	Liability (Asset)
	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)
Balances at June 30, 2020	\$ 56,782,888	\$ 36,453,258	\$ 20,329,630	\$ 886,940	\$ 1,010,531	\$ (123,591)
Changes for the year:						
Service Cost	1,498,040	-	1,498,040	28,887	-	28,887
Interest on the total pension liability	4,215,286	-	4,215,286	67,187	-	67,187
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected						
and actual experience in the						
measurement of the pension liability	755,557	-	755,557	(28,224)	-	(28,224)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contributions - employer	-	2,240,009	(2,240,009)	-	18,054	(18,054)
Contributions - employee	-	606,891	(606,891)	-	-	-
Net investment income	-	468,869	(468,869)	-	12,754	(12,754)
Benefit payments, including refunds			-			-
of employee contributions	(1,074,576)	(1,074,576)	-	(15,793)	(15,793)	-
Administrative expense	-	(38,235)	38,235	-	(1,037)	1,037
Other changes		(275,073)	275,073			
Net changes	5,394,307	1,927,885	3,466,422	52,057	13,978	38,079
Balances at June 30, 2021	\$ 62,177,195	\$ 38,381,143	\$ 23,796,052	\$ 938,997	\$ 1,024,509	\$ (85,512)

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Sensitivity of the District's Net Pension/OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the District's net pension/OPEB liabilities (assets) calculated using the discount rate of 7.3 percent, as well as what the District's net pension/OPEB liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.3 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (8.3 percent) than the current rate:

PSPRS - Firefighter	Current										
	1	% Decrease	D	iscount Rate	1% increase (8.30%)						
		(6.30%)		(7.30%)							
Net pension liability	\$	32,958,931	\$	23,796,052	\$	16,363,168					
Net OPEB (asset) liability		29,473		(85,512)		(182,178)					

Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the pension/OPEB plans' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PSPRS financial reports.

Expense - For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized \$3,856,359 and \$1,929 of PSPRS pension and OPEB expense (revenue), respectively.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB from the following sources:

PSPRS - Firefighter	Pen	sion	Health Insuran Ber	ice Premium nefit
	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
Difference hat were supported and actual support	Resources	Resources	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes of assumptions or other inputs	\$ 1,334,532 2,774,578	\$ 1,475,292 -	\$ 754 7,350	\$ 189,819 17,713
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	2,031,298	-	54,837	-
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,222,510		20,775	
Total	\$ 8,362,918	\$ 1,475,292	\$ 83,716	\$ 207,532

NOTE 5 PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

The amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB will be recognized as expense as follows:

PSPRS - Firefighter

Year ending June 30,		Pension		OPEB
2022	\$	1,041,728	\$	(21,366)
2023		1,230,929		(14,563)
2024		1,112,598		(15,316)
2025		871,544		(19,078)
2026		219,431		(28,718)
Thereafter		188,886		(45,550)

PSPDCRP plan - District's firefighters who are not members of PSPRS participate in the PSPDCRP. The PSPDCRP is a defined contribution pension plan. The PSPRS Board of Trustees governs the PSPDCRP according to the provision of A.R.S. Title 38, Chapter 5, Article 4.1. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, are established by State statute.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, active PSPDCRP members were required by statute to contribute at least 9 percent of the members' annual covered payroll, and the District was required by statute to contribute 9 percent of active members' annual covered payroll to an individual employee account. Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and the earnings on those contributions. Employees vest in a portion of the District's contributions each year as set forth in statute. The plan retains nonvested District contributions when forfeited because of employment terminations. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of \$107,933.

NOTE 6 JOINT VENTURE

The District participates in a joint venture with five other governments for the operations and maintenance of a communications center. The City of Mesa operates the center which is funded by the participating members of the venture. Ownership of the center is distributed to the participants relative to their individual contributions. The District's equity interest in the venture for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 was \$159,911. The District retains equity ownership interest in the capital purchases. Upon resolution of the venture's governing board, members may be subject to a special assessment if the Board determines the special assessment is needed for disaster recovery or other reasons as stated in the governance agreement. Additional information on this joint venture may be obtained from the website at www.topazrwc.org.

NOTE 7 CREDIT LINE

The District has an approved line of credit for \$2 million with Wells Fargo Bank to ensure the District has sufficient short-term cash flow to cover operating expenses between the two peak times of the fiscal year when the District receives the bulk of its revenues (November 1 and May 1). The line of credit must be renewed annually. There were draws and payments of \$299,983 during the year and no balance was outstanding at fiscal year-end.

NOTE 8 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

As of June 30, 2021, interfund receivables and payables that resulted from various interfund transactions were as follows:

		Receivable							
<u>Fund</u>	_		Amount	Amount					
General		\$	2,134	\$	-				
Capital Project			555,308		-				
Transport Services	_		-		557,442				
Total	_	\$	557,442	\$	557,442				

The outstanding balance in the Transport Services fund is for operating costs covered by the other funds from the first three years of operations, primarily for capital lease payments. This is a long term payable and will be paid back gradually.

Fund	Trans	fers Out	Transfers In			
General Fund	\$	1,859,558	\$	-		
Capital Project		1,014,172		-		
Transport Services		-		(2,873,730)		
Total	\$	1,014,172	\$	(2,873,730)		

Transfers from the General fund and Capital Projects fund to the Transport Services fund were to write-off long term payables between funds.

NOTE 9 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 7/8/2021, the Superstition Fire & Medical District issued taxable certificates of participation (COP) to provide funds to the Arizona Public Safety Pension Retirement System (PSPRS) to fully fund the pension liability with PSPRS on July 29, 2021. These taxable COPs have been issued for governmental activities. Taxable COPs are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the Superstition Fire & Medical District. The certificates of participation are secured by SFMD's fire stations S261, S263, S264, and S265. These COPs mature in 24 years and accrue interest at an annual rate of 2.89%.





SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY COST-SHARING PENSION PLAN

Year Ended June 30, 2021

Arizona Retirement System - Pension					•	ting Fiscal Yea surement Date				
	 2021 (2020)	2020 (2019)	2019 (2018)	2018 (2017)		2017 (2016)	2016 (2015)		2015 (2014)	2014 through 2011
District's proportion of the net pension liability District's proportionate share of the net pension liability District's covered payroll District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	\$ 0.020535% 3,557,135 2,263,467 157.15% 69.33%	\$ 0.020047% 2,917,508 2,114,281 137.99% 73.24%	\$ 0.018847% 2,628,912 1,873,367 140.33% 73.40%	\$ 0.017672% 2,752,642 1,883,073 146.18% 69.92%	\$ \$	0.014244% 2,298,479 1,320,736 174.03% 67.06%	\$ 0.008618% 1,342,452 708,897 189.37% 68.35%	\$	0.007864% 1,163,628 708,897 164.15% 69.49%	Information not available
Arizona Retirement System - Health insurance premium beneft							Reporting F			
				2021 (2020)		2020 (2019)	2019 (2018)		2018 (2017)	2017 through 2011
District's proportion of the net OPEB (asset) District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) District's covered payroll District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll				\$ 0.021040% (14,896) 2,263,467	\$ \$	0.020544% (5,676) 2,114,281 -0.27%	\$ 0.019206% (6,917) 1,873,367	\$	0.017931% (9,761) 1,873,367	Information not available
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB (asset)				104.33%		101.62%	102.20%		103.57%	
Arizona Retirement System - Long-term disability							Reporting F			
				2021 (2020)		2020 (2019)	2019 (2018)		2018 (2017)	2017 through 2011
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability District's covered payroll District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll				\$ 0.020820% 15,794 2,263,467 0.70%	\$	0.020358% 13,263 2,114,281 0.63%	\$ 0.018888% 9,870 1,873,367 0.53%	\$ \$	0.015757% 6,430 1,873,367 0.34%	Information not available
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability				68.01%		72.85%	77.83%		84.44%	

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS AGENT PENSION PLAN Year Ended June 30, 2021

PSPRS - Pension					Reporting Fi					
	2021 (2020)		2020 (2019)	2019 (2018)	2018 (2017)	<u>one i</u>	2017 (2016)	2016 (2015)	2015 (2014)	2014 through 2012
Total pension liability	 (====)		(=0.10)	 (====)	 (====)		(=0.0)	 (====)	(==++-)	
Service cost	\$ 1,498,040	\$	1,516,252	\$ 1,442,576	\$ 1,504,412	\$	1,309,752	\$ 1,093,722	\$ 1,174,458	Information
Interest on the total pension liability	4,215,286		3,945,344	3,552,503	3,210,772		2,749,545	2,431,989	2,152,709	not available
Changes on benefit terms	-		-	-	354,150		3,751,261	-	181,548	
Differences between expected and actual experience										
in the measurement of the pension liability	755,557		(1,178,357)	561,965	(90,813)		(750,533)	1,088,291	(1,010,683)	
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	-		1,178,345	-	1,524,131		1,655,851	-	1,793,216	
Benefit payments, including refunds										
of employee contributions	 (1,074,576)	_	(955,817)	 (1,130,876)	 (1,419,571)		(638,368)	 (715,052)	 (671,310)	
Net change in total pension liability	5,394,307		4,505,767	4,426,168	5,083,081		8,077,508	3,898,950	3,619,938	
Total pension liability - beginning	 56,782,888	_	52,277,121	 47,850,953	42,767,872		34,690,364	 30,791,414	27,171,476	
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 62,177,195	\$	56,782,888	\$ 52,277,121	\$ 47,850,953	\$	42,767,872	\$ 34,690,364	\$ 30,791,414	
Plan fiduciary net position										
Contributions - employer	\$ 2,240,009	\$	1,790,579	\$ 1,886,507	\$ 1,447,386	\$	1,583,372	\$ 1,015,424	\$ 993,529	
Contributions - employee	606,891		593,083	650,638	778,888		838,526	790,270	607,581	
Net investment income	468,869		1,826,862	2,134,046	3,185,780		148,850	857,371	2,659,653	
Benefit payments, including refunds										
of employee contributions	(1,074,576)		(955,817)	(1,130,876)	(1,419,571)		(638, 368)	(715,052)	(671,310)	
Hall/Parker Settlement	-		-	(1,014,363)	-		-	-	-	
Administrative expense	(38,235)		(32,748)	(33,180)	(28,589)		(21,819)	(21,306)	(21,594)	
Other changes	-		-	 358	 336		36,564	 (17,818)	(205,504)	
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	2,202,958		3,221,959	2,493,130	3,964,230		1,947,125	1,908,889	3,362,355	
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	36,453,258		33,240,193	30,747,063	26,782,833		24,835,708	22,926,819	19,564,464	
Adjsutment to Beginning of Year	(275,073)		(8,894)	 -				 -	 	
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 38,381,143	\$	36,453,258	\$ 33,240,193	\$ 30,747,063	\$	26,782,833	\$ 24,835,708	\$ 22,926,819	
District's net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 23,796,052	\$	20,329,630	\$ 19,036,928	\$ 17,103,890	\$	15,985,039	\$ 9,854,656	\$ 7,864,595	
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	61.73%		64.20%	63.58%	64.26%		62.62%	 71.59%	74.46%	
Covered payroll	\$ 6,413,504	\$	6,473,645	\$ 6,684,780	\$ 6,677,374	\$	6,948,284	\$ 5,794,921	\$ 5,794,921	
District's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	371.03%		314.04%	284.78%	256.15%		230.06%	170.06%	135.72%	

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS AGENT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Year Ended June 30, 2021

PSPRS - Health insurance premium benefit	_	Reporting Fiscal Year (Measurement Date)													
		2021 (2020)	2020 (2019)		2019 (2018)		2018 (2017)	2017 through 2012							
Total pension liability Service cost Interest on the total pension liability Changes on benefit terms Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	28,887 67,187 -	\$ 18,049 73,597	\$	19,386 70,381 -	\$	18,697 67,706 7,535	Information not available							
in the measurement of the pension liability Changes of assumptions or other inputs Benefit payments, including refunds		(28,224)	(182,672 9,447)	(38,179)		1,374 (32,213)								
of employee contributions Net change in total pension liability Total pension liability - beginning	_	(15,793) 52,057 886,940	(15,978) (97,557) 984,497		(16,981) 34,607 949,890		(13,205) 49,894 899,996								
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$	938,997	\$ 886,940	\$	984,497	\$	949,890								
Plan fiduciary net position Contributions - employer Contributions - employee Net investment income Benefit payments, including refunds	\$	18,054 - 12,754	\$ 20,773 - 51,367	\$	11,386 - 61,918	\$	20,209 - 93,605								
of employee contributions Administrative expense Other changes		(15,793) (1,037)	(15,978 (887		(16,981) (942)		(13,205) (828)								
Net change in plan fiduciary net position Plan fiduciary net position - beginning Adjsutment to Beginning of Year		13,978 1,010,531 -	55,275 946,362 8,894		55,381 890,981 -		99,781 791,200 -								
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$	1,024,509	\$ 1,010,531	\$	946,362	\$	890,981								
District's net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$	(85,512)	\$ (123,591)	\$	38,135	\$	58,909								
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		109.11%	113.93%		96.13%		93.80%								
Covered payroll	\$	6,413,504	\$ 6,473,645	\$	6,684,780	\$	6,684,780								
District's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll		-1.33%	-1.91%		0.57%		0.88%								

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT PENSION/OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS Year Ended June 30, 2021

ASRS - Pension					R	eport	ting Fiscal Yea	ar					
	2021		2020	2019	2018		2017		2016		2015	2014	2013 through 2012
Statutorily required contribution District's contributions in relation to the	\$ 270,083	\$	259,167	\$ 236,377	\$ 204,197	\$	202,995	\$	143,300	\$	86,446	\$ 75,852	Information not available
statutorily required contribution	 270,083	_	259,167	 236,377	 204,197		202,995		143,300		86,446	 75,852	not available
District's contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$ 	
District's covered payroll District's contributions as a percentage of	\$ 2,318,309	\$	2,263,467	\$ 2,114,281	\$ 1,873,367	\$	1,883,073	\$	1,320,736	\$	794,540	\$ 708,897	
covered payroll	11.65%		11.45%	11.18%	10.90%		10.78%		10.85%		10.88%	10.70%	
ASRS - Health insurance premium benefit									Reporting I	Fisca	l Year		
					2021		2020		2019		2018	 2017	2016 through 2012
Statutorily required contribution					\$ 9,041	\$	11,091	\$	9,726	\$	8,294	\$ 10,545	Information
District's contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution					 9,041		11,091		9,726		8,294	10,545	not available
District's contribution deficiency (excess)					\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$ -	
District's covered payroll					\$ 2,318,309	\$	2,263,467	\$	2,114,281	\$	2,114,281	\$ 1,873,367	
District's contributions as a percentage of covered payroll					39.00%		0.49%		0.46%		0.44%	0.56%	
ASRS - Long-term disability									Reporting I	Fisca	l Year		
					2021		2020		2019		2018	2017	2016 through 2012
Statutorily required contribution					\$ 4,173	\$	3,848	\$	3,383	\$	3,016	\$ 2,636	Information
District's contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution					 4,173		3,848		3,383		3,016	 2,636	not available
District's contribution deficiency (excess)					\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$ -	
District's covered payroll District's contributions as a percentage of					\$ 2,318,309	\$	2,263,467	\$	2,114,281	\$	2,114,281	\$ 1,873,367	
covered payroll					18.00%		0.17%		0.16%		0.16%	0.14%	

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT PENSION/OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS (Continued) Year Ended June 30, 2021

PSPRS - Pension						R	epor	ting Fiscal Yea	ar						
	_	2021	2020	 2019		2018		2017	_	2016		2015		2014	2013 through 2012
Actuarially determined contribution District's contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	\$	2,222,510 2,222,510	\$ 1,872,743 1,872,743	\$ 1,790,579 1,790,579	\$	1,886,507 1,886,507	\$	1,447,386 1,447,386	\$	1,583,372 1,583,372	\$	1,015,424 993,529	\$	993,529 902,497	Information not available
District's contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	-	\$ 	\$ -	\$		\$	-	\$		\$	21,895	\$	91,032	
District's covered payroll District's contributions as a percentage of	\$	7,042,174	\$ 6,413,504	\$ 6,473,645	\$	6,684,780	\$	6,677,374	\$	6,948,284	\$	6,715,243	\$	5,794,921	
covered payroll		31.56%	29.20%	27.66%		28.22%		21.68%		22.79%		14.80%		15.57%	
PSPRS - Health insurance premium benefit										Reporting I	isca	l Year			
PSPRS - Health insurance premium benefit						2021		2020		Reporting I	isca	l Year 2018		2017	2016 through 2012
Actuarially determined contribution					\$	2021	\$	2020	\$		Fisca		\$	2017	2012 Information
					\$		\$		\$	2019		2018	\$,	2012
Actuarially determined contribution District's contributions in relation to the					\$	20,776	\$	20,021	\$	2019 22,710		2018	\$	20,209	2012 Information
Actuarially determined contribution District's contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution					\$ \$	20,776	\$ \$	20,021	\$ \$	2019 22,710		2018	\$ \$	20,209	2012 Information

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT NOTES TO PENSION PLAN SCHEDULES Year Ended June 30, 2021

NOTE 1 ACTUARIALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTION RATES

Actuarial determined contribution rates for PSPRS are calculated as of June 30 two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are made. The actuarial methods and assumptions used to establish the contribution requirements are as follows:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Amortization method	PSPRS members with initial membership date before July 1, 2017: Level percent-of-pay, closed PSPRS members with initial membersip on or after July 1, 2017: Level dollar closed
Remaining amortization period as of the 2019 actuarial valuation	PSPRS members with initial memership date before July 1, 2017: 19 years for underfunded; 20 years for overfunded. PSPRS members with initial membership on or after July 1, 2017: 10 years
Asset valuation method	PSPRS members with initial membership date before July 1, 2017: 7-year smoothed market value; 80%/120% market corridor PSPRS members with initial membership on or after July 1, 2017: 5-year smoothed market value; 80%/120% market corridor
Actuarial assumptions: Investment rate of return	PSPRS members with initial membership date before July 1,2017:
	In the 2017 actuarial valuation, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.5% to 7.4%. In the 2016 actuarial valuation, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.85% to 7.5%. In the 2013 actuarial valuation, the investment rate of return was decreased from 8% to 7.85%. PSPRS member with initial membership on or after July 1, 2017: 7%
Projected salary increases	In the 2017 actuarial valuation, projected salary increase were decreased from 4.0%-8.0% to 3.5%-7.5% for PSPRS. In the 2014 actuarial valuation, projected salary increases were decreased from 4.5%-8.5% to 4.0%-8.0% for PSPRS. In the 2013 actuarial valuation, projected salary increases were decreased from 5.0%-9.0% to 4.5%-8.5% for PSPRS.
Wage growth	In the 2017 actuarial valuation, wage growth was decreased from 4% to 3.5% for PSPRS. In the 2014 actuarial valuation, wage growth was decreased from 4.5% to 4.0% for PSPRS. In the 2013 actuarial valuation, wage growth was decreased from 5.0% to 4.5% for PSPRS.
Retirement age	Experience-based table of rates that is specific to the type of eligibility condition. Last updated for the 2012 valuation pursuant to an experience study of the period July 1, 2006-June 30, 2011.
Mortality	In the 2017 actuarial valuation, changed to RP-2014 tables, with 75% of MP-2016 fully generational projection scales. RP-2000 mortality table (adjusted by 105% for both males and females)

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT NOTES TO PENSION PLAN SCHEDULES Year Ended June 30, 2021

NOTE 2 FACTORS THAT AFFECT TRENDS

Arizona courts have ruled that provisions of a 2011 law that changed the mechanism for funding permanent pension benefit increases and increased employee pension contribution rates were unconstitutional or a breach of contract because those provisions apply to individuals who were members as of the law's effective date. As a result, the PSPRS changed benefit terms to reflect the prior mechanism for funding permanent benefit increases for those members and revised actuarial assumptions to explicitly value future permanent benefit increases. PSPRS also reduced those members' employee contribution rates. These changes are reflected in the plans' pension liabilities for fiscal year 2015 (measurement date 2014) for members who were retired as of the law's effective date and fiscal year 2018 (measurement date 2017) for members who retired or will retire after the law's effective date. These changes also increased the PSPRS required pension contributions beginning in fiscal year 2016 for members who were retired as of the law's effective date. These changes increased the PSPRS-required contributions beginning in fiscal year 2019 for members who retired or will retire after the law's effective date. Also, the District refunded excess employee contributions to PSPRS members. PSPRS allowed the District to reduce its actual employer contributions for the refund amounts. As a result, the District's pension contributions were less than the actuarially or statutorily determined contributions for 2018 and 2019.

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Budgeted	l Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive
REVENUES	Original	Final	Amounts	(Negative)
Taxes	\$ 13,977,651	\$ 13,977,651	\$ 13,979,492	\$ 1,841
Centrally assessed taxes	371,345	371,345	369,405	(1,940)
Insurance premiums	120,000	120,000	129,648	9,648
County aid	400,000	400,000	400,000	-
Charges for services	587,444	587,444	933,811	346,367
Grants	-	-	524,097	524,097
Interest revenues	30,000	30,000	13,286	(16,714)
Other income	10,000	10,000	2,318	(7,682)
	45 400 440	45 400 440	10.050.057	055.047
Total revenues	15,496,440	15,496,440	16,352,057	855,617
EXPENDITURES Current				
Administration	4,736,593	4,736,593	2,343,034	2,393,559
Technical Services	588,028	588,028	605,753	(17,725)
Communication Services	215,880	215,880	245,171	(29,291)
Emergency Services	11,639,950	11,639,950	12,995,769	(1,355,819)
Community Services	116,743	116,743	112,964	3,779
Total expenditures	17,297,194	17,297,194	16,302,691	994,503
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)				
expenditures	(1,800,754)	(1,800,754)	49,366	1,850,120
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Transfers out	-	-	(1,859,558)	(1,859,558)
Total other financing sources			(1,859,558)	(1,859,558)
Net change in fund balances	(1,800,754)	(1,800,754)	(1,810,192)	(9,438)
Fund balance-beginning of year	3,723,758	3,723,758	3,723,758	
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 1,923,004	\$ 1,923,004	\$ 1,913,566	\$ (9,438)



SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Budgeted		Actual	Variance with Final Budget-Positive		
REVENUES	<u>Original</u>	Final	Amounts	(Negative)		
Taxes Centrally assessed taxes Investment income	\$ 1,077,127 28,565 10,000	\$ 1,077,127 28,565 10,000	\$ 1,074,465 28,416 4,074	\$ (2,662) (149) (5,926)		
Total revenues	1,115,692	1,115,692	1,106,955	(8,737)		
EXPENDITURES Carryover funds Capital outlay Debt service	732,050 1,005,157	732,050 1,005,157	25 499,221	732,025 505,936		
Principal	-	-	103,276	(103,276)		
Interest and fiscal charges			25,078	(25,078)		
Total expenditures Excess (deficiency) of	1,737,207	1,737,207	627,600	1,109,607		
revenues over (under) expenditures	(621,515)	(621,515)	479,355	1,100,870_		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Sale of assets Proceeds from capital lease Transfers out Total other financing sources and uses	25,000 	25,000 	500 - (1,014,172) (1,013,672)	500 (25,000) (1,014,172) (1,038,672)		
Net change in fund balances	(596,515)	(596,515)	(534,317)	62,198		
Fund balance-beginning of year	2,098,701	2,098,701	2,098,701			
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 1,502,186	\$ 1,502,186	\$ 1,564,384	\$ 62,198		

SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – NON-MAJOR FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2021

REVENUES	Budgeted Original	Amounts Final	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)			
Property Taxes Centrally assessed taxes Grants Investment income Other income	\$ 646,038 17,151 26,000 11,100 9,600	\$ 646,038 17,151 25,000 11,100 35,100	\$ 645,124 17,049 28,242 3,869 4,095	\$ (914) (102) 3,242 (7,231) (31,005)			
Total revenues	709,889	734,389	698,379	(36,010)			
EXPENDITURES Current Administration Capital outlay Debt Service: Principal Interest and other charges Total expenditures	357 88,000 571,000 411,951 1,071,308	357 88,000 571,000 411,951 1,071,308	26 33,936 571,000 123,349 728,311	331 54,064 - 288,602 342,997			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(361,419)	(336,919)	(29,932)	306,987			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Net change in fund balances	(361,419)	(336,919)	(29,932)	306,987			
Fund balance - beginning of year	(255,054)	(255,054)	369,963	625,017			
Fund balance - end of year	\$ (616,473)	\$ (591,973)	\$ 340,031	\$ 932,004			









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 Board of Directors Superstition Fire & Medical District Apache Junction, Arizona

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the remaining fund information of Superstition Fire & Medical District, Arizona, (District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements. which collectively comprise Superstition Fire & Medical District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 20, 2021.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Superstition Fire & Medical District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Superstition Fire & Medical District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Superstition Fire & Medical District's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Report on Compliance with State of Arizona Regulatory Requirements

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that Superstition Fire & Medical District incurred any debt or liability in excess of taxes levied and to be collected and the monies actually available and unencumbered at that time in the District's General Fund, except for those liabilities as prescribed in A.R.S. section 48-805, subsection B, paragraph 2 and sections 48-806 and 48-807, or that the District failed to comply with A.R.S. section 48-805.02, subsection F. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance. This report is supplemental reporting as required by Arizona statutes intended solely for the information and use of management and the members of the Arizona State Legislature and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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.

Tempe, Arizona December 20, 2021

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