# CAMDEN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT Year Ended June 30, 2023

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

To the Board of County Commissioners Camden County, North Carolina

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

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Camden County, North Carolina as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Camden County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based upon our audit and the report of the other auditors, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Camden County as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, Courthouse and Shiloh FD, School Capital Fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Camden County ABC Board, which represent 89 percent, 88 percent, and 98 percent of the assets, net position, and revenues, respectively, of the aggregate discretely presented component units as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and where applicable cash flows, thereof for the year then ended. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Camden County ABC Board is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Camden County and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions. The financial statements of Camden County ABC Board and the Camden County TDA were not audited in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards*.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Audit of 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; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raises substantial doubt about Camden County's ability to continue as a going concern for the twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free of material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Governmental Auditing Standards* will always detect material misstatement when it exists.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Governmental Auditing Standards we

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

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

### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, and the Other Post Employment Benefit and Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance Schedules of Funding Progress and Employer Contribution, the Local Government Employees' Retirement System Schedules of the County's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Asset (Liability) and Contributions, and the Register of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset (Liability) and Schedule of County Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We and the other auditors have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consist of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Camden County. The combining and individual fund financial statements, budgetary schedules, other schedules, and component unit schedules as well as the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and the State Single Audit Implementation Act are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by us and the other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the report of the other auditors, the combining and individual fund financial statements, budgetary schedules, other schedules, component unit schedules, and the schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 28, 2023, on our consideration of Camden County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Camden County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Camden County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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

Wilmington, North Carolina November 28, 2023



# Camden County Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

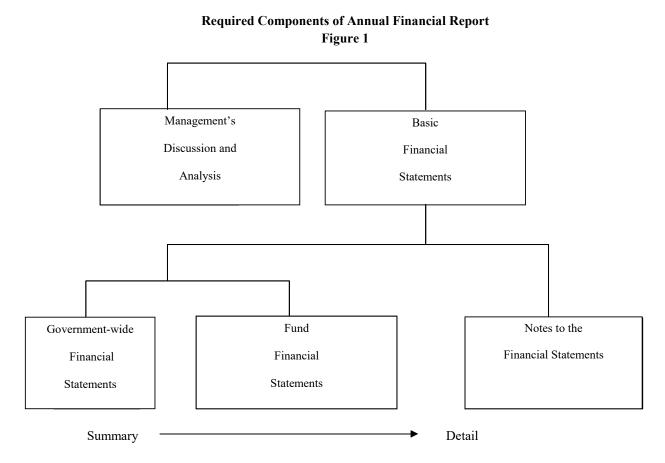
As management of Camden County, we offer readers of Camden County's (the "County") financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the County for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the County's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Camden County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$55,419,568 (net position). The County's net assets are impacted considerably by bonds that the County has issued on behalf of the Camden County Board of Education. The assets are not reflected in the County's financial statements, but the full amount of the long-term debt related to school construction is reflected in the County's financial statements.
- The County's total Net Position increased by \$8,755,696 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, primarily due to increase in grant revenue and improved revenue collection efforts and controlled expenses.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, The County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$28,678,719, after a net increase in fund balance of \$8,040,260. Approximately 22% of this total amount, or \$9,165,546 is restricted or non-spendable.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, fund balance (before any reserves or designations) for the General Fund was \$20,627,912 or 157% total General Fund expenditures for the current fiscal year. Approximately \$12,731,024 remains as unassigned fund balance. This General Fund balance increased \$4,861,425.
- The County's total debt decreased during the fiscal year by \$871,921.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

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



#### **Basic Financial Statements**

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

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

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **notes**. The notes to the financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, **supplemental information** is provided to show details about the County's major and non-major governmental funds, all of which are added together in one column on the basic financial statements. Budgetary information required by the General Statutes also can be found in this part of the statements.

Following the Notes is the required supplemental information. This section contains funding information about the County's Other Post Employment Benefit Plan and Pension Plans.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

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

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

The government-wide statements are divided into three categories: 1) governmental activities; 2) business-type activities; and 3) component units. The governmental activities include most of the County's basic services such as general administration, taxation and records, human services, education, and public safety. Property taxes, other taxes, and state and federal grant funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those where services are provided and customers are charged for those services. These include the water & sewer services offered by the County. The final category is the component units. The Camden ABC Board and Camden TDA are such units.

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

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The Fund Financial Statements (see Figure 1) provide a more detailed look at the County's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Camden County, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the North Carolina General Statutes or the County's budget ordinance. All of the funds of the Camden County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary fund.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the County's basic services are accounted for in the governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out, and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting* which provides a current financial focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps him or her determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the County's programs. The relationship between government activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

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

<u>Proprietary Funds</u> - The County has one kind of proprietary fund. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The County uses enterprise funds to account for the South Camden Water & Sewer District operations. This fund is the same as those functions shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government.

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

Other Information - In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information concerning Camden County's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension and OPEB benefits to it's employees.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

# Camden County's Net Position Figure 2

	Govern	mental	Busines	ss-Type				
	Acti	vities	Acti	vities	Total			
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023		2022	
Current and other assets	\$ 21,831,358	\$ 16,314,844	\$ 3,699,988	\$ 3,236,502	\$	25,531,346	\$ 19,551,346	
Restricted Cash	7,525,553	5,975,578	-	-		7,525,553	5,975,578	
Capital assets	18,791,390	18,522,940	22,880,161	23,512,856		41,671,551	42,035,796	
Right to use leased asset	9,775	22,807	-	-		9,775	22,807	
Total assets	48,158,076	40,836,169	26,580,149	26,749,358		74,738,225	67,585,527	
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Deferred outflows of resources	1,942,834	1,440,949	194,843	134,553		2,137,677	1,575,502	
Long-term liabilities outstanding	16,080,626	15,085,253	3,415,436	3,445,704		19,496,062	18,530,957	
Other liabilities	1,161,095	2,226,288	278,195	268,483		1,439,290	2,494,771	
Total liabilities	17,241,721	17,311,541	3,693,631	3,714,187		20,935,352	21,025,728	
Deferred inflows of resources	490,624	1,337,905	30,358	133,524		520,982	1,471,429	
Net Position:								
Net investment								
in capital assets	6,276,242	13,447,330	19,638,038	20,063,216		25,914,280	33,510,546	
Restricted	9,130,465	7,224,052	-	-		9,130,465	7,224,052	
Unrestricted	16,961,858	2,956,290	3,412,965	2,965 2,972,984		20,374,823	5,929,274	
Total net position	\$ 32,368,565	\$ 23,627,672	\$ 23,051,003	\$ 23,036,200	\$	55,419,568	\$ 46,663,872	

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$55,419,568 as of June 30, 2023. The County's Net Position increased by \$8,755,696 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

Net position is reported in three net categories: Net investment in capital assets of \$25,914,280 (47%), restricted assets of \$9,130,465 (16%), and unrestricted net position of \$20,374,823 (37%). The amount Net investment in capital assets category is defined as the County's investment in County owned capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, automotive equipment, office and other equipment, and infrastructure) less any related debt still outstanding that was issued to acquire those items. The County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The second category of net position is restricted net position. Restricted resources increased by \$1,906,413 for a total of \$9,130,465 at June 30, 2023. Constraints on use are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or can be imposed by law through constitutional provisions or legislation.

The final category of net position is unrestricted net position. This balance may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. At June 30, 2023, the total unrestricted net position increased to \$20,374,823. Under North Carolina law, the County is responsible for providing capital funding for the school system. The County has chosen to meet its legal obligation to provide the school system capital funding by using a mixture of County funds, earmarked Local Sales Tax collections, loans, and Qualified Zone Academy Bonds. The assets are funded by the County; however, they are utilized by the school system. Since the County, as the issuing government, acquires no capital assets, the County has incurred a liability without a corresponding increase in assets. At the end of the fiscal year, approximately \$14 million of the outstanding debt on the County's financial statements was related to assets included in the school system's financial statements. The school debt is collateralized by a deed of trust granting, among other things, a first lien of record on the Project, including the land constituting a part of the Project, all other buildings, structures, improvement and fixtures thereon, and all appurtenances thereto of any nature whatsoever, excluding mobile or modular classrooms located on the site at any time, subject to permitted encumbrances. Accordingly, the County makes installment payments under the Installment Financing Agreement for payment of the debt. The County's obligation to make payments under the Installment Financing Agreement constitutes a pledge of the County's faith and credit within the meaning of any constitutional provision. Principal and interest requirements will be provided by an appropriation in the year in which they become due.

The impact of the inclusion of the school system debt without the corresponding assets was offset by the following positive operational initiatives and results:

- Camden County has adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the general fund which instructs management to
  conduct the business of the County in such a manner that available fund balance is at least equal to or greater than 25%
  of budgeted expenditures.
- Continued diligence in the collection of property taxes resulted in maintaining a collection percentage in excess of 98.20%.

# Camden County Changes in Net Position Figure 3

	Governmental			Busine	• 1				
		ivitie		Acti	vitie		Tot	al	
	2023		2022	2023		2022	2023		2022
Revenues:									
Program Revenues									
Charges for Services	\$ 1,239,479	\$	1,444,363	\$ 1,940,613	\$	1,942,706 \$	3,180,092	\$	3,387,069
Operating grants and contributions	4,958,724		3,335,498	-		-	4,958,724		3,335,498
Capital grants and contributions	439,677		-	-		-	439,677		-
General revenues:									
Property taxes	11,286,516		10,787,463	-		-	11,286,516		10,787,463
Other taxes	6,399,544		6,131,585	-		-	6,399,544		6,131,585
Investment earnings	559,577		34,140	200,505		5,238	760,082		39,378
Other	282,112		-	-		-	282,112		-
Total revenues	25,165,629		21,733,049	2,141,118		1,947,944	27,306,747		23,680,993
Expenses:									
General government	2,203,825		3,110,703	_		-	2,203,825		3,110,703
Public Safety	6,249,167		4,733,133	-		-	6,249,167		4,733,133
Economic and physical development	1,632,971		1,820,708	_		-	1,632,971		1,820,708
Human services	1,469,590		1,420,176	-		-	1,469,590		1,420,176
Cultural and recreation	940,567		909,835	_		-	940,567		909,835
Education	3,305,964		4,806,696	_		-	3,305,964		4,806,696
Interest on long-term debt	125,385		83,249	-		-	125,385		83,249
Environmental protection	497,267		501,663	_		-	497,267		501,663
Water	-		-	2,126,315		2,011,747	2,126,315		2,011,747
Total expenses	16,424,736		17,386,163	2,126,315		2,011,747	18,551,051		19,397,910
Increase (decrease) in net position before									
transfers and special items	8,740,893		4,346,886	14,803		(63,803)	8,755,696		4,283,083
Increase (decrease) in net position	8,740,893		4,346,886	14,803		(63,803)	8,755,696		4,283,083
Net position, beginning	23,627,672		19,280,786	23,036,200		23,100,003	46,663,872		42,380,789
Net position, June 30, ending	\$ 32,368,565		23,627,672	\$ 23,051,003	\$	23,036,200 \$	55,419,568	\$	46,663,872

Governmental activities: Governmental activities increased the County's net position by \$8,740,893.

Business-type activities: Business-type activities increased the County's net position by \$14,803.

#### Financial Analysis of the County's Funds

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

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

At June 30, 2023, the governmental funds of the County reported a combined fund balance of \$28,678,719, a 39% increase over last year.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights:**

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the County. At the end of the current fiscal year, the County's fund balance available in the General Fund was \$12,731,024 while total fund balance reached \$20,627,912. The County currently has an unassigned fund balance of 97% of General Fund expenditures while total fund balance represents 157% of the same amount. General Fund balance increased \$4,861,425.

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

**Proprietary Funds:** The County's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. The total increase in net position was \$14,803.

#### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

Capital assets. Camden County's capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2023, totals \$41,671,551 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include land, buildings, automotive equipment, office and other equipment, and water and sewer lines.

Major capital assets transactions during the year include:

• Vehicle and equipment in the governmental funds.

### Camden County's Capital Assets (net of depreciation) Figure 4

		rnmental tivities		ess-Type ivities	Total			
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022		
Land	\$ 5,126,521	\$ 5,126,521	\$ 1,050,394	\$ 1,050,394	\$ 6,176,915	\$ 6,176,915		
Buildings	2,516,596	2,719,009	-	-	2,516,596	2,719,009		
Furniture, fixtures and equipment, vehicles	2,460,733	2,030,822	560,662	558,176	3,021,395	2,588,998		
Other improvements	3,112,074	3,093,929	21,231,602	21,866,783	24,343,676	24,960,712		
Construction in Progress	5,575,466	5,575,466	37,503	37,503	5,612,969	5,612,969		
Total	\$ 18,791,390	\$ 18,545,747	\$ 22,880,161	\$ 23,512,856	\$ 41,671,551	\$ 42,058,603		

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in Note III(a)5 of the Basic Financial Statements.

**Long-term Debt:** As of June 30, 2023, Camden County had total outstanding debt of \$15,767,046. A summary of total long-term debt as of June 30, 2023 is shown below:

#### Camden County's Outstanding Debt Figure 5

	Gover	nmental	Busin	ess-type				
	Acti	ivities	Acti	ivities	Total			
	2023	2022	2023	2022		2023	2022	
General Obligation Debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,242,123	\$ 3,449,640	\$	3,242,123	\$ 3,449,640	
Installment Purchases	12,515,209	13,167,235	-	-	1	12,515,209	13,167,235	
Leases	9,714	22,902	-	-		9,714	22,902	
Total	\$ 12,524,923	\$ 13,190,137	\$ 3,242,123	\$ 3,449,640	\$ 1	15,767,046	\$ 16,639,777	

The State of North Carolina limits the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8 percent of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government's boundaries. The debt margin required by local Resolution is 2%. The current debt margin for Camden County (as calculated on assessed real property only) is 0.14% or \$115,280,422. Well below the allowable debt limit for the County. Additional information regarding the County's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 of this report.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The unemployment rate in the County was at 3.4% on June 30, 2023, compared with a federal rates of 3.6% and a • State rate of 3.4%. The rate for Camden County reduced from the 4.0% at June 30, 2023.

#### Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

#### **Governmental Activities**

Several factors will positively affect the economic outlook of the county over the next several fiscal years. Economic forecasts indicate growth in coming years which, while modest, are positive indicators for prospective commercial growth in the county. We have already seen an increase in interest from the retail sectors to locate in Camden County with the recent construction of Camden Towne Center project which will expand the tax base and provide employment. Broadband is being expanded throughout the county due to a USDA grant awarded to Eastern Shore Communications.

Factors that may negatively affect the economic position of the county include the uncertainty surrounding the need for a new County High School expected to cost approximately \$35-\$40 million. Another limiting factor is changes that continue to occur in the state and federal political arena. These changes could create local impacts which causes a large amount of uncertainly for Local Government and Camden County.

#### **Business-type Activities**

The County has allocated an additional \$2.1 million in funds for a well and waterwater lines. Upon completion, the SCWD expects to be in a better position to provide adequate water and sewer with Camden County.

#### **Requests for Information**

This report is designed to provide an overview of the County's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the Finance Officer, Camden County, 330 East Hwy. 158, P.O. Box 190, Camden, NC 27921. You can also call 1-252-338-6363 for more information.



#### Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Net Position June 30, 2023

	Pı	rimary Governme	nt	Component Units				
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Camden County ABC Board	Camden County TDA			
ASSETS	d 24.426.000	d 2506202	d 24 (22 202	ф 20 <b>7</b> ( <b>7</b> 0	d 00.277			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,126,090	\$ 3,506,293	\$ 24,632,383	\$ 307,678	\$ 98,277			
Restricted cash	7,525,553	-	7,525,553	-	-			
Taxes receivable, net	307,133	102.605	307,133	-	-			
Accounts receivable, net	383,102	193,695	576,797	-	709			
Inventories	-	-	-	207,958	-			
Prepaid expenses	45.022	-	45.000	1,263	-			
Net pension asset	15,033	-	15,033	-	-			
Capital assets:								
Land, non-depreciable								
improvements, and construction in			44 =00 004	4=0.404				
progress	10,701,987	1,087,897	11,789,884	179,494	-			
Other capital assets, net of		0.4 = 0.0 0.4 4						
depreciation	8,089,403	21,792,264	29,881,667	234,927				
Total capital assets	18,791,390	22,880,161	41,671,551	414,421	-			
Right to use leased asset, net of								
amortization	9,775	-	9,775	-	-			
Total assets	48,158,076	26,580,149	74,738,225	931,320	98,986			
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF								
RESOURCES	1,942,834	194,843	2,137,677	45,154				
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued								
liabilities	199,771	15,566	215,337	232,280				
Accrued interest payable	93,457	17,873	111,330	232,200				
Compensated absences payable	185,000	30,756	215,756	_	_			
Liabilities to be paid from restricted	103,000	30,730	213,730					
assets	63,147		63,147		_			
Current-portion of long-term liabilities	619,720	214,000	833,720	_	_			
Long-term liabilities	019,720	214,000	033,720	-	_			
Net OPEB Liability	1,027,900	114,211	1,142,111	_	_			
Total pension liability - LEOSSA	568,168	117,211	568,168	_	_			
Net pension liability - LGERS	2,457,913	273,102	2,731,015	54,158	_			
Compensated absences payable	121,442	273,102	121,442	34,130	_			
Due in more than one year	11,905,203	3,028,123	14,933,326	_	_			
Total liabilities	17,241,721	3,693,631	20,935,352	286,438	-			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	490,624	30,358	520,982	229	-			
Total deferred inflows of resources	490,624	30,358	520,982	229	-			
NET POSITION								
Net investment in capital assets	6,276,242	19,638,038	25,914,280	76,338	-			
Stabilization by State Statute	1,439,335	-	1,439,335	-	709			
Future Expansion	-, 107,000	-	-	50,000	-			
Register of Deeds	3,540	-	3,540	-	-			
Fire Protection	212,905	_	212,905	_	-			
School Capital	7,474,685	_	7,474,685	_	-			
Unrestricted	16,961,858	3,412,965	20,374,823	563,469	98,277			
Total net position	\$ 32,368,565	\$ 23,051,003	\$ 55,419,568	\$ 689,807	\$ 98,986			

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

#### Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

					Prog	ram Revenues				Net (Ex	ense)	Revenue and (	hang	es in Net Positio	on		
								_			Prima	ry Government			Compo	nent	Unit
					Ope	rating Grants	Capi	ital Grants							Camden		
F .: (D				harges for	C-	and ontributions	C	and tributions		overnmental		siness-type		m . 1	County ABC		Camden
Functions/Programs		Expenses		Services	CC	ntributions	Con	tributions		Activities		Activities		Total	Board	Co	unty TDA
Primary government: Governmental Activities:																	
General government	\$	2,203,825	\$	420,917	\$	2,068,746	\$		\$	285,838	\$		\$	285,838			
Public safety	φ	6,249,167	Ψ	482,018	Ψ	409,797	Ψ	_	Ψ	(5,357,352)	φ	_	φ	(5,357,352)			
Cultural and recreation		940,567		179,999		409,797		-		(5,357,352)		-		(5,357,352)			
				179,999				420.655				-		, ,			
Economic and physical development		1,632,971		-		626,587		439,677		(566,707)		-		(566,707)			
Human services		1,469,590		-		1,318,386		-		(151,204)		-		(151,204)			
Education		3,305,964		456545		150,000		-		(3,155,964)		-		(3,155,964)			
Environmental protection		497,267		156,545		337,653		-		(3,069)		-		(3,069)			
Interest on long-term debt		125,385		1 220 470		4.050.724		439,677		(125,385)				(125,385)			
Total governmental activities		16,424,736		1,239,479		4,958,724		439,677		(9,786,856)				(9,786,856)			
Business-type activities:																	
Water		2,126,315		1,940,613		_		_		_		(185,702)		(185,702)			
Total business-type activities		2,126,315		1,940,613								(185,702)		(185,702)			
Total business type activities	\$	18,551,051	\$	3,180,092	\$	4,958,724	\$	439,677	\$	(9,786,856)	\$	(185,702)	\$	(9,972,558)			
		10,551,051	Ψ	3,100,072	Ψ	1,730,721	Ψ	137,077	Ψ	(7,700,030)	Ψ	(103,702)	Ψ	(7,772,330)			
Component units:																	
TDA	\$	23,468	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_							\$ -	\$	(23,468)
ABC Board	Ψ	2,661,910	Ψ	2,670,776	Ψ	_	Ψ	_							8,866	Ψ	(23,100)
Total component units	\$	2,661,910	\$	2,670,776	\$		\$								\$ 8,866	\$	(23,468)
Total component anno		2,001,710		2,070,770											Ψ 0,000		(20,100)
	Gen	eral revenues:															
		axes:															
		Property taxes,	levied i	for general purp	ose					11.286.516		_		11.286.516	_		_
		Local option sal		. O F. F						2.016.598		_		2.016.598	-		_
		Other taxes and		es						4,382,946		_		4,382,946	-		23,713
	Ir	vestment earnii	ngs, uni	restricted						559,577		200,505		760,082	_		2,215
		iscellaneous, un								282,112		, <u>-</u>		282,112	1,800		500
		Total general	revenu	es, special items	s, and t	ransfers				18,527,749		200,505		18,728,254	1,800		26,428
		Change in net								8,740,893		14,803		8,755,696	10,666		2,960
	Net	position, beginni	ng							23,627,672		23,036,200		46,663,872	679,141		96,026
		position, ending	_						\$	32,368,565	\$	23,051,003	\$	55,419,568	\$ 689,807	\$	98,986

#### Camden County, North Carolina Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2023

		M	NonMajor			
	General Fund	ARP Fund	Courthouse and Shiloh FD	School Capital Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS Cash, including time deposits Restricted cash	\$ 19,539,112	\$ -	\$ 153,250 -	\$ - 7,464,573	\$ 1,433,728 60,980	\$ 21,126,090 7,525,553
Accounts receivable, net	622,080	-	30,048	-	38,107	690,235
Due from other funds Total assets	1,058,152 \$ 21,219,344	\$ -	\$ 183,298	\$ 7,464,573	\$ 1,532,815	1,058,152 \$ 30,400,030
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 195,657	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,114	\$ 199,771
nabilities	\$ 195,657	Ф -	<b>5</b> -	<b>.</b>	\$ 4,114	\$ 199,771
Unearned revenue Due to other funds	<u> </u>		- -	<u> </u>	63,147 1,058,152	63,147 1,058,152
Total liabilities	195,657		. <u></u>		1,125,413	1,321,070
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Property taxes receivable	302,667	-	2,654	-	1,812	307,133
Prepaid taxes Total deferred inflows of resources	93,108 395,775		2,654	<u> </u>	1,812	93,108 400,241
Total deletted filliows of resources	393,773		2,034		1,012	400,241
Fund balances: Restricted						
Stabilization by State Statute	1,377,565	-	27,394	-	34,376	1,439,335
Register of Deeds	-	-	450.050	-	3,540	3,540
Fire Protection School Capital	-	-	153,250	- 7,464,573	59,655 10,112	212,905 7,474,685
Health services	-	-	-	-	35,081	35,081
Committed	( 540 000					ć <b>5</b> 40.000
Capital Reserve Tax Revaluation	6,519,323	-	-	_	- 215,721	6,519,323 215,721
Economic Development	-	-	-	-	47,105	47,105
Unassigned	12,731,024		· <del></del>			12,731,024
Total fund balances Total liabilities, deferred inflows of	20,627,912		180,644	7,464,573	405,590	28,678,719
resources and fund balances	\$ 21,219,344	\$ -	\$ 183,298	\$ 7,464,573	\$ 1,532,815	
Amounts reported for governmental activ	rities in the statemen	t of net position (E	xhibit 1) are differen	it because:		
Net pension asset.						15,033
Contributions to the pension plan in the	current fiscal year a	re deferred outflov	ws of resources on th	e Statement of Net P	osition.	1,942,834
Right to use assets used in governmenta	al activities are not fi	nancial resources a	and therefore are not	reported in the fund	ds.	9,775
Benefit payments and pension administ Deferred inflows of resources in fund st			atflows of resources	on the Statement of	Net Position	- 307,133
Other assets are not available to pay for			fore are not accrued	as income in the fur	nde	307,133
outer assets are not available to pay 101	carrent-period expe	multures allu tilele	iore are not accided	as meome in the ful	ius.	-
Capital assets used in governmental act OPEB and Pension related deferrals.	ivities are not financ	ial resources and tl	nerefore are not repo	orted in the funds.		18,791,390 (397,516)
Long-term debt included as net position Net pension liability - LEOSSA. Net OPEB liability. Net pension liability - LGERS. Net position of governmental activities	below (includes the	addition of long-to	erm debt and princip	al payments during	the year.)	(12,924,822) (568,168) (1,027,900) (2,457,913) \$ 32,368,565

#### Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

		Ma	jor		NonMajor		
	General Fund	ARP Fund	Courthouse and Shiloh FD	School Capital Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES							
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 11,067,970	\$ -	\$ 76,400	\$ -	\$ 89,688	\$ 11,234,058	
Other taxes and licenses	4,661,819	-	206,448	1,377,970	153,307	6,399,544	
Unrestricted intergovernmental	148,979	-	-	-	-	148,979	
Restricted intergovernmental	1,610,238	2,150,174	60,050	-	1,432,778	5,253,240	
Local Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Permits and fees	686,733	-	7,500	-	91,765	785,998	
Sales and services	239,722	-	-	150,000	59,941	449,663	
Investment earnings	416,139	-	6,906	110,506	26,026	559,577	
Miscellaneous	273,791		8,321			282,112	
Total revenues	19,105,391	2,150,174	365,625	1,638,476	1,853,505	25,113,171	
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
General government	2,354,053	-	-	-	92,764	2,446,818	
Public safety	3,406,031	2,150,174	418,355	-	297,176	6,271,736	
Environmental protection	481,851	, , , <u>-</u>	, -	-	672	482,523	
Economic and physical development	937,132	_	_	-	633,567	1,570,699	
Culture and recreation	827,243	-	-	-	32,159	859,402	
Human services	1,318,386	_	_	-	24,944	1,343,330	
Intergovernmental:	,,	_			,-	,,	
Education	3,255,878	_	_	41.986	8,100	3,305,964	
Debt service:	-,,-			,	-,	-,,-	
Principal	466,416	_	94,396	_	104,402	665,214	
Interest	127,226	_	-	_		127,225	
Total expenditures	13,174,216	2,150,174	512,751	41,986	1,193,784	17,072,911	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over	10)17 1)210	2)100)171	012)/01	11,500	2)270)701	17,072,711	
expenditures	5,931,175		(147,126)	1,596,490	659,721	8,040,260	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Transfers from other funds	(1,069,750)			1,067,750	2,000		
Total other financing sources and uses	(1,069,750)			1,067,750	2,000		
Net change in fund balance	4,861,425	-	(147,126)	2,664,240	661,721	8,040,260	
Fund balances-beginning	15,766,487	-	327,770	4,800,333	(256,131)	20,638,459	
Fund balances-ending	\$ 20,627,912	\$ -	\$ 180,644	\$ 7,464,573	\$ 405,590	\$ 28,678,719	

# Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities ar different because:	e
Net changes in fund balance - total government funds	\$ 8,046,420
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 and amortization expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays increases exceeded the book value of capital outlay decreases in fiscal year.	
Capital outlay expenditures which were capitalized	944,887
Depreciation and amortization expense for governmental assets	(712,276)
	232,611
Contributions and pension administration costs for OPEB are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position	68,430
Benefit payments paid and administrative expense for the LEOSSA are not included on the Statement of Activities	20,521
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year are not included on the Statement of Activities	449,149
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:	52,459
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction has any effect on net position. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
Accrued interest Compensated absences Pension expense	1,840 (11,039) (777,217)
Other postemployment benefits	<u>(1,335)</u> (787,751)

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

Total changes in net position of governmental activities

\$ 8,747,053

# Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	General Fund				
	Original Budget		Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Positive (Negative)
Revenues:					
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 9,156,236	\$	9,156,236	\$ 11,067,970	\$ 1,911,734
Other taxes and licenses	2,772,899		2,772,899	3,835,094	1,062,195
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	78,100		78,100	148,979	70,879
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	1,391,351		1,543,229	1,610,238	67,009
Permits and fees	1,311,156		1,682,618	686,733	(995,885)
Sales and services	474,262		129,436	239,722	110,286
Local contributions	- 11.050		11.050	-	242.462
Investment earnings	11,050		11,050	253,513	242,463
Miscellaneous	60,098		60,848	273,791	212,943
Total revenues	15,255,152		15,434,416	18,116,040	2,681,624
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	3,280,979		2,472,129	1,712,839	759,290
Public safety	4,781,113		3,970,795	3,406,031	564,764
Economic and physical development	761,193		538,504	481,851	56,653
Environmental protection	986,758		3,042,303	937,132	2,105,171
Human Services	1,484,061		1,484,061	1,318,386	165,675
Cultural and recreational	761,806		843,924	827,243	16,681
Intergovernmental:					
Education	3,621,177		3,621,177	3,255,878	365,299
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	572,150		467,150	466,416	734
Interest	22,697		127,697	127,226	471
Total expenditures	16,271,934		16,567,740	12,533,002	4,034,738
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,016,782)		(1,133,324)	5,583,038	6,716,362
Other financing sources (Uses)					
Lease liabilities issued	-		-	-	-
Transfers from (to)other funds	-		-	(1,194,750)	(1,194,750)
Proceeds from Installment Loan	-		-	-	-
Fund Balance Appropriated	1,016,782		1,133,324		(1,133,324)
Total other financing sources and uses	1,016,782		1,133,324	(1,194,750)	(2,328,074)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$	<u>-</u> _	4,388,288	\$ 4,388,288
Fund Balances - Beginning				9,720,302	
Fund Balances - Ending				\$ 14,108,590	
, and the second					
A legally budgeted Special Capital Fund is consolidated					
into the General Fund for reporting puposes:					
Other taxes and licenses				\$ 826,725	
Investment earnings				162,626	
Transfer				125,000	
Expenditures				(641,214)	
Fund Balance, Beginning				6,046,185	
Fund Balance, Ending (Exhibit 4)				\$ 20,627,912	

# Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Courthouse and Shiloh FD			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 69,626	\$ 69,626	\$ 76,400	\$ 6,774
Other taxes and licenses	278,505	278,505	206,448	(72,057)
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	-	-	-	-
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	- 0.000	70,000	60,050	(9,950)
Permits and fees	9,000	9,000	7,500	(1,500)
Sales and services	-	-	-	-
Local contributions	1 000	1 000	-	- -
Investment earnings Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	6,906	5,906
Total revenues	4,650 362,781	4,650	8,321 365,625	3,671 (67,156)
Total revenues	302,781	432,761		(07,130)
Expenditures Current:				
General government	_	_	_	-
Public safety	262,781	425,446	418,355	7,091
Economic and physical development		-	-	- ,,051
Environmental protection	_	_	_	-
Human Services	-	_	-	-
Cultural and recreational	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental:	-	-	-	-
Education	-	-	-	-
Debt service:	-	-	-	-
Principal retirement	100,000	100,000	94,396	5,604
Interest	<u></u>			
Total expenditures	362,781	525,446	512,751	12,695
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	(92,665)	(147,126)	(54,461)
Other financing sources (Uses)				
Proceeds from installment purchases	-	-	-	-
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from Installment Loan	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance Appropriated		92,665		(92,665)
Total other financing sources and uses		92,665		(92,665)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	(147,126)	\$ (147,126)
Fund Balances - Beginning			327,770	
			<u> </u>	
Fund Balances - Ending			\$ 180,644	

# Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	School Capital Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other taxes and licenses	852,062	2,222,644	1,377,970	(844,674)
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	-	-	-	-
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	-	-	-	-
Permits and fees	-	-	-	-
Sales and services	-	-	-	-
Local contributions	-	150,000	150,000	-
Investment earnings	5,000	3,000	110,506	107,506
Miscellaneous				
Total revenues	857,062	2,375,644	1,638,476	(737,168)
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Economic and physical development	-	-	-	-
Environmental protection	-	-		-
Human Services	-	-	-	-
Cultural and recreational	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental:				
Education	1,182,062	2,375,644	41,986	2,333,658
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	-	-
Interest				
Total expenditures	1,182,062	2,375,644	41,986	2,333,658
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(325,000)	-	1,596,490	1,596,490
Other financing sources (Uses)				
Proceeds from installment purchases				
Transfers from other funds	325,000	-	1,067,750	(1,067,750)
Fund Balance Appropriated	_	_	_	_
Total other financing sources and uses	325,000		1,067,750	1,067,750
Total other maneing sources and uses	323,000		1,007,730	1,007,730
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	2,664,240	\$ 2,664,240
Fund Balances - Beginning			4,800,333	
Fund Balances - Ending			\$ 7,464,573	

### Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund June 30, 2023

	Major
	South Camden
	Water & Sewer
Accepta	District
Assets	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,506,293
Accounts receivable, net	193,695
Total Current Assets	3,699,988
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets:	
Land and non-depreciable assets	1,087,897
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	21,792,264
Capital assets (net)	22,880,161
Total noncurrent assets	22,880,161
Total Assets	26,580,149
Deferred Outflows of Resources	101010
Contributions to pension plan in current fiscal year	194,843
Total deferred outflows of resources	194,843
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	15,566
Current portion of long-term debt	214,000
Compensated absences	30,756
Accrued Interest	17,873
Total Current Liabilities	278,195
Noncurrent liabilities: Other postemployment benefits	114,211
Net pension liability	273,102
Long term obligations payable	3,028,123
Total noncurrent liabilities	3,415,436
Total Liabilities	2,602,621
Total Liabilities	3,693,631
Deferred Inflows of Resources	30,358
Total deferred inflows of resources	30,358
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	19,638,038
Unrestricted	3,412,965
Total Net Position	\$ 23,051,003

# Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Major South Camden Water & Sewer District	
Operating revenues: Charges for Services - Water Charges for Services - Sewer Hook-up connection fees and taps Penalties Miscellaneous Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1,613,239 157,733 91,000 36,990 41,651 1,940,613	
Operating expenses: Reverse osmosis plant Water distribution Wastewater operations Depreciation Total operating expenses	504,770 518,142 243,971 655,957 1,922,840	
Total Operating Income (Loss)	17,773	
Nonoperating Revenues(Expenses): Interest income Interest expense Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	200,505 (203,475) (2,970)	
Changes in net position	14,803	
Net position, beginning Net position, ending	23,036,200 \$ 23,051,003	

# Camden County, North Carolina Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Major South Camden Water & Sewer District	
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Cash Received from Customers/others	\$	1,900,453
Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services	·	(621,944)
Cash paid to employees for services		(621,435)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		657,074
Cash Flows from (use by) capital and related financing activities:		
Capital contributions		
Principal repayments on long-term debt		(207,517)
Acquisition of capital assets		(23,262)
Interest income		200,505
Interest expense	-	(203,475)
Net cash flows provided (used) by capital financing activities		(233,749)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash		
equivalents		423,325
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		3,082,968
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	3,506,293
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	17,773
Adjustments to reconcile operating		
income to net cash provided (used)		
by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		655,957
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(40,160)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities		617
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability		199,198
Increase (decrease) in OPEB liability		(15,467)
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable		84
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows of resources for pensions		(65,642)
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows of resources for OPEB		5,352
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows of resources for pensions		(105,825)
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows of resources for OPEB		2,659
Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation pay		2,528
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	657,074



# CAMDEN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

#### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

#### A. Reporting Entity

The County, which is governed by a five-member board of commissioners, is one of the 100 counties established in North Carolina under North Carolina General Statute 153A-10. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the County and its component units, legally separate entities for which the County is financially accountable. South Camden Water and Sewer District (the District) exists to provide and maintain a water system for the County residents within the District. The District is reported as an enterprise fund in the County's financial statements. The Camden County ABC Board (the Board) and Camden County TDA, which has a June 30 year-end, are presented as if they are separate proprietary funds of the County (discrete presentation). The blended presentation methods presents component units as a department or unit of the County, and offers no separate presentation as with the discrete method.

Component Unit	Reporting Method	Criteria for Inclusion	Separate Financial Statement
South Camden Water and Sewer District	Blended	Under State law [NCGS 162A-89], the County's board of commissioners also serve as the governing board for the District.	None issued.
Camden County TDA	Discrete	The members of the TDA Board's governing board are appointed by the County.	Camden County Finance P.O. Box 190 Camden, NC 27921
Camden County ABC Board	Discrete	The members of the ABC Board's governing board are appointed by the County. The ABC Board is required by State statute to distribute its surpluses to the General Fund of the County.	Camden County ABC Board P.O. Box 22 Camden, NC 27921

#### B. Basis of Presentation - Basis of Accounting

#### Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus - Basis of Accounting

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

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

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

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

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

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

American Rescue Plan Fund - This fund accounts for the transactions related to the American Rescue Plan Funds.

School Capital Fund - This fund is used to account for the resource of the school projects.

Courthouse and Shiloh FD - This fund is used to account for the fire needs.

The County reports the following major enterprise fund:

South Camden Water and Sewer District Fund: This fund is used to account for the operations of the water and sewer district within the County.

The County reports the following fund types:

Custodial Funds: Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, or private-purpose trust funds. Custodial funds are used to account for assets the County holds on behalf of others that meet certain criteria.

Non-major Funds: The County's non- major governmental funds are the Automation Enhancement and Preservation Fund, the Watershed Fund, the Dismal Swamp Visitor Center Fund, the South Mills VFD Fund, the Joyce Creek Drainage Fund, the Community Park Trust Fund, the Eco Dev Fund, the School Fund, the Revaluation Fund, Cares Act 19 Fund, Representative Payee Fund, Opioid Settelment Fund, Ferbee Fund, the Scattered Housing Grant Fund, and Boat Ramp Grant. These funds are used to report specific special revenues and capital projects.

#### C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sales taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, such as the beer and wine tax, collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the County, are recognized as revenue. Intergovernmental revenues and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been satisfied.

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

#### D. Budgetary Data

The County's budgets are adopted as required by the North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget is adopted for the General Fund, Fire Districts, and Special Capital Fund, and the Enterprise Funds. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end. Project ordinances are adopted for Capital Projects Fund, Opiod Settlement Fund, and the Enterprise Capital Projects Funds, which are consolidated with the enterprise operating fund for reporting purposes. All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the functional level for all annually budgeted funds and at the project level for multi-year funds. Amendments are required for revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund or that change functional appropriations by more than \$5,000. The governing board must approve all amendments. During the year, several material amendments to the original budget were necessary. The budget ordinance must be adopted by July 1 of the fiscal year or the governing board must adopt an interim budget that covers that time until the annual ordinance can be adopted.

#### E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflow/Inflows of Resources and Fund Equity

#### 1. Deposits and Investments

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

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

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

The North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT), which consists of two SEC-registered funds, is authorized by G.S. 159-30(c)(8). One of these funds, the Government Portfolio is a 2a7 fund which invests in treasuries and government agencies and is rated AAAm by S&P and AAmf by Moody Investor Services. The Government Portfolio is reported at fair value.

#### 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The County and the TDA pool moneys from several funds to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are essentially demand deposits and are considered cash and cash equivalents. The ABC Board considers demand deposits and investments purchased with an original maturity of 90 days or less, which are not limited as to use, to be cash and cash equivalents.

#### 3. Restricted Assets

Money in the School Capital Projects Fund is classified as restricted assets because its use is restricted per North Carolina General Statute 159-18 through 22.

School Capital Projects Fund Monies	\$ 7,464,573
Unspent Opiod Settelement Funds	60,980
Total	\$ 7,525,553

#### 4. Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable

In accordance with State law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the County levies ad valorem taxes on property other than motor vehicles on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1 (lien date); however, penalties and interest do not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2022. As allowed by State law, the County has established a schedule of discounts that apply to taxes, which are paid prior to the due date. In the County's General Fund, ad valorem tax revenues are reported net of such discounts.

#### 5. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

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

#### 6. Inventories and Prepaid Items

The inventories of the ABC Board are valued at cost (first-in, first-out), which approximates market. The inventory of the ABC Board consists of materials and supplies held for consumption or resale. The cost of the inventory carried by the ABC Board is recorded as an expense as it is consumed or sold.

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

#### 7. Capital Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Minimum capitalization cost is \$3,000 for all capital assets. Donated capital assets received prior to July 1, 2015 are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Donated capital assets received after July 1, 2015 are recorded at acquisition value. All other purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. 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.

The County's capital assets also include certain right to use assets. These right to use assets arise in association with agreements where the County reports a lease (only applies when the County is the lessee) in accordance with the requirements of GASB 87, respectively.

The right to use lease assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made at or prior to the start of the lease term, less lease incentives received from the lessor at or prior to the start of the lease term, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease asset into service. The right to use lease assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

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

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

Asset Class	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	30
Improvements	25
Plant and Distribution	40
Furniture and equipment	10
Vehicles	5-10
Computer equipment	10

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

Asset Class	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	25
Furniture & Equipment	5-10

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

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflow of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred Outflows of Resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The County has two item that meets this criterion: pension deferrals and OPEB deferrals.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position can also report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred Inflows of Resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The County has three items that meet the criterion for this category: prepaid taxes, property taxes receivable unavailable revenues (reported only on the Balance Sheet of the Governmental Funds), leases, pension and OPEB deferrals.

#### 9. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and in the proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position.

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

#### 10. Compensated Absences

The vacation policies of the County, and the ABC Board, generally provides for the accumulation of up to 240 hours earned vacation leave with such leave being fully vested when earned. For the County's government-wide and proprietary funds, and the ABC Board, an expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are recorded as leave as earned. The TDA has no employees.

The sick leave policies of the County and the ABC Board provide for an unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. Sick leave does not vest, but any unused sick leave accumulated at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. Since none of the entities have any obligation for the accumulated sick leave until it is taken, no accrual for sick leave has been made by the County or its component unit.

#### 11. Net Position/Fund Balances

#### Net Position

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

#### **Fund Balances**

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

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance - This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

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

Restricted for Stabilization by State statute – North Carolina G.S. 159-8 prohibits units of government from budgeting or spending a portion of their fund balance. This is one of several statutes enacted by the North Carolina State Legislature in the 1930's that were designed to improve and maintain the fiscal health of local government units. Restricted by State statute (RSS), is calculated at the end of each fiscal year for all annually budgeted funds. The calculation in G.S. 159-8(a) provides a formula for determining what portion of fund balance is available for appropriation. The amount of fund balance not available for appropriation is what is knows as "restricted by State statute". Appropriated fund balance in any fund shall no exceed the sum of cash and investments minus the sum of liabilities, encumbrances, and deferred revenues arising from cash receipts, as those figures stand at the close of the fiscal year next preceding the budget. Per GASB guidance, RSS is considered a resource upon which a restriction is "imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation." RSS is reduced by inventories and prepaids as they are classified as nonspendable. Outstanding Encumbrances are included within RSS. RSS is included as a component of Restricted Net Position and Restricted Fund Balance on the face of the balance sheet.

Restricted for Register of Deeds - portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue source to pay for the computer equipment and imaging technology for the Register of Deeds' office.

Restricted for Fire Protection - portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue source for fire protection expenditures.

 $Restricted \ for \ School \ Capital-portion \ of \ fund \ balance \ that \ can \ only \ be \ used \ for \ School \ Capital \ per \ G.S. \ [159-18-22].$ 

Restricted for Health Services - portion of fund balance that can only be used to benefit beneficiaries under the Social Security's Representative Payee Program.

Committed Fund Balance – portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes imposed by majority vote by quorum of Camden County's governing body (highest level of decision-making authority). The governing body can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the ordinance remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another ordinance) to remove or revise the limitation.

 $Capital\ Reserve-This\ fund\ is\ used\ to\ account\ for\ the\ land,\ building,\ and\ infrastructure\ acquisitions.$ 

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

Assigned Fund Balance – portion of fund balance that the County intends to use for specific purposes.

Subsequent year's expenditure - portion of fund balance that is appropriated in the next year's budget that is not already classified in restricted or committed. The governing body approves the appropriation; however, the budget ordinance authorizes the manager to modify the appropriations by resource or appropriation within funds up to \$100,000.

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

Camden County has also adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the general fund which instructs management to conduct the business of the County in such a manner that available fund balance is at least equal to or greater than 20% of budgeted expenditures. Any portion of the general fund balance in excess of 25% of budgeted expenditures may be appropriated for one-time expenditures and may not be used for any purpose that would obligate the County in a future budget.

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

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

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

#### 13. Opioid Settlement Funds

In April 2022, drug manufacturer Johnson & Johnson, and three drug distributors, McKesson, AmerisourceBergen, and Cardinal Health, finalized a \$26 billion-dollar nationwide settlement related to multiple opioid lawsuits. These funds will be disbursed to each participating state over an 18-year period according to an allocation agreement reached with all participating states. The majority of these funds are intended for opioid abatement and the distribution of the funds will be front loaded.

North Carolina's Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the state and local governments for the settlement funds allocates the funds as follows:

- 15% directly to the State ("State Abatement Fund")
- 80% to abatement funds established by Local Governments ("Local Abatement Funds")
- 5% to a County Incentive Fund.

The County received \$60,980 as part of this settlement in Fiscal Year 2023. Per the terms of the MOA, the County created a special revenue fund, the Opioid Settlement Fund, to account for these funds. All funds are to be used for opioid abatement and remediation activities. Funds are restricted until expended. No funds have been expended as of June 30th, 2023. The MOA offered the County two options of expending the funds. The County opted for Option A, which allows the County to fund one or more high-impact strategies from a list of evidence-based strategies to combat the opioid epidemic.

#### 14. Reimbursements for Pandemic-related Expenditures

In FY 2020/21, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to support urgent COVID-19 response efforts and replace lost revenue for the eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments. The County was allocated \$1,057,050 of fiscal recovery funds. The County plans on using the funds for revenue replacement in Fiscal Year 2023. Revenue replacement funds will be transferred to the appropriate funds once the intended use of the funds is determined.

#### Reconciliation of Government-wide & Fund Financial Statements

#### $1. \ \underline{Explanation\ of\ certain\ differences\ between\ the\ governmental\ fund\ balance\ sheet\ and\ the\ government-wide\ statement\ of\ net\ position\ .}$

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between fund balance-total governmental funds and net position-governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The net adjustment of \$3,689,845 consists of the following elements as follows:

Description	Amount
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the funds (total capital assets on government-wide statement in governmental activities column)	29,749,655
Less accumulated depreciation Net capital assets	(10,958,265) 18,791,390
Right to use assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	9,775
Net pension asset.	15,033
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position.	1,942,834
Deferred inflows of resources reported in the fund statements but not the government-wide OPEB and pension related deferrals.  Liabilities that, because they are not due and payable in the current period, do not require current	307,133 (397,516)
resources to pay and are therefore not recorded in the fund statements:	
Long-term debts, including bonds and notes payable Net pension liability - LGERS Net pension liability - LEOSSA	(12,924,822) (2,457,914) (568,168)
OPEB payable Total adjustment	(1,027,900) 3,689,845

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

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances-total governmental funds and changes in net assets of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. There are several elements of that total adjustment of \$700,633 as follows:

Description	Amount
Capital outlay expenditures recorded in the fund statements but capitalized as assets in the Statement of Activities	\$ 944,887
Depreciation expense, the allocation of those assets over their useful lives, that is recorded on the Statement of Activities but not in the fund statements	(712,276)
Principal payments on debt owed are recorded as a use of funds on the fund statements but again affect only the statement of net position in the government-wide statements	665,214
Contributions and pension administration costs for OPEB are deferred outflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position	68,430
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds	52,459
Contributions to the OPEB and pension plan in the current fiscal	
year are not included on the Statement of Activities	449,149
Benefit payments and administration costs for LEOSSA	20,521
Expenses reported in the Statement of Activities that do not require the use of current resources to pay are not recorded as expenditures in the fund statements. This includes accrued interest payable, compensated absences, pension expense and OPEB.	 (787,751)
Total adjustment	\$ 700,633

- II. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability
  - A. Significant Violations of Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions
  - 1. Noncompliance with North Carolina General Statutes

None

2. Contractual Violations

None.

B. Deficit Fund Balance or Net Position of Individual Funds not appropriated in subsequent year's budget ordinance

The Economic Development Fund, Community Park Trust Fund, and the Scattered Housing Grant Fund had deficit fund balances at June 30, 2023 related to grant timing issues.

C. Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

None.

#### III. Detail Notes on All Funds

- A. Assets
- 1. Deposits

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

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

At June 30, 2023, the County's deposits had a carrying amount of \$5,124,871 and a bank balance of \$6,257,009. Of the bank balance, \$500,000 was covered by federal depository insurance, the remainder was covered by the pooling method. At June 30, 2023, Camden County had \$625 of cash on hand.

At June 30, 2023, the carrying amount of deposits for Camden County ABC Board was \$307,678. All of these amounts were covered by federal depository insurance.

At June 30, 2023, the carrying amount of deposits for Camden County TDA was \$98,277. All of these amounts were covered by federal depository insurance.

#### 2. Investments

As of June 30, 2023, the County's investments consisted of \$27,032,440 in the North Carolina Capital Management Trust's Government Portfolio which carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's. The County has no formal policy on credit risk. The ABC Board held no investments at June 30, 2023.

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

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

Year Levied	Tax Interest		Interest		Total
2020	1,146,612		264,656	\$	1,411,268
2021	1,158,328		165,653		1,323,981
2022	1,138,337		-		1,138,337
Total	\$ 3,443,277	\$	430,309	\$	3,873,587

#### 4. Receivables

Receivables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2023 were as follows:

			Taxes &			
			Related	I	Oue From	
			Accrued		Other	
	Acco	unts	Interest	Go	vernments	Total
Governmental Activities:						
General	\$	- \$	426,667	7 \$	314,947	\$ 741,614
Other Governmental		-	4,466	ó	68,155	72,621
Total Receivables		-	431,133	3	-	431,133
Allowance for Doubtful		-	(124,000	))	-	(124,000)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	- \$	307,133	3 \$	383,102	\$ 690,235
Business-Type Activities:						
Water/Sewer receivables	\$	- \$	236,368	3 \$	-	\$ 236,368
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		-	(42,673	3)	-	(42,673)
Total Business-Type Activities	\$	- 9	193,695	5 \$	-	\$ 193,695

#### 5. Capital Assets

#### **Primary Government**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

	Begi	nning						Ending
	Bala					Balances		
	July 1	, 2022	I	ncreases		Decreases	Jι	ine 30, 2023
Governmental Activities:								
Capital assets not being depreciated:								
Land	\$ 5,	126,521	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,126,521
Construction in Progress	5,	575,466		-		-		5,575,466
Total capital assets not being depreciated	10,	701,987		-		-		10,701,987
Capital assets being depreciated:								
Buildings	6,	146,923		-		-		6,146,923
Other improvements	5,	295,217		175,654		-		5,470,871
Equipment	2,	155,124		344,284		-		2,499,408
Vehicles and motor equipment	4,	671,570		424,949		(166,053)		4,930,466
Total capital assets being depreciated	18,	268,834		944,887		(166,053)		19,047,668
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Buildings	3,	427,914		202,413		-		3,630,327
Other improvements	2,	201,288		157,509		-		2,358,797
Equipment	1,	527,449		64,959		-		1,592,408
Vehicles and motor equipment	3,	268,423		274,363		(166,053)		3,376,733
Total accumulated depreciation	10,	425,074	\$	699,244	\$	(166,053)		10,958,265
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	7.	843,760						8,089,403
Governmental activity capital assets, net		545,747					\$	18,791,390

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

General government	\$	118,871
Public Safety		363,508
<b>Environmental Protection</b>		40,556
Economic and Physical Development		6,153
Human Services		111,879
Cultural and Recreational		58,277
Total Depreciation Expense	\$	699,244
	В	eginning

D. C. C. C. A. C. W.		Beginning Balances uly 1, 2022	1	ncreases	Decreases	Ju	Ending Balances ane 30, 2023
Business-type Activities:							
Water & Sewer District							
Capital assets not being depreciated:							
Land	\$	1,050,394	\$	-	\$ -	\$	1,050,394
Construction in progress		37,503		-	-		37,503
Total capital assets not being depreciated		1,087,897		-	-		1,087,897
Capital assets being depreciated:							
Plant and distribution systems		30,715,857		-	-		30,715,857
Furniture and equipment		149,443		23,262	-		172,705
Vehicles and motor equipment		651,045		-	-		651,045
Total capital assets being depreciated		31,516,345		23,262	-		31,539,607
Less accumulated depreciation for:							
Plant and distribution systems		8,849,074		635,181	-		9,484,255
Furniture and equipment		85,273		6,541	-		91,814
Vehicles and motor equipment		157,039		14,235	-		171,274
Total accumulated depreciation		9,091,386	\$	655,957	\$ -		9,747,343
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		22,424,959					21,792,264
	ф.					ф.	
Total Water and Sewer Fund District, Net	->	23,512,856	B			<b>&gt;</b>	22,880,161

#### Discretely presented component unit

ABC Board:

Land	\$ 179,494
Buildings	222,042
Equipment	12,885
Capital assets, net of depreciation	\$ 414,421

#### 6. Right to Use Leased Assets

The County has recorded three right to use leased assets. The assets are right to use assets for leased printers and leased voting machines. The related leases are discussed in the Leases subsection of the Long-term obligations section of this note. The right to use lease assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the related leases.

Right to use asset activity for the Primary Government for the year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	1	Beginning					
		Balance	Increases	Decreases		End	ing Balance
Right to use assets							
Leased equipment	\$	35,839	\$ -	\$	-	\$	35,839
Total right to use assets		35,839	-		-		35,839
Less accumulated amortization:							
Leased equipment							
Total accumulated amortization		13,032	13,032		-		26,064
Right to use assets, net	\$	22,807	\$ (13,032)	\$	-	\$	9,775

#### B. Liabilities

#### 1. Payables

Payables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2023, were as follows:

	Accrued Vendors Interest				Total			
Governmental Activities	\$	199,770	\$	93,457	\$	293,227		
Business-type Activities	\$	15,566	\$	17,873	\$	33,439		

- 2. Pension Plan and Other Post Employment Obligations
- a. Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

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

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

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

Contributions. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. County employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by the LGERS Board of Trustees. The County's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2023, was 13.04% of compensation for law enforcement officers and 12.17% for general employees and firefighters, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$497,879 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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

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

At June 30, 2023, the County reported a liability of \$2,731,015 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2022 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension asset was based on a projection of the County's long-term share of future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the County's proportion was 0.04841%, which was a increase of 0.00022% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the County recognized pension expense of \$775,181. At June 30, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred	Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inf	lows of Resources
				44 =00
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	117,677	\$	11,538
Changes of assumptions		272,494		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		902,629		-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions		18,192		14,346
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date		497,879		
Total	\$	1,808,871	\$	25,884

\$497,879 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30	
2024	404,862
2025	345,019
2026	105,197
2027	430,030
Thereafter	-
Total	\$ 1,285,108

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.50 percent

Salary Increases 3.25 to 8.25 percent, including inflation and productivity factor

Investment rate of return 6.50 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience review for LGERS for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2015.

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

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

	Target	Long-Term Expected Real Rate
Asset Class	Allocation	of Return
Fixed Income	33.0%	0.9%
Global Equity	38.0%	6.5%
Real Estate	8.0%	5.9%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.2%
Credit	7.0%	5.0%
Inflation	6.0%	2.7%
Total	100%	_ _

The information above is based on 30 year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2021 asset, liability, and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.00%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.50 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset or net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower 5.50 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.50 percent) than the current rate:

	1 % Decrease (5.50%)	Discount Rate (6.50%)	1% Increase (7.50%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension			
liability (asset)	\$4,929,131	\$2,731,015	\$919,640

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

b. Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance

#### (1) Plan Description

Camden County administers a public employee retirement system (the Separation Allowance), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the County's qualified sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 62 who have completed at least 30 years of creditable service or have attained 55 years of age and have completed five or more years of creditable service. The Separation Allowance is equal to 0.85 percent of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The County has made no contributions to this plan. A separate report was not issued for the plan.

All full-time County law enforcement officers are covered by the Separation Allowance. At the December 31, 2021, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of:

Inactive Members Currently Receiving Benefits	2
Terminated Plan Members Entitled to,	
But Not Yet Receiving Benefits	-
Active Plan Members	18
Total	20

#### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

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

#### (3) Actuarial Assumptions

The entry age actuarial cost method was used in the December 31, 2021 valuation. The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.50 percent per annum

Salary increases 3.25 to 7.75 percent, including inflation and productivity factor

Discount rate 4.31 percent per annum, compounded annually

The discount rate is based on the yield of the S&P Municipal Bond 20 Year High Grade Rate Index as of June 30, 2022.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an experience study completed by the Actuary for the Local Government Employees' Retirement System for the five-year period ending December 31, 2020.

Deaths After Retirement (Healthy): Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set for Healthy Annuitants Mortality Table. The RP-2014 annuitant tables have no rates prior to age 50. The RP-2014 Total Data Set Employee Mortality table is used for ages less than 50.

Deaths After Retirement (Disabled): Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set for Disabled Annuitants Mortality Table. Rates for male members are multiplied by 103% for all ages. Rates for female members are multiplied by 99% for all ages.

Deaths Before Retirement: Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set Employee Mortality Table.

Mortality Projection: All mortality rates are projected from 2014 using generational improvement with Scale MP-2015.

#### (4) Contributions

The County is required by article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the benefit payments on a pay as you go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operating budget. The County's obligation to contribute to this plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. The County paid \$20,521 as benefits came due for the reporting period.

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

At June 30, 2023, the County reported a total pension liability of \$568,168. The total pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 based on a December 31, 2021 actuarial valuation. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2022 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the County recognized pension expense of \$76,979.

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Defe	erred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes of assumptions and other inputs	\$ 92,783 87,161	\$	6,498 117,522
County benefit payments and administrative expenses subsequent to the measurement date.	 -		<u> </u>
	\$ 179,944	\$	124,020

The County paid \$0 in benefit payments subsequent to the measurement date that are reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions which will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30	
2024	32,127
2025	39,142
2026	10,991
2027	(14,140)
2028	(12,196)
Thereafter	-
	\$ 55,924

Sensitivity of the County's total pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the County's total pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 4.31 percent, as well as what the County's total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (3.31 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (5.31 percent) than the current rate:

	19	% Decrease	Di	scount Rate	1	% Increase
		(3.31%)		(4.31%)		(5.31%)
Total pension liability	\$	625.320	\$	568 168	\$	516.325

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

	2023
Beginning balance	\$ 642,295
Service Cost	34,064
Interest on the total pension liability	14,221
Changes of benefit terms	-
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total	
pension liability	22,046
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(123,937)
Benefit payments	(20,521)
Other changes	-
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$ 568,168

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study as of December 31, 2020.

#### c. Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers

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

Funding Policy - Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the County to contribute each month an amount equal to five percent of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023 were \$274,375, which consisted of \$189,514 from the County and \$84,861 from the law enforcement officers.

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

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

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

Contributions. Benefits and administrative expenses are funded by investment income and 1.5% of the receipts collected by each County Commission under Article 1 of Chapter 161 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The statutory contribution currently has no relationship to the actuary's required contribution. The actuarially determined contribution this year and for the foreseeable future is zero. Registers of Deeds do not contribute. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 161-50 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Contributions to the pension plan from the County were \$967 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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

At June 30, 2023, the County reported an asset of \$15,033 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021. The total pension asset was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2022 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The County's proportion of the net pension asset was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan, relative to contributions to the pension plan of all participating RODSPF employers. At June 30, 2022, the County's proportion was 0.11354%, which was a decrease of 0.00732% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the County recognized pension expense of \$2,486. At June 30, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Ou	itflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of	Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes of assumptions	\$	116 796	\$	272
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		6,248		-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions		1,171		-
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date		967		_
Total	\$	9,298	\$	272

\$967 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net pension asset in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30	
2024	2,522
2025	1,885
2026	2,080
2027	1,572
2028	-
Total	\$ 8,059

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.5 percent

Salary Increases 3.25 to 7.25 percent, including inflation and productivity factor

Investment rate of return 3.00 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study as of December 31, 2014.

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

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The adopted asset allocation policy for the RODSPF is 100% in the fixed income asset class. The best estimate of arithmetic real rate of return for the fixed income asset class as of June 30, 2023 is 1.4%.

The information above is based on 30 year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2022 asset, liability, and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.05%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 3.00 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.00 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1 % Decrease (2.00%)	(3.00%)	1% Increase (4.00%)	_
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	(\$17,327)	\$15,033	(\$25,585)	

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

#### e. Pension Liabilities (Assets), Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability (asset) for LGERS and ROD was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021. The total pension liability for LEOSSA was measured as of June 30, 2022, with an actuarial valuation date of December 31, 2021. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contribution of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>LGERS</u>	ROD	<b>LEOSSA</b>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of Net Pension				
Liability (Asset)	\$ 2,731,015	\$ (15,033)	n/a	\$ 2,715,982
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	0.04841%	0.11354%	n/a	
Total Pension Liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 568,168	\$ 568,168
Pension Expense	\$ 775,181	\$ 2,486	\$ 76,979	\$ 854,646

As June 30, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	LGERS	ROD	LEOSSA	<u>Total</u>
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>				
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 117,677	\$ 116	\$ 92,783	\$ 210,576
Changes of assumptions	272,494	796	87,161	360,451
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	902,629	6,248	-	908,877
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions	18,192	1,171	-	19,363
County contributions (LGERS, ROD)/benefit payments and administration costs (LEOSSA) subsequent to the measurement date $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right$	497,879	967	-	498,846
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>				
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 11,538	\$ 272	\$ 6,498	\$ 18,308
Changes of assumptions	-	-	117,522	117,522
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	-	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions	14,346	-	-	14,346

#### f. Other Post Employment Benefits

#### **Healthcare Benefits**

Plan Description - Under the terms of the County resolution, the County administers a single-employer defined benefit Healthcare Benefits Plan (the HCB Plan). As of July 1, 2006, this plan provides postemployment healthcare benefits to retirees of the County, provided they participate in the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (System) and have at least twenty years of creditable service with the County. The County pays the full cost of coverage for these benefits through private insurers. The County Board may amend the benefit provisions. A separate report was not issued for the plan. If hired after January 8, 2013 no health benefits will be paid for retirees.

Membership of the HCB Plan consisted of the following at June 30, 2022, the date of latest actuarial valuation:

	General	Law Ellior cellient
	Employees	Officers
Retirees and dependents receiving benefits	4	2
Terminated plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-	-
Active plan members	4	18
Total	8	20

Funding Policy - The County pays the full cost of coverage for the healthcare benefits paid to qualified retirees under a County resolution that can be amended by the County Board. The County has chosen to fund the healthcare benefits on a pay as you go basis.

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

The County's total OPEB liability of \$1,142,111 was measured as of June 30, 2022 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement unless otherwise specified:

Inflation 2.50 percent

Salary increases 3.25-8.41 percent, average, including inflation

Discount rate 3.54 percent

Healthcare cost trend rates 7.00% for 2021 decreasing to an ultimate

rate of 4.50% by 2031

The discount rate is based on the yield of the S&P Municipal Bond 20 Year High Grade Rate Index as of the measurement date.

Total OPEB Liability						
Balance at July 1, 2022 Changes for the year	\$	1,296,776				
Service cost		37,437				
Interest		28,002				
Changes of benefit terms		-				
Differences between expected and actual experience		(10,720)				
Changes in assumptions or						
other inputs		(133,352)				
Benefit Payments		(76,032)				
Net changes		(154,665)				
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$	1,142,111				

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.16% to 3.54%.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set for Healthy Annuitants Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 2015 through December 2020.

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.54 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.54 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1 % Decrease (	1% Increase	
	2.54%)	(3.54%)	(4.54%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$1,237,076	\$1,142,111	\$1,055,571

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

	1 % Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase	
OPEB Liability	\$1.029.507	\$1.142.111	\$1.272.057	•

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

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$1,482. At June 30, 2023, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred O	utflows of Resources	Deferred Inf	lows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	3,739	\$	144,510
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments $% \left( \mathbf{r}\right) =\left( \mathbf{r}\right) $		-		-
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions Changes of assumptions		135,825		133,188
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date		-		-
Total	\$	139,564	\$	277,698

\$0 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from benefit payments made and administrative expenses incurred subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30	
2024	(63,957)
2025	(34,050)
2026	(14,387)
2027	(25,740)
2028	-
Thereafter	 -
Total	\$ (138,134)

#### **Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

	Deferred Outflows of Resources			Deferred Inflows of Resources	
(Pensions, OPEB) - difference between expected and actual experience	\$	214,315	\$	162,818	
(Pensions, OPEB) - Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings		908,877		-	
(Pensions) - change in proportion and difference between employer contributions and proportionate					
share of contributions		155,188		147,534	
(Pensions, OPEB) - change in assumptions		360,451		117,522	
Contributions to pension plan subsequent to measurement date (LGERS, ROD)		498,846		-	
Prepaid taxes not yet earned (General)		-		93,108	
Taxes receivable, net, less penalties (General)		-		302,667	
Taxes receivable, net, less penalties (Special Revenue)		-		4,466	
Total	\$	2,137,677	\$	828,115	

#### f. Other Employment Benefits

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

#### 4. Risk Management

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

The County carries flood insurance on the renovated courthouse. Other buildings are not insured for flood.

In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the County's employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the County's funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond. The Finance Officer is bonded for \$550,000, the tax collector is bonded for \$50,000 and the sheriff is bonded for \$25,000. The remaining employees that have access to funds are bonded under a blanket bond for \$15,000.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and no claims have been made in the past three years.

Camden County ABC Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The Board has commercial property, general liability, auto liability, workers' compensation, and employee health coverage. The Board does have liquor legal liability coverage. In accordance with G.S. 18B-803, the ABC Board's employees that have access to the Board's funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond. Employees are bonded under an employment practices bond for up to \$5,000 per claim. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage in the prior year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### 5. Contingent Liabilities

At June 30, 2023, the County was a defendant to various lawsuits. In the opinion of the County's management and the County attorney, the ultimate effect of these legal matters will not have a material adverse effect on the County's financial position.

#### 6. Long-Term Obligations

#### a. Leases

The County has entered into agreements to lease certain equipment. The lease agreements qualify as other than short-term leases under GASB 87 and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception.

The first agreement was executed in July 2021 to lease a building for the Extension department and requires monthly payments of \$1,100. There are no variable payment components of the lease. The lease term ends on March 31, 2024. The lease liability is measured at a discount rate of 3%, which is the stated rate in the lease agreement. As a result of the lease, the County has recorded a lease liability of \$9,749 at June 30, 2023. The right to use asset is discussed in more detail in the right to use asset section of this note.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2023, were as follows:

Year	P	rincpal	Interest	Total			
2024	\$	9,714	\$ 35	\$	9,749		
	\$	9,714	\$ 35	\$	9,749		

#### b. Installment Purchases

Total

As authorized by State law [G.S. 160A-20 and 153A-158.1], the County has financed various property acquisitions for use by Camden County Board of Education by installment purchase. The installment purchases were issued pursuant to a deed of trust that requires that legal title remain with the County as long as the debt is outstanding. The County has entered into a lease with Camden County Board of Education that transfers the right and responsibilities for maintenance and insurance of the property to the Board of Education. The lease calls for nominal annual lease payments and also contains a bargain purchase option. The lease term is the same as that of the installment purchase obligation. Due to the economic substance of the transaction, the capital assets associated with the installment purchase obligation are recorded by the Board of Education. These loans are included in the loans described below.

The direct placement installment purchases of the County are outlined below:

$$264,\!000$ direct placement loan from Rural Housing Service to finance courthouse renovations. The loan is secured by the courthouse. The note calls for annual payments of $$20,\!297$ including interest at $4.5\%$ . Matures in $2026$ .	\$ 55,356
\$725,000 direct placement loan from Truist dated August 16, 2010 for the construction of a Fire Station Building. The loan is secured by the asset purchased. The loan calls for annual payments of \$36,250 plus interest at 3.89%. Matures in 2027.	290,000
\$507,824 direct placement loan from Xenith Bank for the purchase of Pierce Pumper Truck. The loan is secured with the property. The loan is secured by the asset purchased. The loan calls for annual payments of \$61,595 for 5 years plus interest at 2.2%. Matures in 2025.	326,501
\$10,000,000 direct placement loan from US Department of Agriculture for the construction of an intermediate school. The note calls for annual payments of \$520,000 for 40 years which includes interest at 4.125%. Matures in 2049.	7,827,352
\$4,633,000 direct placement loan from Truist Bank for the the construction of a new Library. The note calls for annual principal payments of \$309,000 plus the interest at 2.50%. Matures in 2036.	 4,016,000
Total	\$ 12,515,209

#### c. General Obligation Indebtedness

All general obligation bonds serviced by the County's general fund are collateralized by the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the County. South Camden Water and Sewer District issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major water and sewer capital improvements. These bonds, which are recorded in the Water District Fund, are collateralized by the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the District. Principal and interest payments are appropriated when due. In the event of default, the County agrees to pay to the Purchaser, on demand, interest on any and all amount due and owing by the County under this agreement.

The County's general obligation bonds are payable at June 30, 2023, are comprised of the following individual issues:

Serviced by South Camden Water and Sewer District:

\$1,600,000 - 1996 Water District bonds with annual installments of \$17,000 to \$66,000 through June 1, 2036; interest at 4.875%. These Bonds were refinanced with a principal amount of \$1,274,000 with annual installments of \$93,493 plus interest at 3.89%.

698.651

Other Loans:

State DWSRF Revolving Direct Borrowing: A loan of \$1,367,122 calling for 20 annual principal payments of \$68,356 plus interest at 2.50%. At year end \$1,307,360 has been drawn down on the loan amount. This associated project was completed during the year and half of the outstanding principal was forgiven. The new payments will be for 20 years at \$32,684 with no stated interest rate. Matures in 2032.

261,472

Sterling National Bank Loan: A direct placement loan of \$2,800,000 dated May 10, 2018 calling for 20 annual principal payments of \$98,000 to \$196,000 plus interest at 3.87%. The loan is secured by the property purchased. Matures in 2038.

2,282,000

Total \$ 3,242,123

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the County's and District's general obligation bonds and loans are as follows:

	Governmental					Busine	ess T	Type
Year Ending		Activ	vitie	S		Acti	ivitie	es
June 30,		Principal		Interest Principa				Interest
2024	\$	610,006	\$	438,977	\$	214,000	\$	115,491
2025		620,656		419,864		221,580		108,461
2026		630,995		400,317		228,260		101,137
2027		623,085		380,314		236,044		93,554
2028		634,288		360,748		243,937		85,669
2029-2033		3,023,251		1,509,018		1,190,302		298,932
2034-2038		2,529,515		1,038,133		908,000		108,090
2039-2043		1,962,674		637,326		-		-
2044-2047		1,880,739		197,721		-		-
Total	\$	12,515,209	\$	5,382,418	\$	3,242,123	\$	911,334

At June 30, 2023 Camden County had a legal debt margin of \$112,048,013.

#### d. Long-Term Obligation Activity

The following is a summary of changes in the County's long-term obligations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023:

	Balance					Balance	Current
	 7/1/2022	Increases	]	Decreases	(	5/30/2023	Portion
Governmental Activities:							
Direct Placement Installment							
Purchases	\$ 13,167,235	\$ -	\$	(652,026)	\$	12,515,209	\$ 610,006
Leases	22,902	-		(13,188)		9,714	9,714
OPEB	1,167,099	-		(139,199)		1,027,900	-
Net pension liability (LGERS)	665,136	1,792,778		-		2,457,914	-
Net pension liability (LEOSSA)	642,295	-		(74,127)		568,168	-
Compensated absences	295,403	193,672		(182,633)		306,442	185,000
Total governmental activities	\$ 15,960,070	\$ 1,986,450	\$	(1,061,173)	\$	16,885,347	\$ 804,720
	Balance					Balance	Current
	7/1/2022	Increases	]	Decreases	(	5/30/2023	Portion
Business Type Activities:							
General obligation debt	\$ 3,449,640	\$ -	\$	(207,517)	\$	3,242,123	\$ 214,000
OPEB	129,677	-		(15,466)		114,211	-
Net pension liability (LGERS)	73,904	199,198		-		273,102	-
Compensated Absences	28,228	28,117		(25,589)		30,756	30,756
Total business type activities	\$ 3,681,449	\$ 227,315	\$	(248,572)	\$	3,660,192	\$ 244,756
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Compensated absences for governmental activities typically have been liquidated in the general fund and are accounted for on a LIFO basis, assuming that employees are taking leave time as it is earned.

Debt Related to Capital Activities - Of the total Governmental Activities debt listed only \$4,687,857 relates to assets the County holds title.

#### C. Interfund Balances and Transfer Activity

The composition of internal balances as of June 30, 2023 is as follows:

	F	Receivable Fund
Payable Fund		General Fund
Scattered Housing Grant Fund	\$	815,616
Cares Act 19 Fund		16,290
Community Park Trust Fund		36,001
Economic Development Fund		190,245
Total	\$	1,058,152

The above was for operating expenditures while awaiting grant monies. Management expects to repay once those grant funds are received.

Transfers in (out) for the year ended June 30, 2023 are summarized below:

Fund	To	From	Purpose
School Capital Fund	\$ 1,067,750		Expenditures.
General Fund		\$ 1,067,750	
Revaluation Fund	\$ 2,000		Expenditures.
General Fund		\$ 2,000	
Special Capital Fund	\$ 125,000		Expenditures.
General Fund		\$ 125,000	

#### D. Fund Balance

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

Total fund balance - General Fund	\$ 20,627,912
Less:	
Stabilization by State Statute	1,377,565
Capital Reserve	6,519,323
Remaining Fund Balance	\$ 12,731,024

#### III. Joint Ventures

<u>Developmental Disabilities & Substance abuse Services</u>

The County participates in a joint venture to provide mental health services. East Carolina Behavioral Health (ECBH)coordinates these services through third party providers. The County is one of nineteen county governments participating as a joint venture. Camden County appointed one board member (commissioner) to the ECBH's finance committee. The venture was established as a joint venture among the participating counties to coordinate funding from federal and State agencies and also to realize economies of scale in the providing of mental health services. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments and ECBH, the County appropriated \$20,000 to the ECBH to supplement its activities. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the ECBH, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2023 Complete financial statements can be obtained from the ECBH's office at 112 Health Drive, Greenville, North Carolina 27834-7704.

Central Communications/Emergency Management System

The Emergency Management System was established as a joint venture between Camden County, Pasquotank County, and the City of Elizabeth City to coordinate grant funds and realize economies of scale. Each entity appoints one member to the governing board. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$320,178 to the System to supplement its activities. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the System, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2023. Complete financial statements for the System can be obtained from the System's office at 103 S. Road Street, Elizabeth City, North Carolina 27909.

#### Albemarle District Jail

The operation of the Jail is shared with two other counties in the surrounding area. Each county's contributions are based on a per capita assessment based on the most recent census figures available, and each county appoints one or more members to the Board. In accordance with the intergovernmental agreement between the participating governments, the County appropriated \$262,536 to the Jail to supplement its activities. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in the Jail, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2023. Complete financial statements for the Jail can be obtained from the Jail's office at 320 S. Hughes Blvd., Elizabeth City, North Carolina 27907.

#### **Albemarle Commission**

The County is a member of the Albemarle Commission, which is a voluntary association of county governments. The Commission was established as a joint venture among the participating counties to coordinate funding from federal and State agencies. – the makeup is 1 elected official from each of the 10 counties with a term that does not expire unless the individual is no longer an elected official or another appointment is made by the county. Four at-large members that rotate off the AC Board every 2 years. Currently, the members until the end of the month, are from Currituck, Dare, Gates and Hyde. Starting in January, the members will be from Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington until December 31st 2019. On January 1, 2019 the members will be from Camden Chowan Currituck and Dare. The County paid membership fees of \$29,474 to the Commission during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

#### Regional Confinement Facility

The County is a member of the Regional Jail Facility, which is an agreement of three county governments to provide financing, construction and operation of a regional jail. The Facility was established as a joint venture among the participating counties to coordinate funding from local, federal, and State agencies. The County contributed \$159,642 to the Facility during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

#### Albemarle Regional Health Services (ARHS)

Albemarle Regional Health Services is a voluntary association of seven county governments. ARHS was established as a joint venture among the participating counties to coordinate funding from federal and State agencies and to realize economies of scale in providing health care services. The County contributed \$55,315 to ARHS during the year ended June 30, 2023. None of the participating governments have any equity interest in ARHS, so no equity interest has been reflected in the financial statements at June 30, 2023. Complete financial statements can be obtained at ARHS's office on 711 Roanoke Avenue, Elizabeth City, North Carolina 27909.

#### IV. Summary Disclosure of Significant Commitments and Contingencies

#### Federal and State Assisted Programs

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

#### V. Significant Effects of Subsequent Events

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

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

This section contains additional information required by generally accounting principals.

Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – Local Government Employees' Retirement System

Schedule of Contributions – Local Government Employees' Retirement System

Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Register of Deeds

Schedule of Contributions – Register of Deeds

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

Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll - Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

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

Local Government Employees' Retirement System														
Board's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	2023 0.04841%	2022 0.04819%	2021 0.04974%		<b>2020</b> 0.05118%	2019 0.04646%		2018 0.04970%	2017 0.05110%	2016 0.04870%		<b>2015</b> 0.0489%		<b>2014</b> 0.0452%
Board's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$) Board's covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,731,015 \$ 3,777,159	\$ 739,040 \$ 3,664,577	\$ 1,777,422 \$ 3,450,004	\$ \$	1,397,686 3,270,415	\$ 1,102,190 \$ 3,112,093	\$ \$	759,278 3,089,454	\$ 1,084,513 \$ 3,034,188	\$ 218,383 \$ 2,915,721	\$ \$	(288,268) 2,883,647	\$ \$	544,834 2,788,528
Board's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	72.30%	20.17%	51.52%		42.74%	35.42%		24.58%	35.74%	7.49%		(10.00%)		19.54%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability**	84.14%	95.53%	88.61%		90.86%	91.63%		94.18%	91.47%	98.09%		102.64%		94.35%

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30

<sup>\*\*</sup> This will be the same percentage for all participant employers in the LGERS plan.

#### Camden County, North Carolina Camden County's Contributions Required Supplementary Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

				Lo	ocal Governr	nent	Employees' Ro	etirei	nent Systen	1					
	20	23	2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	2017	 2016	 2015	 2014
Contractually required contribution	\$ 49	97,879	\$ 438,181	\$	380,232	\$	316,915	\$	260,864	\$	240,505	\$ 235,455	\$ 208,510	\$ 220,612	\$ 219,096
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	49	97,879	438,181		380,232		316,915		260,864		240,505	235,455	208,510	220,612	219,096
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$ -	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ _	\$ -	\$ -
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,01	19,915	\$ 3,777,159	\$	3,664,577	\$	3,450,004	\$	3,270,415	\$	3,112,093	\$ 3,089,454	\$ 3,034,188	\$ 2,915,721	\$ 2,883,647
Contributions as a percentage of covered- employee payroll	1	12.39%	11.60%		10.38%		9.19%		7.98%		7.73%	7.62%	6.87%	7.57%	7.60%

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

Registers of Deeds' Supplemental Pension Fund																
		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	 2018	2017	 2016	2015		2014
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)		0.11354%		0.12086%		0.12334%		0.10122%	-	0.11186%	0.10657%	0.11030%	0.09520%	0.1010%		0.1130%
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$	15,033	\$	(23,221)	\$	(28,267)	\$	(19,983)	\$	(18,572)	\$ (18,190)	\$ (20,622)	\$ (22,066) \$	(22,909)	\$	(24,145)
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability $\ensuremath{^{**}}$		139.04%		156.53%		173.62%		164.11%		153.31%	153.77%	160.17%	197.29%	193.88%		190.50%

 $<sup>^{*}</sup>$  The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.

<sup>\*\*</sup> This will be the same percentage for all participant employers in the ROD plan.

#### Camden County, North Carolina Camden County's Contributions Required Supplementary Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

				Re	gisters of l	Deeds	s' Suppleme	ntal I	ension Fun	d					
	2	2023	2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Contractually required contribution	\$	967	\$ 1,302	\$	1,450	\$	1,181	\$	3,817	\$	3,592	\$ 3,476	\$ 3,024	\$ 3,631	\$ 3,821
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		967	1,302		1,450		1,181		3,817		3,592	3,476	3,024	3,631	3,821
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$ 	\$ -	\$ 	\$ -

### Camden County, North Carolina Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance June 30, 2023

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Beginning balance	642,295	627,615	429,868	237,690	263,319	269,827
Service Cost	34,064	33,537	26,136	22,950	18,007	16,365
Interest on the total pension liability	14,221	11,914	13,679	8,278	8,043	10,281
Changes of benefit terms	=	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement of						
the total pension liability	22,046	10,264	21,924	166,164	(22,941)	(49,014)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(123,937)	(20,414)	156,529	15,307	(11,127)	22,818
Benefit payments	(20,521)	(20,621)	(20,521)	(20,521)	(17,611)	(6,958)
Other changes	-	-	-	-	-	
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$ 568,168 \$	642,295 \$	627,615 \$	429,868 \$	237,690	263,319

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

# Camden County, North Carolina Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance June 30, 2023

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total pension liability Covered employee payroll	\$ 568,168 915,614	\$ 642,295 876,362	\$ 627,615 917,087	\$ 429,868 796,360	\$ 237,690 \$ 633,413	263,319 699,488
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	62.05%	73.29%	68.44%	53.98%	37.53%	37.64%

#### Notes to the schedules:

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

#### Camden County, North Carolina Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios Healthcare Benefits Plan For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	 2023		2022	2021	2020	2019		2018
Total OPEB Liability								
Service cost	\$ 37,437	\$	40,638	\$ 30,244	\$ 55,212	\$ 56,912	\$	61,214
Interest	28,002		28,307	40,779	52,879	48,580		42,356
Changes of benefit terms	-		-	-	-	-		-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(10,720)		(98,395)	4,757	(266,186)	4,942		(24,332)
Changes of assumptions	(133,352)		125,715	119,951	24,788	(43,588)		(75,041)
Benefit payments	(76,032)		(78,954)	(101,376)	(81,084)	(63,376)		(30,464)
Net change in total OPEB liability	 (154,665)		17,311	94,355	(214,391)	3,470		(26,267)
Total OPEB liability - beginning	1,296,776	1	1,279,465	1,185,110	1,399,501	1,396,031	1	,422,298
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$ 1,142,111	\$ 1	1,296,776	\$ 1,279,465	\$ 1,185,110	\$ 1,399,501	\$ 1	,396,031
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,028,093	\$ 1	1,028,093	\$ 1,394,749	\$ 1,394,749	\$ 1,812,821	\$ 1	,812,821
County's OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	111.09%		126.13%	91.73%	84.97%	77.20%		77.01%

#### Notes to Schedule

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

Fiscal year	Rate
2018	3.56%
2019	3.89%
2020	3.50%
2021	2.21%
2022	2.16%
2023	3.54%

## **GENERAL FUND**

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

Special Capital Fund is presented separately for budget compliance reporting but is combined with the General Fund in Exhibit 4.

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	
Revenues:				
Ad Valorem Taxes:				
Taxes	\$ 9,116,236	\$ 10,949,274	\$	1,833,038
Penalties and Interest	40,000	118,696		78,696
Total	9,156,236	11,067,970		1,911,734
Other Taxes and Licenses:				
Local option sales tax	1,200,100	2,016,598		
Telecommunications tax	650,000	734,576		
Scrap tire disposal tax	14,000	19,678		
Video franchise fee	40,000	60,929		
3 Cent Operating	365,299	276,439		
White goods tax	3,500	5,392		
Medicaid hold harmless	500,000	721,482		
Total	2,772,899	3,835,094		1,062,195
Unrestricted Intergovernmental revenues:				
Beer and wine tax	42,000	148,167		
Payments in lieu of taxes	100	812		
ABC profit distribution	36,000	-		
Total	78,100	148,979		70,879
Restricted Intergovernmental:				
State and Federal Grants	1,205,229	1,236,958		
ABC profits for law enforcement	5,000	6,310		
Solid waste disposal tax	315,000	337,653		
Court facilities fees	18,000	29,317		
Total	1,543,229	1,610,238		67,009
Permits and Fees:				
Gun permits	28,500	22,619		
Fines and forfeitures	50,000	49,084		
Register of Deeds	216,500	228,068		
Election fees	0	134		
Business registration fee	0	500		
Other fees	1,003,656	43,236		
Building permits and inspections, including land use fees	383,962	343,092		
Total	1,682,618	686,733		(995,885)

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Sales and Services:			
Rent and Concessions	54,300	179,999	
Jail fees	3,000	4,142	
Officer fees	72,136	55,581	
Total	129,436	239,722	110,286
Investment Earnings: Interest	11,050	253,513	242,463
Miscellaneous:			
Sale of fixed assets	500	96,798	
Sale of recyclables	20,000	34,039	
Other	40,348	142,954	
Total	60,848	273,791	212,943
TOTAL REVENUES	15,434,416	18,116,040	2,681,624
Expenditures:			
General Government:			
Governing body	119,259	116,585	
Administration	798,180	373,419	
Finance	149,235	129,990	
Tax administration	295,616	265,555	
Personnel	70,490	33,880	
Legal	40,000	30,423	
Register of deeds	160,925	180,024	
Elections	90,423	57,733	
Public buildings	587,865	372,791	
Court facilities	33,136	25,439	
Revaluation Fund	2,000	2,000	
Capital Outlay	125,000	125,000	
Total general government	2,472,129	1,712,839	759,290

	Final		Variance Positive
	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
Public Safety:			
Sheriff	1,505,272	1,319,346	
Jail	337,000	262,536	
Regional jail	159,709	159,642	
Juvenile justice and delinquency program	81,169	78,474	
School resource officer	211,870	148,643	
Inspections	229,005	130,223	
Contribution to fire districts	454,707	356,259	
Emergency management	659,655	659,635	
Central communications	332,408	291,273	
Total	3,970,795	3,406,031	564,764
Economic and physical development:			
Economic development	88,411	24,265	
Agricultural extension	187,939	161,734	
Planning	168,904	135,987	
Albemarle commission	7,500	7,265	
Resource conservation and development	750	750	
Soil/water conservation	85,000	151,850	
Total	538,504	481,851	56,653
Human services:			
Health:			
Albemarle mental health	20,000	20,000	
Nutrition program	27,550	27,550	
Regional health	40,527	40,527	
Other health programs	47,163	33,146	
Total human services	135,240	121,223	14,017
Transportation: Traffic	3,560	3,315	245

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Social services:	4.460.404	4.055.600	
Administration	1,169,101	1,055,608	
Medical travel	10,000	11,535	
County provided assistance	35,000	39,210	
Adoptions	7,700	5,411	
Aid to the blind program	1,200	1,147	
Foster care	48,000	47,547	
Crisis intervention	19,160	8,213	
Work first program	20,000	9,291	
LIEAP expenses	29,000	11,100	
Other assistance	6,100	4,786	454.440
Total social services	1,345,261	1,193,848	151,413
Total Human Services	1,484,061	1,318,386	165,675
Cultural and Recreational:			
Recreation	340,113	350,768	
Library	190,015	219,127	
College of the Albemarle	45,000	45,000	
Senior citizens services	218,796	212,348	
Total Cultural and Recreational	843,924	827,243	16,681
Environmental protection:			
Public works administration	2,181,923	61,039	
Forestry program	70,365	56,259	
Sanitation	790,015	819,834	
Total environmental protection	3,042,303	937,132	2,105,171
Education:			
Public Schools:			
Current Expense	3,165,299	2,800,000	
Capital Outlay	455,878	455,878	
Total Education	3,621,177	3,255,878	365,299
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	572,150	466,416	
Interest and Fees	22,697	127,226	
Total Debt Service	594,847	593,642	1,205
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	16,567,740	12,533,002	4,034,738
Revenues over Expenditures	(1,133,324)	5,583,038	6,716,362

Other financing sources (uses):	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Fund Balance Appropriated	1,133,324	- (4.404.550)	
Special revenue - capital reserve	- 1100 001	(1,194,750)	(0.000.07.1)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,133,324	(1,194,750)	(2,328,074)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	4,388,288	\$ 4,388,288
Fund balances: Beginning of year, July 1		9,720,302	
End of year, June 30		\$ 14,108,590	

## OTHER MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND

Major Governmental Fund - Special Capital Fund-Fire Districts Fund- Courthouse & Shiloh

## Camden County, North Carolina Special Capital Fund

	2023		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Other taxes		\$ 826,725	
Land sale		-	
Investment earnings		162,626	
Total Revenue	\$ 555,000	989,351	\$ 434,351
Expenditures			
Operating expenses		641,214	
Capital outlay		-	
Total Expenditures	1,182,062	641,214	540,848
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(627,062)	348,137	975,199
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers from other funds	325,000	125,000	(200,000)
Proceeds from Lease Purchase	-	-	-
Total Other Financing			
Sources (Uses)	325,000	125,000	(200,000)
Revenues and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(302,062)	473,137	775,199
Fund Balance Appropriated	302,062		(302,062)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	473,137	\$ 473,137
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of Year, July 1		6,046,186	
End of Voor June 20		¢ ( [10 222	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 6,519,323	

# Camden County, North Carolina Fire District Funds - Courthouse and Shiloh Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Ad valorem taxes		\$ 76,400	
Restricted intergovernmental		60,050	
Other taxes		206,448	
Investment earnings		6,906	
Other fees		7,500	
Miscellaneous		8,321	
Total Revenues	432,781	365,625	(67,156)
Expenditures:			
Public safety:			
Salaries and benefits		-	
Operating expenses		268,776	
Capital outlay		149,579	
Debt service: Principal and Interest		94,396	
Total Expenditures	515,446	512,751	2,695
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(82,665)	(147,126)	(64,461)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Proceeds of long-term debt	-	-	-
Transfer to General Fund	-	-	-
Total Other Financing			
Sources (Uses)			
Revenues and Other Financing			
Sources Over (Under) Uses	(82,665)	(147,126)	(64,461)
Fund Balance Appropriated	82,665		(82,665)
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	(147,126)	\$ (147,126)
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of Year, July 1		327,770	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 180,644	

### Camden County, North Carolina School Capital Fund

		2023	
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues: Other taxes Local contributions Investment earnings Total Revenues	\$ 2,375,644	\$ 1,377,970 150,000 110,506 1,638,476	\$ (737,168)
Expenditures: Education:	<u> , , ,</u>		
Operating expenses Total Expenditures	2,375,644	41,986 41,986	2,333,658
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		1,596,490	1,596,490
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfer from other funds Total Other Financing	-	1,067,750	1,067,750
Sources (Uses)		1,067,750	1,067,750
Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Uses	-	2,664,240	2,664,240
Fund Balance Appropriated		<del>-</del>	
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	2,664,240	\$ 2,664,240
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1		4,800,333	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 7,464,573	

#### Camden County, North Carolina Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheet June 30, 2023

							Special Reven	ue Funds							(	Capital Project Fu	inds	
	Automation Enhancement and Preserva- tion Fund	Watershed Fund	Dismal Swamp Visitor Center	South Mills VFD	Joyce Creek Drainage Fund	Community Park Trust	Eco Dev Fund	School Fund	Revaluation Fund	Cares Act 19	Representative Payee Fund	Opioid Settlement Fund	Ferbee Fund	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Scattered Housing Grant	Boat Ramp Grant	Total Nonmajor Capital Project Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Assets:																		
Cash and investments Restricted Cash Accounts receivable Taxes receivable (net)	\$ 3,540 - -	\$ 544,009 - - -	\$ 102,509 - 916 -	\$ 59,601 - 16,539 1,866	\$ 410,189 - -	\$ - - - 1,865	\$ - - -	\$ 10,112 - - -	\$ 215,721 - - 225	\$ - 16,290	\$ 35,081 - 406	\$ - 60,980 -	\$ 1,681 - - -	\$ 1,382,443 60,980 34,151 3,956	\$ - - - -	\$ 51,285 - -	\$ 51,285 - -	\$ 1,433,728 60,980 34,151 3,956
Total Assets	\$ 3,540	\$ 544,009	\$ 103,425	\$ 78,006	\$ 410,189	\$ 1,865	\$ -	\$ 10,112	\$ 215,946	\$ 16,290	\$ 35,487	\$ 60,980	\$1,681	\$ 1,481,530	\$ -	\$ 51,285	\$ 51,285	\$ 1,532,815
Liabilities and Fund Balances:																		
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Unearned revenue Due from other funds Total liabilities	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ 4,114 - - - 4,114	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - 36,001 36,001	\$ - 190,245 190,245	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - 16,290 16,290	\$ - - -	\$ - 60,980 - 60,980	\$ - - -	\$ 4,114 60,980 242,536 307,630	\$ - 815,616 815,616	\$ - 2,167 - 2,167	\$ - 2,167 815,616 817,783	\$ 4,114 63,147 1,058,152 1,125,413
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b> Property taxes receivable Total deferred inflows of resources	-			1,812 1,812	-									1,812 1,812		-		1,812 1,812
Fund Balances: Restricted																		
Stabilization by State Statute Register of Deeds Health Services Fire Protection Committed	3,540 -	- - -	916 - - -	16,539 - - 59,655	-		- - -	- - -	225 - - -	16,290 - - -	406 - 35,081 -	- - -	:	34,376 3,540 35,081 59,655	-	-	- - -	34,376 3,540 35,081 59,655
Tax Revaluation School capital Economic development Total fund balances	3,540	544,009 544,009	98,395 99,311	76,194	410,189 410,189	(34,136)	(190,245) (190,245)	10,112	215,721 - - 215,946	(16,290)	35,487	· ·	1,681 1,681	215,721 10,112 813,603 1,172,088	(815,616) (815,616)	49,118 49,118	(766,498) (766,498)	215,721 10,112 47,105 405,590
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$ 3,540	\$ 544,009	\$ 103,425	\$ 78,006	\$ 410,189	\$ 1,865	\$ -	\$ 10,112	\$ 215,946	\$ 16,290	\$ 35,487	\$ 60,980	\$1,681	\$ 1,481,530	\$ -	\$ 51,285	\$ 51,285	\$ 1,532,815

#### Camden County, North Carolina Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

							Special Re	venue Funds								Capital Project Fund		
	Auto Enhancement and Preserva- tion Fund	Watershed Fund	Dismal Swamp Visitor Center	South Mills VFD	Joyce Creek Drainage Fund	Community Park Trust	Eco Dev Fund	School Fund	Revaluation Fund	Cares Act 19	Representative Payee Fund	Opioid Settlement Fund	Ferbee Fund	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Scattered Housing Grant	Boat Ramp Grant	Total Nonmajor Capital Project Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues: Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ -	ė		\$ 49.368	\$ 40.320			ė				ė		\$ 89.688	ė		ė	\$ 89,688
Other taxes	<b>3</b> -	<b>3</b> -		149,811	\$ 40,320	<b>3</b> -		3.496	<b>3</b> -		\$ -	5 -	3 -	153,307	5 -	5 -		153,307
Local contributions				149,011				3,470						133,307				133,307
Donations																		
Investment earnings		11,308		4,429	4.770			365	5.093				61	26.026				26,026
Sales		11,500	59,941	.,,	1,7.0			505	5,075				-	59,941		_		59,941
Miscellaneous			39,941											37,741				39,941
Federal and State grants			160,000	154,120			626,587				52,394			993,101	439,677		439.677	1,432,778
Fees	4,925	77,553	100,000	9,287			020,307				32,374			91,765	437,077		437,077	91,765
Total revenues	4,925	88,861	219,941	367,015	45,090		626,587	3,861	5,093		52,394		61	1,413,828	439,677		439,677	1,853,505
rotarrevenues	4,723	00,001	217,741	307,013	43,070		020,307	3,001	3,073		32,374			1,413,020	437,077		437,077	1,033,303
Expenditures:																		
General government	4,925								87,839					92,764				92,764
Public safety	.,			297,176					-					297,176				297,176
Environmental protection		672		,										672				672
Economic and physical development			206,930		21,349		354,282							582,561		51,006	51,006	633,567
Health services			,		,						24,944			24,944				24,944
Cultural and recreation						32,159								32,159				32,159
Education								8.100						8.100				8,100
Debt service:								-,						-,				0,
Principal retirement				104,402										104,402				104,402
Interest and fees																		
Total Expenditures	4,925	672	206,930	401,578	21,349	32,159	354,282	8,100	87,839	-	24,944	-	-	1,142,778	-	51,006	51,006	1,193,784
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Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		88,189	13,011	(34,563)	23,741	(32,159)	272,305	(4,239)	(82,746)		27,450		61	271,050	439,677	(51,006)	388,671	659,721
Other Financing Sources (Uses):																		
Proceeds of long-term debt									-									
Transfers from (to) other sources									2,000					2,000				2,000
Total other financing sources (uses)			-						2,000		-			2,000				2,000
Net change in Fund Balance	-	88,189	13,011	(34,563)	23,741	(32,159)	272,305	(4,239)	(80,746)	-	27,450	-	61	273,050	439,677	(51,006)	388,671	661,721
Fund balances:																		
Beginning of Year, July 1																		
	3,540	455,820	86,300	110,757	386,448	(1,977)	(462,550)	14,351	296,692		8,037		1,620	899,038	(1,255,293)	100,124	(1,155,169)	(256,131)
End of year, June 30	\$ 3,540	\$ 544,009	\$ 99,311	\$ 76,194	\$ 410,189	\$ (34,136)	\$ (190,245)	\$ 10,112	\$ 215,946	\$ -	\$ 35,487	\$ -	\$ 1,681	\$ 1,172,088	\$ (815,616)	\$ 49,118	\$ (766,498)	\$ 405,590

### SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

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

# Camden County, North Carolina Automation Enhancement and Preservation Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues Fees Investment Earnings Other income Total revenues	\$ 5,000 10 - 5,010	\$ 4,925 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	\$ (75) (10) - (85)
Expenditures: Operating expenses Total Expenditures	11,600	4,925 4,925	6,675
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(6,590)		6,590
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfers from Other Funds Transfers to Other Funds Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	- - - -	- - -	- - -
Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Uses	(6,590)	-	6,590
Fund Balance Appropriated	6,590	<del>-</del>	(6,590)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	-	\$ -
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1		3,540	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 3,540	

### Camden County, North Carolina Watershed Fund

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Fees	\$ 99,064	\$ 77,553	\$ (21,511)
Grants	-	-	-
Investment earnings	275	11,308	11,033
Total revenues	99,339	88,861	10,478
Expenditures:			
Operating expenses	99,339	672	98,667
Total Expenditures	99,339	672	98,667
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		88,189	88,189
Net change in fund balance	-	88,189	88,189
Fund Balance Appropriated			
		00.40-	
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	88,189	\$ 88,189
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1		455,820	
Deginning of Tear, July 1		755,020	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 544,009	

### Camden County, North Carolina Dismal Swamp Visitor Center Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues Restricted intergovernmental Sales Local contributions Total Revenue	\$ 160,000 69,460 1,000 230,460	\$ 160,000 59,941 	(10,519)
Expenditures Salaries and benefits Operating expenses Total Expenditures	230,460 230,460	206,930 206,930	23,530
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		13,011	13,011
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfers from other funds Proceeds from Lease Purchase Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	- - -	- - -	
Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	-	13,011	13,011
Fund Balance Appropriated			
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	13,011	\$ 13,011
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1		86,300	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 99,311	

### Camden County, North Carolina Fire District Fund - South Mills Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final	A 1	Variance Favorable
D	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Revenues: Ad valorem taxes	\$ 44,050	\$ 49,368	\$ 5,318
Other taxes	176,201	149,811	(26,390)
Investment earnings	500	4,429	3,929
Other grants	179,985	154,120	(25,865)
Other fees	9,288	9,287	(1)
Total Revenues	410,024	367,015	(43,009)
Expenditures:			
Public safety:			
Salaries and benefits	5,000	2,280	2,720
Operating expenses	311,923	294,896	17,027
Capital outlay	, <u>-</u>	, -	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Debt service: Principal and Interest	113,000	104,402	8,598
Total Expenditures	429,923	401,578	28,345
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(19,899)	(34,563)	(14,664)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Proceeds from Installment Loan	-	-	-
Transfer to General Fund	-	-	-
Total Other Financing			
Sources (Uses)			
Revenues and Other Financing			
Sources Over (Under) Uses	(19,899)	(34,563)	(14,664)
Fund Balance Appropriated	19,899		(19,899)
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	(34,563)	\$ (34,563)
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1		110,757	
2-5		110,707	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 76,194	

### Camden County, North Carolina Drainage Fund - Joyce Creek Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	Variance		
	Final Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)		
Revenues:					
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 43,360	\$ 40,320	\$ (3,040)		
Grants	1.000	4.770	2.770		
Investment earnings Total Revenues	1,000	4,770 45,090	3,770 730		
Expenditures:					
Environmental Protection:					
Operating expenses		21,349			
Capital outlay					
Total Expenditures	44,360	21,349	23,011		
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		23,741	23,741		
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Proceeds from Installment Loan					
Transfer to General Fund	- -	-	- -		
Total Other Financing					
Sources (Uses)					
Revenues and Other Financing					
Sources Over (Under) Uses	-	23,741	23,741		
Fund Balance Appropriated	<u> </u>				
Net change in fund balance	\$ <del>-</del>	23,741	\$ 23,741		
Net change in fund balance	<u>Ф -</u>	23,741	\$ 23,741		
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1		386,448			
End of Year, June 30		\$ 410,189			

### Camden County, North Carolina Community Park Trust Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues Restricted Intergovernmental Local Contributions Investment earnings Total Revenue	\$ - 49,050 500 49,550	\$ - - - -	\$ - (49,050) (500) (49,550)
Expenditures Operating expenses Capital outlay Total Expenditures	49,550	32,159	17,391
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures  Other Financing Sources (Uses):  Transfers from other funds  Proceeds from Lease Purchase  Total Other Financing	- - -	(32,159)	(32,159)
Sources (Uses)  Revenues and Other Financing Sources  Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses		(32,159)	(32,159)
Fund Balance Appropriated  Net change in fund balance	\$ -	(32,159)	\$ (32,159)
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1 End of Year, June 30		(1,977)	

### Camden County, North Carolina Eco Dev Fund

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Restricted Intergovernmental Local contributions	\$ 360,000	\$ 626,587	
Miscellaneous	- -	- -	
Investment earnings	300	-	
Total Revenue	360,300	626,587	266,287
Expenditures			
Operating expenses		354,282	
Capital outlay			
Total Expenditures	400,000	354,282	45,718
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(39,700)	272,305	312,005
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-
Proceeds from Lease Purchase			
Total Other Financing			
Sources (Uses)			
Revenues and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(39,700)	272,305	312,005
Fund Balance Appropriated	39,700		(39,700)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	272,305	\$ 272,305
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of Year, July 1		(462,550)	
End of Year, June 30		\$ (190,245)	

### Camden County, North Carolina School Fund

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Tax penalties and interest	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,496	
Investment earnings Total Revenue	3,100	365 3,861	761
Expenditures			
Operating expenses	8,100	8,100	
Capital outlay	-	, <u>-</u>	
Total Expenditures	8,100	8,100	-
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(5,000)	(4,239)	761
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-
Proceeds from Lease Purchase			
Total Other Financing			
Sources (Uses)			
Revenues and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(5,000)	(4,239)	761
Fund Balance Appropriated	5,000		(5,000)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	(4,239)	\$ (4,239)
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of Year, July 1		14,351	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 10,112	

### Camden County, North Carolina Revaluation Fund

	Final Budget	2023 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Ad Valorem taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Investment earnings	500	5,093	4,593
Total Revenue	500	5,093	4,593
Expenditures			
Operating expenses	162,000	87,841	
Capital outlay	-	-	
Total Expenditures	162,000	87,841	74,159
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(161,500)	(82,748)	78,752
Other Financing Sources (Uses):		2 000	2 000
Transfers from (to) other funds	-	2,000	2,000
Proceeds from Lease Purchase	<del>-</del>		
Total Other Financing		2,000	2 000
Sources (Uses)		2,000	2,000
Revenues and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(161,500)	(80,748)	80,752
Fund Balance Appropriated	161,500		(161,500)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	(80,748)	\$ (80,748)
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of Year, July 1		296,694	
		¢ 215.046	
End of Year, June 30		\$ 215,946	

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			20	2023		
	Final Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorab	
Revenues						
Ad Valorem taxes	\$	-	\$	-		
Investment earnings		-		-		
Restricted Intergovernmental						
Total Revenue						
Expenditures						
Operating expenses		_		_		
Capital outlay		_		_		
Total Expenditures		-		-		-
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures						
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfers from other funds		_		_		_
Proceeds from Lease Purchase		_		_		_
Total Other Financing						
Sources (Uses)						
Revenues and Other Financing Sources						
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses		-		-		-
Fund Balance Appropriated				_		
Net change in fund balance	\$			-	\$	-
Fund Balance:						
Beginning of Year, July 1				_		
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End of Year, June 30			\$			

### Camden County, North Carolina Representative Payee Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Final Budget	2023 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues Ad Valorem taxes Investment earnings Miscellaneous Total Revenue	\$ 47,319	\$ - 52,394 52,394	\$ 5,075
Expenditures Operating expenses Capital outlay Total Expenditures  Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	47,319	24,944 	22,375 27,450
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfers from other funds Proceeds from Lease Purchase Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	- - -	- 	- - -
Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	-	27,450	27,450
Fund Balance Appropriated  Net change in fund balance	\$ -	27,450	\$ 27,450
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1  End of Year, June 30		8,037 \$ 35,487	

### Camden County, North Carolina Opioid Settlement Fund

			2023			
	Final Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues						
Ad Valorem taxes	\$	-	\$	-		
Investment earnings		-		-		
Restricted Intergovernmental				-		
Total Revenue		-				
Expenditures						
Operating expenses		-		-		
Capital outlay		_		-		
Total Expenditures		-		-	_	
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures						
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfers from other funds		_		-	-	
Proceeds from Lease Purchase		_		-	-	
Total Other Financing						
Sources (Uses)						
Revenues and Other Financing Sources						
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses		-		-	-	
Fund Balance Appropriated				_		
Net change in fund balance	\$	_		-	\$ -	
Fund Balance:						
Beginning of Year, July 1						
End of Year, June 30			\$	_		

### Camden County, North Carolina Ferbee Fund

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	Final Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues						
Ad Valorem taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Investment earnings		-		61		61
Restricted Intergovernmental				-		-
Total Revenue		300		61		(239)
Expenditures						
Operating expenses		-		_		_
Capital outlay		-		_		_
Total Expenditures	4	0,000		-		40,000
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(3	9,700)		61		39,761
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfers from other funds		-		-		-
Proceeds from Lease Purchase		-		-		-
Total Other Financing	-					
Sources (Uses)		<u>-</u>				
Revenues and Other Financing Sources						
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(3	9,700)		61		39,761
Fund Balance Appropriated	3	9,700				(39,700)
Net change in fund balance	\$			61	\$	61
Fund Balance:						
Beginning of Year, July 1				1,620		
End of Year, June 30			\$	1,681		

### **CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

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

### Camden County, North Carolina Scattered Housing Capital Projects Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Project Author - ization	Prior Years	Actual Current Year	Total to Date	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:					
Restricted:					
Restricted Intergovernmental	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 439,677	\$ 439,677	\$ (560,323)
Grant 05-C-1356	658,355	-	-	-	(658,355)
Grant 08-C-1817	242,676	-	-	-	(242,676)
SFR 12 Grant	80,891	-	-	-	(80,891)
SRSF Grant	256,933	- 1 501 550	- 420 (55	1.061.456	(256,933)
Total Revenues	2,238,855	1,521,779	439,677	1,961,456	(277,399)
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Economic and physical					
development:	2,238,855	2,779,204		2,779,204	(540,349)
Revenues over expenditures		(1,257,425)	439,677	(817,748)	(817,748)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in (out)	-	-	-	-	-
Local contribution	_	2,132	_	2,132	(2,132)
Total Other Financing		2,132			(2,132)
Sources (Uses)		2,132		2,132	(2,132)
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$</u> -	\$ (1,255,293)	439,677	\$ (815,616)	\$ (815,616)
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1			(1,255,293)		
End of Year, June 30			\$ (815,616)		

# Camden County, North Carolina Boat Ramp Grant Capital Projects Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Project Author - ization	Prior Years	Actual Current Year	Total to Date	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues: Restricted: Restricted Intergovernmental Total Revenues	\$ 100,000 100,000	\$ 100,124 100,124	\$ -	\$ 100,124 100,124	\$ (100,000) 124
Expenditures: Current: Economic and physical development	100,000		51,006	51,006	48,994
Revenues over expenditures		100,124	(51,006)	49,118	49,118
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Transfers in (out) Local contribution Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ 100,124	(51,006)	\$ 49,118	\$ 49,118
Fund Balance: Beginning of Year, July 1 End of Year, June 30			100,124 \$ 49,118		

### **PROPRIETARY FUNDS**

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

# Camden County, North Carolina Enterprise Fund - Water & Sewer District Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual - (Non-GAAP) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:			
Operating Revenues			
Water sales		\$ 1,529,204	
Tap on Fees		91,000	
Penalties		36,990	
Miscellaneous	Ф. 1.605.757	7,510	Φ 20.047
Total water sales	\$ 1,625,757	1,664,704	\$ 38,947
Waste water sales		157,733	
Total waste water sales	110,000	157,733	47,733
Total Operating Revenues	1,735,757	1,822,437	86,680
Nonoperating Revenues Interest on Investments	<u>-</u>		
Total Revenues	1,735,757	1,822,437	86,680
Expenditures:			
Reverse osmosis plant			
Salaries and employee benefits		248,475	
Repairs and maintenance		31,790	
Chemicals		55,559	
Utilities		101,191	
Operating expenses		44,950	
Total	492,833	481,965	10,868
Water distribution:			
Salaries and employee benefits		304,787	
Repairs and maintenance		37,393	
Supplies		12,132	
Contracted services		52,109	
Operating expenses	<u></u>	111,721	
Total	518,145	518,142	3

# Camden County, North Carolina Enterprise Fund - Water & Sewer District Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual - (Non-GAAP) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		2023	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Waste Water treatment:			
Salaries and employee benefits		90,976	
Repairs and maintenance		16,234	
Utilities		37,403	
Chemicals		14,497	
Supplies		38,979	
Operating expenses		45,884	
Total	456,871	243,973	212,898
Budgetary Appropriations:			
Capital Outlay		23,262	
Interest Paid		203,475	
Debt Principal		207,517	
Total	438,908	434,254	4,654
Total Expenditures	1,906,757	1,678,334	228,423
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(171,000)	144,103	315,103
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):			
Debt Proceeds	-	-	-
Capital Contributions	-	-	-
Transfer from other funds	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	
Revenues and Other Sources Over			
(Under) Expenses and Other Uses	(171,000)	144,103	315,103
Appropriated Fund Balance	171,000		(171,000)
Revenues, Other Sources and Appropriated			
Fund Balance Over (Under)			
• /	\$ -	\$ 144.102	¢ 1/// 102
Expenditures and Other Uses	Φ -	\$ 144,103	\$ 144,103

## Camden County, North Carolina Enterprise Fund - Water & Sewer District Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual - (Non-GAAP) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Revenues, Other Sources and Appropriated Fund Balance Over (Under)	t <u>Actual</u>	Variance Positive (Negative)
Fund Balance Over (Under)		
Fund Balance Over (Under)		
Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ 144,103	
Reconciling items:		
Capital Outlay	23,262	
Principal Payments	207,517	
(Increase) decrease in accrued vacation pay	(2,528)	
(Increase) decrease in net pension liability	(199,198)	
Increase (decrease) in deferred outflows of resources for pensions	65,642	
Increase (decrease) in deferred outflows of resources for OPEB	(5,352)	
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows of resources for pensions	105,825	
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows of resources for OPEB	(2,659)	
(Increase) decrease in accrued OPEB	15,467	
Other income from Water - Capital Projects Fund	118,176	
Interest income from Water Capital Projects Fund	200,505	
Capital contributions in Water Capital Project Fund	-	
Depreciation	(655,957)	
Total reconciling items	(129,300)	

### Camden County, North Carolina Water and Sewer District Capital Projects Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and

### Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Revenues:  Restricted intergovernmental - Rural Center Restricted intergovernmental - CWMTF Funds Restricted intergovernmental - CDBG Other Interest Income Total Revenues	Project Author - ization \$ 3,400,000 3,564,011 600,000 75,905 - 7,639,916	Prior Years  \$ 3,489,950 3,096,007 600,000 1,266,412 37,588 8,489,957	Actual Current Year  \$ - 118,176 28,714 146,890	Total to Date  \$ 3,489,950   3,096,007   600,000   1,384,588   66,302   8,636,847	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)  \$ 89,950 (468,004)  1,308,683 66,302 996,931
Expenditures:					
Sewer Construction:					
Legal fees		51,292	-	51,292	
Land		70,360	-	70,360	
Engineering		445,701	-	445,701	
Collection system		1,463,078	-	1,463,078	
Construction		6,818,231	-	6,818,231	
Spray fields		302,362	-	302,362	
Fund reserves		116,864		116,864	
Total	11,089,899	9,267,888		9,267,888	1,822,011
Revenues over expenditures	(3,449,983)	(777,931)	146,890	(631,041)	2,818,942
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Fund balance appropriated	1,132,861	-	-	-	(1,132,861)
Revolving loan funds	1,367,122	1,307,809	-	1,307,809	(59,313)
Transfers In	950,000	582,291		582,291	(367,709)
Total Other Financing					
Sources (Uses)	3,449,983	1,890,100		1,890,100	(1,559,883)
Revenues, Other Sources Over (Under)					
Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ -	\$ 1,112,169	\$ 146,890	\$ 1,259,059	\$ 1,259,059

## Camden County, North Carolina Water and Sewer District Capital Projects Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual From Inception and For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Project		Actual		Variance	
	Author -	Prior	Current	Total to	Favorable	
	ization	Years	Year	Date	(Unfavorable)	
Revenues:						
Restricted intergovernmental - CWMTF	\$ 1,464,100	\$ 2,425,766	\$ -	\$ 2,425,766	\$ 961,666	
Restricted intergovernmental - RC Grant	649,875	693,600	=	693,600	43,725	
Restricted intergovernmental - Golden Leaf	200,000	200,000	-	200,000	-	
Restricted intergovernmental - DOT Grant	269,810	276,868	=	276,868	7,058	
Other	=	75,099	=	75,099	75,099	
Interest Income		96,201	171,791	267,992	267,992	
Total Revenues	2,583,785	3,767,534	171,791	3,939,325	1,355,540	
Expenditures:						
Sewer improvements	5,519,510	5,519,070	-	5,519,070	440	
Professional services	115,000	19,796	-	19,796	95,204	
Fund reserves	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	5,634,510	5,538,866	<u> </u>	5,538,866	95,644	
Revenues over expenditures	(3,050,725)	(1,771,332)	171,791	(1,599,541)	1,451,184	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Fund balance appropriated	35,725	-	-	-	(35,725)	
Debt proceeds	2,800,000	2,800,000	-	2,800,000	-	
Transfers In	215,000				(215,000)	
Total Other Financing						
Sources (Uses)	3,050,725	2,800,000		2,800,000	(250,725)	
Revenues, Other Sources Over (Under)						
Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ -	\$ 1,028,668	\$ 171,791	\$ 1,200,459	\$ 1,200,459	
*						

### OTHER SCHEDULES

This section includes additional information on property taxes.

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

### Camden County, North Carolina General Fund Schedule of Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable June 30, 2023

Fiscal Year_	Uncollected Balance July 1, 2022	Additions	Collections And Credits		Incollected Balance ne 30, 2023
2022-2023		\$ 11,023,211	\$ 10,825,012	\$	198,199
2021-2022	194,149	Ψ 11,020,211 -	92,327	Ψ	101,822
2019-2020	70,763	-	25,131		45,632
2018-2019	33,700	-	7,755		25,945
2017-2018	20,689	-	1,511		19,178
2016-2017	13,776	-	1,223		12,553
2015-2016	9,163	-	1,320		7,843
2014-2015	6,792	-	138		6,654
2013-2014	9,890	-	1,049		8,841
2012-2013	6,839	-	6,839		-
2011-2012	5,684	-	5,684		-
TOTALS	\$ 371,445	\$ 11,023,211	\$ 10,967,989	\$	426,667
	Less: Allowance for uncollectable taxes  Ad valorem taxes - General Fund				(124,000)
	Ad valorem taxes - G			\$	302,667
	Ad valorem taxes - G	eneral Fund		\$	
		eneral Fund revenues:		\$	
	Reconcilement with  Ad valorem taxes - G	eneral Fund revenues: eneral Fund		<u></u>	302,667
	Reconcilement with  Ad valorem taxes - G  Reconciling items:	eneral Fund <u>revenues:</u> eneral Fund  rerest		<u></u>	302,667 11,067,970 (118,696)
	Reconcilement with  Ad valorem taxes - G  Reconciling items:  Penalties and Int  Collection of Old  Release	eneral Fund  revenues:  eneral Fund  rerest  Taxes		<u></u>	302,667 11,067,970 (118,696) - 18,715
	Reconcilement with  Ad valorem taxes - G  Reconciling items:  Penalties and Int  Collection of Old	eneral Fund  revenues:  eneral Fund  rerest  Taxes		<u></u>	302,667 11,067,970 (118,696)

### Camden County, North Carolina Analysis of Current Tax Levy County - Wide Levy For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

				Total Levy	
	County - w	ide		Property excluding Registered	Registered
	Property Valuation	Rate	Amount of Levy	Motor Vehicles	Motor Vehicles
Original levy:					
Property Taxes at Current Year Rate	\$ 1,597,566,812	0.6900%	\$ 11,023,211	\$ 9,670,015	\$ 1,353,196
Total Original Levy	1,597,566,812		11,023,211	9,670,015	1,353,196
Total for Year	\$ 1,597,566,812		11,023,211	9,670,015	1,353,196
Uncollected taxes at June 30, 2023			198,199	198,199	
Current year's taxes collected			\$ 10,825,012	\$ 9,471,816	\$ 1,353,196
Current levy collection percentage			98.20%	97.95%	100.00%

### Camden County, North Carolina Analysis of Current Tax Levy County - wide Levy For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

### **Secondary Market Disclosures:**

Assessed '	Va	luation:
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Assessment Ratio<sup>1</sup>
Real Property
Personal Property<sup>3</sup>
Public Service Companies<sup>2</sup>

Total Assessed Valuation
Tax Rate per \$100

Levy (includes discoveries, releases and abatements)<sup>3</sup>

\$ 1,310,220,290
219,685,218
67,661,304
1,597,566,812
3 11,023,211

In addition to the County-wide rate, the following table lists the levies by the County on behalf and fire protection districts for the fiscal year ended June 30:

Fire Protection Districts \$ 125,768

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The levy includes penalties and multi-rate for motor vehicles.

### Camden County, North Carolina Schedule of Ten Largest Taxpayers For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Taxpayer	Type of Business	2022 Assessed Valuation	Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation
Stonebriar Commercial	Real Estate	\$ 49.275.072	3.08%
Northern Agriculture III LLC	Agricultural	16,830,580	1.05%
Albemarle Elec Membership Corp	Utility	9,094,348	0.57%
Dominion North Carolina Power	Utility	8,975,217	0.56%
Blue Sky Development, LLC	Apartment Complex	7,703,768	0.48%
Camden Solar, LLC	Utility	6,607,246	0.41%
Jonathan S Crouse	Real Estate	5,646,812	0.35%
Eastern Carolina Const., Inc.	Real Estate	4,729,710	0.30%
John E Ferebee Farming, Inc.	Waste Disposal & Collection	4,313,623	0.27%
Black Gold Farms	Agricultural	3,975,797	0.25%
Total		\$ 117,152,174	7.33%





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### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting And On Compliance And Other Matters Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*

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

To the Board of County Commissioners Camden County, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to 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, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Camden County, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprises Camden County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 28, 2023. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Camden County ABC Board, as described in our report on Camden County's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported separately by those auditors. The financial statements of Camden County ABC Board and Camden County TDA were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

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

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Camden County'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 Camden County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

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

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

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

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

### **Purpose of this Report**

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

<u>Thompson</u>, <u>Price</u>, <u>Scott</u>, <u>Adams & Co.</u>, <u>PA</u> Wilmington, North Carolina November 28, 2023



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### Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable To Each Major Federal Program And Internal Control Over Compliance; In Accordance With OMB Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act

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

To the Board of County Commissioners Camden County, North Carolina

### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Camden County, North Carolina, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on each of Camden County's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. Camden County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Camden County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

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

# Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we

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

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

#### **Other Matters**

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023 – 001. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Camden County's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Camden County's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

# **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023 – 001, that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Camden County's response to internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Camden County's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Camden County is responsible for preparing a corrective action plan to address each audit finding included in our auditor's report. Camden County's corrective action plan was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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

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

Wilmington, North Carolina November 28, 2023



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

# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of County Commissioners Camden County, North Carolina

# Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

# Opinion on Each Major State Program

We have audited Camden County, North Carolina, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and the *Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina*, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on each of Camden County's major State programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. Camden County's major State programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Camden County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major State programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

# Basis for Opinion on Each Major State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

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

# Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we

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

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

# **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

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

less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section and above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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

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

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

Wilmington, North Carolina November 28, 2023

# CAMDEN COUNTY CAMDEN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Section I. Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements				
Type of report the auditor issued on wh Unmodified	ether the financial statements	audited were pre	pared in accordance to GAAP:	
Internal control over financial reporting	3:			
Material weaknesses identified?		Yes	<u>X</u> No	
Significant Deficiency(s) identified?		Yes	X None Reported	
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?		Yes	X No	
Federal Awards				
Internal control over major federal prog	grams:			
Material weaknesses identified?		Yes	<u>X</u> No	
Significant Deficiency(s) identified	?	XYes	None Reported	
Type of auditor's report issued on comp	oliance for major federal progr	ams: Unmodified		
Any audit findings disclosed that are recreported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.	•	XYes	No	
Identification of major federal programs	s:			
Assistance Listing Nos:	nce Listing Nos: Names of Federal Program or Cluster			
21.027 93.778	Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Medical Assistance Program			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish bet Type A and Type B Programs	_		50,000	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		Yes	X No	
State Awards				
Internal control over major state programs:	:			
Material weaknesses identified?		Yes	X No	
Significant Deficiency(s) identified?		Yes	X None Reported	
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major state programs: Unmodified.				
Any audit findings disclosed that are requireported in accordance with the State Single	red to be le Audit Implementation Act	Yes	X No	
Identification of major state programs:				
Program Name				
Industrial Development/Utility Fund				
State match of Medical Assistance also audited per LGC requirement. Program findings must be submitted to the NC Department of Health and Human Services.				

# CAMDEN COUNTY CAMDEN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Section II. Financial Statement Findings

None reported.

Section III. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

#### Significant Deficiency/Noncompliance

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

Finding: 2023 - 001

#### Eligibility

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

Condition: There were eight (3) errors discovered during our procedures that resources in the county documentation and those same resources contained in NC FAST were not the same amounts or files containing resources were not properly documented to be considered countable or non-countable. The errors were as follows: One (1) case did not have accurate resource calculations, Two (2) cases had a failure to complete at least one compliance component.

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

Context: We examined 120 Medicaid applicants from a total 55,459 Medicaid claims from the Medicaid beneficiary report provided by the NC Department of Health and Human Services to re-determine eligibility. These findings were disclosed in a separately issued spreadsheet to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and are being reported with the financial statement audit as it relates to Medicaid administrative cost compliance audit.

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

Identification of a repeat finding: This is a repeat finding from the immediate previous audit, 2022-001.

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

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

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

Section IV. State Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None Reported.



# Camden County Department of Social Services

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# **Corrective Action Plan**

# For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

# **Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

Finding: 2023-001

Eligibility Errors: No eligibility errors were found.

Internal Control Errors: 1. Failure to comply with policy requirement: Two (2) instances of failure to complete at least one compliance component. The work number was not run for all individuals of age with the potential for earned income in one case. 2. Inaccurate Resource Calculation: One (1) instance of inaccurate resource calculations in NC FAST. The values entered in NC FAST evidence and used in the eligibility determination did not match the supporting documentation or was lacking any substantiating documentation.

Name of Contact Person: Karen Shuler, Income Maintenance Supervisor

# **Corrective Action:**

- 1. NCF has added functionality that automatically runs TWN at MAGI application and most MAGI recertification times. This will help ensure TWN is always completed on all eligible aged persons in the HH. For Non-MAGI programs, documentation that TWN was completed manually has been added to our Adult Medicaid review document. We have also had training on when TWN must be completed outside of NCF when a system error may be returned.
- 2. Camden County has implemented an Adult Medicaid review document that summarizes all elements of eligibility to allow easy comparison with NCF to make sure all amounts agree. We have completed training with workers regarding review of eligibility decisions to make sure all elements match.

Proposed Completion Date: All above actions have been completed as of November 2, 2023.

Questioned Costs: The technical errors did not affect eligibility resulting in no questioned costs.

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Under the Food Stamp Act and USDA policy, discrimination is prohibited also on the basis of religion or political beliefs.

# CAMDEN COUNTY CAMDEN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

# Status:

2022-001	Still occurring.
2021-001	Still occurring.
2020-001	Corrected.
2020-002	Still occurring.
2019-001	Still occurring.
2019-002	Still occurring.

# Camden County, North Carolina Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing No.	State/ Pass-through Grantor's Number	Federal (Direct & Pass-through) Expenditures	State Expenditures	Provided to Subrecipients
Federal Awards:  U.S. Dept. of Agriculture  Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Division of Social Services: Administration: SNAP Cluster			<del></del>	-	<del></del>
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.561		\$ 137,786 137,786	\$ -	\$ - -
U.S. Dept. of Treasury  Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds  Total U.S. Dept. of Treasury	21.027		1,055,394 1,055,394	<u> </u>	
U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services  Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services:  Division of Social Services  Administration:					
MaryLee Allen Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program	93.556		8,178	-	-
TANF - Work First	93.558		84,653	-	-
Foster Care and Adoption Cluster (Note 4 and 5) Foster Care - Title IV-E Foster Care - Title IV-E - Benefit Payments	93.658		21,373 12,099	3,497 4,130	-
Adoption Assistance	93.658		25		
Total Foster Care and Adoption Cluster			33,497	7,627	-
Child Support Enforcement	93.563		63,833	(69)	-
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance: Weatherization Assistance and Heating and Air Repair COVID - 19 Weatherization Assistance and Heating and Air Repair Crisis Intervention Program Total Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	93.568 93.568 93.568		14,673 4,608 8,213 27,494	- - - -	- - -
Division of Child Development and Early Education: Subsidized Child Care Child Care Development Fund Cluster: Division of Social Services: Child Care Development Mandatory and Matching Funds-Administration	93.596		497		
Total Child Care Development Fund Cluster			497	-	-
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program: - Permanency Planning - Families for Kids Total Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program:	93.645		2,678 2,678		
John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood	93.674		1,999	175	-
SSBG - Other Service and Training	93.667		40,702	-	-
Division of Aging and Adult Services: Division of Social Services: SSBG - State Adult Day Care	93.667		23,432	-	-
Total Social Service Block Grant (SSBG)			64,134		-
Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Insurance:  Medicare Enrollment Assistance Program  MIPPA Grant	#	·	2,500	-	-

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Passed-through the N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services: Division of Health Benefits: Division of Social Services: Administration:  Medicaid Cluster Medical Assistance Program (Note 5)	93.778		314,888	68,416	
Division of Social Services: Administration: Children's Health Insurance Program - N.C. Health Choice (Note 5)	93.767		10,877	432	_
Total U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services	20.707		615,227	76,580	
Total federal awards			1,808,406	76,580	
State Awards:  Administrative Office of the Courts  Safe Roads Act  Total Administrative Office of the Courts				939 939	
N.C. Dept. of Administration  Veterans Service  Total N.C. Dept. of Administration			-	2,083 2,083	<u>-</u>
N.C. Dept. of Agriculture  Soil & Water Conservation  Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program  Agricultural Cost Share Program  Total N.C. Dept. of Agriculture			- - -	3,600 74,850 21,525 99,975	- -
N.C. Dept. of Commerce  Industrial Development/ Utility Fund  Total N.C. Dept. of Commerce				349,449 349,449	<u>-</u>
N.C. Dept. of Cultural and Natural Resources Public Library Grassroots Arts Program Public Library Special Appropriation-Grassroots Arts Total N.C. Dept. of Cultural and Natural Resources			<u>-</u>	10,628 4,963 15,591	<u>-</u>
N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services Division of Social Services Administration				,	
State Child Welfare - State Protective Services Direct Benefit Payments			-	560	-
State Foster Home			-	5,503	-
State Foster Home Fund (SFHF) Maximization Foster Care at Risk Maximization			-	2,707 4,002	-
Total Division of Social Services				12,772	-
Total N. C. Department of Health and Human Services				12,772	-
N.C. Dept. of Insurance				2 000	
Senior Medicare Patrol Program (NCSMP) SHIIP Grant			-	2,800 4,906	<del>-</del> -
Total N.C. Dept. of Insurance			-	7,706	-
N.C. Dept. of Public Safety  Sheriff's Office Grant  Total N.C. Dept. of Public Safety				24,493 24,493	<u>-</u>
Total State awards			_	513,008	_
Total federal and State awards			\$ 1,808,406	\$ 589,588	\$ -

## Camden County, North Carolina Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Financial Awards:

#### **Note 1: Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and State awards (SEFSA) includes the federal and State grant activity of Camden County under the programs of the federal government and the State of North Carolina for the year ended June 30, 2023. The information in this SEFSA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 US Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Camden County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of Camden County.

# Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

#### **Note 3: Indirect Cost Rate**

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

## **Note 4: Cluster of Programs**

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

## Note 5: Benefit Payments Issued by the State

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

Program Title	Federal AL#	<u>Federal</u>	State
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infant and Children	10.557	470	-
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.551	2,547,332	-
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	8,831,587	3,369,212
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	60,582	13,541