A vibrant field of sunflowers under a clear sky. The foreground features a large, detailed sunflower with bright yellow petals and a dark brown, textured center. The background is filled with many other sunflowers, some in focus and others blurred, creating a sense of depth. The overall scene is bright and cheerful, with green leaves visible at the base of the flowers.

Freeborn County

Minnesota

**Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
For the Year Ending December 31, 2020**

FREEBORN COUNTY, MINNESOTA
COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



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Date: May 14, 2021

To: The Citizens of Freeborn County, Minnesota
The Freeborn County Board of Commissioners
Interested Agencies and Institutions

The Finance Department is pleased to present Freeborn County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended December 31, 2020. This report was prepared by the Finance Department with much assistance from various departmental accounting staff throughout Freeborn County in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The responsibility for both the accuracy of the presented data and the completeness and fairness of this presentation rests with Freeborn County management. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed data are accurate in all material respects and reported in a manner designed to fairly present the financial position and results of operations of the various funds of the County and have earned an unmodified opinion from our auditors. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the County's financial activities have been included.

GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. Freeborn County's MD&A can be found immediately following the independent auditors' report.

The County is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) setting forth the audit requirements for State and Local governments receiving federal assistance.

GENERAL COUNTY INFORMATION

Freeborn County was founded in 1855 as a county in the State of Minnesota. It is located in Southcentral Minnesota about 90 miles south of Minneapolis and St. Paul. The County consists of 722 square miles and includes 19 cities and 20 townships with 4 unincorporated communities. The most recent population estimate for the county is 30,335. The County seat, Albert Lea, is located at the junction of Interstate 90 and Interstate 35 and holds about 57% of the County's population.

GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES

Freeborn County operates under a five-member Board of Commissioners elected from five districts in the County. All commissioners serve overlapping four-year terms of office. Each member of the board serves on various committees.

The Board appoints the County Administrator, whose term is indefinite. He is responsible for the administration of Board policy and the management of the various County departments.

The County's functions and employees are divided among 17 departments. Two of these departments, Attorney and Sheriff, are headed by department heads who are elected into office. The remaining department heads are appointed by the Board of Commissioners.

The County provides a full range of services. These services include health and social services, tax assessment and collection, veteran services, property valuation assessment, judicial, law enforcement and detention center services, the construction and maintenance of highways and infrastructure, recreational facilities, agricultural extension services, planning and zoning, and general administrative services.

ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

The economic condition and outlook for Freeborn County appears to be stable and should continue to be in the future. This is reflected in the annual comment by Moody's Investor Services in November, 2016. This comment stated that the "position of Freeborn County is very strong, and its Aa2 rating is on par with the median rating of Aa2 for US counties. Key credit factors include a robust financial position, and a healthy socioeconomic profile and tax base. It also takes into account a mid-ranged pension burden with a low debt liability."

The County is a strong agricultural based community with long-time standing farms throughout. Due to the County's large rural area, it is attractive to renewable energy prospects. This is apparent through companies, both wind and solar, who have decided to explore development within the County. One of the projects that has created a positive impact on the County is the Bent Tree Wind Farm development, which provides over a combined million dollars per year to the County and its citizens. Another great impact is the Bio-refining facilities in the area, which have provided stable job opportunities within Freeborn County.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Recent Past Years:

The most obvious challenge Freeborn County faced in 2020 was the COVID 19 pandemic. With the closing of all County facilities on two separate occasions, staff telecommuting, restrictions in every office and the day-to-day changes, 2020 was a huge challenge. Throughout the year, Freeborn County received two (2) financial aid packages from the State of Minnesota. The first aid package, identified as CARES funding, totaled \$3,738,517. Of those funds, \$993,202 in local

business and non-profit relief was distributed county-wide. The remaining funds were utilized to offset the substantial expenses Freeborn County incurred over the ten months of 2020 during the pandemic that were unbudgeted for and necessary for the safety and protection of the citizens of Freeborn County. This effort continues into 2021. The second round of funding was specifically identified by the State of Minnesota for businesses directly affected by the Executive order closing some businesses in November and December of 2020. Freeborn County received \$599,249 in State funds and added an additional \$180,000 of local dollars to provide slightly over \$779,000 in relief to small businesses and nonprofits.

The financial health of the county is important to its Board. To uphold this financial health, the Board adopted a new fund balance policy in 2019. This policy directs that fund balances should be 50% of the next year's budgeted levy. When a fund balance exceeds 50% of the budgeted levy, Administration will recommend that the balance over 50% be transferred to Capital Outlays for use by the County Commissioners to fund ongoing infrastructure and capital asset needs of the County. This policy remains in place, and in the FY ending 2020, Freeborn County was able to place nearly 4 million dollars into this account. This measure has enabled the County to upgrade its security system and re-build its fairground's grandstand without any bonding. In addition to not bonding for the grandstand, the County was able to pay back \$3,575,000 in Capital Notes to further reduce its liability.

The County has also completed its first Strategic Plan in early 2020. Goals of this plan were to redesign for sustainability, collaboration/cooperation with governmental agencies and to attract and retain high quality employees to provide exceptional services and ensure the needs of its citizens will be met over the coming years. These goals have been met by increased inter-governmental revenue county wide, increased telecommuting to allow for continued progression into the future and by completing an overhaul of all job descriptions and implementing the first class and compensation study since 1999.

The Freeborn County Board of Commissioners has recognized the challenges faced by the Affordable Care Act and health care in general. In response, it approved the development of a plan to decrease the costs of health insurance to employees with the help of outside collaboration. This has resulted in a more comprehensive plan design for employees and has increased enrollment in the plan over the past five years and allowed the County to sustain minimal premium increases.

The Board has also realized the importance of serving Freeborn County's citizens in the best way possible. By focusing on obtaining a competent workforce, Freeborn County attracts and retains quality employees, thus providing great service to its citizens. The employee attrition rate improved 40% in 2018. A wage study done in 2018 has led to a more competitive pay scale for its employees, giving the county improved service through qualified employees. Along with improving health insurance costs and wages, the County continues to update its dated policies to provide current and stable leadership to its employees.

For the Future:

Freeborn County sees the need to plan for the future. Careful budgeting and quality management of its strategic asset plan will continue in 2021. Providing quality service to its citizens is also an important goal for the County. The County will also be researching the possibility of using solar energy for its facilities. With the recent Federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding in the amount of 5.9 million appropriated for Freeborn County, the Board of Commissioners will have a daunting task of utilizing those funds to meet the current and future needs of Freeborn County

The economic growth of the County as a whole is also important to Freeborn County. Freeborn County, the City of Albert Lea and Greater Jobs Inc. of Albert Lea have combined, under new leadership in several important decision-making roles, to seek out new economic opportunities for the area. One such opportunity will be Invenergy LLC's new wind power development currently under construction, in addition to a proposed 1600-acre solar array in the eastern part of Freeborn County. These two projects will be completed within the next few years in Freeborn County's rural areas.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Freeborn County's strong financial management continues to provide the people of the County with several initiatives designed to enhance its excellent financial position: (1) investing funds not immediately needed for expenditures to maximize not-tax revenue; (2) allocating County resources to those areas that meet community needs as expressed by the Board of Commissioners; (3) closely monitoring expenditures to ensure that activities are carried out within authorized levels; and (4) using advice and recommendations from the general public to improve productivity in the delivery of County services.

SINGLE AUDIT

As a recipient of Federal, State and Local financial assistance, the County is responsible for ensuring that adequate internal controls are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. Internal controls are subject to periodic evaluation by management.

Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) sets forth the audit requirements for State and Local governments receiving federal assistance. It provides for a single independent audit of the financial operations, including compliance with certain provisions of federal law and regulations.

The requirements have been established to ensure that audits are made on an organization wide basis rather than a grant-by-grant basis. The grants for which these requirements apply are identified in federal awards schedules issued under a separate report, and included as supplementary information in the Financial Section of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

INTERNAL CONTROL

Administration in Freeborn County is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls designed to ensure that assets of the County are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The County's system of internal controls is supported by written policies and procedures, which are continually reviewed, evaluated and modified to meet current needs.

In developing and evaluating the County's accounting system, consideration is given to the adequacy of internal accounting controls. Internal accounting controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding: (1) the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition; and (2) the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgements by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. We believe that the County's internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

BUDGETARY CONTROL

Budgetary control is maintained at the fund level and is subject to periodic review by the County Board. In addition, the County maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the County's governing body. Activities of the general fund, special revenue funds and debt service fund are included in the annual appropriated budget. According to Minnesota Laws, County governments are required to adopt budgets but are not required to use them as legal limits. The County Board is made aware of all budget variances.

As demonstrated by the statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the County continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes to the financial statements, presented with the Basic Financial Statements section, are an integral part of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and should be read for a fuller understanding of the statements and information presented within. The notes to the required supplementary information other than MD&A are an integral part of the Budgetary Comparison Schedules.

REVENUE LIMITATIONS

Freeborn County has been and will continue to focus on the social, ecological and financial health of its communities. The County Board has done so through fiscal restraint, planning and execution of initiatives. The Freeborn County Board of Commissioners has held the levy increase in 2019 and 2020 by 4.5% and 5.9% respectively. Due to the overall tax capacity increase of the County, primarily due to the increased value of agriculture land, the share of County Program Aid issued by the State has been reduced over the past years. To account for this reduction, Freeborn County has carefully planned and executed spending reductions that have offset the reduced state program aid.

FINANCIAL POLICY

Fund balances of the County operating funds were maintained, in total, at an adequate level for operating reserve purposes for the subsequent year of 2021. Due to the property tax calendar in Minnesota, collections do not come in on an even basis. As a result, the County needs to maintain sufficient balances for cash flow purposes. Because GASB 54 changed the way available funds for cash flow purposes are to be reported in the financial statements, a separate note has been included in notes to the financial statements (Note 9), describing the amounts necessary for cash flow purposes.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

The County has a Standard and Poor's rating of Aa2. Freeborn County currently utilizes only 7.42% of the total allowable general obligation debt according to Minnesota State Statutes. The notes to the financial statements, as well as the Debt Capacity tables in the Statistical Section explain more fully the debt position and future obligations of the County.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Currently, the County insures itself through the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust for property casualty, liability and workers' compensation. The County's Safety Committee meets on a regular basis to help minimize future loss exposure. Note 11 explains the funding and associated risks in further detail.

FIDUCIARY OPERATIONS

The County collects and distributes all property and forfeited taxes for the taxing authorities within the County including cities, townships, and school districts. It is responsible for collecting fees, fines and payroll deductions and distributing those funds to third parties. The County is also responsible for collecting and distributing funds for the Turtle Creek Watershed District and the Family Collaborative Joint Powers Board.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT

Minnesota State Law requires an annual audit of the books of accounting and financial records and transactions of the County. This requirement has been complied with and the Auditor's Report has been included in this report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP will issue a management and compliance letter covering the review, made as a part of its audit of the County's system of internal control and compliance with applicable legal provisions. The management and compliance letter will not modify or affect this report on the financial statements.

INVITATIONS, AWARDS, AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

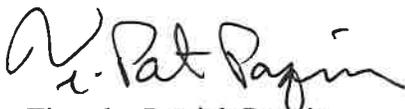
The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Freeborn County for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. This was the sixth year that Freeborn County has achieved this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

We would like to invite you to continue on and read the remainder of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This report will allow readers to gain a solid understanding of our financial position. If you have any questions regarding any of the materials presented herein, please contact the Administration Office at Freeborn County. We also invite you to visit our County web page at www@co.freeborn.mn.us. Our goal with this report is to keep you as well informed as possible about your government.

Finally, we would like to acknowledge and thank the Auditor/Treasurer's Office and the Administration Department for their hard work throughout the year and during the preparation of this report. An extra thank you goes to all departments within Freeborn County for their cooperation in supplying necessary financial data. We would like to thank the Freeborn County Board of Commissioners for its support in planning and conducting the County's financial activities in a responsible manner throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy Patrick Paquin
Freeborn County Finance Manager



LaRae Cassens
Accounting Specialist, Senior



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December 31, 2019

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Executive Director/CEO

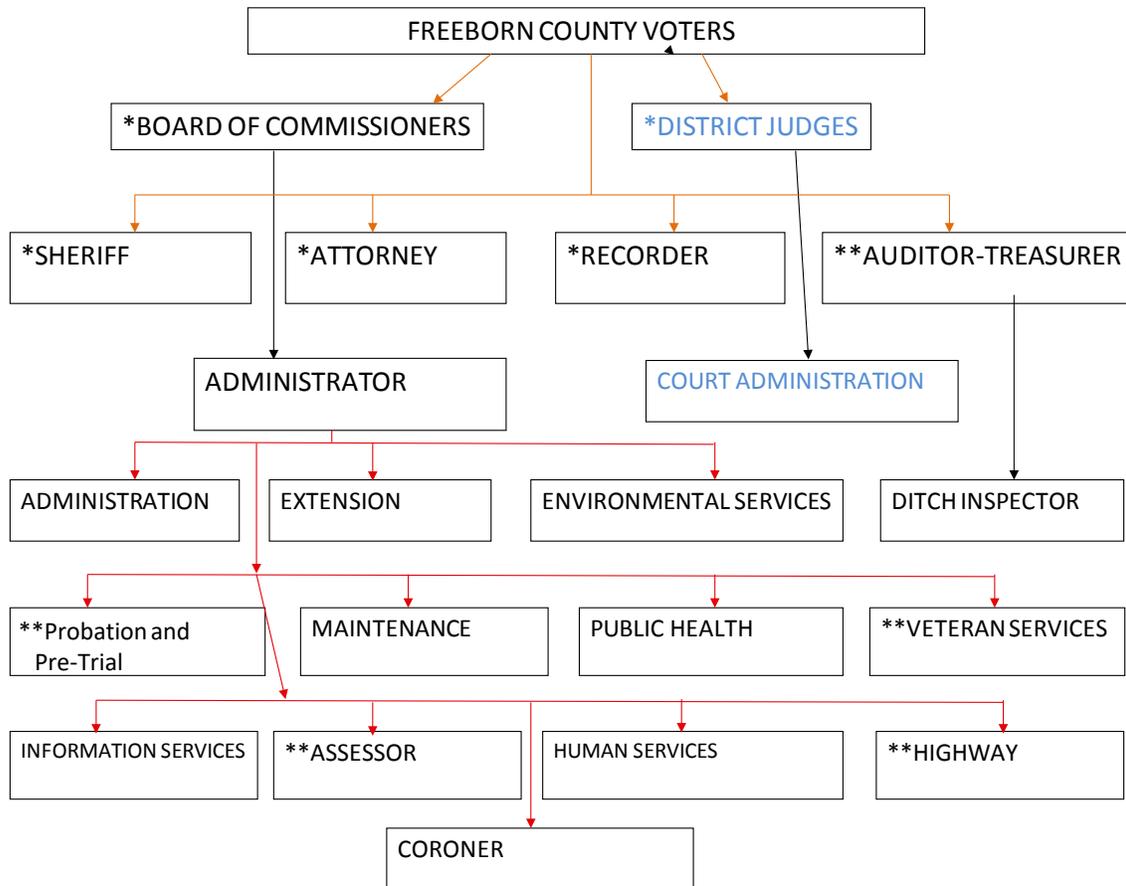
**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Office	Name	Term Expires
Board of County Commissioners		
District 1	Glen Mathiason	January 2021
District 2	Daniel Belshan	January 2023
District 3	James Nelson	January 2021
District 4	Christopher Shoff *	January 2023
District 5	Mike Lee	January 2021
County Officers		
Elected		
Attorney	David Walker	January 2023
District Judge	Ross Leuning	January 2023
District Judge	Steven Schwab	January 2023
Recorder	Kelly Callahan	January 2023
Registrar of Titles	Kelly Callahan	January 2023
Sheriff	Kurt Freitag	January 2023
Appointed		
Assessor	Jaci Koeppen	Indefinite
Auditor/Treasurer	Pat Martinson	Indefinite
Court Administrator	Becky Mittag	Indefinite
Probation and Pre-Trial	Lyndon Stinson	Indefinite
Public Works Director	Philip Wacholz	Indefinite
Veterans Service Officer	Brandon Servantez	Indefinite

*Chair

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 ** APPOINTED OFFICIALS

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FINANCIAL SECTION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of County Commissioners
Freeborn County
Albert Lea, Minnesota

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Freeborn County (the County), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Freeborn County as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required supplementary information as listed in the table of contents on pages 3 and 4 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Freeborn County's basic financial statements. The introductory section, the supplementary information, and the statistical section as listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is also presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 14, 2021, on our consideration of Freeborn 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Freeborn 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 Freeborn County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Brainerd, Minnesota
May 14, 2021

FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020
(Unaudited)

As management of Freeborn County (the County), we offer readers of Freeborn County financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Freeborn County for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

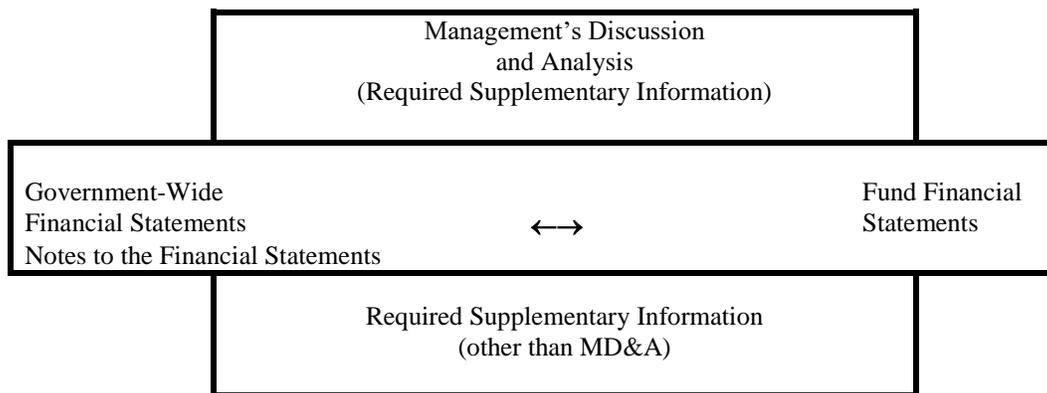
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- At year-end 2020, Freeborn County's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflow of resources by \$114.7 million (net position).
- Net position consisted of:
 - ✓ \$11.4 million, or 10.00% of total net position was *restricted* for specific purposes.
 - ✓ \$100.0 million, or 87.14% of net position, represented the County's *net investment in capital assets*.
 - ✓ \$3.3 million, or 2.86% of net position is *unrestricted* and is available to meet the County's obligations consistent with County policy and legislative intent and direction of the County Board.
- In 2020, the County's net position increased by \$13.0 million. This increase is due to an increase in net investment of capital assets of \$5.3 million (debt amount is decreasing and the County increased the infrastructure and equipment items owned), and reductions in deferred inflows related to advanced allotments and pension inflows of \$5.9 million.
- The County's governmental funds reported ending fund balances of \$28.2 million.
 - ✓ Unlike net position, which measures all County assets plus deferred outflow of resources less all County liabilities plus deferred inflow of resources, governmental fund balance measures only currently available, spendable resources.
 - ✓ \$0.9 million, or 3.38%, of total governmental fund balances are non-spendable and consist of advances to other funds, long-term loans/notes receivable, inventories, prepaid taxes and permanent endowments.
 - ✓ \$8.1 million, or 28.58%, of total governmental fund balances have been restricted for specific purposes such as construction of long-term assets and repayment of refunded bonds.
 - ✓ \$8.5 million, or 30.15%, of total governmental fund balances has been committed for certain necessary purposes and will be spent in future years.
 - ✓ \$5.0 million, or 17.64%, of total governmental fund balances has been assigned for certain necessary purposes and will be spent in future years.
 - ✓ \$5.7 million, or 20.25%, of governmental fund balances are unassigned and, therefore, subject to appropriation by the County Board.

- The County’s main operating fund, the General Fund, reported a year-end fund balance of \$16.5 million. The fund balance represents 63.88% of its annual spending.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This MD&A is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. Freeborn County’s basic financial statements consist of three parts: government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. The MD&A (this section), certain budgetary comparison schedules and pension schedules are required to accompany the basic financial statements and, therefore, are included as required supplementary information. The following chart demonstrates how the different pieces are interrelated.



There are two government-wide financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities (Exhibits 1 and 2) provide information about the activities of the County as a whole and present a longer-term view of the County’s finances. Fund financial statements start with Exhibit 3. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the County’s operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the County’s most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the County acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside of the government.

Government-Wide Financial Statements--The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

Our analysis of the County as a whole begins on Exhibit 1. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information about the County as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps the reader determine whether the County’s financial condition has improved or declined as a result of the year’s activities. These statements include all assets, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year’s revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the County's net position and changes in them. You can think of the County's net position--the difference between assets, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and liabilities--as one way to measure the County's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors, however, such as changes in the County's property tax base and the condition of County roads, to assess the overall health of the County.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the County reports its governmental activities. The County has no business-type activities or discretely presented component units.

Governmental activities reported here include the County's basic services of general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, human services, health, culture and recreation, conservation of natural resources, and economic development. Property taxes and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

Our analysis of the County's major funds begins on Exhibit 3. These fund financial statements provide detailed information about the significant funds, not the County as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by state law and by bond covenants. However, the County Board establishes some funds to help it control and manage money for a particular purpose or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money.

The County's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows in and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting. This method measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the County's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the County's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in reconciliation statements following each governmental fund financial statement.

Reporting the County's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The County is the trustee, or fiduciary, over assets which can only be used for the trust beneficiaries based on the trust arrangement. All of the County's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Position and Changes in Fiduciary Net Position on Exhibits 6 and 7. We exclude these activities from the County's other financial statements because the County cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The County is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE

The County's combined net position increased from \$101,701,964 to \$114,731,949. Our analysis focuses on the net position (Table 1) and changes in net position (Table 2) of the County's governmental activities.

Table 1
Net Position
(in millions)

	Governmental Activities	
	2020	2019
Assets		
Current and other assets	\$ 35.1	\$ 31.7
Capital assets	106.6	103.2
Total Assets	\$ 141.7	\$ 134.9
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 3.0	\$ 3.4
Liabilities		
Long-term liabilities outstanding	\$ 25.4	\$ 25.5
Other liabilities	1.8	2.3
Total Liabilities	\$ 27.2	\$ 27.8
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 2.8	\$ 8.8
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 100.0	\$ 94.7
Restricted	11.4	10.7
Unrestricted	3.3	(3.7)
Total Net Position	\$ 114.7	\$ 101.7

Net position of the County's governmental activities increased to \$114.7 million compared to \$101.7 million in 2019. Unrestricted net position--the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements--changed from a \$3.7 million deficit at December 31, 2019, to \$3.3 million surplus at the end of this year (2020). Unrestricted net position increased due to a reduction in deferred inflows related to advanced allotments of \$2.5 million and deferred pension inflows of \$3.5 million.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position
(in millions)

	Governmental Activities	
	2020	2019
Revenues		
Program revenues		
Fees, fines, charges, and other	\$ 8.1	\$ 8.9
Operating grants and contributions	22.8	16.4
Capital grants and contributions	2.9	0.0
General revenues		
Property taxes	24.3	22.7
Grants and contributions	2.2	2.1
Other general revenues	3.6	4.2
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 63.9</u>	<u>\$ 54.3</u>
Program Expenses		
General government	\$ 8.6	\$ 9.0
Public safety	9.3	9.8
Highways and streets	12.1	12.1
Sanitation	0.6	0.6
Human services	12.5	12.0
Health	4.9	2.7
Culture and recreation	0.4	0.4
Conservation of natural resources	2.3	2.3
Interest	0.2	0.2
Total Program Expenses	<u>\$ 50.9</u>	<u>\$ 49.1</u>
Change in Net Position	13.0	5.2
Net Position – January 1	<u>101.7</u>	<u>96.4</u>
Net Position at Year End	<u>\$ 114.7</u>	<u>\$ 101.7</u>

(Unaudited)

Governmental Activities

Revenues were \$63.9 million, and expenses were \$50.9 million for the County's governmental activities. This resulted in an increase of \$13.0 million to net position in the year ended December 31, 2020.

The amount that taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities through County taxes and other general sources was only \$17.1 million because some of the cost was paid by those who directly benefited from the programs (\$8.1 million) or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (\$25.7 million). The County paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of governmental activities with \$30.1 million in general revenues, primarily taxes including a highway sales tax of \$2.2 million (some of which could be used only for certain programs) and other revenues, such as interest and general entitlements.

Table 3 presents the cost of each of the County's six largest program functions, as well as each function's net cost (total cost, less revenues generated by the activities). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the County's taxpayers by each of these functions.

Table 3
Governmental Activities
(in millions)

	2020	
	<u>Total Cost of Services</u>	<u>Net Cost of Services</u>
Human services	\$ 12.5	\$ 5.3
Highway and streets	12.1	0.3
Public safety	9.3	5.6
General government	8.6	6.8
Health	4.9	(1.7)
Conservation of natural resources	2.3	0.3
All others	1.2	0.5
Total	<u>\$ 50.9</u>	<u>\$ 17.1</u>

THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

Governmental Funds, at the fund-level of reporting, use a current financial resources focus and modified accrual basis of accounting to report changes in near-term flows and balances of spendable resources. Fund balances within governmental funds, particularly unassigned fund balance, indicate the amount of available, spendable resources potentially available for appropriation by the County Board to finance the County's day-to-day activities.

The following Table 4 summarizes changes in governmental fund balances during 2020:

Table 4
Governmental Fund Balances
(in millions)

	General Fund	Road and Bridge	Social Services	Ditch	Debt Service	Non Major Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 10.7	\$ 4.3	\$ 2.8	\$ 0.6	\$ 3.3	\$ 0.2	\$ 21.9
Revenues and other financing sources	31.7	17.9	13.5	1.7	2.3	0.1	67.2
(Less) Expenditures and other financing uses	<u>(25.9)</u>	<u>(17.5)</u>	<u>(13.5)</u>	<u>(1.6)</u>	<u>(2.4)</u>	-	<u>(60.9)</u>
Ending Fund Balance	<u>\$ 16.5</u>	<u>\$ 4.7</u>	<u>\$ 2.8</u>	<u>\$ 0.7</u>	<u>\$ 3.2</u>	<u>\$ 0.3</u>	<u>\$ 28.2</u>

Changes in fund balances to the major funds are:

- The General Fund's fund balance is the County's principal liquidity reserve and includes amounts set aside for restricted fund balance and subsequent year's appropriated budget. The fund balance increased \$5.8 million during the year primarily due to the County's fund balance policy to require each fund to keep 50% of their next year's tax levy for reserves.
- Fund balances in the Road and Bridge Fund are set aside for inventories, liabilities and other fund purposes. The fund balance increased \$0.4 million due to the County's fund balance policy to require each fund to keep 50% of their next year's tax levy for reserves.
- Fund balances in the Social Services Fund are set aside for liabilities and other fund purposes. The fund balance remained the same due to the County's fund balance policy to require each fund to keep 50% of their next year's tax levy for reserves.
- Fund balances in the Ditch Fund are set aside for debt and repairs and maintenance of the individual ditches. The fund balance increased by \$0.2 million. The increase was primarily due to assessing more to build up the individual ditches reserves.
- Fund balances in the Debt Service Fund are set aside for future principal and interest payments. The fund decreased by \$0.1 million due to bond payments being slightly higher than taxes levied.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The General Fund budget represents the original budget.

The original General Fund budgeted revenues were \$24.5 million. Actual revenues exceeded the original budget by \$3.8 million. Actual intergovernmental revenues exceeded the original budgeted amount by \$4.8 million from mostly the Coronavirus Relief Fund money that was not part of the original budget.

The original General Fund budgeted expenditures were \$25.1 million. Actual expenditures were over the original budget by \$0.8 million. Actual health expenditures were over the original budget by \$2.1 million directly related to Coronavirus Relief Fund money that was not part of the original budget. Capital Outlay expenditures were over the original budget by \$0.4 million that was also related to the Coronavirus Relief Fund money.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of 2020, the County had \$106.6 million invested in a broad range of capital assets including land, buildings, highways and streets, and equipment. (See Table 5) This amount represents a net increase (including additions and deductions) of \$3.4 million, or 3.29 percent, from last year. More detailed information about the County's capital assets is presented in Note 6 to the financial statements.

Table 5
Capital Assets at Year-End
(Net of Depreciation, in millions)

	Governmental Activities	
	2020	2019
Land	\$ 5.4	\$ 5.3
Land improvements	0.8	0.9
Work in progress	7.2	1.7
Buildings and improvements	20.0	20.7
Machinery, vehicles, furniture, and equipment	4.4	4.0
Infrastructure	68.8	70.6
Total	<u>\$ 106.6</u>	<u>\$ 103.2</u>

(Unaudited)

Debt

At year-end, the County had \$7.4 million in bonds and notes outstanding versus \$9.5 million last year, a decrease of 22.11 percent, as shown in Table 6. This decrease is due to \$2.1 million of principal payments on bonds in 2020.

Table 6
Outstanding Debt at Year-End
(in millions)

	Governmental Activities	
	2020	2019
General obligation bonds	\$ 6.1	\$ 8.1
General obligation special assessment bonds	1.3	1.4
Total	<u>\$ 7.4</u>	<u>\$ 9.5</u>

The County's general obligation bond rating was "Aa2" at its last bond review. Other obligations include accrued vacation pay, sick leave payable, and pension liability. More detailed information about the County's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 8 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The County's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2021 budget and tax rates.

- County General Fund expenditures for 2021 are budgeted to increase 2.0 percent over 2020.
- The combined budget for 2021 decreased \$6,480,470 or 9.98 percent, over the 2020 budget.
- Property tax levies have increased 2.40 percent for 2021.
- In 2020, Freeborn County was dealing with many challenges relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many staff began working from home and the full impact of the pandemic has not yet been determined.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the County Finance Manager, Timothy Patrick Paquin, at 411 South Broadway, Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT 1

**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Assets

Cash and pooled investments	\$ 25,513,764
Petty cash and change funds	2,815
Taxes receivable	498,526
Special assessments receivable	
Prior	88,670
Noncurrent	2,323,734
Accounts receivable - net	836,455
Accrued interest receivable	62,419
Loans receivable	492,661
Due from other governments	4,927,973
Inventories	324,357
Capital assets	
Non-depreciable	13,340,125
Depreciable - net of accumulated depreciation	<u>93,294,644</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 141,706,143</u>

Deferred Outflows of Resources

Deferred pension outflows	<u>\$ 3,028,808</u>
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

***EXHIBIT 1
(Continued)***

**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$	890,629
Salaries payable		361,028
Contracts payable		229,831
Due to other governments		122,662
Accrued interest payable		91,908
Unearned revenue		103,469
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Due within one year		
Bonds and notes payable		2,160,000
Compensated absences		92,323
Total other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability		63,840
Due in more than one year		
Bonds and notes payable		5,534,192
Compensated absences		1,754,118
Net pension liability		15,201,996
Total other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability		581,051
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>27,187,047</u>

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred pension inflows	\$	<u>2,815,955</u>
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Net Position

Net investment in capital assets	\$	99,980,537
Restricted for		
General government		1,242,801
Public safety		467,523
Highways and streets		2,325,666
Conservation of natural resources		3,315,660
Debt service		3,851,004
Held in trust for other purposes - nonexpendable		270,939
Unrestricted		<u>3,277,819</u>
Total Net Position	\$	<u>114,731,949</u>

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

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT 2

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position	
	Expenses	Fees, Charges, Fines, and Other	Operating Grants and Contributions		Capital Grants and Contributions
<u>Functions/Programs</u>					
Primary government					
Governmental activities					
General government	\$ 8,523,576	\$ 895,412	\$ 873,018	\$ 17,940	\$ (6,737,206)
Public safety	9,275,328	2,719,485	935,949	-	(5,619,894)
Highways and streets	12,131,412	192,254	8,721,684	2,868,831	(348,643)
Sanitation	583,319	714,463	-	-	131,144
Human services	12,505,577	1,065,017	6,135,506	-	(5,305,054)
Health	4,920,000	831,540	5,750,095	-	1,661,635
Culture and recreation	397,822	34,764	-	-	(363,058)
Conservation of natural resources	2,313,404	1,599,968	420,545	-	(292,891)
Economic development	25,500	-	-	-	(25,500)
Interest	193,504	-	-	-	(193,504)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 50,869,442</u>	<u>\$ 8,052,903</u>	<u>\$ 22,836,797</u>	<u>\$ 2,886,771</u>	<u>\$ (17,092,971)</u>
General Revenues					
Property taxes					\$ 24,354,515
Gravel taxes					86,534
Mortgage registry and deed tax					27,050
Wheelage taxes					304,208
Local sales taxes					491,020
Local highway sales tax					2,157,459
Payments in lieu of tax					36,601
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					2,167,146
Unrestricted investment earnings					473,140
Miscellaneous					25,283
Total general revenues					<u>\$ 30,122,956</u>
Change in net position					\$ 13,029,985
Net Position - Beginning					<u>\$ 101,701,964</u>
Net Position - Ending					<u>\$ 114,731,949</u>

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	General	Road and Bridge
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 10,708,060	\$ 6,374,519
Petty cash and change funds	2,765	-
Taxes receivable		
Prior	498,526	-
Special assessments		
Prior	58,939	-
Noncurrent	-	-
Accounts receivable - net	89,892	-
Accrued interest receivable	62,384	-
Loans receivable	492,661	-
Due from other funds	3,430,013	-
Due from other governments	1,533,314	2,111,813
Inventories	-	324,357
Advances to other funds	963,438	-
	\$ 17,839,992	\$ 8,810,689
Total Assets		

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

EXHIBIT 3
(Continued)

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>				<u>Permanent</u>	
<u>Social Services</u>	<u>Ditch</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>		<u>Nonmajor U.S. Fish and Wildlife</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 3,116,557	\$ 1,873,458	\$ 3,169,237	\$ 271,933	\$ 25,513,764	
50	-	-	-	2,815	
-	-	-	-	498,526	
-	28,447	1,284	-	88,670	
-	1,551,343	772,391	-	2,323,734	
746,563	-	-	-	836,455	
-	-	-	35	62,419	
-	-	-	-	492,661	
-	-	-	-	3,430,013	
1,077,502	205,344	-	-	4,927,973	
-	-	-	-	324,357	
-	-	-	-	963,438	
<u>\$ 4,940,672</u>	<u>\$ 3,658,592</u>	<u>\$ 3,942,912</u>	<u>\$ 271,968</u>	<u>\$ 39,464,825</u>	

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

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	General	Road and Bridge
<u>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances</u>		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 391,936	\$ 124,761
Salaries payable	219,010	43,035
Contracts payable	-	229,831
Due to other funds	-	2,846,642
Due to other governments	7,669	-
Unearned revenue	-	-
Advances from other funds	-	-
	\$ 618,615	\$ 3,244,269
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Unavailable revenue	\$ 678,924	\$ 860,618
Fund Balances		
Nonspendable		
Advances to other funds	\$ 223,354	\$ -
Long-term loans/notes receivable	135,259	-
Inventories	-	324,357
Endowment permanent	-	-
Restricted for		
Law library	69,080	-
Recorder's equipment	362,043	-
E-911	447,279	-
Attorney's forfeited property	37,023	-
Sheriff's forfeited property	20,244	-
Highway construction projects	-	1,394,078
Gravel pit postclosure	70,969	-
Ditch maintenance and repairs	-	-
Debt service	-	-
Aquatic invasive species	175,405	-
COVID County relief	599,250	-
Committed		
Highway construction projects	-	800,000
Individual sewage treatment system	368,583	-
Capital equipment	6,039,806	-
IT hardware	210,000	-
Administration	150,000	-
Trail maintenance	391,844	-
Highway building roof	300,000	-
Computer purchases	100,000	-
Payroll	150,000	-
Assigned		
Road and bridge	-	2,187,367
Social services	-	-
Unassigned	6,692,314	-
	16,542,453	4,705,802
Total Fund Balances		
	\$ 17,839,992	\$ 8,810,689
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances		

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore are not reported in the funds

Deferred outflow of resources resulting from pension obligations are not available resources and therefore, are not reported in governmental funds.

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable and accrued interest on bonds, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.

Deferred pension inflows are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore, are unavailable in the funds

Net position of Governmental Activities

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

EXHIBIT 3
(Continued)

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>			<u>Permanent</u>	
<u>Social Services</u>	<u>Ditch</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Nonmajor U.S. Fish and Wildlife</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 357,788	\$ 16,144	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 890,629
97,947	1,036	-	-	361,028
-	-	-	-	229,831
583,371	-	-	-	3,430,013
70,924	43,040	-	1,029	122,662
-	103,469	-	-	103,469
-	963,438	-	-	963,438
<u>\$ 1,110,030</u>	<u>\$ 1,127,127</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,029</u>	<u>\$ 6,101,070</u>
<u>\$ 1,038,302</u>	<u>\$ 1,785,134</u>	<u>\$ 773,675</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,136,653</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 223,354
-	-	-	-	135,259
-	-	-	-	324,357
-	-	-	270,939	270,939
-	-	-	-	69,080
-	-	-	-	362,043
-	-	-	-	447,279
-	-	-	-	37,023
-	-	-	-	20,244
-	-	-	-	1,394,078
-	-	-	-	70,969
-	1,722,116	-	-	1,722,116
-	-	3,169,237	-	3,169,237
-	-	-	-	175,405
-	-	-	-	599,250
-	-	-	-	800,000
-	-	-	-	368,583
-	-	-	-	6,039,806
-	-	-	-	210,000
-	-	-	-	150,000
-	-	-	-	391,844
-	-	-	-	300,000
-	-	-	-	100,000
-	-	-	-	150,000
-	-	-	-	2,187,367
2,792,340	-	-	-	2,792,340
-	(975,785)	-	-	5,716,529
<u>2,792,340</u>	<u>746,331</u>	<u>3,169,237</u>	<u>270,939</u>	<u>28,227,102</u>
<u>\$ 4,940,672</u>	<u>\$ 3,658,592</u>	<u>\$ 3,942,912</u>	<u>\$ 271,968</u>	
				106,634,769
				3,028,808
				(25,479,428)
				(2,815,955)
				<u>5,136,653</u>
				<u>\$ 114,731,949</u>

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

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	General	Road and Bridge
Revenues		
Taxes	\$ 12,665,813	\$ 6,962,033
Special assessments	689,573	-
Licenses and permits	148,553	26,503
Intergovernmental	9,748,077	10,989,202
Charges for services	4,028,165	19,174
Fines and forfeits	18,785	-
Gifts and contributions	1,025	-
Investment earnings	474,896	-
Miscellaneous	484,367	146,577
	\$ 28,259,254	\$ 18,143,489
Expenditures		
Current		
General government	\$ 7,707,028	\$ -
Public safety	9,574,304	-
Highways and streets	3,226	14,455,490
Sanitation	570,015	-
Human services	8,517	-
Health	4,958,785	-
Culture and recreation	396,989	-
Conservation of natural resources	782,099	-
Economic development	25,500	-
Intergovernmental		
Highways and streets	-	434,380
Capital outlay	1,871,430	-
Debt service		
Principal	-	-
Interest	-	-
Administrative (fiscal) charges	-	-
	\$ 25,897,893	\$ 14,889,870
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 2,361,361	\$ 3,253,619
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Transfers in	\$ 3,430,013	\$ -
Transfers out	-	(2,846,642)
	\$ 3,430,013	\$ (2,846,642)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 5,791,374	\$ 406,977
Fund Balance - January 1	10,751,079	4,303,080
Increase (decrease) in inventories	-	(4,255)
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 16,542,453	\$ 4,705,802

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

EXHIBIT 4

Social Services	Ditch	Debt Service	Nonmajor U.S. Fish and Wildlife	Total
\$ 5,523,441	\$ -	\$ 2,200,951	\$ -	\$ 27,352,238
-	1,709,736	93,765	-	2,493,074
-	-	-	-	175,056
6,857,325	22,667	-	-	27,617,271
955,339	-	-	-	5,002,678
778	-	-	-	19,563
5,870	-	-	-	6,895
-	-	-	1,029	475,925
116,533	4,892	119	25,000	777,488
\$ 13,459,286	\$ 1,737,295	\$ 2,294,835	\$ 26,029	\$ 63,920,188
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,707,028
280,871	-	-	-	9,855,175
-	-	-	-	14,458,716
-	-	-	-	570,015
12,564,426	-	-	-	12,572,943
-	-	-	-	4,958,785
-	-	-	-	396,989
-	1,519,349	-	1,029	2,302,477
-	-	-	-	25,500
-	-	-	-	434,380
-	-	-	-	1,871,430
-	-	2,110,000	-	2,110,000
-	31,889	272,488	-	304,377
-	-	2,200	-	2,200
\$ 12,845,297	\$ 1,551,238	\$ 2,384,688	\$ 1,029	\$ 57,570,015
\$ 613,989	\$ 186,057	\$ (89,853)	\$ 25,000	\$ 6,350,173
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,430,013
(583,371)	-	-	-	(3,430,013)
\$ (583,371)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 30,618	\$ 186,057	\$ (89,853)	\$ 25,000	\$ 6,350,173
2,761,722	560,274	3,259,090	245,939	21,881,184
-	-	-	-	(4,255)
\$ 2,792,340	\$ 746,331	\$ 3,169,237	\$ 270,939	\$ 28,227,102

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

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EXHIBIT 5

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit 4) \$ 6,350,173

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

In the funds, under the modified accrual basis, receivables not available for expenditure are deferred. In the statement of activities, those revenues are recognized when earned. The adjustment to revenue between the fund statements and the statement of activities is the increase or decrease in unavailable revenue.

Unavailable revenue - December 31	\$ 5,136,653	
Unavailable revenue - January 1	(5,189,372)	(52,719)

Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Also, in the statement of activities, only the gain or loss on the disposal of assets is reported; whereas, in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Therefore, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the net book value of the assets sold.

Expenditures for general capital assets and infrastructure	\$ 7,341,333	
Net book value of assets disposed	(36,733)	
Current year depreciation	(3,834,334)	3,470,266

Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

Principal repayments		
General obligation bonds	\$ 1,950,000	
Special assessment general obligation bonds	160,000	2,110,000

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.

Change in accrued interest payable	\$ 21,613	
Change in net pension liability	(2,010,181)	
Change in other postemployment benefits	103,922	
Change in compensated absences	(222,909)	
Amortization of discounts/premiums	91,460	
Change in deferred outflows of resources	(299,190)	
Change in deferred inflows of resources	3,471,805	
Change in inventories	(4,255)	1,152,265

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit 2) \$ 13,029,985

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FIDUCIARY FUNDS

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EXHIBIT 6

**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
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	Social Welfare Private-Purpose Trust Fund	Custodial Funds
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 46,048	\$ 1,267,788
Taxes receivable	-	557,465
	\$ 46,048	\$ 1,825,253
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Due to other governments	-	\$ 970,159
Loans payable	-	324,664
	\$ -	\$ 1,294,823
<u>Net Position</u>		
Restricted for Individuals, organizations, other governments	\$ 46,048	\$ 530,430
	\$ 46,048	\$ 530,430

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EXHIBIT 7

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	Social Welfare Private-Purpose Trust Fund	Custodial Funds
Additions		
Contributions:		
Individuals	\$ 515,911	\$ 376,621
Investment earnings:		
Interest, dividends, other	64	325
Property tax collections for other governments	-	69,894,948
Special assessments	-	461,505
License and fees collected for state	-	6,657,030
Miscellaneous	-	636,733
	\$ 515,975	\$ 78,027,162
Deductions		
Beneficiary payments to individuals	\$ 491,341	\$ 393,861
Payments of property tax to other governments	-	66,194,411
Payments to state	-	9,393,429
Payments to vendors	-	887,929
Payments to other entities	-	1,008,451
	\$ 491,341	\$ 77,878,081
Change in net position	\$ 24,634	\$ 149,081
Net Position – January 1	\$ 21,414	\$ 381,349
Net Position – December 31	\$ 46,048	\$ 530,430

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Freeborn County, Minnesota (the County) have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (statements and interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the County are discussed below.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

Freeborn County was established February 20, 1855, and is an organized county having the powers, duties, and privileges granted counties by Minn. Stat. ch. 373. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements present Freeborn County (primary government) and its component unit for which the County is financially accountable. The County is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners elected from districts within the County. The Board is organized with a chair and vice chair elected at the annual meeting in January of each year. The County Administrator, appointed by the Board, serves as the clerk of the Board of Commissioners but has no vote.

Blended Component Unit

Blended component units are legally separate organizations so intertwined with the County that they are, in substance, the same as the County and, therefore, are reported as if they were part of the County. Freeborn County has one blended component unit, which was inactive for 2020.

Component Unit	Included in Reporting Entity Because	Separate Financial Statements
Freeborn County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) provides services pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 469.001-.047.	County Commissioners are the HRA Board. The County has operational responsibilities for the HRA.	Separate financial statements are not prepared.

Joint Ventures

The County participates in joint ventures described in Note 11. The County also participates in jointly-governed organizations described in Note 11.

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B. Basic Financial Statements

Government-Wide Statements: The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) display information about the primary government. These statements include the financial activities of the overall County government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities.

The government-wide statement of net position (a) is presented on a consolidated basis, and (b) is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The County's net position is reported in three parts: (1) net investment in capital assets, (2) restricted net position, and (3) unrestricted net position. The County first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of each function of the County's governmental activities are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. Program revenues include: (1) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity; and (2) grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Revenues not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues. The County does not allocate indirect expenses to functions within the financial statements.

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

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those accounted for in another fund.

The Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund accounts for restricted revenues from the federal and state government, as well as property tax revenues used for the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, and other projects affecting County roadways.

The Social Services Special Revenue Fund accounts for restricted revenue resources from the federal, state, and other oversight agencies, as well as property tax revenues used for economic assistance and community social services programs.

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The Ditch Special Revenue Fund accounts for special assessments revenues levied against benefitted property to finance the cost of constructing and maintaining an agricultural drainage ditch system.

The Debt Service Fund accounts for all financial resources restricted for payment of principal, interest, and related costs of long-term bonded debt.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Permanent Fund accounts for interest on the trust fund principal received from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to offset any shortfall between the annual Fish and Wildlife Service share-revenue payments and the actual taxes on wetland properties.

Private-Purpose Trust Funds account for resources legally held in trust for others.

Custodial funds account for resources held on behalf of special districts, retirement boards and insurance groups that use the County as a depository, for the collections received and due to the State and for the collection and distribution of property taxes to school districts, towns, and cities.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting: The government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Freeborn County considers tax revenue as available if collected 60 days after year end and all other revenues as available if collected within 45 days after the end of the current period. Property and other taxes, licenses, and interest are all considered susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, compensated absences, and claims and judgments, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent that they have matured. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the County's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as needed.

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C. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows or Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity

Cash and Investments: The cash balances of substantially all funds are pooled and invested by the County Auditor/Treasurer for the purpose of increasing earnings through investment activities. Pooled and fund investments are reported at their fair value at December 31, 2020. A market approach is used to value all investments other than external investment pools, which are measured at the net asset value or fair value per share. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 385.07, investment earnings on cash and pooled investments are credited to the General Fund.

Freeborn County invests in an external investment pool, the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) Fund, which is created under a joint powers agreement pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The investment in the pool is measured at the net asset value per share provided by the pool.

Other funds received investment earnings based on other state statutes, grant agreements, contracts, and bond covenants. Pooled investment earnings for 2020 were \$475,925.

Receivables and Payables: Activity between funds representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as either “due to/from other funds” (the current portion of inter-fund loans) or “advances to/from other funds” (the noncurrent portion of inter-fund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as “due to/from other funds.”

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a non-spendable fund balance account in the General Fund to indicate that they are not in spendable format.

All receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles.

Property taxes are levied as of January 1 on property values assessed as of the same date. The tax levy notice is mailed in March with the first half payment due on May 15 and the second half payment due October 15. Unpaid taxes at December 31 become liens on the respective property and are classified in the financial statements as delinquent taxes receivable.

Inventories: All inventories are valued at cost using the weighted average method. Inventories in governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed.

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Capital Assets: Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (such as roads, bridges, and similar items), are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of three years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value.

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. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant, and equipment of the County, as well as its component units, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings	25 - 75
Building improvements	20 - 30
Public domain infrastructure	25 - 75
Furniture, equipment, and vehicles	3 - 15

Unearned Revenue: The governmental funds and government-wide financial statements report unearned revenue in connection with resources that have been received, but not earned.

Compensated Absences: The liability for compensated absences reported in financial statements consists of unpaid accumulated annual vacation and sick leave balances. The liability has been calculated using the vesting method, in which leave amounts for both employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments and other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments upon termination are included. Compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. The current portion of this liability is based on an estimate of the cost of severances during the upcoming year. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

Other Postemployment Benefits Liability (OPEB Liability): For purposes of measuring the OPEB liability and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County's Retiree Benefits Plan (the Plan) and additions to/deductions from the Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plan. For this purpose, the Plan recognized benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit term.

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Long-Term Obligations: In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

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

Net Pension Liability: For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and additions to/deductions from PERA's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERA except that PERA's fiscal year end is June 30. For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized as of employer payroll paid dates and benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Plan investments are reported at fair value. The General Revenue, Road and Bridge, and Social Service funds typically have been used to liquidate the pension liability.

Deferred Outflows or Inflows of Resources: In addition to assets, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditure/expense) until then. The County has one item, deferred pension outflows, that qualifies for reporting in this category. This outflow arises only under the accrual basis of accounting. The deferred pension outflows consist of pension plan contributions paid subsequent to the measurement date, changes in actuarial assumptions, differences between expected and actual economic experience, changes in proportions, and differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments. No deferred outflows of resources affect the governmental funds financial statements in the current year.

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In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has two types of items, unavailable revenue and deferred pension inflows that qualify for reporting in this category. Unavailable revenue arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting and, accordingly, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. This amount is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. Deferred pension inflows arise only under an accrual basis of accounting and, accordingly, are reported only in the statement of net position. This amount consists of differences between expected and actual pension plan economic experience and also pension plan changes in proportionate share.

Classification of Net Position: Net position in the government-wide fund financial statements is classified in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets - the amount of net position representing capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the assets.

Restricted net position - the amount of net position for which external restrictions have been imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position - the amount of net position that does not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

Classifications of Fund Balances: Fund balance is divided into five classifications, based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Non-spendable - amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

Restricted - amounts in which constraints have been placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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Committed - amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by formal action (resolution) of the County Board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts.

Assigned - amounts the County intends to use for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed; the County Finance Manager is authorized to establish assignments in the Human Service and Road and Bridge funds at 50% of the following years tax levy based on County policy. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the County Board.

Unassigned - the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other fund balance classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, or committed, or assigned to those purposes.

The County applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflow of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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2. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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. One element of that reconciliation explains that “long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.”

The details of this \$25,479,428 difference are as follows:

G.O. bonds payable	\$ 6,155,000
Plus: Issuance premium (to be amortized over life of debt)	269,402
G. O. special assessments debt payable	1,280,000
Minus: Issuance discount (to be amortized over life of debt)	(10,210)
Accrued interest payable	91,908
Net pension liability	15,201,996
Other postemployment benefit liability	644,891
Compensated absences	<u>1,846,441</u>
Net adjustment to reduce fund balance - total governmental funds to arrive at net position – governmental activities	<u>\$ 25,479,428</u>

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3. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information

The County Board adopts estimated revenue and expenditure budgets for the General Fund, the Road and Bridge, Social Services, and Ditch Special Revenue Funds; and the Debt Service Fund. All budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund level.

The County Board can amend budgets during the year. All transfers and additional appropriations require County Board approval. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the department level.

Ditch Special Revenue Fund Equity: Using the modified accrual basis of accounting, noncurrent receivables and bonds payable do not affect fund balance. Noncurrent receivables are deferred, and bonds payable are not reported. Using this basis of accounting, 19 ditches had fund deficits.

Account balances	\$	1,722,116
Account deficits		<u>(975,785)</u>
Fund Balance - Modified Accrual Basis	\$	<u>746,331</u>

Turtle Creek Watershed District Custodial Net Position: Using the full accrual basis of accounting Turtle Creek Watershed District Custodial Fund had a negative net position of \$324,664.

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4. CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits

The County’s total cash and investments are reported as follows:

Governmental activities	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 25,513,763
Petty cash and change funds	2,815
Fiduciary funds	
Cash and pooled investments	
Private-Purpose Trust Fund	46,048
Custodial funds	<u>1,267,788</u>
 Total Cash and Investments	 <u><u>\$ 26,830,414</u></u>

The County is authorized by Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.02 and 118A.04 to designate a depository for public funds and invest in certificates of deposit. The County is required by Minn. Stat. § 118A.03 to protect deposits with insurance, surety bond, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged shall be at least ten percent more than the amount on deposit at the close of the financial institution’s banking day, not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes treasury bills, notes and bonds; issues of U.S. government agencies; general obligations rated “A” or better and revenue obligations rated “AA” or better; irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank; and certificates of deposit. Minnesota statutes require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping in a restricted account at the Federal Reserve Bank or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution that is not owned or controlled by the financial institution furnishing the collateral.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the County’s deposits may not be returned to it. The County does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk other than complying with the requirements of Minnesota statutes. As of December 31, 2020, the County’s investments were not exposed to custodial credit risk.

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Investments

The County may invest in the following types of investments as authorized by Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.04 and 118A.05:

- (1) securities which are direct obligations or are guaranteed or insured issues of the United States, its agencies, its instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of Congress, except mortgage-backed securities defined as “high risk” by Minn. Stat. § 118A.04, subd. 6;
- (2) mutual funds through shares of registered investment companies provided the mutual fund receives certain ratings depending on its investments;
- (3) general obligations of the State of Minnesota and its municipalities, and in certain state agency and local obligations of Minnesota and other states provided such obligations have certain specified bond ratings by a national bond rating service;
- (4) bankers’ acceptances of United States banks;
- (5) commercial paper issued by United States corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries that is rated in the highest quality category by two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in 270 days or less; and
- (6) with certain restrictions, in repurchase agreements, securities lending agreements, joint powers investment trusts, and guaranteed investment contracts.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The County policy is to minimize its exposure to interest rate risk by investing in both short-term and long-term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of the portfolio is maturing or coming close to maturity evenly over time as necessary to provide the cash flow and liquidity needed for operations.

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. It is the County’s policy to invest only in securities that meet the ratings requirements set by state statute.

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The County’s policy is to minimize investment custodial credit risk by permitting brokers that obtained investments for the County to hold them only to the extent there is Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC)

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coverage and excess SIPC coverage available. Securities purchased that exceed SIPC coverage shall be transferred to the County custodian. As of December 31, 2020, the County does not have any investments exposed to custodial credit risk.

The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be caused by the County's investment in a single issuer. The County does not have a policy on concentration of credit risk.

The following table presents the County's deposit and investment balances at December 31, 2020, and information relating to potential investment risks:

Investment Type	Credit Risk		Concentration	Interest	Carrying (Fair) Value
	Credit Rating	Rating Agency	Over 5% of Portfolio	Rate Risk Maturity Date	
Negotiable certificates of deposit					
MB Financial Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	15-Jan-21	\$ 245,235
Summit Community Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	15-Jan-21	245,235
Unison Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	15-Jan-21	245,235
First Business Bk Madison WI	N/A	N/A	<5%	21-Jan-21	245,250
LCA BK Corp PK City Utah	N/A	N/A	<5%	27-Jan-21	245,331
Freedom Finl Bk	N/A	N/A	<5%	28-Jan-21	245,370
Alpine Bank & Trust Co.	N/A	N/A	<5%	29-Jan-21	245,345
Franklin Synergy Bk Franklin Prim	N/A	N/A	<5%	29-Jan-21	245,355
M Y Safira BK FSB New York N Y	N/A	N/A	<5%	08-Feb-21	245,451
Bank New Eng Salem	N/A	N/A	<5%	21-Apr-21	245,985
Sterling Bank POP BL MO	N/A	N/A	<5%	04-Jan-22	252,181
Ally Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	14-Feb-22	252,541
First Western Bank & Trust	N/A	N/A	<5%	28-Feb-22	253,205
First Citizens National Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	28-Feb-22	253,673
Merrick Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	07-Mar-22	253,671
Third Federal Savings & Loan Association of Cleveland	N/A	N/A	<5%	30-May-22	256,184
Sallie May Bank UT US	N/A	N/A	<5%	13-Jun-22	253,634
Wells Fargo Natl Bank NV US	N/A	N/A	<5%	13-Dec-22	253,127
Goldman Sachs Bank NY US	N/A	N/A	<5%	09-Jan-23	253,651
BMW BK OF NA NA UT US	N/A	N/A	<5%	10-Jan-23	253,166
Eaglebank MD US	N/A	N/A	<5%	17-Jan-23	252,987
National Cooperative Bank, N.A.	N/A	N/A	<5%	21-Dec-23	268,383
Citibank NA	N/A	N/A	<5%	26-Dec-23	269,213
Bank of Baroda	N/A	N/A	<5%	28-Dec-23	269,620
Morgan Stanley Bank, Nat Asso	N/A	N/A	<5%	10-Jan-24	268,363
Morgan Stanley Private Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	10-Jan-24	268,363
Bank Hapoalim B.M.	N/A	N/A	<5%	23-Jan-24	267,486
Live Oak Banking Company	N/A	N/A	<5%	24-Jan-24	257,027

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Investment Type	Credit Risk		Concentration	Interest	Carrying (Fair) Value
	Credit Rating	Rating Agency	Risk Over 5% of Portfolio	Rate Risk Maturity Date	
Country Bank/New York	N/A	N/A	<5%	25-Jan-24	266,033
Capital One Bank USA NA	N/A	N/A	<5%	21-Aug-24	260,477
Wells Fargo Bank NA	N/A	N/A	<5%	17-Oct-24	259,536
State BK India NY US	N/A	N/A	<5%	27-Nov-24	261,788
Discover Bank	N/A	N/A	<5%	26-Jun-26	273,467
Total negotiable certificates of deposit					<u>\$ 8,431,568</u>
Money markets					
Magic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ 9,546,799
UBS Financial Services Inc.	Aaa	Moody's	N/A	N/A	<u>4,275,838</u>
Total money markets					<u>\$ 13,822,637</u>
Total investments and money markets					<u>\$ 22,254,205</u>
Deposits					\$ 4,573,394
Petty cash					<u>2,815</u>
Total Cash and Investments					<u>\$ 26,830,414</u>
N/A - Not applicable					

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Freeborn County measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by generally accepted accounting principles. These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices for identical investments in active markets;
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than quoted market prices; and,
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs.

At December 31, 2020, the Freeborn County had the following recurring fair value measurements.

	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	December 31, 2020	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Investments by fair value level "Debt Securities"				
Negotiable certificates of deposit	\$ 8,431,568	\$ -	\$ 8,431,568	\$ -
Total Investments included in the Fair value hierarchy	<u>\$ 8,431,568</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,431,568</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Investments at Amortized Cost				
MAGIC Portfolio Money Market Fund	\$ 9,546,799			
UBS Financial Services Inc. Money Market	<u>4,275,838</u>			
Total Investments at Amortized Cost	<u>\$ 13,822,637</u>			
Total investments	\$ 22,254,205			
Cash and Cash equivalents	<u>4,576,209</u>			
Total Cash and Investments	<u>\$ 26,830,414</u>			

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Debt securities classified in Level 2 are valued using a market approach:

MAGIC is a local government investment pool which is quoted at a net asset value (NAV). The County invests in this pool for the purpose of the joint investment of the County's money with those of other counties to enhance the investment earnings accruing to each member.

MAGIC Portfolio is valued using amortized cost. Shares of the Magic Portfolio are available to be redeemed upon proper notice without restrictions under normal operating conditions. There are no limits to the number of redemptions that can be made as long as the County has a sufficient number of shares to meet the redemption request. The Fund's Board of Trustees can suspend the right of redemption request. The Fund's Board of Trustees can suspend the right of withdrawal or postpone the date of payment if the Trustee determines that there is an emergency that makes the sale of a Portfolio's securities or determination of its net asset value not reasonably practical.

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5. RECEIVABLES, UNEARNED AND UNAVAILABLE REVENUE

Receivables

Receivables as of December 31, 2020, for the County’s governmental activities, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	Receivable	Less: Allowance for Uncollectible	Net Receivables	Amounts Not Scheduled for Collection During the Subsequent Year
Governmental Activities				
Taxes	\$ 498,526	\$ -	\$ 498,526	\$ -
Special assessments	2,412,404	-	2,412,404	2,352,181
Accounts	1,861,556	(1,025,101)	836,455	576,052
Accrued interest	62,419	-	62,419	-
Loans	492,661	-	492,661	-
Due from other governments	4,927,973	-	4,927,973	-
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 10,255,539</u>	<u>\$ (1,025,101)</u>	<u>\$ 9,230,438</u>	<u>\$ 2,928,233</u>

Loans

Loan balances are made up of individual loans for septic sewer replacements and Turtle Creek Watershed Loan. Septic sewer replacements loan program began in 2007 with terms of 10, 12 or 15 years. Interest rates are either 6% or 7%. There are currently 29 individual loans ranging from a low of \$691 to a high of \$15,395 that make up the loans receivable balance. Turtle Creek Watershed loan began in 2018 with a term of 8 years. Interest rate is 5% with \$324,664 balance remaining on the loan.

Unearned and Unavailable Revenue

Governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also present unearned revenue in connection with the resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred inflows of resources and unearned revenue reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

	Unavailable Delinquent Taxes and Special Assessments	Unavailable	Unearned Revenue
General Fund	\$ 444,953	\$ 233,971	\$ -
Road and Bridge Fund	-	860,618	-
Social Services Fund	-	1,038,302	-
Ditch Fund	1,579,790	205,344	103,469
Debt Service Fund	<u>773,675</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,798,418</u>	<u>\$ 2,338,235</u>	<u>\$ 103,469</u>

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6. CAPITAL ASSETS

Governmental activities capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increase	Decrease	Ending Balance
Capital assets not depreciated				
Land				
General	\$ 1,725,953	\$ 176,051	\$ -	\$ 1,902,004
Highway infrastructure	3,534,332	-	-	3,534,332
Improvements other than buildings	700,490	-	-	700,490
Work in process				
Buildings and improvements	1,709,180	5,494,119	-	7,203,299
Total capital assets not depreciated	\$ 7,669,955	\$ 5,670,170	\$ -	\$ 13,340,125
Capital assets depreciated				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 33,471,446	\$ 157,031	\$ -	\$ 33,628,477
Other land improvements	219,874	-	-	219,874
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	9,277,400	1,514,132	434,688	10,356,844
Infrastructure – sewer	1,785,479	-	-	1,785,479
Infrastructure – highway	121,386,021	-	-	121,386,021
Total capital assets depreciated	\$ 166,140,220	\$ 1,671,163	\$ 434,688	\$ 167,376,695
Less: accumulated depreciation for				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 12,791,463	\$ 810,295	\$ -	\$ 13,601,758
Other land improvements	66,970	12,797	-	79,767
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	5,322,284	1,054,050	397,955	5,978,379
Infrastructure – sewer	397,416	34,445	-	431,861
Infrastructure – highway	52,067,539	1,922,747	-	53,990,286
Total accumulated depreciation	\$ 70,645,672	\$ 3,834,334	\$ 397,955	\$ 74,082,051
Total capital assets depreciated, net	\$ 95,494,548	\$ (2,163,171)	\$ 36,733	\$ 93,294,644
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 103,164,503	\$ 3,506,999	\$ 36,733	\$ 106,634,769

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

Governmental Activities		
General Government		\$ 906,747
Public safety		108,761
Highways and streets, including depreciation of infrastructure assets		2,768,846
Human Services		20,167
Conservation		13,997
Culture and Recreation		833
Sanitation		14,983
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities		\$ 3,834,334

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7. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The composition of inter-fund balances as of December 31, 2020, is as follows:

Interfund Transfers Major Governmental Funds Transfers	Description	Amount
Transfers to General Fund from Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund	Move excess fund balance	\$ 2,846,642
Transfers to General Fund from Social Services Special Revenue Fund	Move excess fund balance	583,371
Total Transfers In		<u>\$ 3,430,013</u>

	Description	Amount
Due To General Fund from Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund	Excess Fund Balance	\$ 2,846,642
Due To General Fund from Social Services Special Revenue Fund	Excess Fund Balance	583,371
Total Due To/From Other Funds		<u>\$ 3,430,013</u>

Advances From/To Other Funds		
From	To	Amount
General Fund	Ditch Special Revenue Fund	\$ 963,438
Total Advances To/From Other Funds		<u>\$ 963,438</u>

Advances were made to cover shortfalls/timing differences between payments and receipts. \$223,354 is expected to be long term. The rest, \$740,084, is expected to be collected within the year.

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8. LONG-TERM DEBT

Debt Payable

Type of Indebtedness	Final Maturity	Installment Amounts	Interest Rate (%)	Original Issue Amount	Outstanding Balance December 31, 2020
<u>General Obligation Bonds</u>					
2013B G.O. Capital Improvement Bonds	2023	\$380,000 - \$395,000	3.00	\$ 3,300,000	\$ 1,160,000
2017A G.O. Refunding Bonds	2023	\$1,160,000 - \$1,225,000	3.00 - 4.00	5,760,000	3,570,000
2017B G.O. Refunding Bonds	2023	\$460,000 - \$490,000	1.00-3.00	2,315,000	1,425,000
Total General Obligation Bonds				<u>\$ 11,375,000</u>	\$ 6,155,000
Plus: Unamortized Premium					<u>269,402</u>
Total General Obligation Bonds, net:					<u>\$ 6,424,402</u>
<u>Special Assessment Bonds</u>					
Watershed Series 2013A G.O. Special Assessment Bonds	2028	\$160,000	0.30 - 2.30	\$ 2,400,000	\$ 1,280,000
Total Special Assessment Bonds				<u>\$ 2,400,000</u>	\$ 1,280,000
Plus: Unamortized Discount					<u>(10,210)</u>
Total Special Assessment Bonds, net:					<u>\$ 1,269,790</u>

Debt service requirements at December 31, 2020, were as follows:

Year Ending December 31	General Obligation Bonds		Special Assessment Ditch Bonds	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2021	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 166,500	\$ 160,000	\$ 22,960
2022	2,045,000	99,900	160,000	20,560
2023	2,110,000	31,650	160,000	17,880
2024	-	-	160,000	15,000
2025	-	-	160,000	11,920
2026 - 2028	-	-	480,000	15,960
Total	<u>\$ 6,155,000</u>	<u>\$ 298,050</u>	<u>\$ 1,280,000</u>	<u>\$ 104,280</u>

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Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable					
General obligation bonds	\$ 8,105,000	\$ -	\$ 1,950,000	\$ 6,155,000	\$ 2,000,000
Plus unamortized premium	362,138	-	92,736	269,402	-
General obligation bonds net	<u>\$ 8,467,138</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,042,736</u>	<u>\$ 6,424,402</u>	<u>\$ 2,000,000</u>
Special assessment bonds	1,440,000	-	160,000	1,280,000	160,000
Less unamortized discount	(11,486)	-	(1,276)	(10,210)	-
Special assessment bonds net	<u>\$ 1,428,514</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 158,724</u>	<u>\$ 1,269,790</u>	<u>\$ 160,000</u>
Total bonds payable	<u>\$ 9,895,652</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,201,460</u>	<u>\$ 7,694,192</u>	<u>\$ 2,160,000</u>
Compensated absences	<u>1,623,532</u>	<u>1,902,636</u>	<u>1,679,727</u>	<u>1,846,441</u>	<u>92,323</u>
Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 11,519,184</u>	<u>\$ 1,902,636</u>	<u>\$ 3,881,187</u>	<u>\$ 9,540,633</u>	<u>\$ 2,252,323</u>

General obligation bonds are liquidated by the Debt Service Fund. Payments on the general obligation special assessment bonds are made by the affected land owners, not the general populace of Freeborn County. The County's obligation is to make payment upon default of the property owners. The County has \$836,957 in reserves in case of default of the property owners. Compensated absences and pension liabilities are generally liquidated by the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, and Social Services Fund.

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9. FUND BALANCES

The amount established as sufficient to provide cash flow until the first tax collections are received is as follows:

General Fund	\$6,692,314
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These amounts are included in the General Fund as unassigned fund balance.

Minimum Fund Balance Policy:

Freeborn County has adopted a minimum fund balance policy to address cash flow or working capital needs for the General Fund.

However, property tax revenues are not available for distribution until June. Therefore, the County Board has determined the need to maintain a minimum unassigned fund balance in the General Fund and assigned fund balance in the special revenue funds until the tax revenues are distributed. The County Board has determined this amount to be 50 percent of General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, and Social Services Fund preceding years tax levy. This amount will provide adequate funds until the next property tax revenues' are received.

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10. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plan

Plan Description

The County participates in the following cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). PERA's defined benefit pension plans are established and administered in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapters 353 and 356. PERA's defined benefit pension plans are tax qualified plans under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

General Employees Retirement Plan

All full-time and certain part-time employees of the County are covered by the General Employees Plan. General Employees Plan members belong to the Coordinated Plan. Coordinated Plan members are covered by Social Security.

Public Employees Police and Fire Plan

The Police and Fire Plan, originally established for police officers and firefighters not covered by a local relief association, now covers all police officers and firefighters hired since 1980. Effective July 1, 1999, the Police and Fire Plan also covers police officers and firefighters belonging to local relief associations that elected to merge with and transfer assets and administration to PERA.

Local Government Correctional Plan

The Correctional Plan was established for correctional officers serving in county and regional corrections facilities. Eligible participants must be responsible for the security, custody, and control of the facilities and their inmates.

Benefits Provided

PERA provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Benefit provisions are established by state statute and can only be modified by the state Legislature. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits, but are not receiving them yet, are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated their public service.

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General Employees Plan Benefits

General Employees Plan benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any five successive years of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service. Two methods are used to compute benefits for PERA's Coordinated Plan members. Members hired prior to July 1, 1989, receive the higher of Method 1 or Method 2 formulas. Only Method 2 is used for members hired after June 30, 1989. Under Method 1, the accrual rate for Coordinated members is 1.2 percent for each of the first 10 years of service and 1.7 percent for each additional year. Under Method 2, the accrual rate for Coordinated members is 1.7 percent for all years of service. For members hired prior to July 1, 1989 a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal 90 and normal retirement age is 65. For members hired on or after July 1, 1989, normal retirement age is the age for unreduced Social Security benefits capped at 66.

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. Beginning in 2019, the postretirement increase is equal to 50 percent of the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) announced by the SSA, with a minimum increase of at least 1 percent and a maximum of 1.5 percent. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive the full increase. For recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one month but less than a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a reduced prorated increase. For members retiring on January 1, 2024, or later, the increase will be delayed until normal retirement age (age 65 if hired prior to July 1, 1989, or age 66 for individuals hired on or after July 1, 1989). Members retiring under Rule of 90 are exempt from the delay to normal retirement.

Police and Fire Plan Benefits

Benefits for Police and Fire Plan members first hired after June 30, 2010, but before July 1, 2014, vest on a prorated basis from 50 percent after five years up to 100 percent after ten years of credited service. Benefits for Police and Fire Plan members first hired after June 30, 2014, vest on a prorated basis from 50 percent after ten years up to 100 percent after twenty years of credited service. The annuity accrual rate is 3 percent of average salary for each year of service. For Police and Fire Plan members who were first hired prior to July 1, 1989, a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal at least 90.

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. Beginning in 2019, the postretirement increase will be fixed at 1 percent. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least 36 months as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will

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receive the full increase. For recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least 25 months but less than 36 months as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a reduced prorated increase.

Correctional Plan Benefits

Benefits for Correctional Plan members first hired after June 30, 2010, vest on a prorated basis from 50 percent after five years up to 100 percent after ten years of credited service. The annuity accrual rate is 1.9 percent of average salary for each year of service in that plan. For Correctional Plan members who were first hired prior to July 1, 1989, a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal at least 90.

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. Beginning in 2019, the postretirement increase will be equal to 100 percent of the COLA announced by SSA, with a minimum increase of at least 1 percent and a maximum of 2.5 percent. If the plan's funding status declines to 85 percent or below for two consecutive years or 80 percent for one year, the maximum will be lowered from 2.5 percent to 1.5 percent. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive the full increase. For recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one month but less than a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a reduced prorated increase.

Contributions

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 353 sets the rates for employer and employee contributions. Contribution rates can only be modified by the state Legislature.

General Employees Fund Contributions

Coordinated Plan members were required to contribute 6.50 percent of their annual covered salary in fiscal year 2020 and the County was required to contribute 7.50 percent for Coordinated Plan members. The County's contributions to the General Employees Fund for the year ended December 31, 2020, were \$1,158,957. The County's contributions were equal to the required contributions as set by state statute.

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Police and Fire Fund Contributions

Police and Fire member’s contribution rates increased from 11.3 percent of pay to 11.8 percent and employer rates increased from 16.95 percent to 17.70 percent on January 1, 2020. The County’s contributions to the Police and Fire Fund for the year ended December 31, 2020, were \$331,430. The County’s contributions were equal to the required contributions as set by state statute.

Correctional Fund Contributions

Plan members were required to contribute 5.83 percent of their annual covered salary and the County was required to contribute 8.75 percent of pay for plan members in fiscal year 2020. The County’s contributions to the Correctional Fund for the year ended December 31, 2020, were \$172,916. The County’s contributions were equal to the required contributions as set by state statute.

Pension Costs

General Employees Fund Pension Costs

At December 31, 2020, the County reported a liability of \$12,734,351 for its proportionate share of the General Employees Fund’s net pension liability. The County’s net pension liability reflected a reduction due to the State of Minnesota’s contribution of \$16 million. The State of Minnesota is considered a non-employer contributing entity and the state’s contribution meets the definition of a special funding situation. The State of Minnesota’s proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the County totaled \$392,772. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the County’s contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA’s participating employers. The County’s proportionate share was .2124 percent at the end of the measurement period and was .2021 percent for the beginning of the period.

County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	12,734,351
State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the County		392,772
Total	\$	13,127,123

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For the year ended December 31, 2020, the County recognized pension expense of \$771,841 for its proportionate share of General Employees Plan’s pension expense. In addition, the County recognized an additional \$34,183 as pension expense (and grant revenue) for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota’s contribution of \$16 million to the General Employees Fund. At December 31, 2020, the County reported its proportionate share of the General Employees Plan’s deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 116,106	\$ 48,181
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	219,994	-
Changes in actuarial assumptions	-	472,112
Changes in proportion	647,693	33,677
Contributions paid to PERA subsequent to the measurement date	569,237	-
Total	\$ 1,553,030	\$ 553,970

The \$569,237 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Pension Expense Amount
2021	\$ (513,917)
2022	229,924
2023	406,149
2024	307,667
Total	\$ 429,823

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Police and Fire Fund Pension Costs

At December 31, 2020, the County reported a liability of \$2,203,875 for its proportionate share of the Police and Fire Fund's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the County's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. The County's proportionate share was .1672 percent at the end of the measurement period and .1768 percent for the beginning of the period.

The State of Minnesota also contributed \$13.5 million to the Police and Fire Fund in the plan fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The contribution consisted of \$4.5 million in direct state aid that does meet the definition of a special funding situation and \$9.0 million in fire state aid that does not meet the definition of a special funding situation. The \$4.5 million direct state was paid on October 1, 2019. Thereafter, by October 1 of each year, the state will pay \$9 million to the Police and Fire Fund until full funding is reached or July 1, 2048, whichever is earlier. The \$9 million in fire state aid will continue until the fund is 90 percent funded, or until the State Patrol Plan (administered by the Minnesota State Retirement System) is 90 percent funded, whichever occurs later.

As a result, the State of Minnesota is included as a non-employer contributing entity in the Police and Fire Retirement Plan Schedule of Employer Allocations and Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer, Current Reporting Period Only (pension allocation schedules) for the \$4.5 million in direct state aid. Police and Fire Plan employers need to recognize their proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's pension expense (and grant revenue) under GASB 68 special funding situation accounting and financial reporting requirements. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the County recognized pension expense of \$311,854 for its proportionate share of the Police and Fire Plan's pension expense. In addition, the County recognized an additional \$15,979 as pension expense (and grant revenue) for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$4.5 million to the Police and Fire Fund.

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The State of Minnesota is not included as a non-employer contributing entity in the Police and Fire Pension Plan pension allocation schedules for the \$9 million in fire state aid. The County also recognized \$15,048 for the year ended December 31, 2020 as revenue and an offsetting reduction of net pension liability for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's on-behalf contributions to the Police and Fire Fund.

County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	2,203,875
State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the County		51,938
Total	\$	2,255,813

At December 31, 2020, the County reported its proportionate share of the Police and Fire Plan's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 97,380	\$ 104,660
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	66,942	-
Changes in actuarial assumptions	738,564	1,374,479
Changes in proportion	261,307	137,299
Contributions paid to PERA subsequent to the measurement date	166,317	-
Total	\$ 1,330,510	\$ 1,616,438

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The \$166,317 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Pension Expense Amount
2021	\$ (97,309)
2022	(561,492)
2023	126,494
2024	105,970
2025	(25,908)
Total	\$ (452,245)

Correctional Plan Pension Costs

At December 31, 2020, the County reported a liability of \$263,770 for its proportionate share of the Correctional Plan's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the County's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. The County's proportionate share was .9721 percent at the end of the measurement period and .9819 percent for the beginning of the period.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the County recognized pension expense of \$(492,597) for its proportionate share of the Correctional Plan's pension expense.

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At December 31, 2020, the County reported its proportionate share of the Correctional Plan's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 2,474	\$ 97,065
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	50,185	-
Changes in actuarial assumptions	-	534,171
Changes in proportion	7,284	14,311
Contributions paid to PERA subsequent to the measurement date	85,325	-
Total	\$ 145,268	\$ 645,547

A total of \$85,325 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Pension Expense Amount
2021	\$ (610,236)
2022	(33,841)
2023	10,888
2024	47,585
Total	\$ (585,604)

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Summary

The aggregate amount of net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expense for the County’s defined benefit pension plans are summarized below. These liabilities are typically liquidated by the individual activity in which the employee’s costs are associated. The table below includes the County’s portion of each plan.

	General Employees Plan	Police and Fire Plan	Correctional Plan	Total
Net Pension Liability	\$ 12,734,351	\$ 2,203,875	\$ 263,770	\$ 15,201,996
Deferred Outflows of Resources				
Related to Pensions	1,553,030	1,330,510	145,268	3,028,808
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Related to Pensions	553,970	1,616,438	645,547	2,815,955
Pension Expense	806,024	327,833	(492,597)	641,260

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2020, actuarial valuation was determined using an individual entry-age normal actuarial cost method and the following actuarial assumptions:

	General Employees Fund	Police and Fire Fund	Correctional Fund
Inflation	2.25% per year	2.50% per year	2.50% per year
Active Member Payroll Growth	3.00% per year	3.25% per year	3.25% per year
Investment Rate of Return	7.50%	7.50%	7.50%

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for active members, retirees, survivors, and disabilitants for all plans were based on Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality table for the General Employees Plan and RP 2014 tables for the Police and Fire and the Correctional Plans for males or female, as appropriate, with slight adjustments to fit PERA’s experience. Cost of living benefit increases after retirement for retirees are assumed to be 1.25 percent per year for the General Employees Plan and 2.0% per year for the Correctional Plan. For the Police and Fire Plan, cost of living benefit increases for retirees are 1.0% per year as set by state statute.

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Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies. The most recent four-year experience study for the General Employees Plan was completed in 2019. The assumption changes were adopted by the Board and became effective with the July 1, 2020 actuarial valuation. The four-year experience study used for the Police and Fire Plan was completed in 2016. The five-year experience study used for the Correctional Plan, prepared by a former actuary, was completed in 2012. The mortality assumption for the Correctional Plan is based on the Police and Fire Plan experience study completed in 2016. Inflation and investment return assumptions for the Police and Fire Plan and the Correctional Plan are based on the General Employees Retirement Plan experience study completed in 2019. The most recent four-year experience studies for the Police and Fire Plan and the Correctional Plan were completed in 2020. The recommended assumptions for those plans were adopted by the Board and will be effective with the July 1, 2021 actuarial valuations if approved by the Legislature.

The following changes in actuarial assumptions and plan provisions occurred in 2020:

General Employees Fund

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions:

- The price inflation assumption was decreased from 2.50% to 2.25%.
- The payroll growth assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Assumed salary increase rates were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The net effect is assumed rates that average 0.25% less than previous rates.
- Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The changes result in more unreduced (normal) retirements and slightly fewer Rule of 90 and early retirements.
- Assumed rates of termination were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The new rates are based on service and are generally lower than the previous rates for years 2-5 and slightly higher thereafter.
- Assumed rates of disability were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The change results in fewer predicted disability retirements for males and females.
- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 General Mortality table, with adjustments. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 disabled annuitant mortality table to the PUB-2010 General/Teacher disabled annuitant mortality table, with adjustments.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2018 to Scale MP-2019.

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- The assumed spouse age difference was changed from two years older for females to one year older.
- The assumed number of married male new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 35% to 45%. The assumed number of married female new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 15% to 30%. The corresponding number of married new retirees electing the Life annuity option was adjusted accordingly.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

- Augmentation for current privatized members was reduced to 2.0% for the period July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023 and 0.0% after. Augmentation was eliminated for privatizations occurring after June 30, 2020.

Police and Fire Fund

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions:

- The mortality projection scale was changed from MP-2018 to MP-2019.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

Correctional Fund

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions:

- The mortality projection scale was changed from MP-2018 to MP-2019.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

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The State Board of Investment, which manages the investments of PERA, prepares an analysis of the reasonableness on a regular basis of the long-term expected rate of return using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce an expected long-term rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Stocks	35.5%	5.10%
International Stocks	17.5%	5.30%
Bonds (Fixed Income)	20.0%	0.75%
Alternative Assets (Private Markets)	25.0%	5.90%
Cash	<u>2.0%</u>	0.00%
Total	100%	

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability in 2020 was 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and employers will be made at rates set in Minnesota Statutes. Based on these assumptions, the fiduciary net positions of the General Employees Fund, the Police and Fire Fund, and the Correctional Fund were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of 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.

Pension Liability Sensitivity

The following presents the County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability for all plans it participates in, calculated using the discount rate disclosed in the preceding paragraph, as well as what the County’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

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Sensitivity Analysis (In Thousands)						
<i>Net Pension Liability (Asset) at Different Discount Rates</i>						
	General Employees Fund		Police and Fire Fund		Correctional Fund	
1% Lower	6.50%	\$20,408,747	6.50%	\$4,392,640	6.50%	\$1,639,301
Current Discount Rate	7.50%	\$12,734,351	7.50%	\$2,203,875	7.50%	\$263,770
1% Higher	8.50%	\$6,403,590	8.50%	\$393,055	8.50%	\$(837,552)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about each pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued PERA financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at www.mnpera.org.

Public Employees Defined Contributions Plan (Defined Contribution Plan)

Four Commissioners of Freeborn County are covered by the Defined Contribution Plan, a multiple-employer deferred compensation plan administered by PERA. The Defined Contribution Plan is a tax qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and all contributions by or on behalf of employees are tax deferred until time of withdrawal.

Plan benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings, less administrative expenses. Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 353D.03, specifies plan provisions, including the employee and employer contribution rates for those qualified personnel who elect to participate. An eligible elected official who decides to participate contributes five percent of salary which is matched by the elected official's employer. For ambulance service personnel, employer contributions are determined by the employer, and for salaried employees contributions must be a fixed percentage of salary. Employer contributions for volunteer personnel may be a unit value for each call or period of alert duty. Employees who are paid for their services may elect to make member contributions in an amount not to exceed the employer share. Employer and employee contributions are combined and used to purchase shares in one or more of the seven accounts of the Minnesota Supplemental Investment Fund. For administering the plan, PERA receives two percent of employer contributions and twenty-five hundredths of one percent (0.25 percent) of the assets in each member's account annually.

Total contributions made by the County during fiscal year 2020 were:

Contribution Amount		Percentage of Covered Payroll		Required
Employee	Employer	Employee	Employer	Rate
\$4,942	\$4,942	5%	5%	5%

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Other Post Employment Benefits

Plan Description

The County provides health insurance benefits for certain retired employees under a single-employer fully-insured plan. The County provides benefits for retirees as required by Minnesota Statutes §471.61 subdivision 2b. County policy determines the County's contributions to the plan. Active employees who retire from the County when eligible to receive a retirement benefit from the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) of Minnesota (or similar plan) and do not participate in any other health benefits program providing coverage similar to that herein described, will be eligible to continue coverage with respect to both themselves and their eligible dependent(s) under the County's health benefits program. Pursuant to the provisions of the plan, retirees are required to pay the total premium cost, each eligible retiree receives \$113.02 each month towards that premium as long as they take the Counties insurance. As of December 31, 20, there were 46 retirees receiving health benefits from the County's health plan and 6 active employees that are eligible for this benefit. As of December 31, 2020, there were 17 retirees receiving life insurance benefits of \$1.90 per month.

Funding Policy

The County's OPEB plan is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis and currently has no assets that have been deposited into an irrevocable trust for future health benefits. Therefore, the actuarial value of assets is zero. Separate stand-alone financial statements are not issued for the plan.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The County's OPEB liability was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total OPEB liability was determined by using the alternative measurement method.

The total OPEB liability was determined by using the alternative measurement method, which is allowed for small government employers with fewer than 100 employees (active and inactive) that are eligible for the OPEB plan at the beginning of the measurement method. The following assumptions were used and are applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	0.0%
Salary	0.0%
Health Care Trend Rates	0.0%

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Mortality rates were based on the mortality tables from the “Social Security On-Line” statistics. The 2020 Trustee Report Cohort Life Tables V.A4 for Males and for Females was used.

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.3%. The discount rate is equal to the 20-Year Municipal Bond Yield.

Changes in total OPEB liability

	Total OPEB liability
Balance as of January 1, 2020	\$ 748,813
Changes for the Year:	
Service Cost	(40,082)
Interest	-
Benefit Payments	(63,840)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	(103,922)
Balance as of December 31, 2020	\$ 644,891

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 one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (2.30%)	Discount Rate (3.30%)	1% Increase (4.30%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 651,195	\$ 644,891	\$ 638,708

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 fixed rates that are 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend fixed rates:

<u>Medical Trend Rate</u>	1% Decrease	Current Trend Fixed Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability \$	638,442 \$	644,891 \$	651,340

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$63,840. At December 31, 2020, the County reported no deferred inflows or outflows of resources.

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11. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES AND OTHER ITEMS

Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters for which the County carries commercial insurance. The County has entered into a joint powers agreement with other Minnesota counties to form the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT). The County is a member of both the MCIT Workers' Compensation and Property and Casualty Divisions. For other risk, the County carries commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance from the prior year. The amount of settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

The Workers' Compensation Division of MCIT is self-sustaining based on the contributions charged, so that total contributions plus compounded earnings on these contributions will equal the amount needed to satisfy claims liabilities and other expenses. MCIT participates in the Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Association with coverage at \$500,000 per claim in 2019 and \$500,000 in 2020. Should the MCIT Workers' Compensation Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess the County in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

The Property and Casualty Division of MCIT is self-sustaining, and the County pays an annual premium to cover current and future losses. MCIT carries reinsurance for its property lines to protect against catastrophic losses. Should the MCIT Property and Casualty Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess the County in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of the expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the County expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The County is a defendant in various lawsuits. Although the outcomes of these lawsuits are not presently determinable, in the opinion of the County Attorney, the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the government.

During 2019, counties were notified by the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) that DHS made errors in the calculation of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) for Institutes of Mental Disease (IMD) claims from January 2014 to June 2019. Based on these errors, DHS is

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requesting Minnesota counties repay \$8.8 million back to DHS. Freeborn County's share of the \$8.8 million is \$92,117. Minnesota counties have raised concerns over how the amount was calculated, the accuracy of the calculations and whether DHS has the legal/statutory authority to require the counties to repay the amounts. The Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) has recommended counties to not repay this amount until these concerns have been addressed and after the conclusion of the 2021 Minnesota Legislative Session in hopes this matter is resolved by other means. Therefore, this amount has not been booked as a payable.

Construction Commitments

The County has active construction projects as of December 31, 2020. The Projects include the following

	<u>Spent-to-Date</u>	<u>Remaining Commitment</u>
Governmental Activities		
Road Construction	\$ 4,366,794	\$ 7,475,259

Subsequent Events

Subsequent to year end, the World Health Organization declared the spread of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) a worldwide pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic is having significant effects on global markets, supply chains, businesses, and communities. Management believes the Agency is taking appropriate actions to mitigate the negative impact. However, the full impact of COVID-19 is unknown and cannot be reasonably estimated as these events are still occurring subsequent to year end and are still developing. The County will be awarded \$5,872,813 over the next couple of years through the American Recovery Program Act.

Subsequent to year end, the Federal Emergency Management Agency ruled in the Counties favor on a disaster project request from the spring of 2019 in the amount of \$295,476.

Joint Ventures

Freeborn County Family Services Collaborative

The Freeborn County Family Services Collaborative was established in 1996 under the authority of Minn. Stat. §§ 471.59 and 1240.23. The Collaborative includes Freeborn County; the City of Albert Lea; and Independent School Districts 241, 242, and 2866, each of which appoints members to the Collaborative's governing board. The purpose of the Collaborative is to provide a coordinated approach to support and nurture individuals and families through prevention and intervention to ensure success for every child.

Control of the Collaborative is vested in a Board of Directors. Freeborn County appoints two

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members to this 13-member Board. The Freeborn County Department of Social Services acts as fiscal agent for the Collaborative. The Collaborative is financed by state grants and appropriations from participating members. During 2020, Freeborn County provided no funding. In the event of withdrawal from the Collaborative, the withdrawing party shall give a 30-day notice. The withdrawing party remains liable for fiscal obligations incurred prior to the effective date of withdrawal and shall not be entitled to any compensation as long as the Collaborative continues in existence. Should the Collaborative cease to exist, all property, real and personal, at the time of termination shall be distributed by the Minnesota Department of Education.

Financial information can be obtained by contacting Waylon Welvaert, Accountant, Freeborn County Social Services, P.O. Box 1248, Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007.

South Central Minnesota Drug Investigation Unit

The South Central Minnesota Drug Investigation Unit serves Steele, Freeborn, Waseca, and Faribault Counties. The major cities represented are Owatonna, Albert Lea, Waseca, and Blue Earth. It was established to provide drug investigation services to these counties. The SCDIU Board consists of chief law enforcement officers from each of the represented agencies. During the year, Freeborn County expended \$6,500 on the Drug Investigation Unit. This unit does not have its own financial statements.

Southeast Minnesota Emergency Communications Board

The Southeast Minnesota Emergency Communications Board was established April 16, 2008, as provided by Minn. Stat. §§ 403.39 and 471.59. This joint powers between Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Olmsted, Rice, Steele, Wabasha, and Winona Counties and the City of Rochester serves to provide regional (ARMER) system owned and operated by the State of Minnesota and enhance and improve interoperable public safety communications. Control of the Southeast Minnesota Communications Board is vested in a Joint Powers Board that is composed of one County Commissioner from each of the participating counties and one City Council member from each participating city. The financial activities of the Board are accounted for by Olmsted County as fiscal agent. Current financial statements can be obtained at MN-ECB's website, www.mnecb.org. During the year, the County paid \$6,000 to the Southeast Minnesota Emergency Communications Board.

Southeastern Minnesota Workforce Development, Inc. (MWD)

Southeastern Minnesota Workforce Development, Inc. is an independent, non-profit agency that provides various job training services for member organizations. The Joint Powers Board is made up of County Commissioners from the ten counties in Workforce Service Area #8 (Dodge, Fillmore Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Olmsted, Rice, Steele and Wabasha).

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The Joint Powers Board provides oversight and policy formulation for Workforce Development, Inc. Current financial statements can be obtained by accessing its website, www.workforcedevelopmentinc.org. During the year, Freeborn County made no payments to MWD.

Jointly-Governed Organizations

Freeborn County, in conjunction with other governmental entities and various private organizations, has formed the jointly-governed organizations listed below:

Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative

The Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative was established to provide computer programming to member counties. During the year, Freeborn County expended \$141,367 to the Cooperative.

Rural Minnesota Energy Board

The Rural Minnesota Energy Board was formed under the authority of Minn. Stat. § 471.59. It is the intention of the counties that they cooperate in a joint venture to provide the greatest public service benefit for the 18-county area encompassed by the counties in planning, management, and implementation of methods to deal with energy and transmission in rural Minnesota.

Control of the Rural Minnesota Energy Board is vested in a Joint Powers Board. Freeborn County appoints one voting member and one alternate member to this Board who shall both be County Commissioners. During 2017, Freeborn County expended \$1,000 for this purpose. The Board shall prepare an annual budget to cover the administrative and planning costs of and agree that they shall continue to do so for each year of its existence. These costs will be paid equally by each member county of the Board up to a ceiling of \$3,500 per county per year, and further costs shall be based on per capita. Freeborn County expended \$2,500 to the Rural Minnesota Energy Board in 2020.

Southeast Minnesota Emergency Medical Services

The Southeast Minnesota Emergency Medical Services (EMS) was established to provide various health services to member counties. During the year, Freeborn County expended \$5,000 to the EMS.

Southeastern Minnesota Library

The Southeastern Minnesota Library was established to provide library services to member counties. During the year, Freeborn County expended \$278,400 to the Library.

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Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA)

The Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance establishes goals, policies, and objectives to protect and enhance land and water resources in the Greater Blue Earth River Basin. The Board consists of County Commissioners and members of the Soil and Water Conservation Districts. During the year, the County made \$2,398 in contributions to the GBERBA.

Region One - Southeast Minnesota Homeland Security Emergency Management Organization

The Region One - Southeast Minnesota Homeland Security Emergency Management Organization (SEMHEM) was established to provide for regional coordination of planning, training, purchase of equipment, and allocating emergency services and staff in order to better respond to emergencies and natural or other disasters within the SEMHEM region. There are 16 counties participating, with one member from each entity being represented on the Joint Powers Board. During the year, the County expended \$1,000 for this purpose.

Minnesota Criminal Justice Data Communications Network

Minnesota Criminal Justice Data Communications Network Joint Powers Agreement exists to create access for the County Sheriff and County Attorney to systems and tools available from the State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety, and the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to carry out criminal justice. During the year, the County made no payments to the joint powers.

Sentence to Service

Freeborn County, in conjunction with other local governments, participates in the State of Minnesota's Sentence to Service (STS) program. STS is a project of the State Department of Administration's Strive Toward Excellence in Performance (STEP) program. STEP's goal is a statewide effort to make positive improvements in public services. It gives the courts an alternative to jail or fines for the nonviolent offenders who can work on a variety of community or state projects. Private funding, funds from various foundations and initiative funds, as well as the Departments of Corrections and Natural Resources, provide the funds needed to operate the STS program. Although Freeborn County has no operational or financial control over the STS program, Freeborn County budgets for a percentage of this program.

South Central Community Based Initiative

The South Central Community Based Initiative Joint Powers Board was established pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 471.59 and 245.4661 and a joint powers agreement effective June 20, 2008. The purpose of this joint powers agreement is to provide services to persons with mental illness in the most clinically-appropriate, person-centered, least restrictive, and cost effective ways. The focus is on improved access and outcomes for persons with mental illness as a result of the collaboration between state-operated services programs and community-based treatment. The membership of the Board is comprised of one representative appointed

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by Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, Freeborn, Le Sueur, Martin, Nicollet, Rice, Sibley, and Watonwan Counties. The County did not contribute to the Joint Powers Board in 2020.

Southeast Minnesota Immunization Connection

The Southeast Minnesota Immunization Connection (SEMIC) Joint Powers Board promotes an implementation and maintenance of a regional immunization information system to ensure age appropriate immunizations through complete and accurate records. During the year, Freeborn County did not make any payments to SEMIC.

Southeast Minnesota Recyclers' Exchange

The Southeast Minnesota Recyclers' Exchange (SEMREX) is a joint powers board made up of the City of Red Wing and Blue Earth, Dodge, Freeborn, Mower, Olmsted, Rice, Steele, and Waseca Counties. It is organized to promote regional waste reduction activities through recycling, cooperative marketing ventures, market development strategies, materials exchange efforts, public education, and other projects to protect the environment of southeast Minnesota. During the year, the County made payments of \$1,300 to SEMREX.

Southeast Service Cooperative

The Southeast Services Cooperative delivers numerous services to support administrative and instructional functions to its members and to improve learning opportunities. During the year, the County made payments of \$350 to the Cooperative.

Southeastern Community Action Council

The Southeastern Community Action Council (SEMCAC) provides various services on behalf of member counties to assist people to achieve or maintain independence and self-reliance through their own and community resources. SEMCAC provides services in Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Houston, Mower, Steele, and Winona Counties. During the year, the County made payments of \$5,000 to SEMCAC.

Freeborn County Family Services and Children's Mental Health Collaborative

The Freeborn County Family Services and Children's Mental Health Collaborative was created to foster collaborative prevention and intervention efforts to improve the outcomes, stability and health of all area children and their families through the coordination of multi-agency services throughout Freeborn County. Freeborn County designates one voting member to the Collaborative Board of Directors and participates in projects operated by the Collaborative. During the year, Freeborn County made no payments to the Collaborative.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-1

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, RELATED
RATIOS, AND NOTES
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

	Measurement Date December 31, 2018	Measurement Date December 31, 2019	Measurement Date December 31, 2020
Total OPEB Liability			
Difference Between Estimated and Actual	\$ (29,748)	\$ (186,389)	\$ (40,082)
Benefit Payments	(75,208)	(64,743)	(63,840)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	(104,956)	(251,132)	(103,922)
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	1,104,901	999,945	748,813
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	<u>\$ 999,945</u>	<u>\$ 748,813</u>	<u>\$ 644,891</u>
 Covered Employee Payroll	 \$ 715,355	 \$ 647,333	 \$ 747,355
 County's OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll	 140%	 116%	 86%

Note 1: The County implemented GASB Statement No. 75 in 2018, the above table will be expanded to ten years of information as the information becomes available.

Note 2: No assets are accumulated in a trust.

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-2

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 13,452,583	\$ 13,452,583	\$ 12,665,813	\$ (786,770)
Special assessments	694,124	694,124	689,573	(4,551)
Licenses and permits	102,915	102,915	148,553	45,638
Intergovernmental	4,980,114	8,943,963	9,748,077	804,114
Charges for services	4,509,930	4,509,930	4,028,165	(481,765)
Fines and forfeits	18,800	18,800	18,785	(15)
Gifts and contributions	2,700	2,700	1,025	(1,675)
Investment earnings	350,600	350,600	474,896	124,296
Miscellaneous	371,500	371,500	484,367	112,867
Total Revenues	\$ 24,483,266	\$ 28,447,115	\$ 28,259,254	\$ (187,861)
Expenditures				
Current				
General government				
Commissioners	\$ 221,879	\$ 240,879	\$ 240,607	\$ 272
Courts	239,200	239,200	166,560	72,640
County administration	2,069,846	1,942,846	1,699,740	243,106
County auditor-treasurer	724,895	724,895	706,448	18,447
License bureau	469,624	469,624	359,945	109,679
County assessor	641,876	641,876	550,529	91,347
Elections	245,000	245,000	148,521	96,479
Data processing	852,443	859,443	859,787	(344)
Attorney	883,323	883,323	808,069	75,254
Law library	17,900	17,900	14,687	3,213
Recorder	476,109	507,109	506,595	514
Surveyor	25,000	25,000	-	25,000
Planning and zoning	304,922	304,922	265,671	39,251
Buildings and plant	1,132,261	1,193,261	1,192,762	499
Veterans service officer	205,935	205,935	187,107	18,828
Total general government	\$ 8,510,213	\$ 8,501,213	\$ 7,707,028	\$ 794,185

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

*EXHIBIT A-2
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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Expenditures				
Current (Continued)				
Public safety				
Sheriff	\$ 2,886,210	\$ 2,886,210	\$ 2,853,589	\$ 32,621
Boat and water safety	1,700	3,200	2,749	451
Coroner	88,930	91,430	91,333	97
E-911 system	112,213	168,213	167,670	543
County jail	4,125,978	4,042,978	3,719,515	323,463
Community corrections	1,552,212	1,552,212	1,296,007	256,205
Dispatch	802,504	802,504	766,948	35,556
Sheriff's contingent	6,500	6,500	4,222	2,278
Civil defense	120,103	143,103	142,354	749
Other public safety	591,015	591,015	529,917	61,098
Total public safety	\$ 10,287,365	\$ 10,287,365	\$ 9,574,304	\$ 713,061
Highways and streets				
Administration	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,226	\$ 774
Sanitation				
Solid waste	\$ 31,500	\$ 31,500	\$ 24,108	\$ 7,392
Recycling	591,178	591,178	545,907	45,271
Total sanitation	\$ 622,678	\$ 622,678	\$ 570,015	\$ 52,663
Human services				
Income maintenance	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,517	\$ 1,483
Health				
Community health	\$ 838,455	\$ 838,455	\$ 718,185	\$ 120,270
Administration	486,402	3,978,751	2,618,154	1,360,597
Health education	1,550	5,550	5,155	395
WIC	258,451	287,451	286,906	545
Maternal and child health	152,169	173,169	172,355	814
Bioterrorism	36,959	36,959	33,383	3,576
Disease prevention	35,517	35,517	34,530	987
Child and teen checkups	83,706	83,706	82,036	1,670
Home health	955,555	1,008,555	1,008,081	474
Total health	\$ 2,848,764	\$ 6,448,113	\$ 4,958,785	\$ 1,489,328

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

*EXHIBIT A-2
(Continued)*

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Expenditures				
Current (Continued)				
Culture and recreation				
Parks	\$ 151,600	\$ 151,600	\$ 84,809	\$ 66,791
Museum	36,100	36,100	32,530	3,570
County/regional library	278,400	278,400	278,400	-
Other culture and recreation	1,250	1,250	1,250	-
Total culture and recreation	\$ 467,350	\$ 467,350	\$ 396,989	\$ 70,361
Conservation of natural resources				
County extension	\$ 254,174	\$ 254,174	\$ 239,061	\$ 15,113
Soil and water conservation	183,000	183,000	183,000	-
Agricultural inspection	21,290	44,290	43,319	971
Agricultural society/County fair	50,000	52,000	51,329	671
Water planning	244,135	186,835	148,400	38,435
Water quality	84,787	87,087	86,990	97
Environmental services	-	30,000	30,000	-
Total conservation of natural resources	\$ 837,386	\$ 837,386	\$ 782,099	\$ 55,287
Economic development				
Community development	\$ 21,336	\$ 21,336	\$ 10,000	\$ 11,336
Other economic development	15,500	15,500	15,500	-
Total economic development	\$ 36,836	\$ 36,836	\$ 25,500	\$ 11,336
Capital outlay				
General government	\$ 298,000	\$ 630,000	\$ 630,067	\$ (67)
Public safety	270,050	285,050	284,165	885
Highways and streets	915,000	928,000	927,833	167
Human services	25,000	29,500	29,365	135
Total capital outlay	\$ 1,508,050	\$ 1,872,550	\$ 1,871,430	\$ 1,120
Total Expenditures	\$ 25,123,642	\$ 29,087,491	\$ 25,897,893	\$ 3,189,598
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (640,376)	\$ (640,376)	\$ 2,361,361	\$ 3,001,737

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

*EXHIBIT A-2
(Continued)*

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers in	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,430,013	\$ 3,430,013
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	25,000	25,000	-	(25,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 3,430,013	\$ 3,405,013
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (615,376)	\$ (615,376)	\$ 5,791,374	\$ 6,406,750
Fund Balance - January 1	10,751,079	10,751,079	10,751,079	-
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 10,135,703	\$ 10,135,703	\$ 16,542,453	\$ 6,406,750

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-3

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 6,579,223	\$ 6,579,223	\$ 6,962,033	\$ 382,810
Licenses and permits	20,000	20,000	26,503	6,503
Intergovernmental	10,657,800	10,667,180	10,989,202	322,022
Charges for services	1,029,250	1,029,250	19,174	(1,010,076)
Miscellaneous	6,500	6,500	146,577	140,077
Total Revenues	\$ 18,292,773	\$ 18,302,153	\$ 18,143,489	\$ (158,664)
Expenditures				
Current				
Highways and streets				
Administration	\$ 623,412	\$ 623,412	\$ 506,110	\$ 117,302
Maintenance	4,819,629	4,819,629	4,053,299	766,330
Construction	11,378,918	11,378,918	9,132,495	2,246,423
Equipment maintenance and shop	1,045,814	1,045,814	763,586	282,228
Total highways and streets	\$ 17,867,773	\$ 17,867,773	\$ 14,455,490	\$ 3,412,283
Intergovernmental				
Highways and streets	425,000	434,380	434,380	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 18,292,773	\$ 18,302,153	\$ 14,889,870	\$ 3,412,283
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,253,619	\$ 3,253,619
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers out	-	-	(2,846,642)	(2,846,642)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,846,642)	\$ (2,846,642)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 406,977	\$ 406,977
Fund Balance - January 1	4,303,080	4,303,080	4,303,080	-
Increase (decrease) in inventories	-	-	(4,255)	(4,255)
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 4,303,080	\$ 4,303,080	\$ 4,705,802	\$ 402,722

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-4

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
SOCIAL SERVICES SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 5,523,441	\$ 5,523,441	\$ 5,523,441	\$ -
Intergovernmental	5,892,952	6,558,952	6,857,325	298,373
Charges for services	846,015	946,015	955,339	9,324
Fines and forfeits	2,100	2,100	778	(1,322)
Gifts and contributions	1,500	1,500	5,870	4,370
Miscellaneous	333,853	333,853	116,533	(217,320)
Total Revenues	\$ 12,599,861	\$ 13,365,861	\$ 13,459,286	\$ 93,425
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety				
Victim crisis	\$ 277,134	\$ 281,134	\$ 280,871	\$ 263
Human services				
Income maintenance	\$ 3,550,228	\$ 3,550,228	\$ 3,177,379	\$ 372,849
Social services	6,006,865	6,768,865	6,767,931	934
Mental health center	2,765,634	2,765,634	2,619,116	146,518
Total human services	\$ 12,322,727	\$ 13,084,727	\$ 12,564,426	\$ 520,301
Total Expenditures	\$ 12,599,861	\$ 13,365,861	\$ 12,845,297	\$ 520,564
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 613,989	\$ 613,989
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers out	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (583,371)	\$ (583,371)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,618	\$ 30,618
Fund Balance - January 1	2,761,722	2,761,722	2,761,722	-
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 2,761,722	\$ 2,761,722	\$ 2,792,340	\$ 30,618

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-5

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
DITCH SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Special assessments	\$ 1,959,110	\$ 1,959,110	\$ 1,709,736	\$ (249,374)
Intergovernmental	-	-	22,667	22,667
Miscellaneous	-	-	4,892	4,892
Total Revenues	\$ 1,959,110	\$ 1,959,110	\$ 1,737,295	\$ (221,815)
Expenditures				
Current				
Conservation of natural resources				
Other	\$ 1,511,628	\$ 1,519,628	\$ 1,519,349	\$ 279
Debt service				
Principal	\$ 135,656	\$ 109,656	\$ -	\$ 109,656
Interest	14,804	32,804	31,889	915
Total debt service	\$ 150,460	\$ 142,460	\$ 31,889	\$ 110,571
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,662,088	\$ 1,662,088	\$ 1,551,238	\$ 110,850
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 297,022	\$ 297,022	\$ 186,057	\$ (110,965)
Fund Balance - January 1	560,274	560,274	560,274	-
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 857,296	\$ 857,296	\$ 746,331	\$ (110,965)

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

EXHIBIT A-6

SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
PERA GENERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2020

Measurement Date	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	States Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with Freeborn County (b)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the States Related Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a+b)	Covered Payroll (c)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (a/c)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.1907%	\$ 9,883,064	-	\$ 9,883,064	\$ 10,847,478	91.11%	78.19%
2016	0.1951%	\$ 15,841,152	\$ 206,746	\$ 16,047,898	\$ 11,655,413	135.91%	68.91%
2017	0.1993%	\$ 12,723,180	\$ 159,980	\$ 12,883,160	\$ 13,080,160	97.27%	75.90%
2018	0.1971%	\$ 10,934,300	\$ 31,536	\$ 10,965,836	\$ 13,020,361	83.98%	79.50%
2019	0.2021%	\$ 11,173,656	\$ 26,011	\$ 11,199,667	\$ 14,653,208	76.25%	80.23%
2020	0.2124%	\$ 12,734,351	\$ 392,772	\$ 13,127,123	\$ 14,587,039	87.30%	79.06%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. The measurement date for each year is June 30.

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-7

**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS
PERA GENERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Year Ending	Statutorily Required Contributions (a)	Actual Contributions in Relation to Statutorily Required Contributions (b)	Contribution (Deficiency) Excess (b-a)	Covered Payroll (c)	Actual Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b/c)
2015	\$ 859,061	\$ 859,061	\$ -	\$ 11,454,147	7.50%
2016	\$ 901,248	\$ 901,248	\$ -	\$ 12,016,640	7.50%
2017	\$ 981,012	\$ 981,012	\$ -	\$ 13,080,160	7.50%
2018	\$ 963,462	\$ 963,462	\$ -	\$ 12,846,160	7.50%
2019	\$ 1,104,053	\$ 1,104,053	\$ -	\$ 14,720,707	7.50%
2020	\$ 1,158,957	\$ 1,158,957	\$ -	\$ 15,452,761	7.50%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.
The County's year-end is December 31.

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

EXHIBIT A-8

SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
PERA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2020

Measurement Date	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	States Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with Freeborn County (b)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the States Related Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a+b)	Covered Payroll (c)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (a/c)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.1450%	\$ 1,647,539	-	\$ 1,647,539	\$ 1,296,867	127.04%	86.60%
2016	0.1500%	\$ 6,019,761	-	\$ 6,019,761	\$ 1,383,290	435.18%	63.88%
2017	0.1570%	\$ 2,119,687	-	\$ 2,119,687	\$ 1,599,732	132.50%	63.88%
2018	0.1638%	\$ 1,745,939	-	\$ 1,745,939	\$ 1,745,653	100.02%	88.80%
2019	0.1768%	\$ 1,882,215	-	\$ 1,882,215	\$ 1,888,076	99.69%	89.26%
2020	0.1672%	\$ 2,203,875	51,938	\$ 2,255,813	\$ 1,790,871	123.06%	87.19%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.
The measurement date for each year is June 30.

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-9

**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS
PERA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Year Ending	Statutorily Required Contributions (a)	Actual Contributions in Relation to Statutorily Required Contributions (b)	Contribution (Deficiency) Excess (b-a)	Covered Payroll (c)	Actual Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b/c)
2015	\$ 212,078	\$ 212,078	\$ -	\$ 1,309,122	16.20%
2016	\$ 238,409	\$ 238,409	\$ -	\$ 1,471,663	16.20%
2017	\$ 279,030	\$ 279,030	\$ -	\$ 1,722,407	16.20%
2018	\$ 279,739	\$ 279,739	\$ -	\$ 1,726,784	16.20%
2019	\$ 315,484	\$ 315,484	\$ -	\$ 1,861,263	16.95%
2020	\$ 331,430	\$ 331,430	\$ -	\$ 1,872,514	17.70%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. The County's year-end is December 31.

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-10

**SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
PERA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES CORRECTIONAL FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Measurement Date	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	Covered Payroll (b)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (a/b)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.9700%	\$ 149,962	\$ 1,593,720	9.41%	96.90%
2016	0.9800%	\$ 3,580,077	\$ 1,674,009	213.86%	58.16%
2017	0.9700%	\$ 2,764,510	\$ 2,021,977	136.72%	67.89%
2018	0.9857%	\$ 162,118	\$ 1,925,928	8.42%	97.60%
2019	0.9819%	\$ 135,944	\$ 2,109,312	6.44%	98.17%
2020	0.9721%	\$ 263,770	\$ 1,991,523	13.24%	96.67%

This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. The measurement date for each year is June 30.

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

EXHIBIT A-11

**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS
PERA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES CORRECTIONAL FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Year Ending	Statutorily Required Contributions (a)	Actual Contributions in Relation to Statutorily Required Contributions (b)	Contribution (Deficiency) Excess (b-a)	Covered Payroll (c)	Actual Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b/c)
2015	\$ 140,800	\$ 140,800	\$ -	\$ 1,609,145	8.75%
2016	\$ 149,524	\$ 149,525	\$ -	\$ 1,708,854	8.75%
2017	\$ 176,923	\$ 176,923	\$ -	\$ 2,021,977	8.75%
2018	\$ 176,154	\$ 176,154	\$ -	\$ 2,013,189	8.75%
2019	\$ 184,182	\$ 184,182	\$ -	\$ 2,104,937	8.75%
2020	\$ 172,916	\$ 172,916	\$ -	\$ 1,976,189	8.75%

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. Defined Benefit Pension Plans - Changes in Significant Plan Provisions, Actuarial Methods, and Assumptions

The following changes were reflected in the valuation performed on behalf of the Public Employees Retirement Association for the year ended June 30, 2020:

General Employees Fund

2020 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The price inflation assumption was decreased from 2.50% to 2.25%.
- The payroll growth assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Assumed salary increase rates were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The net effect is assumed rates that average 0.25% less than previous rates.
- Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The changes result in more unreduced (normal) retirements and slightly fewer Rule of 90 and early retirements.
- Assumed rates of termination were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The new rates are based on service and are generally lower than the previous rates for years 2-5 and slightly higher thereafter.
- Assumed rates of disability were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The change results in fewer predicted disability retirements for males and females.
- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 General Mortality table, with adjustments. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 disabled annuitant mortality table to the PUB-2010 General/Teacher disabled annuitant mortality table, with adjustments.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2018 to Scale MP-2019.
- The assumed spouse age difference was changed from two years older for females to one year older.
- The assumed number of married male new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 35% to 45%. The assumed number of married female new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 15% to 30%. The corresponding number of married new retirees electing the Life annuity option was adjusted accordingly.

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Changes in Plan Provisions

- Augmentation for current privatized members was reduced to 2.0% for the period July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023 and 0.0% after. Augmentation was eliminated for privatizations occurring after June 30, 2020.

2019 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2017 to MP-2018.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- The employer supplemental contribution was changed prospectively, decreasing from \$31.0 million to \$21.0 million per year. The State's special funding contribution was changed prospectively, requiring \$16.0 million due per year through 2031.

2018 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2015 to MP-2017.
- The assumed benefit increase was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.25 percent per year.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- The augmentation adjustment in early retirement factors is eliminated over a five-year period starting July 1, 2019, resulting in actuarial equivalence after June 30, 2024.
- Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.
- Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.
- Contribution stabilizer provisions were repealed.
- Postretirement benefit increases were changed from 1.00 percent per year with a provision to increase to 2.50 percent upon attainment of 90.00 percent funding ratio to 50.00 percent of the Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment, not less than 1.00 percent and not more than 1.50 percent, beginning January 1, 2019.
- For retirements on or after January 1, 2024, the first benefit increase is delayed until the retiree reaches normal retirement age; does not apply to Rule of 90 retirees, disability benefit recipients, or survivors.
- Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

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2017 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The combined service annuity (CSA) loads were changed from 0.80 percent for active members and 60.00 percent for vested and non-vested deferred members. The revised CSA load are now 0.00 percent for active member liability, 15.00 percent for vested deferred member liability, and 3.00 percent for non-vested deferred member liability.
- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed for 1.00 percent per year for all years to 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- The State's contribution for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund equals \$16,000,000 in 2017 and 2018, and \$6,000,000 thereafter.
- The Employer Supplemental Contribution for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund changed from \$21,000,000 to \$31,000,000 in calendar years 2019 to 2031. The state's contribution changed from \$16,000,000 to \$6,000,000 in calendar years 2019 to 2031.

2016 Changes:

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2035 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.00 percent per year for all years.
- The assumed investment return was changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent. The single discount rate changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent.
- Other assumptions were changed pursuant to the experience study June 30, 2015. The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth, and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.50 percent for inflation.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes:

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2030 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.00 percent per year through 2035 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

- On January 1, 2015, the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund was merged into the General Employees Fund, which increased the total pension liability by \$1.1 billion and increase the fiduciary plan net position by \$892 million. Upon consolidation, state and employer contributions were revised; the State's contribution of \$6.0 million, which meets the special funding situation definition, was due September 2015.

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Police and Fire Fund

2020 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2018 to MP-2019.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2019 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2017 to MP-2018.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2018 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2016 to MP-2017.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- Postretirement benefit increases were changed to 1.00 percent for all years, with no trigger.
- An end date of July 1, 2048 was added to the existing \$9.0 million state contribution.
- New annual state aid will equal \$4.5 million in fiscal years 2019 and 2020, and \$9.0 million thereafter until the plan reaches 100 percent funding, or July 1, 2048, if earlier.
- Member contributions were changed from 10.80 percent to 11.30 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2019 and 11.80 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2020.
- Employer contributions were changed from 16.20 percent to 16.95 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2019 and 17.70 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2020.
- Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.
- Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.
- Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

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2017 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- Assumed salary increases were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2016 experience study. The net effect is proposed rates that average 0.34 percent lower than the previous rates.
- Assumed rates of retirement were changed, resulting in fewer retirements.
- The combined service annuity (CSA) load was 30.00 percent for vested and non-vested, deferred members. The CSA has been changed to 33.00 percent for vested members and 2.00 percent for non-vested members.
- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants was changed from the RP-2000 fully generational table to the RP-2014 fully generational table (with a base year of 2006), with male rates adjusted by a factor of 0.96. The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale AA to Scale MP-2016. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2000 disabled mortality table to the mortality tables assumed for healthy retirees.
- Assumed termination rates were decreased to 3.00 percent for the first three years of service. Rates beyond the select period of three years were adjusted, resulting in more expected terminations overall.
- Assumed percentage of married female members was decreased from 65.00 percent to 60.00 percent.
- Assumed age difference was changed from separate assumptions for male members (wives assumed to be three years younger) and female members (husbands assumed to be four years older) to the assumption that males are two years older than females.
- The assumed percentage of female members electing joint and survivor annuities was increased.
- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent for all years to 1.00 percent per year through 2064 and 2.50 percent thereafter.
- The single discount rate was changed from 5.60 percent per annum to 7.50 percent per annum.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2016 Changes:

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2037 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.00 percent per year for all future years.
- The assumed investment return was changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent.
- The single discount rate changed from 7.90 percent to 5.60 percent.

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- The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth, and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.50 percent for inflation.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes:

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2030 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.00 percent per year through 2037 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

- The postretirement benefit increase to be paid after the attainment of the 90.00 percent funding threshold was changed from inflation up to 2.50 percent, to a fixed rate of 2.50 percent

Correctional Fund

2020 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2018 to MP-2019.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2019 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2017 to MP-2018.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2018 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The single discount rate was changed from 5.96 percent per annum to 7.50 percent per annum.
- The morality projection scale was changed from MP-2016 to MP-2017.
- The assumed post-retirement benefit increase was changed from 2.50 percent per year to 2.00 percent per year.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- The augmentation adjustment in early retirement factors is eliminated over a five-year period starting July 1, 2019, resulting in actuarial equivalence after June 30, 2024.

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- Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.
- Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.
- Postretirement benefit increases were changed from 2.50 percent per year with a provision to reduce to 1.00 percent if the funding status declines to a certain level, to 100 percent of the Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment, not less than 1.00 percent and not more than 2.50 percent, beginning January 1, 2019. If the funding status declines to 85.00 percent for two consecutive years or 80.00 percent for one year, the maximum increase will be lowered to 1.50 percent.
- Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

2017 Changes

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants was changed from the RP-2000 fully generational table to the RP-2014 fully generational table (with a base year of 2006), with male rates adjusted by a factor of 0.96. The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale AA to Scale MP-2016, and is applied to healthy and disabled members. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2000 disabled mortality table to the RP-2014 disabled annuitant mortality table (with future mortality improvement according to MP-2016).
- The combined service annuity (CSA) load was 30.00 percent for vested and non-vested, deferred members. The CSA has been changed to 35.00 percent for vested members and 1.00 percent for non-vested members.
- The single discount rate was changed from 5.31 percent per annum to 5.96 percent per annum.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2016 Changes:

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed investment return was changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent. The single discount rate changed from 7.90 percent to 5.31 percent.
- The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth, and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.5 percent for inflation.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes

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Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund and all special revenue funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

On or before mid-June of each year, all departments and agencies submit requests for appropriations to the Freeborn County Administrator so that a budget can be prepared. Before October 31, the proposed budget is presented to the County Board for review. The Board holds public hearings, and a final budget must be prepared and adopted no later than December 31.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The County's department head may make transfers of appropriations within a department. Transfers of appropriations between departments require approval of the County Board. The legal level of budgetary control (the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the department level.

3. Other Postemployment Benefits

Since the County has not irrevocably deposited funds in a trust for future health benefits, the actuarial value of the assets is zero.

See Note 10 in the notes to the financial statements for additional information regarding the County's other postemployment benefits.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
DEBT SERVICE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 2,200,954	\$ 2,200,954	\$ 2,200,951	\$ (3)
Special assessments	338,131	338,131	93,765	(244,366)
Miscellaneous	-	-	119	119
Total Revenues	\$ 2,539,085	\$ 2,539,085	\$ 2,294,835	\$ (244,250)
Expenditures				
Current				
Debt service				
Principal	\$ 2,197,933	\$ 2,197,933	\$ 2,110,000	\$ 87,933
Interest	311,673	311,673	272,488	39,185
Administrative (fiscal) charges	4,660	4,660	2,200	2,460
Total debt service	\$ 2,514,266	\$ 2,514,266	\$ 2,384,688	\$ 129,578
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,514,266	\$ 2,514,266	\$ 2,384,688	\$ 129,578
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 24,819	\$ 24,819	\$ (89,853)	\$ (114,672)
Fund Balance - January 1	3,259,090	3,259,090	3,259,090	-
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 3,283,909	\$ 3,283,909	\$ 3,169,237	\$ (114,672)

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FIDUCIARY FUNDS

CUSTODIAL FUNDS

The Taxes and Penalties Fund accounts for the collection and distribution of property taxes and other amounts.

The Turtle Creek Watershed Fund accounts for the funds received and expended for the activities of the watershed district.

The Jail Canteen Fund accounts for the deposits and withdrawals of funds into the individual inmate accounts.

The Motor Vehicle Fund accounts for the State's portion of fees related to drivers' licenses and vehicle licenses.

The Recorder's Clearing Fund accounts for funds collected by the Recorder's Department for other governments.

The Family Service Collaborative Fund accounts for funds associated with the Family Collaborative Joint Powers Board.

The Custodial Fund accounts for the following:

The Current School Section accounts for collection of penalty and interest on property taxes and transmission tax. These taxes are distributed according to Minn. Stat. §§276.131 and 127A.34.

The Mortgage Registry Tax Section accounts for the taxes received in registering a mortgage within the County.

The Post Placement Program Section accounts for money received by court services to help adolescents adapt to living in the community.

The Prepaid Tax Section accounts for payments received on taxes before the preparation of the tax statements or prior to January 1 of the year due.

The Refunding Section accounts for the refunding of property taxes.

The State Deed Tax Section accounts for the transfer of money to the state received from the sale of state deed stamps.

The State Revenue Section accounts for funds held pending remittance to the state.

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The Stream Maintenance Agreement Section accounts for money received to help maintain area streams.

The Cemetery Fund accounts for investment of funds received for cemetery upkeep.

The Child Support Fund accounts for child support payments received by the County and remitted to the State.

The State Recoveries Fund accounts for estate recovery funds collected by the County and remitted to the State.

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EXHIBIT C-1

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS - CUSTODIAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Custodial Funds</u>				
	<u>Taxes and Penalties</u>	<u>Turtle Creek Watershed</u>	<u>Jail Canteen</u>	<u>Motor Vehicle</u>	<u>Recorders Clearing</u>
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 377,548	\$ 45,617	\$ 41,456	\$ 621	\$ 1,431
Taxes receivable	557,465	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$ 935,013	\$ 45,617	\$ 41,456	\$ 621	\$ 1,431
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Due to other governments	\$ 377,548	\$ 45,617	\$ -	\$ 621	\$ 1,431
Loans Payable	-	324,664	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	\$ 377,548	\$ 370,281	\$ -	\$ 621	\$ 1,431
<u>Net Position</u>					
Restricted for Individuals, organizations, other governments	\$ 557,465	\$ (324,664)	\$ 41,456	\$ -	\$ -

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**COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS - CUSTODIAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Custodial Funds					Total Other Custodial Funds
Family Service Collaborative	Other Custodial	Cemetery Fund	Child Support	State Recoveries	
\$ 513,178	\$ 196,338	\$ 10,139	\$ -	\$ 81,460	\$ 1,267,788
-	-	-	-	-	557,465
\$ 513,178	\$ 196,338	\$ 10,139	\$ -	\$ 81,460	\$ 1,825,253
\$ 444,597	\$ 18,885	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,460	\$ 970,159
-	-	-	-	-	324,664
\$ 444,597	\$ 18,885	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,460	\$ 1,294,823
\$ 68,581	\$ 177,453	\$ 10,139	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 530,430

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EXHIBIT C-2

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS - CUSTODIAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Custodial Funds</u>				
	<u>Taxes and Penalties</u>	<u>Turtle Creek Watershed</u>	<u>Jail Canteen</u>	<u>Motor Vehicle</u>	<u>Recorders Clearing</u>
Additions					
Contributions:					
Individuals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 376,621	\$ -	\$ -
Investment earnings:					
Interest, dividends, other	-	-	-	-	-
Property tax collections for other governments	66,084,510	-	-	-	-
Special Assessments	-	461,505	-	-	-
License and fees collected for State	-	-	-	5,416,445	30,214
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
Total Additions	\$ 66,084,510	\$ 461,505	\$ 376,621	\$ 5,416,445	\$ 30,214
Deductions					
Beneficiary payments to individuals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 393,861	\$ -	\$ -
Payments of property tax to other governments	66,194,411	-	-	-	-
Payments to state	-	-	-	5,416,445	30,214
Payments to vendors	-	286,488	-	-	-
Payments to other entities	-	-	-	-	-
Total Deductions	\$ 66,194,411	\$ 286,488	\$ 393,861	\$ 5,416,445	\$ 30,214
Change in net position	\$ (109,901)	\$ 175,017	\$ (17,240)	\$ -	\$ -
Net Position – January 1	667,366	(499,681)	58,696	-	-
Net Position – December 31	\$ 557,465	\$ (324,664)	\$ 41,456	\$ -	\$ -

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**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS - CUSTODIAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

<u>Custodial Funds</u>					<u>Total Other Custodial Funds</u>
<u>Family Service Collaborative</u>	<u>Other Custodial</u>	<u>Cemetery Fund</u>	<u>Child Support</u>	<u>State Recoveries</u>	
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 376,621
319	-	6	-	-	325
-	3,810,438	-	-	-	69,894,948
-	-	-	-	-	461,505
-	1,003,639	-	14,119	192,613	6,657,030
<u>218,225</u>	<u>418,508</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>636,733</u>
\$ 218,544	\$ 5,232,585	\$ 6	\$ 14,119	\$ 192,613	\$ 78,027,162
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 393,861
-	-	-	-	-	66,194,411
-	3,740,038	-	14,119	192,613	9,393,429
35,883	565,558	-	-	-	887,929
<u>114,080</u>	<u>894,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,008,451</u>
\$ 149,963	\$ 5,199,967	\$ -	\$ 14,119	\$ 192,613	\$ 77,878,081
\$ 68,581	\$ 32,618	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 149,081
<u>-</u>	<u>144,835</u>	<u>10,133</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>381,349</u>
\$ 68,581	\$ 177,453	\$ 10,139	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 530,430

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OTHER SCHEDULES

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EXHIBIT D-1

**SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Appropriations and Shared Revenue

State

Highway users tax	\$	8,120,371
Disparity reduction aid		45,865
Police aid		233,126
County program aid		1,725,139
Aquatic invasive species program aid		52,842
Market value credit		372,464
Market value credit-manufactured home		23,678
State financing revenue		4,251
Enhanced 911		108,580
SCORE		86,869
Buffer strip enforcement aid		129,938

Total shared revenue **\$ 10,903,123**

Reimbursement for Services

State

Minnesota Department of Human Services	\$	1,185,595
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Payments

Local

Local contributions	\$	7,445
Payments in lieu of taxes		36,601

Total payments **\$ 44,046**

Grants

State

Minnesota Department/Board of		
Public Safety	\$	176,402
Health		573,278
Employment and Economic Development		599,250
Natural Resources		3,905
Secretary of State		48,065
Human Services		2,577,222
Revenue		3,454
Veterans Affairs		10,000
Corrections		127,205
Water and Soil Resources		92,791
Pollution Control Agency		57,498

Total state **\$ 4,269,070**

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**SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Grants (Continued)

Federal

Department of	
Agriculture	\$ 610,351
Justice	243,868
Education	3,074
Election Assistance Commission	24,827
Health and Human Services	3,492,459
Transportation	2,868,831
Treasury	3,972,027

Total federal **\$ 11,215,437**

Total state and federal grants **\$ 15,484,507**

Total Intergovernmental Revenue **\$ 27,617,271**

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EXHIBIT D-2

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	State Pass Through Grantor's Number	Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Agriculture				
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children	10.557	12-700-00073	\$ 272,584	\$ -
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services SNAP Cluster State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Part of SNAP Cluster)	10.561	20172MN101S2514	290,793	-
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Agriculture WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP)	10.572	Not Provided	492	-
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			\$ 563,869	\$ -
U.S. Department of Justice				
Direct State Criminal Alien Assistance Program	16.606	Not Provided	\$ 5,168	\$ -
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Public Safety Crime Victim Assistance Grant	16.575	Not Provided	147,632	-
Passed Through Trial Court Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program	16.585	Not Provided	91,068	-
Total U.S. Department of Justice			\$ 243,868	\$ -
U.S. Department of Transportation				
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Transportation Highway Planning and Construction (Part of HFCC Cluster)	20.205	00024	\$ 2,868,831	\$ -
U.S. Department of Treasury				
Passed Through Minnesota Dept of Revenue COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	5TL0016	\$ 3,948,952	\$ 500,000
Passed Through Minnesota Dept of Health COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	5TL0016	23,075	-
Total U.S. Department of Treasury			\$ 3,972,027	\$ 500,000
U.S. Department of Education				
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health Special Education-Grants for Infants and Families	84.181	Not Provided	\$ 2,024	-
Passed Through Albert Lea School District #241 Special Education-Grants for Infants and Families	84.181	Not Provided	1,050	-
Total U.S. Department of Education			\$ 3,074	-
Election Assistance Commission				
Passed Through Minnesota Secretary of State COVID-19 2018 HAVA Election Security Grants	90.404	5TL0016	\$ 24,827	\$ -
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Health Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069	12-700-00073	\$ 32,605	\$ -
Universal Newborn Hearing Screening	93.251	12-700-00073	675	-
Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	12-700-00073	625	-
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Investigations and Technical Assistance	93.283	12-700-00073	450	-
Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Information (EHDI-IS) Surveillance Program	93.314	12-700-00073	75	-
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Part of TANF 93.558 \$442,704)	93.558	12-700-00073	44,266	-
Medicaid Cluster Medical Assistance Program	93.778	12-700-00073	143,594	-
(Part of Medicaid Cluster & 93.778 \$1,337,175)				
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.994	12-700-00073	38,163	-

The notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this schedule.

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**EXHIBIT D-2
(Continued)**

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency Grant Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	State Pass Through Grantor's Number	Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Continued)				
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services				
Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556	2001MNRCA	\$ 10,127	\$ -
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Part of TANF 93.558 \$442,704)	93.558	2002MNTANF	398,438	-
Child Support Enforcement	93.563	2004MNCEST	662,516	-
Refugee and Entrant Assistance_State Administered Programs	93.566	1701MNRCA	363	-
Child Care and Development Block Grant (Part of CCDF Cluster)	93.575	G2001MNCDF	11,797	-
Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants	93.590	G-2002MNFPG	5,984	-
Basic Health Program (Affordable Care Act)	93.640	Not Provided	383	-
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645	G-2001MNCWSS	5,677	-
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658	2001MNFOST	518,562	-
Social Services Block Grant	93.667	2001MNSOSR	209,941	-
Chafee Foster Care Independence Program	93.674	G-2001MNCILP	762	-
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	2005MN5021	1,182	-
Medicaid Cluster				
Medical Assistance Program (Part of Medicaid Cluster & 93.778 \$1,337,175)	93.778	05-2005MN5ADM	1,193,581	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			\$ 3,279,766	\$ -
Total Federal Awards			\$ 10,956,262	\$ 500,000
Totals by Cluster				
Total expenditures for SNAP Cluster			\$ 290,793	
Total expenditures for Medicaid Cluster			1,337,175	
Total expenditures for Child Care and Development Block Grant Cluster			11,797	
Total expenditures for Highway Planning and Construction Cluster			2,868,831	

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NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

1. Reporting Entity

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activities of federal award programs expended by Freeborn County. The County's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Freeborn County under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2020. The information in the schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements For Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Freeborn County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of Freeborn County.

3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, for all awards with the exception of CFDA 21.019, which follows criteria determined by the Department of Treasury for allowability of costs. Under these principals, certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Freeborn County has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**FREEBORN COUNTY
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4. Reconciliation to Schedule of Intergovernmental Revenue

Federal grant revenue per Schedule of Intergovernmental Revenue (Exhibit D-1)	\$ 11,215,437
Unavailable in 2019, recognized as revenue in 2020	
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (CFDA #16.575)	(46,482)
Centers for Disease Controls and Prevention – Investigations and Technical Assistance (CFDA #93.283)	(375)
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (CFDA #93.558)	(115,223)
Child Support Enforcement (CFDA #93.563)	(49,960)
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA #93.575)	(996)
Foster Care_Title IV-E (#93.658)	(83,128)
Children’s Health Insurance Program (CFDA #93.767)	(39)
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA #93.778)	(189,668)
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to States (CFDA #93.994)	(9,572)
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters) (CFDA #97.036)	(134,371)
 Grants received more than 45 days after year-end, unavailable in 2020	
Public Health Emergency Preparedness (CFDA #93.069)	4,107
Centers for Disease Controls and Prevention – Investigations and Technical Assistance (CFDA #93.283)	300
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (CFDA #93.558)	140,944
Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants (CFDA #93.590)	2,496
Foster Care_Title IV-E (#93.658)	87,281
Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFDA #93.974)	762
Children’s Health Insurance Program (CFDA #93.767)	378
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters) (CFDA #97.036)	<u>134,371</u>
 Expenditures per Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Exhibit D-2)	 <u>\$ 10,956,262</u>

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STATISTICAL SECTION (UNAUDITED)

This part of Freeborn County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about Freeborn County's overall financial health.

Contents

Financial Trends

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the County's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity

These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the County's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.

Debt Capacity

These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the County's current levels of outstanding debt and the County's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Demographic and Economic Information

These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the County's financial activities take place.

Operating Information

These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the County's financial report relates to the services the County provides and the activities it performs.

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**NET POSITION BY COMPONENT
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2011	2012	2013	2014 (1)
Governmental Activities				
Net Investments in Capital Assets	\$ 55,735,038	\$ 57,967,546	\$ 61,821,070	\$ 63,259,574
Restricted	13,563,329	6,921,109	11,147,528	8,283,014
Unrestricted	8,946,106	18,402,056	13,574,553	8,389,282
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 78,244,473</u>	<u>\$ 83,290,711</u>	<u>\$ 86,543,151</u>	<u>\$ 79,931,870</u>

Source: Freeborn County's Yearly Financial Statements

(1) See Note Changes in Accounting Restatement

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**NET POSITION BY COMPONENT
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
\$ 67,044,403	\$ 70,598,432	\$ 76,357,232	\$ 85,725,655	\$ 94,697,366	\$ 99,980,537
9,900,452	8,696,772	8,015,434	9,440,791	10,724,591	11,473,593
6,195,523	6,614,367	5,092,491	1,278,822	(3,719,993)	3,277,819
<u>\$ 83,140,378</u>	<u>\$ 85,909,571</u>	<u>\$ 89,465,157</u>	<u>\$ 96,445,268</u>	<u>\$ 101,701,964</u>	<u>\$ 114,731,949</u>

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**CHANGES IN NET POSITION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Expenses				
General Government	\$ 4,862,792	\$ 7,177,110	\$ 6,922,425	\$ 7,047,344
Public Safety	8,096,946	6,315,878	6,469,525	7,126,489
Highways and Streets	7,781,427	9,525,421	11,371,372	11,468,587
Sanitation	366,181	371,488	404,776	496,413
Human Services	7,673,360	7,620,459	9,204,595	9,587,868
Health	3,318,388	3,165,890	1,539,475	1,731,079
Culture and Recreation	378,002	321,489	388,287	320,811
Conservation of Natural Resources	2,106,960	1,099,583	4,011,503	1,901,209
Economic Development	15,000	400,000	50,963	366,203
Interest on Long-Term Debt	1,295,440	705,080	914,091	698,092
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	<u>\$ 35,894,496</u>	<u>\$ 36,702,398</u>	<u>\$ 41,277,012</u>	<u>\$ 40,744,095</u>
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services				
General Government	\$ 811,161	\$ 907,321	\$ 944,388	\$ 1,351,213
Public Safety	2,447,262	2,401,345	1,924,810	1,965,755
Highways and Streets	92,212	177,802	248,135	65,545
Sanitation	381,347	4,319	-	406,340
Human Services	585,738	341,349	603,130	382,900
Health	723,528	1,032,223	431,983	692,535
Culture and Recreation	24,884	13,240	1,149	-
Conservation of Natural Resources	141,233	89,890	65,550	1,641,115
Operating Grants and Contributions				
General Government	203,143	193,811	243,425	361,181
Public Safety	1,600,359	1,500,782	552,713	486,814
Highways and Streets	4,554,340	5,629,421	6,939,180	6,103,421
Sanitation	23,446	362,961	393,379	-
Human Services	3,434,776	3,381,837	4,079,179	4,459,479
Health	1,756,507	1,450,562	830,602	652,169
Culture and Recreation	38,138	88,988	-	-
Conservation of Natural Resources	1,233,115	961,434	4,031,465	621,962
Economic Development	-	400,000	-	-
Capital Grants and Contributions				
General Government	-	-	-	-
Public Safety	-	-	-	-
Highways and Streets	1,047,763	1,747,638	1,467,744	3,359,833
Conservation of Natural Resources	-	-	-	54,804
Total Governmental Activities Program Revenues	<u>\$ 19,098,952</u>	<u>\$ 20,684,923</u>	<u>\$ 22,756,832</u>	<u>\$ 22,605,066</u>

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**CHANGES IN NET POSITION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
\$ 7,602,191	\$ 8,202,415	\$ 8,400,796	\$ 9,138,428	\$ 8,951,212	\$ 8,523,576
7,632,105	10,258,704	10,716,975	8,242,136	9,801,433	9,275,328
9,883,628	9,723,394	12,125,094	10,789,903	12,111,044	12,131,412
511,389	576,287	587,424	565,969	598,877	583,319
11,032,285	12,123,000	11,879,425	12,043,061	11,983,435	12,505,577
2,069,495	2,344,957	2,497,723	2,652,578	2,653,550	4,920,000
378,127	336,666	396,611	367,370	356,583	397,822
1,888,375	2,333,311	3,291,533	2,165,526	2,381,990	2,313,404
11,500	12,647	25,000	39,276	30,500	25,500
614,147	592,930	438,249	37,973	226,986	193,504
<u>\$ 41,623,242</u>	<u>\$ 46,504,311</u>	<u>\$ 50,358,830</u>	<u>\$ 46,042,220</u>	<u>\$ 49,095,610</u>	<u>\$ 50,869,442</u>
\$ 1,071,249	\$ 1,014,402	\$ 944,287	\$ 921,256	\$ 1,183,814	\$ 895,412
2,233,899	2,931,845	3,670,889	3,805,659	3,136,007	2,719,485
221,754	49,854	170,664	290,099	235,203	192,254
381,253	429,102	430,754	443,013	518,400	714,463
890,412	1,249,098	914,573	806,297	1,109,744	1,065,017
330,537	361,276	290,664	415,470	907,290	831,540
26	148	22,964	29,234	9,920	34,764
1,441,825	1,663,978	1,490,401	1,516,143	1,760,430	1,599,968
180,206	245,220	128,353	127,020	175,365	873,018
701,778	814,384	869,301	727,677	746,297	935,949
5,963,482	6,229,049	6,747,665	7,808,073	7,823,092	8,721,684
-	-	-	-	-	-
4,711,913	5,183,990	5,610,581	5,344,443	5,661,129	6,135,506
1,475,226	1,435,570	1,423,389	1,723,750	1,720,415	5,750,095
-	-	-	447,543	-	-
263,911	684,436	790,941	-	232,696	420,545
-	-	-	-	-	-
1,940,278	-	-	74,321	-	17,940
14,951	-	-	-	-	-
114,775	1,120,690	3,579,484	1,992,021	34,092	2,868,831
-	-	492,000	-	-	-
<u>\$ 21,937,475</u>	<u>\$ 23,413,042</u>	<u>\$ 27,576,910</u>	<u>\$ 26,472,019</u>	<u>\$ 25,253,894</u>	<u>\$ 33,776,471</u>

**FREEBORN COUNTY
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**CHANGES IN NET POSITION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(Continued)**

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Net (Expense) Revenue				
General Government	\$ (3,848,488)	\$ (6,075,978)	\$ (5,734,612)	\$ (5,334,950)
Public Safety	(4,049,325)	(2,413,751)	(3,992,002)	(4,673,920)
Highways and Streets	(2,087,112)	(1,970,560)	(2,716,313)	(1,939,788)
Sanitation	38,612	(4,208)	(11,397)	(90,073)
Human Services	(3,652,846)	(3,897,273)	(4,522,286)	(4,745,489)
Health	(838,353)	(683,105)	(276,890)	(386,375)
Culture and Recreation	(314,980)	(219,261)	(387,138)	(320,811)
Conservation of Natural Resources	(732,612)	(48,259)	85,512	416,672
Economic Development	(15,000)	-	(50,963)	(366,203)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	(1,295,440)	(705,080)	(914,091)	(698,092)
Total Governmental Activities Net (Expense) Revenue	<u>\$ (16,795,544)</u>	<u>\$ (16,017,475)</u>	<u>\$ (18,520,180)</u>	<u>\$ (18,139,029)</u>
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position				
Taxes	\$ 17,370,342	\$ 18,884,863	\$ 20,175,011	\$ 20,084,107
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	50,343	53,110	2,828	31,597
Unrestricted Grants and Contributions	2,630,103	1,682,574	1,459,818	1,625,409
Investment Earnings	172,524	192,679	102,769	132,099
Miscellaneous	1,368,024	143,579	28,616	50,000
Gain on Sale of Capital Assets	13,905	106,908	3,578	-
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 21,605,241</u>	<u>\$ 21,063,713</u>	<u>\$ 21,772,620</u>	<u>\$ 21,923,212</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>\$ 4,809,697</u>	<u>\$ 5,046,238</u>	<u>\$ 3,252,440</u>	<u>\$ 3,784,183</u>

Source: Freeborn County's Yearly Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**CHANGES IN NET POSITION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(Continued)**

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
\$ (4,410,458)	\$ (6,942,793)	\$ (7,328,156)	\$ (8,015,831)	\$ (7,592,033)	\$ (6,737,206)
(4,681,477)	(6,512,475)	(6,176,785)	(3,708,800)	(5,919,129)	(5,619,894)
(3,583,617)	(2,323,801)	(1,627,281)	(699,710)	(4,018,657)	(348,643)
(130,136)	(147,185)	(156,670)	(122,956)	(80,477)	131,144
(5,429,960)	(5,689,912)	(5,354,271)	(5,892,321)	(5,212,617)	(5,305,054)
(263,732)	(548,111)	(783,670)	(513,358)	(25,845)	1,661,635
(378,101)	(336,518)	(373,647)	(338,136)	(346,663)	(363,058)
(182,639)	15,103	(518,191)	(201,840)	(388,864)	(292,891)
(11,500)	(12,647)	(25,000)	(39,276)	(30,500)	(25,500)
(614,147)	(592,930)	(438,249)	(37,973)	(226,986)	(193,504)
<u>\$ (19,685,767)</u>	<u>\$ (23,091,269)</u>	<u>\$ (22,781,920)</u>	<u>\$ (19,570,201)</u>	<u>\$ (23,841,771)</u>	<u>\$ (17,092,971)</u>
\$ 20,915,483	\$ 23,651,372	\$ 24,064,810	\$ 24,893,116	\$ 25,842,122	\$ 27,420,786
97,317	28,560	35,247	35,309	36,620	36,601
1,543,235	1,712,330	2,023,587	2,180,739	2,128,365	2,167,146
245,464	432,665	213,862	483,486	922,551	473,140
18,228	-	-	384	43,517	25,283
74,548	35,535	-	62,179	79,288	-
<u>\$ 22,894,275</u>	<u>\$ 25,860,462</u>	<u>\$ 26,337,506</u>	<u>\$ 27,655,213</u>	<u>\$ 29,052,463</u>	<u>\$ 30,122,956</u>
<u>\$ 3,208,508</u>	<u>\$ 2,769,193</u>	<u>\$ 3,555,586</u>	<u>\$ 8,085,012</u>	<u>\$ 5,210,692</u>	<u>\$ 13,029,985</u>

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2011	2012	2013	2014
General Fund				
Nonspendable	\$ 2,165,953	\$ 493,557	\$ 443,805	\$ 618,818
Restricted	413,087	365,224	383,386	762,262
Committed	-	224,846	261,128	356,228
Assigned	148,645	388,657	1,357,696	1,632,890
Unassigned	7,719,849	10,818,868	9,940,813	8,623,639
Total General Fund	<u>\$ 10,447,534</u>	<u>\$ 12,291,152</u>	<u>\$ 12,386,828</u>	<u>\$ 11,993,837</u>
All Other Governmental Funds				
Nonspendable	\$ 434,263	\$ 570,706	\$ 525,371	\$ 462,228
Restricted	66,551	1,127,344	9,514,658	5,703,717
Committed	-	-	-	-
Assigned				
Road and Bridge	2,511,201	3,053,068	1,271,550	3,107,310
Debt Service Fund	8,510,291	2,910,321	-	-
Human Service	6,586,152	7,570,104	7,989,595	8,381,777
Unassigned	(1,697)	(480,746)	(511,259)	(437,868)
Total All Other Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 18,106,761</u>	<u>\$ 14,750,797</u>	<u>\$ 18,789,915</u>	<u>\$ 17,217,164</u>
All Governmental Funds				
Nonspendable	\$ 2,600,216	\$ 1,064,263	\$ 969,176	\$ 1,081,046
Restricted	479,638	1,492,568	9,898,044	6,465,979
Committed	-	224,846	261,128	356,228
Assigned	17,756,289	13,922,150	10,618,841	13,121,977
Unassigned	7,718,152	10,338,122	9,429,554	8,185,771
Total All Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 28,554,295</u>	<u>\$ 27,041,949</u>	<u>\$ 31,176,743</u>	<u>\$ 29,211,001</u>

Source: Freeborn County's Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
\$ 341,917	\$ 385,419	\$ 935,925	\$ 1,142,742	\$ 969,191	\$ 358,613
715,509	998,176	1,040,571	1,185,045	1,194,791	1,781,293
408,633	3,049,860	2,817,127	2,294,572	2,027,731	7,710,233
-	-	-	-	-	-
10,034,644	8,212,526	6,795,893	5,139,155	6,559,366	6,692,314
<u>\$ 11,500,703</u>	<u>\$ 12,645,981</u>	<u>\$ 11,589,516</u>	<u>\$ 9,761,514</u>	<u>\$ 10,751,079</u>	<u>\$ 16,542,453</u>
\$ 461,542	\$ 707,005	\$ 433,751	\$ 362,787	\$ 328,612	\$ 595,296
5,705,943	6,258,286	15,047,024	6,910,033	6,868,331	6,285,431
-	-	-	-	-	800,000
3,678,532	3,674,377	3,432,531	3,985,411	2,219,612	2,187,367
-	-	-	-	-	-
7,165,337	5,806,384	5,795,221	6,080,210	2,761,722	2,792,340
(218,908)	(399,003)	(1,058,116)	(1,496,925)	(1,048,172)	(975,785)
<u>\$ 16,792,446</u>	<u>\$ 16,047,049</u>	<u>\$ 23,650,411</u>	<u>\$ 15,841,516</u>	<u>\$ 11,130,105</u>	<u>\$ 11,684,649</u>
\$ 803,459	\$ 1,092,424	\$ 1,369,676	\$ 1,505,529	\$ 1,297,803	\$ 953,909
6,421,452	7,256,462	16,087,595	8,095,078	8,063,122	8,066,724
408,633	3,049,860	2,817,127	2,294,572	2,027,731	8,510,233
10,843,869	9,480,761	9,227,752	10,065,621	4,981,334	4,979,707
9,815,736	7,813,523	5,737,777	3,642,230	5,511,194	5,716,529
<u>\$ 28,293,149</u>	<u>\$ 28,693,030</u>	<u>\$ 35,239,927</u>	<u>\$ 25,603,030</u>	<u>\$ 21,881,184</u>	<u>\$ 28,227,102</u>

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**CHANGES IN GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 17,396,373	\$ 19,005,885	\$ 20,187,009	\$ 20,090,378
Special Assessments	1,462,512	1,670,999	2,283,803	2,088,263
Licenses and Permits	104,291	134,192	121,255	118,079
Intergovernmental	14,080,209	17,815,054	15,717,420	17,768,440
Charges for Services	3,813,994	4,156,976	3,647,235	3,565,791
Fines and Forfeits	37,709	26,436	29,756	64,065
Gifts and Contributions	50,636	29,606	12,242	6,553
Investment Income	172,524	184,419	111,029	132,099
Miscellaneous	2,779,387	1,142,182	1,374,589	1,006,351
Total Revenues	\$ 39,897,635	\$ 44,165,749	\$ 43,484,338	\$ 44,840,019
Expenditures				
Current				
General Government	\$ 5,281,337	\$ 6,340,666	\$ 6,067,026	\$ 6,191,688
Public Safety	7,988,624	13,639,438	6,335,469	6,949,396
Highways and Streets	8,161,703	11,016,683	13,866,152	14,180,809
Sanitation	351,197	356,505	389,793	481,430
Social Services	7,684,378	7,606,046	9,166,814	9,551,357
Health	3,325,377	3,159,918	1,524,573	1,703,256
Culture and Recreation	378,002	321,489	388,287	320,811
Conservation of Natural Resources	2,104,149	1,095,605	1,637,650	1,896,751
Economic Development	15,000	400,000	397,409	19,757
Intergovernmental				
Highways and Streets	-	308,595	318,877	330,135
Conservation of Natural Resources	-	-	2,364,690	-
Capital Outlay	558,160	805,285	764,263	999,715
Debt Service				
Principal Retirement	7,436,439	1,267,547	2,122,159	3,295,000
Interest	516,056	649,036	707,994	767,088
Bond Issuance Costs	177,534	-	89,790	-
Administrative (fiscal) charges	26,368	29,839	5,893	5,425
Total Expenditures	\$ 44,004,324	\$ 46,996,652	\$ 46,146,839	\$ 46,692,618
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (4,106,689)	\$ (2,830,903)	\$ (2,662,501)	\$ (1,852,599)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers In	6,260,956	7,697,008	-	-
Transfers Out	(11,076,546)	(6,624,421)	-	-
Bonds and Notes Issued	-	-	6,680,000	-
Refunding Bond Issued	17,120,000	-	-	-
Premium on Bond Issuance	645,912	-	178,196	-
Discount on Bond Issuance	-	-	(19,144)	-
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	13,905	109,527	3,578	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	12,964,227	1,182,114	6,842,630	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 8,857,538	\$ (1,648,789)	\$ 4,180,129	\$ (1,852,599)
Debt Service as a Percentage of Noncapital Expenditures	18.77%	4.21%	6.45%	8.90%

Source: Freeborn County's Financial Statements

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

CHANGES IN GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
\$ 20,878,781	\$ 23,715,974	\$ 24,075,507	\$ 24,784,395	\$ 25,908,755	\$ 27,352,238
2,172,363	2,245,972	2,046,830	2,002,200	2,310,017	2,493,074
106,821	164,509	103,349	169,869	140,497	175,056
15,826,392	16,382,810	19,767,495	21,798,448	19,144,108	27,617,271
3,765,702	3,975,878	4,841,541	4,897,859	5,741,113	5,002,678
41,664	34,772	32,329	23,995	28,603	19,563
13,019	23,099	37,382	6,545	10,479	6,895
245,464	432,665	214,560	485,030	925,186	475,925
982,627	1,353,027	1,104,929	954,934	1,060,475	777,488
<u>\$ 44,032,833</u>	<u>\$ 48,328,706</u>	<u>\$ 52,223,922</u>	<u>\$ 55,123,275</u>	<u>\$ 55,269,233</u>	<u>\$ 63,920,188</u>
\$ 6,643,520	\$ 6,984,439	\$ 7,247,743	\$ 7,821,352	\$ 8,102,900	\$ 7,707,028
7,437,235	8,389,229	9,247,492	9,523,826	9,706,773	9,855,175
9,396,052	10,818,218	14,298,508	15,569,703	17,756,431	14,458,716
495,023	555,980	568,068	542,980	584,417	570,015
10,865,074	11,582,745	11,467,816	11,295,964	12,073,073	12,572,943
2,030,585	2,197,002	2,367,095	2,421,019	2,681,238	4,958,785
378,127	336,666	396,611	367,370	346,595	396,989
1,883,629	2,291,269	3,257,725	2,082,175	2,388,453	2,302,477
11,500	12,647	25,000	39,276	30,500	25,500
348,751	361,195	360,068	421,073	416,771	434,380
-	-	-	-	-	-
2,100,910	1,124,568	1,542,415	2,584,837	2,090,433	1,871,430
2,725,000	2,720,000	2,770,000	11,790,000	2,575,000	2,110,000
688,016	611,710	540,424	502,090	341,034	304,377
-	-	67,002	-	-	-
3,525	5,061	6,425	6,150	2,600	2,200
<u>\$ 45,006,947</u>	<u>\$ 47,990,729</u>	<u>\$ 54,162,392</u>	<u>\$ 64,967,815</u>	<u>\$ 59,096,218</u>	<u>\$ 57,570,015</u>
<u>\$ (974,114)</u>	<u>\$ 337,977</u>	<u>\$ (1,938,470)</u>	<u>\$ (9,844,540)</u>	<u>\$ (3,826,985)</u>	<u>\$ 6,350,173</u>
-	1,060,736	513,534	299,378	2,722,835	3,430,013
-	(1,060,736)	(513,534)	(299,378)	(2,722,835)	(3,430,013)
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	8,075,000	-	-	-
-	-	450,729	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
74,548	49,333	-	75,768	93,310	-
<u>74,548</u>	<u>49,333</u>	<u>8,525,729</u>	<u>75,768</u>	<u>93,310</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ (899,566)</u>	<u>\$ 387,310</u>	<u>\$ 6,587,259</u>	<u>\$ (9,768,772)</u>	<u>\$ (3,733,675)</u>	<u>\$ 6,350,173</u>
7.96%	7.12%	6.43%	19.71%	6.03%	4.81%

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**PROPERTY TAX AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Year	Net Tax Levy	Current Tax Collections	Percent of Levy Collected	(1) Delinquent Tax Collections	Total Tax Collections
2011	\$ 17,122,478	\$ 16,823,011	98.3 %	\$ 297,956	\$ 17,120,967
2012	18,917,961	18,615,152	98.4	301,215	18,916,367
2013	19,211,499	18,971,938	98.8	239,525	19,211,463
2014	19,219,518	19,036,870	99.0	181,839	19,218,709
2015	19,846,355	19,605,075	98.8	233,529	19,838,604
2016	20,703,982	20,513,131	99.1	168,464	20,681,595
2017	21,135,172	20,885,092	98.8	233,201	21,118,293
2018	21,901,150	21,597,973	98.6	224,563	21,822,536
2019	22,891,000	22,610,578	98.8	160,995	22,771,573
2020	24,274,185	23,949,504	98.7	-	23,949,504

(1) Does not include interest and penalties.

Note: (2) Includes collection of current year taxes and delinquent tax collections.

Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer

(Unaudited)

FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

PROPERTY TAX AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Total Collections as a Percent of Current Levy (2)	Current Assessments Due	Current Assessments Collected	Ratio of Collections to Amount Due	Total Delinquent Assessments
100.0 %	\$ 1,494,807	\$ 1,453,339	97.2 %	\$ 41,468
100.0	1,704,339	1,665,862	97.7	38,477
100.0	1,707,166	1,676,992	98.2	30,174
100.0	1,979,342	1,951,915	98.6	27,427
100.0	2,134,718	2,121,835	99.4	12,882
99.9	2,269,156	2,263,264	99.7	5,892
99.9	2,035,207	2,023,057	99.4	12,150
99.6	1,894,009	1,872,255	98.9	21,754
99.5	2,329,861	2,326,105	99.8	3,756
98.7	2,714,877	2,671,722	98.4	43,155

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**ASSESSED AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY (1)
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Assessment Year	Payable Year	Real Property		Personal Property	
		Assessed Value	Estimated Actual Value	Assessed Value	Estimated Actual Value
2010	2011	\$ 30,551,347	\$ 3,247,798,600	\$1,653,738	\$ 83,119,600
2011	2012	28,404,803	3,313,361,500	2,028,290	102,438,400
2012	2013	30,448,369	3,552,900,800	2,054,524	103,764,300
2013	2014	37,480,081	4,328,050,000	2,279,255	114,488,500
2014	2015	39,040,934	4,591,440,800	2,343,838	117,665,700
2015	2016	36,342,933	4,305,573,100	2,557,017	128,344,800
2016	2017	36,037,263	4,219,103,400	2,762,326	138,558,900
2017	2018	35,151,133	4,068,935,600	2,351,610	117,979,800
2018	2019	36,339,950	4,164,064,700	2,458,030	123,303,300
2019	2020	34,140,204	4,241,108,000	2,104,020	105,487,400

Note: (1) Does not include reductions for tax increment districts.

Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer -Abstract of Assessment of Real and Personal Property for 2020

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

ASSESSED AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY (1)
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Total Assessed Value	Total Direct Tax Rate	Total Estimated Actual Value	Ratio of Assessed to Estimated Value
\$ 32,205,085	5.54	\$ 3,330,918,200	1.0
30,433,093	5.25	3,415,799,900	0.9
32,502,893	4.33	3,656,665,100	0.9
39,759,336	4.21	4,442,538,500	0.9
41,384,772	4.67	4,709,106,500	0.9
38,899,950	-	4,433,917,900	0.9
38,799,589	-	4,357,662,300	0.9
37,502,743	-	4,186,915,400	0.9
38,797,980	-	4,287,368,000	0.9
39,244,224	-	4,346,595,400	0.9

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS
CURRENT YEAR AND TEN YEARS AGO

Taxpayer	Type of Business	2011			2020		
		Taxable Capacity Value	Rank	Percentage of Total County Capacity Value	Taxable Capacity Value	Rank	Percentage of Total County Capacity Value
ITC Midwest, LLC	Utilities				\$ 675,862	1	1.74%
Aliance Pipeline LP	Utilities	880,854	1	2.23%	636,440	2	1.64%
Northern Natural Gas Co	Utilities	443,548	2	1.12%	610,508	3	1.57%
Dairyland Power Cooperative	Utilities	106,757	8	0.27%	281,977	4	0.72%
Minnesota Energy Resources Cor	Utilities				210,064	5	0.54%
Freeborn Mower Electric Coop	Utilities				182,030	6	0.47%
Union Pacific Corporation	Commercial				177,110	7	0.46%
ITC Midwest, LLC	Utilities				168,884	8	0.43%
Wal-Mart Real Estate Business	Commercial	116,059	5	0.29%	126,089	9	0.32%
Pembina Cochin LLC	Utilities				125,058	10	0.32%
Interstate Power & Light Co	Utilities	423,046	3	1.07%			
Dale Laraon Trust	Commercial	154,890	4	0.39%			
Agra Resources Coop	Agriculture	106,059	9	0.27%			
Continental Albert Lea LLP	Commercial	115,112	6	0.29%			
MCB Properties LTD Ptshp	Commercial	111,968	7	0.28%			
Carrington Family 2000 Trust	Commercial	84,381	10	0.21%			
All Others		37,035,312		93.58%	35,715,389		91.79%
		<u>\$ 39,577,986</u>		<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$ 38,909,411</u>		<u>100.0%</u>

Source: Freeborn County Auditor-Treasurer

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

PROPERTY TAX RATES - ALL DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS
LAST TEN ASSESSMENT YEARS

Unit of Government	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Freeborn County										
General	20.4620	21.6640	21.0590	16.3390	16.5030	19.2720	20.1280	22.3540	25.6180	28.2410
Road and Bridge	10.3630	11.9310	12.0750	9.8790	9.8870	10.5130	8.9680	9.4640	10.6730	11.4090
Social Services	16.7600	17.7410	15.8070	12.7250	11.8080	12.5550	14.1500	14.5130	13.8330	14.1960
Waste	-	0.2310	0.2160	0.1770	0.1700	0.1590	0.1480	0.1510	-	-
Capital Improvements	1.8280	3.1560	2.9550	2.4170	2.3160	2.8940	3.1020	3.2580	1.6340	1.7300
Library	1.2350	1.2030	1.1330	0.8760	0.8560	0.9320	0.9450	1.0030	0.9740	0.9920
Capital Bond	-	-	-	1.0880	1.0430	1.1320	1.1140	1.1400	1.0870	1.0590
2011A	-	2.3420	2.1940	1.7960	1.6170	1.7170	1.7420	1.8010	3.3530	3.2580
2011B	-	1.8470	1.7300	1.4160	1.2750	1.3640	1.3670	1.4090	1.3370	1.3400
2011C	-	2.3750	2.2250	1.8210	1.6460	1.7220	1.7320	1.7770	-	-
37 Jail	2.3630	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38 HRA	1.8510	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
39 HRA	2.5860	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Radio	1.4810	1.5670	1.4680	1.2010	1.1520	1.1630	1.1710	1.2210	1.1840	-
Public Health	-	-	-	-	1.3870	1.6430	1.6580	2.1680	1.1680	1.5180
Total Freeborn County	58.9290	64.0570	60.8620	49.7350	49.6600	55.0660	56.2250	60.2590	60.8610	63.7430
Townships										
Albert Lea	19.6670	22.1650	20.7970	16.4310	15.6260	16.3100	16.4730	17.3990	16.4420	16.3770
Alden	8.5610	9.5810	9.0230	6.4850	6.1470	7.1320	7.5090	7.6730	7.4000	7.8130
Bancroft	12.6190	13.3220	12.3080	10.5110	10.0850	11.5060	11.4210	11.6080	11.4000	11.2420
Bath	10.9880	11.0700	10.6340	8.2930	7.9060	8.5860	8.7480	7.8420	7.6940	11.2730
Carlston	10.0150	11.6630	13.2080	10.0060	9.7610	10.9200	10.6020	11.0390	10.7730	10.8900
Freeborn	12.7380	13.7750	14.1210	10.2660	9.1040	9.7430	9.5140	9.1730	8.9250	8.0780
Freeman	7.4450	7.8820	7.8940	6.7020	6.7590	8.1090	8.3360	8.6370	8.3630	9.1310
Geneva	13.5500	13.5660	11.9460	8.8770	8.3430	9.2040	9.4730	10.0170	9.7560	9.6770
Hartland	9.2630	9.3090	8.1930	5.9960	5.6300	6.2760	6.4730	6.4070	6.0190	5.9970
Hayward	15.4860	14.7720	13.3610	10.0520	9.3600	9.4620	9.0080	8.6810	7.6210	12.0130
London	16.4620	16.2340	14.4740	10.0950	9.4730	10.7060	11.0290	11.7050	11.5360	11.5210
Manchester	9.1900	8.8800	7.8440	6.0770	5.6650	6.0120	5.4060	5.2750	4.7400	4.9120
Mansfield	12.8100	13.2050	11.6570	8.2710	8.4920	9.7050	10.0710	10.6950	10.8920	10.8220
Moscow	16.2060	17.2140	15.8810	12.4950	11.7540	12.9230	13.4940	14.6480	15.6280	15.6130
Newry	11.1330	11.1830	11.0100	8.4420	8.5020	9.4390	9.7350	10.3470	10.1090	10.0990
Nunda	10.8160	14.7580	13.1340	9.9350	9.1870	10.0000	10.1990	10.7440	10.6340	10.9960
Oakland	10.5960	11.4640	11.2600	9.1840	9.3510	10.2590	10.4380	11.3280	10.9550	11.6580
Pickrel Lake	8.5790	7.4530	7.0740	5.8350	5.9100	6.3160	6.5020	8.0010	7.9580	9.9800
Riceland	11.5670	12.0970	10.7220	8.1190	7.6160	8.2930	8.4430	8.8090	8.4760	9.0530
Shell Rock	9.8960	9.3600	8.3880	6.1020	5.6420	6.1730	6.2650	6.5520	6.7730	7.3100
Cities										
Albert Lea	49.1630	57.1250	60.6320	62.0500	63.2160	64.3220	63.0870	64.8660	61.9080	60.0640
Alden	68.8150	87.4770	89.6730	89.0060	100.4690	99.7370	93.6570	96.4220	92.1160	94.2220
Clarks Grove	31.7390	39.9950	43.0910	44.1710	52.8210	54.6880	55.0710	50.5920	48.5550	41.0970
Conger	100.7930	134.8240	155.3090	136.2020	139.3750	143.8460	143.6260	152.3350	144.8970	124.8050
Emmons	96.9720	136.2420	134.7630	145.2370	146.6990	145.4870	144.3780	148.8740	141.7510	135.7810
Freeborn	100.5350	143.2810	147.4650	151.5210	155.4240	159.6660	162.2870	174.9180	175.9070	159.1760
Geneve	34.9410	41.0740	45.2780	45.3850	49.8020	50.4430	48.2690	46.0090	49.1090	50.3050
Glenville	59.1180	50.2860	50.7820	51.5010	45.8360	45.8920	46.7430	46.9740	42.3450	34.6480
Hartland	105.0440	131.4280	133.9210	138.0870	140.2610	146.5790	147.6840	133.6010	116.7040	108.8480
Hayward	103.7320	133.1350	149.6770	165.2590	164.5510	155.5250	154.2900	156.5940	154.8140	137.0710
Hollandale	87.9480	111.7950	116.2920	117.3300	114.6910	114.7110	107.1110	105.5660	102.8650	83.8260
Manchester	64.6870	81.3670	86.6390	95.7060	104.6640	109.0210	134.0360	143.8850	160.9420	153.5780
Myrtle	37.7450	56.9500	62.0160	69.2000	69.3400	68.9850	75.0470	77.6580	76.8680	63.0270
Twin Lakes	30.6410	15.9950	16.4760	15.8540	15.9450	16.2940	15.8910	17.7600	18.2970	18.3690
School Districts										
SD 241	25.9440	29.0580	28.8770	25.1790	25.1970	25.0870	25.4820	27.3570	27.6050	27.9680
SD 242	23.5820	26.9030	21.4490	15.0250	14.9850	20.6190	24.5390	26.6240	25.7200	26.0480
SD 492	21.6600	32.2050	29.0950	27.5920	28.3740	27.4910	26.8870	27.1450	27.2630	31.4600
SD 497	32.9290	37.4720	28.3020	20.5760	21.8200	26.9350	24.0810	23.3740	26.8120	30.1000
SD 756	23.7980	21.5150	21.6450	24.3790	19.8120	23.6980	23.2860	22.2710	21.6530	18.6920
SD 2134	7.3220	7.5360	25.8080	18.1620	18.0700	22.1450	18.6450	18.8850	20.0170	19.7140
SD 2168	17.1690	17.5590	16.3550	16.6160	8.5410	8.6990	7.3980	7.0170	6.9110	10.8800
SD 2886	4.7940	4.2550	3.4240	3.4560	3.2790	3.4200	3.7400	3.9350	3.7570	5.0530

Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**TAX CAPACITY BY CLASSIFICATION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Payable Year % of Total	Agriculture	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Utilities	Personal Property	Tax Increment	Net Tax Capacity
2011 % of Total	13,848,537 42%	11,459,581 36%	2,797,456 9%	1,487,576 5%	958,197 3%	1,653,738 5%	(123,343) 0%	\$32,081,742
2012 % of Total	14,148,293 46%	9,378,519 30%	2,666,839 9%	1,406,420 5%	804,732 3%	2,028,290 7%	(114,763) 0%	\$30,318,330
2013 % of Total	16,412,219 51%	9,092,224 28%	2,663,690 8%	1,407,655 4%	839,959 3%	2,054,524 6%	(141,250) 0%	\$32,329,021
2014 % of Total	23,078,678 59%	8,758,029 22%	3,031,284 8%	1,696,880 4%	915,210 2%	2,279,255 6%	(224,141) -1%	\$39,535,195
2015 % of Total	24,711,441 60%	8,770,777 21%	3,001,570 7%	1,672,736 4%	884,410 2%	2,343,838 6%	(138,126) 0%	\$41,246,646
2016 % of Total	21,762,538 56%	8,856,814 23%	3,016,707 8%	1,622,741 4%	1,084,133 3%	2,557,017 7%	(118,829) 0%	\$38,781,121
2017 % of Total	20,785,418 54%	9,421,729 24%	3,039,218 8%	1,623,251 4%	1,167,647 3%	2,762,326 7%	(289,401) -1%	\$38,510,188
2018 % of Total	19,517,474 52%	9,575,479 26%	3,053,961 8%	1,640,243 4%	1,363,976 4%	2,351,610 6%	(310,491) -1%	\$37,192,252
2019 % of Total	19,430,074 50%	10,739,149 28%	3,004,086 8%	1,747,345 5%	1,419,322 4%	2,458,004 6%	(320,246) -1%	\$38,477,734
2020 % of Total	19,431,405 50%	11,564,060 30%	3,062,983 8%	1,843,144 5%	1,238,612 3%	2,104,020 5%	(334,813) -1%	\$38,909,411

Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer Abstract of Assessment of Real and Personal Property for 2020

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**COMPUTATION OF LEGAL DEBT MARGIN
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2011	2012	2013	2014
Market Valuation of Taxable Property (1)	\$ 3,330,918,200	\$ 3,415,799,900	\$ 3,656,665,100	\$ 4,442,538,500
Legal Debt Percentage Allowed (2)	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%
Legal Debt Limit	99,927,546	102,473,997	109,699,953	133,276,155
Amount of Debt Applicable to Debt Limit				
General Obligation Debt	23,985,000	22,755,000	27,345,000	24,050,000
Less: Amount Available in Debt Service Funds	2,150,569	2,910,321	5,100,159	4,493,278
Total Debt Applicable to Limit	21,834,431	19,844,679	22,244,841	19,556,722
Unused Margin of Indebtedness	<u>\$ 78,093,115</u>	<u>\$ 82,629,318</u>	<u>\$ 87,455,112</u>	<u>\$ 113,719,433</u>
Percent of Legal Debt Incurred	24.00%	22.21%	24.93%	18.05%

(1) Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer

(2) Minnesota Statute Section 475.53, subd. 1 LIMIT ON NET DEBT except as otherwise provided in sections 475.51 to 475.74, no municipality except a school district or a city of the first class, shall incur or be subject to a net debt in excess of two percent of the market value of taxable property therein prior to 2008. In 2008, this percentage became three percent of the market value of taxable property therein.

(Unaudited)

FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

COMPUTATION OF LEGAL DEBT MARGIN
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
\$ 4,709,106,500	\$ 4,433,917,900	\$ 4,357,662,300	\$ 4,186,915,400	\$ 4,287,368,000	\$ 4,346,595,400
3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%
141,273,195	133,017,537	130,729,869	125,607,462	128,621,040	130,397,862
21,325,000	18,605,000	23,910,000	18,330,000	9,545,000	7,435,000
4,284,934	4,261,379	4,564,815	4,211,939	3,259,090	3,169,237
17,040,066	14,343,621	19,345,185	14,118,061	6,285,910	4,265,763
<u>\$ 124,233,129</u>	<u>\$ 118,673,916</u>	<u>\$ 111,384,684</u>	<u>\$ 111,489,401</u>	<u>\$ 122,335,130</u>	<u>\$ 126,132,099</u>
15.09%	13.99%	18.29%	14.59%	7.42%	5.70%

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**RATIO OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Fiscal Year	General Obligation Bonds	Loans	General Obligation Capital Notes	Special Assessment Bonds
Governmental Activities:				
2011	\$ 18,685,912	\$ 69,706	\$ 3,205,000	\$ 2,732,227
2012	18,147,086	32,159	2,830,000	2,354,991
2013	20,194,992	-	2,450,000	5,412,880
2014	18,674,159	-	2,065,000	3,937,866
2015	16,792,718	-	1,675,000	3,411,571
2016	14,856,277	-	1,275,000	2,955,277
2017	21,400,566	-	865,000	2,503,983
2018	10,424,874	-	440,000	1,700,515
2019	8,467,138	-	-	1,428,514
2020	6,424,401	-	-	1,269,790

- (1) Presented net of original issuance discounts and premiums
- (2) Personal income is disclosed on page 163
- (3) United States Census Bureau
- (4) Not Available

Source: Freeborn County Financial Statements.

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

RATIO OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

<u>Lease Revenue Bonds (1)</u>	<u>Total Outstanding Debt</u>	<u>Percentage of Personal Income (2)</u>	<u>Population (3)</u>	<u>Debt per Capita</u>
<u>Business-type Activities</u>				
\$ 7,045,428	\$ 31,738,273	2.57%	31,160	\$ 1,019
-	23,364,236	1.84%	31,027	753
-	28,057,872	2.29%	30,917	908
-	24,677,025	1.98%	30,831	800
-	21,879,289	1.73%	30,642	714
-	19,086,554	1.57%	30,446	627
-	24,769,549	1.96%	30,550	811
-	12,565,389	0.90%	30,495	412
-	9,895,652	0.69%	30,495	325
-	7,694,191	N/A	N/A	N/A

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**RATIO OF NET BONDED DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE
AND NET BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Fiscal Year	Population	Personal Income	Estimated Actual Value	Assessed Value	(1)	Less Debt
		Freeborn County			Gross Bonded Debt	Service Funds
2011	31,160	\$ 1,232,138,000	\$ 3,330,918,200	\$ 32,205,085	\$ 25,731,340	\$ 7,975,383
2012	31,027	1,273,548,000	3,415,799,900	30,433,093	18,147,086	1,745,190
2013	30,917	1,224,806,000	3,656,665,100	32,502,893	20,194,992	2,029,446
2014	30,831	1,245,146,000	4,442,538,500	39,759,336	18,674,159	2,482,523
2015	30,642	1,266,479,000	4,591,440,800	39,040,934	16,792,718	2,446,394
2016	30,446	1,219,212,000	4,305,573,100	36,342,933	14,856,277	2,400,494
2017	30,550	1,264,313,000	4,219,103,400	36,037,263	21,400,566	12,008,058
2018	30,495	1,394,588,000	4,068,935,600	35,151,133	10,424,874	3,334,722
2019	30,281	1,433,993,000	4,164,064,700	36,339,950	8,467,138	3,259,090
2020	n/a	n/a	4,241,108,000	34,140,204	6,424,401	3,169,237

Source: Freeborn County Administration except for Population, which is from the State Demographer and Personal Income, which is from the Bureau of Economic Analysis

(1) Includes all General Obligation debt of the County including refunded bonds.

n/a=not available

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FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

RATIO OF NET BONDED DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE
AND NET BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Net Bonded Debt	Debt Per Capita		Debt to Actual Valuation		Debt to Assessed Valuation		Debt to Personal Income	
	Total	Net	Total %	Net %	Total %	Net %	Total %	Net %
\$ 17,755,957	\$ 825.78	\$ 569.83	0.8	0.5	79.9	55.1	2.1	1.4
16,401,896	584.88	528.63	0.5	0.5	59.6	53.9	1.4	1.3
18,165,546	653.20	587.56	0.6	0.5	62.1	55.9	1.6	1.5
16,191,636	605.69	525.17	0.4	0.4	47.0	40.7	1.5	1.3
14,346,324	548.03	468.19	0.4	0.3	43.0	36.7	1.3	1.1
12,455,783	487.95	409.11	0.3	0.3	40.9	34.3	1.2	1.0
9,392,508	700.51	307.45	0.5	0.2	59.4	26.1	1.7	0.7
7,090,152	341.86	232.50	0.3	0.2	29.7	20.2	0.7	0.5
5,208,048	279.62	171.99	0.2	0.1	23.3	14.3	0.6	0.4
3,255,164	n/a	n/a	0.2	0.1	18.8	9.5	n/a	n/a

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**COMPUTATION OF UNDERLYING, OVERLAPPING, AND DIRECT DEBT
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	Net G.O. Debt Outstanding	Applicable to Freeborn County	
		Percent (1)	Amount
Cities			
City of Alden	\$ 1,825,120	100.0	\$ 1,825,120
City of Conger	88,000	100.0	88,000
City of Hartland	-	100.0	-
City of Hayward	40,000	100.0	40,000
City of Manchester	39,000	100.0	39,000
City of Albert Lea	20,358,699	100.0	20,358,699
Total Cities	<u>22,350,819</u>		<u>22,350,819</u>
Independent School Districts			
No. 241	38,785,971	100.0	38,785,971
No. 242	8,885,000	99.3	8,822,805
No. 492	36,574,171	6.4	2,340,747
No. 497	4,765,000	13.8	657,570
No. 756	7,555,000	25.0	1,888,750
No. 2134	20,950,000	23.8	4,986,100
No. 2168	10,050,000	29.5	2,964,750
Total Independent School Districts	<u>127,565,142</u>		<u>60,446,693</u>
Total Overlapping Debt	149,915,961	-	82,797,512
Freeborn County Direct Debt	<u>7,694,191</u>	100.0	<u>7,694,191</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 157,610,152</u>		<u>\$ 90,491,703</u>

Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer

Note: (1) Determined by the portion of property subject to taxation by Freeborn County.

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**NEW CONSTRUCTION AND BANK DEPOSITS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>(1) Farm</u>	<u>(1) Residential</u>	<u>(1) Commercial Industrial</u>	<u>(1) Total</u>	<u>(2) Bank Deposits</u>
2011	\$ 4,811,700	\$ 8,105,800	\$ 987,300	\$ 13,904,800	\$ 563,000,000
2012	6,530,600	6,072,700	1,990,600	14,593,900	567,000,000
2013	5,602,500	5,461,500	5,512,600	16,576,600	587,000,000
2014	3,497,700	7,499,100	4,534,600	15,531,400	588,000,000
2015	3,759,500	6,359,300	2,580,800	12,699,600	590,000,000
2016	1,584,500	10,808,800	2,159,200	14,552,500	618,000,000
2017	3,068,200	7,449,800	1,528,300	12,046,300	615,000,000
2018	1,508,500	7,768,900	2,644,900	11,922,300	620,000,000
2019	825,000	7,367,600	2,114,000	10,306,600	616,277,000
2020	1,177,500	7,674,700	1,756,400	10,608,600	691,000,000

(1) Source: Freeborn County Assessor

(2) Source: FDIC Summary of Deposits for Freeborn County

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

COUNTY EMPLOYEES BY DEPARTMENT

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
General Fund										
Commissioners	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Courts	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Administration	5.50	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.60	6.60	8.00	8.00
Auditor/Treasurer	8.50	8.50	10.00	8.50	7.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Assessor	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Motor Vehicle	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Information Technology	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Attorney	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Recorder	5.00	5.00	6.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Maintenance	6.50	7.00	6.50	7.50	6.50	6.50	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00
Veterans Service	2.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	2.50	2.50	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Medical Death Investigators	-	-	6.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sheriff (1)	35.00	33.50	33.50	26.50	23.00	21.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00
Dispatch (2)	-	-	-	-	9.00	8.00	7.00	8.00	10.00	10.00
Boat and Water Safety	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transport Deputies (1)	-	-	-	6.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	6.00
Detention Center	41.00	38.00	36.00	38.00	33.00	35.00	40.00	37.00	36.00	36.00
Court Services	8.50	9.00	10.00	9.00	11.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Emergency Management	-	-	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Public Health	23.00	26.00	25.50	26.00	25.00	24.00	31.00	33.00	36.00	36.00
Public Works	1.00	1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Extension	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Environmental Services	7.50	7.50	7.50	9.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Total General Fund	174.50	175.50	182.50	183.50	174.00	174.00	194.60	197.60	202.00	202.00
Road and Bridge Fund										
Road and Bridge	30.00	32.50	33.50	34.00	34.00	35.00	36.00	34.00	32.00	32.00
Social Services Fund										
Social Services	82.50	79.00	80.00	81.50	84.00	91.00	88.00	88.00	89.00	89.00
Ditch Fund										
Ditch	0.50	0.50	1.00	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	1.00
Total Employees	287.50	287.50	297.00	299.50	292.50	301.00	319.60	320.60	323.00	324.00

The above numbers represent full time employee equivalents

(1) Transport Deputies and Sheriff split into two departments in 2014

(2) City turned 911 Dispatch Center over to the County in 2015

Source: Freeborn County Administration

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

LABOR AGREEMENTS

Union	Number of Employees (1)	Contract Term
American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO Council 65, Local 1018A	80	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Minnesota Public Employees Association (Detention Deputies)	25	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Minnesota Public Employees Association (Patrol Deputies)	12	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Minnesota Public Employees Association (Detention Sergeants)	5	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Minnesota Public Employees' Association (Patrol Sergeants)	3	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc. (Dispatch)	10	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Minnesota Public Employees Association (Detectives)	2	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Minnesota Public Employees Association (Transport)	5	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Teamsters Local 320 (Jail Programmers)	2	1.1.19 - 12.31.21
Non Union	182	
Total	324.00	

(1) As of 4-28-21 and includes part-time and full-time employees

Source: County Administration

(Unaudited)

FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS
CURRENT AND NINE YEARS AGO

Employer	Business/Service	2020			2011		
		Number of Employees	Rank	Percent of Total Employees	Number of Employees	Rank	Percent of Total Employees
Mayo Clinic Health Systems	Medical Services	1,000	1	6.5 %	1,131	1	7.3 %
Albert Lea Area Schools	Education	635	2	4.1	463	2	3.0
Albert Lea Select Foods	Meat Processing	530	3	3.5	390	3	2.5
Innovance (Lou-Rich & Almco)	Metal Fabrication	379	4	2.5	276	9	1.8
St. John's Lutheran Home	Nursing Care Facilities	330	5	2.1	292	6	1.9
Freeborn County	Local Government	324	6	2.1	270	10	1.7
Hy-Vee	Retailer	307	7	2.0	285	7	1.8
Cargill	Food Processor	263	8	1.7	353	4	2.3
Wal-Mart	Retailer	230	9	1.5	-	-	-
Mrs. Gerry's	Food Processor	225	10	1.5	-	-	-
Riverland Community College	Post Secondary Education	-	-	-	296	5	1.9
Good Samaritan Center	Outpatient Care Center	-	-	-	285	8	1.8
All Other Employees		<u>11,126</u>		<u>72.5</u>	<u>11,521</u>		<u>74.0</u>
Total Employees		<u>15,349</u>		<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>15,562</u>		<u>100.0 %</u>

Source: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, most current information available

(Unaudited)

FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

POPULATION GROWTH COMPARISONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Year	Freeborn County			State of Minnesota		
	Population	Percent Increase (Decrease)	Households	Percent Increase (Decrease)	Population	Percent Increase (Decrease)
2011	31,160	(0.3) %	13,195	0.1 %	5,332,246	0.5 %
2012	31,027	(0.4)	13,179	(0.1)	5,368,972	0.7
2013	30,917	(0.4)	13,143	(0.3)	5,417,838	0.9
2014	30,831	(0.2)	13,123	(0.2)	5,489,594	1.3
2015	30,642	(0.6)	13,071	(0.4)	5,490,216	0.0
2016	30,446	(0.6)	13,046	(0.2)	5,525,050	0.6
2017	30,550	0.3	13,121	0.6	5,576,606	0.9
2018	30,495	(0.2)	13,110	(0.1)	5,629,416	0.9
2019	30,281	(0.7)	13,009	(0.8)	5,639,632	0.2
2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: State Demographer

N/A - This information is not yet available.

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**PERCENTAGE OF REGISTERED VOTERS VOTING
LAST TEN ELECTIONS**

Primary Elections				General Election			
Date	Total			Date	Total		
	Registered Voters	Number Voting	Percentage Voting		Registered Voters	Number Voting	Percentage Voting
Sept. 10, 2002	18,236	7,525	41.3	Nov. 5, 2002	18,512	15,987	86.4
Sept. 14, 2004	18,659	4,219	22.6	Nov. 2, 2004	18,918	17,775	94.0
Sept. 12, 2006	19,264	3,861	20.0	Nov. 7, 2006	19,378	15,252	78.7
Sept. 09, 2008	19,189	4,081	21.3	Nov. 4, 2008	19,376	17,369	89.6
Aug. 10, 2010	18,627	5,841	31.4	Nov. 2, 2010	18,716	13,564	72.5
Aug. 14, 2012	17,714	2,813	15.9	Nov. 6, 2012	17,946	16,817	93.7
Aug. 12, 2014	17,563	3,889	22.1	Nov. 4, 2014	17,709	12,528	70.7
Aug. 10, 2016	17,282	1,421	8.2	Nov. 8, 2016	17,920	16,195	90.4
Aug. 14, 2018	17,575	4,831	27.5	Nov. 6, 2018	17,716	14,109	79.6
Mar. 3, 2020	17,962	4,512	25.1	Nov. 3, 2020	19,689	16,894	85.8

Source: Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer

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**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA**

**UNEMPLOYMENT, INCOME AND ECONOMIC VITALITY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Year	Unemployment Percentages (1)			Personal	Per Capita Personal Income (2)		
	Freeborn County	State of Minnesota	United States	Income (2) Freeborn County	Freeborn County	State of Minnesota	United States
2011	6.6 %	6.4 %	8.9 %	\$ 1,232,138,000	\$ 39,605	\$ 45,220	\$ 42,332
2012	5.8	5.5	8.1	1,273,548,000	40,998	47,377	44,200
2013	5.0	4.8	7.4	1,224,806,000	39,576	47,500	44,765
2014	4.2	4.0	6.2	1,245,146,000	40,374	48,711	46,129
2015	3.7	3.7	4.8	1,204,670,000	39,407	51,146	48,451
2016	4.4	4.0	4.5	1,219,212,000	40,045	52,038	49,246
2017	4.0	3.4	3.9	1,264,313,000	41,405	54,359	51,640
2018	3.9	3.2	3.7	1,394,588,000	45,808	57,566	54,446
2019	3.7	3.5	3.4	1,433,993,000	47,356	59,683	56,663
2020	3.4	4.6	6.5	N/A	N/A	61,540	59,729

(1) Minnesota Department of Economic Security

(2) Per Bureau of Economic Analysis

N/A - This information is not yet available.

(Unaudited)

**FREEBORN COUNTY
ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA
OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION
LAST NINE FISCAL YEARS**

Function/Program	Fiscal Year									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
General Government										
New Hires (Regular Employees)	15	19	29	33	51	42	42	36	31	27
New Hires (Temporary/Seasonal)	-	2	3	10	12	3	6	3	7	18
Total Employees Supported	286	288	297	300	292	301	319	321	323	324
Number of Parcels in County	22,855	22,943	22,989	23,010	23,060	23,024	23,057	23,110	23,253	23,314
Number of Permits in County	286	305	270	267	248	244	281	264	299	373
Adult Felony	157	197	273	305	286	300	356	398	271	334
Juvenile Felony	25	16	21	35	19	28	16	33	25	20
Adult GM	164	127	114	151	177	194	256	344	191	205
Juvenile GM	9	16	13	15	14	9	15	14	7	7
Adult Misdemeanor	377	358	340	419	380	319	255	306	537	201
Juvenile Misdemeanor	228	170	162	154	124	123	128	165	116	64
Chips	-	62	54	66	85	82	78	83	120	76
Number of Technology Requests Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9,100	9,035	1,350	9,748
Number of GIS External Services Provided	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	95	95	195	347	373
Office Visits - Veterans Services	N/A	2,341	2,082	2,222	2,183	2,278	2,102	1,859	1,760	741
Letters - Veterans Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	816	1,429	1,403	1,471	1,244	822
Phone Calls - Veterans Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5,402	5,491	5,188	4,927	4,864	5,890
Transported Veterans to VA Medical Center	N/A	1,061	1,022	949	786	800	789	983	836	295
Deceased Veterans	N/A	86	63	76	134	93	92	96	82	126
New Veterans	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	115	114	98	89	61
Public Safety										
Adults on Supervision at End of Year	760	705	717	922	710	604	632	621	725	577
Juveniles on Supervision at End of Year	186	226	220	255	133	154	158	152	140	137
Community Service Hours Done by Offenders	8,020	8,274	8,645	6,538	7,034	7,226	7,025	7,105	6,646	6,096
Investigations (Pre-Sentence, Pre-Trial, Pre-Release)	492	366	316	348	438	320	330	303	319	247
Social Services										
Minnesota Healthcare Cases	2,113	2,492	2,618	2,362	2,593	3,723	3,741	4,050	3,730	4,484
Health										
Number of Children Enrolled in Infant Follow-Along Program	766	721	318	319	301	282	266	223	230	218
Number of Emergency Preparedness Exercises	N/A	3	4	8	6	3	4	7	6	2
Number of Youth Participated in Public Health Sponsored Smoking Cessation Classes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Conservation Of Natural Resources										
Extension Services Volunteers	132	180	130	131	137	153	283	202	198	150
Extension Services 4-H Enrollment	553	405	570	413	625	526	853	716	775	450
Extension Services 4-H Participants	2,891	4,444	2,138	2,531	2,464	2,292	2,843	3,646	3,652	2,214
Extension Services Nutrition Direct Participants	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Extension Services Nutrition Direct Contacts	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Environmental Services										
Landfill Tons	24,770	21,241	21,217	17,065	19,333	20,593	18,813	22,155	22,078	24,485
Demolition	-	8,256	4,379	8,648	9,751	9,127	945	642	622	781
Recycling Tons	17,080	17,415	16,628	15,716	17,601	13,286	7,192	7,643	5,548	7,101

Note: Ten years of data will be reported going forward as accurate information becomes available.

N/A - No data available.

Source: Various County Departments

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CAPITAL ASSETS STATISTICS BY FUNCTION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	Fiscal Year									
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
General government buildings	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
Highways:										
Miles	634	634	634	634	634	634	634	634	634	634
Buildings	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10
Culture and Recreation:										
Parks acreage	256	256	256	256	256	256	256	256	256	256
Miles	-	-	-	-	13	13	13	13	13	13
County parks	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

Source: Freeborn County Highway and Administration Departments