

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
Leesville, Louisiana

Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable John S. Craft
Vernon Parish Sheriff
Leesville, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Vernon Parish Sheriff, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Sheriff'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.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my 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 I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of 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 auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, I 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.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Opinions

In my 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 the Vernon Parish Sheriff, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position 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 Budgetary Comparison Schedule and the related notes, the Schedule of Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, the Schedule of Vernon Parish Sheriff's Contributions to Pension Plan, and the Schedule of Sheriff's Proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I 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 my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I 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.

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing 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 statement in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Sheriff's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), and the other information, 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 accompanying supplementary information, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 my opinion, the accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Supplementary Information

The Sheriff Affidavit on page 42 and the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head on page 43 are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the Sheriff Affidavit and the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated November 15, 2021, on my consideration of the Vernon Parish Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Vernon Parish Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



West Monroe, Louisiana
November 15, 2021

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<i>Assets</i>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	S 3,820,418
Accounts Receivable	160,246
Capital Assets:	
Non Depreciable	129,390
Depreciable	<u>852,611</u>
Total Assets	<u>4,962,665</u>
<i>Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	
Resources Related to Pensions	2,270,005
OPEB Related	4,737,524
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Accounts Payable	S 641,028
Long-Term Liabilities	
Compensated Absences	272,057
Net Post Employment Benefit Obligation	17,897,886
Net Pension Liability	<u>4,113,380</u>
Total Liabilities	22,924,351
<i>Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	
Resources Related to Pensions	1,079,874
OPEB Related	792,270
<i>Net Position</i>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	982,001
Net Position - Unrestricted	<u>(13,808,302)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>S (12,826,301)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>
Governmental Activities:					
Public Safety	\$ 11,735,357	\$ 2,133,578	\$ 2,480,937	\$ -	(7,120,842)
Interest Expense	17,077	-	-	-	(17,077)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 11,752,434</u>	<u>\$ 2,133,578</u>	<u>\$ 2,480,937</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (7,137,919)</u>

General Revenues:	
Property tax levied for public safety	\$ 2,994,642
Sales tax levied for public safety	3,811,820
State Revenue Sharing	229,696
Other	222,649
Interest Earned	3,290
Total General Revenues	<u>7,262,097</u>
Changes in Net Position	124,178
Net Position - Beginning	<u>(12,950,479)</u>
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u>\$ (12,826,301)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

Balance Sheet, Governmental Funds
June 30, 2021

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 3,179,978	\$ 640,440	\$ 3,820,418
Accounts Receivable	160,246	-	160,246
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 3,340,224</u>	<u>\$ 640,440</u>	<u>\$ 3,980,664</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 360,367	\$ -	\$ 360,367
Due to Other Agencies	280,661	-	280,661
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	<u>641,028</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>641,028</u>
<u>Fund Balance</u>			
Assigned	-	640,440	640,440
Unassigned	2,699,196	-	2,699,196
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>\$ 3,340,224</u>	<u>\$ 640,440</u>	<u>\$ 3,980,664</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
JUNE 30, 2021

**Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of the Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Position**

*Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are
different because:*

Fund Balance, Governmental Funds:	\$ 3,339,636
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	982,001
Net pension liability does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore is not reported in the funds.	(4,113,380)
Long-term obligations are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the fund statements:	
Compensated Absences	(272,057)
Net OPEB obligation	(17,897,886)
The net effect of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	<u>5,135,385</u>
Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ (12,826,301)</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Total
<u>Revenues</u>			
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 2,994,642	\$ -	\$ 2,994,642
Sales Taxes	3,811,820	-	3,811,820
Intergovernmental Revenue			
Federal	1,102,667	-	1,102,667
State	411,868	-	411,868
Local	700,386	-	700,386
State Revenue Sharing	229,696	-	229,696
Fees, Charges & Services			
Fees - 911	-	832,650	832,650
Licenses	62,029	-	62,029
Fines & Costs	382,749	-	382,749
Civil	190,244	-	190,244
Housing Prisoners	662,958	-	662,958
Use of Money - Interest Earning	3,290	-	3,290
Other	225,445	-	225,445
TOTAL REVENUES	10,777,794	832,650	11,610,444
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Public Safety:			
Personal Services and Related Benefits	7,230,154	510,678	7,740,832
Operating Services	1,562,150	113,631	1,675,781
Materials and Supplies	231,201	-	231,201
Travel and Other Charges	9,653	-	9,653
Debt Service			
Principal	1,250,000	-	1,250,000
Interest and Bank Charges	17,077	-	17,077
Capital Outlay	269,716	9,082	278,798
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,569,951	633,391	11,203,342
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Proceeds from Bank Loan	1,250,000	-	1,250,000
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</u>			
	1,457,843	199,259	1,657,102
<u>Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year</u>	1,241,353	441,181	1,682,534
<u>FUND BALANCE - END OF THE YEAR</u>	\$ 2,699,196	\$ 640,440	\$ 3,339,636

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VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
To the Statement of Activities**

*Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities
are different because:*

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ 1,657,102
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. however, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is depreciated over their estimated useful lives.		
Expenditures for capital assets	47,318	
Less current year asset deletions	-	
Less current year depreciation	<u>(152,931)</u>	(105,613)
Additional loan proceeds is an other financing source in the governmental funds, but the loans increase long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.		
		(1,250,000)
Repayment of loan and lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.		
		1,250,000
Governmental funds report current year pension contributions as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, these contributions are reported as deferred inflows of resources and the Sheriff's proportionate share of the plans pension expense is reported as pension expense.		
		249,485
Payments of long-term debt, including contributions to the OPEB obligation, are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, these amounts are a reduction of long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and are not reflected in the Statement of Activities:		
Change in compensated absences payable	(51,279)	
Nonemployer contributions to pension plan	<u>(1,625,517)</u>	
Changes in net position of governmental activities		<u>\$ 124,178</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
FIDUCIARY FUND DESCRIPTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Sheriff's Fund – Accounts for funds held in civil suits, sheriff's sales, and garnishments. It also accounts for collection of bonds, fines, and costs and payments of these collections to the recipients in accordance with applicable laws. The Sheriff's Fund is comprised of the Civil, Bonds, Fines and Costs Funds, and the Probation Fund for the Sheriff.

Tax Collector Fund – Article V, Section 27, of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 provides that the Sheriff will serve as the collector of state and parish taxes and fees. The Tax Collector fund accounts for the collection and distribution of these taxes and fees to the appropriate taxing bodies.

Inmate Fund – Accounts for money deposited by various prison inmates while incarcerated by the Sheriff. Withdrawals are made for purchases by the inmates. Remaining balances to the credit of a prisoner are refunded upon release or transfer to another prison.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
June 30 , 2021

	<u>Sheriff's Fund</u>	<u>Inmate Trust Fund</u>	<u>Tax Collector Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 976,034	\$ 48,298	\$ 957,344	\$ 1,981,676
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>976,034</u>	<u>48,298</u>	<u>957,344</u>	<u>1,981,676</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Deposits Due Others	976,034	48,298	957,344	1,981,676
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 976,034</u>	<u>\$ 48,298</u>	<u>\$ 957,344</u>	<u>\$ 1,981,676</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES - AGENCY FUNDS STATEMENT OF
CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION DUE TO TAXING
BODIES AND OTHERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Sheriff's Fund	Inmate Trust Fund	Tax Collector Fund	Total
<u>BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</u>	\$ 993,479	\$ 21,644	\$ 940,219	\$ 1,955,342
<u>ADDITIONS</u>				
Deposits:				
Bonds	44,583	-	-	44,583
Fines and Costs	88,778	-	-	88,778
Advance Deposits	865,498	-	-	865,498
Taxes, Fees, Etc. paid to Tax Collector	-	-	19,966,203	19,966,203
Interest Earned	266	-	82,153	82,419
Inmate Deposits	-	254,540	-	254,540
TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>999,125</u>	<u>254,540</u>	<u>20,048,356</u>	<u>21,302,021</u>
 TOTAL AVAILABLE	 1,992,604	 276,184	 20,988,575	 23,257,363
<u>REDUCTIONS</u>				
Taxes, Fees, Etc. Distributed	35,269	-	19,965,941	20,001,210
Deposits Settled To:	-	-	-	-
Sheriff's General Fund	590,475	-	-	590,475
Police Jury	5,829	-	-	5,829
District Attorney	15,482	-	-	15,482
Clerk of Court	5,829	-	-	5,829
Indigent Defender Board	17,550	-	-	17,550
Attorneys, Appraisers, Etc.	-	-	-	-
Other Settlements	346,136	-	65,290	411,426
Withdrawals by/for Inmates	-	227,886	-	227,886
TOTAL REDUCTIONS	<u>1,016,570</u>	<u>227,886</u>	<u>20,031,231</u>	<u>21,275,687</u>
 BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	 <u>\$ 976,034</u>	 <u>\$ 48,298</u>	 <u>\$ 957,344</u>	 <u>\$ 1,981,676</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

INTRODUCTION

As provided by Article V, Section 27 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the sheriff serves a four-year term as the chief executive officer of the law enforcement district and ex-officio tax collector of the parish. The Sheriff administers the parish jail system and exercises duties required by the parish court system, such as providing bailiffs, executing orders of the court, and serving subpoenas.

As the chief law enforcement officer of the parish, the Sheriff has the responsibility for enforcing state and local laws and ordinances within the territorial boundaries of the parish. The Sheriff provides protection to the residents of the parish through on-site patrols and investigations and serves the residents of the parish through establishment of neighborhood watch programs, anti-drug abuse programs, etc. In addition, when requested, the Sheriff provides assistance to other law enforcement agencies within Vernon and surrounding parishes.

As the ex-officio tax collector of the parish, the Sheriff is responsible for collecting and distributing ad valorem property taxes, state revenue sharing funds, sporting licenses, and fines, costs, and bond forfeitures imposed by the district court.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial statements of the Vernon Parish Sheriff have been prepared in conformity with governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments, issued in June 1999.

B. REPORTING ENTITY

GASB Statement 14, *The Reporting Entity*, established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. Under provisions of this Statement, the Vernon Parish Sheriff is considered a primary government, since it is a special purpose government that has a separately elected official, is legally separate, and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. As described in GASB Statement No. 14, fiscally independent means that the Sheriff may, without the approval or consent of another governmental entity, determine or modify its own budget, levy its own taxes or set rates or charges, and issue bonded debt. The Sheriff also has no component units, as other legally separate organizations for which the Sheriff is financially accountable. There are no other primary governments with which the Sheriff has a significant relationship.

For financial reporting purposes, in conformance with GASB Codification Section 2100, the Sheriff includes all funds, account groups, and activities that are controlled by the Sheriff as an independently elected official. As such, the Sheriff is solely responsible for the operations of his office, which include the hiring and retention of employees, authority over budgeting, responsibility for deficits, and the receipt and disbursement of funds. This report only includes all funds which are controlled by or dependent upon the Vernon Parish Sheriff.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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C. BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - GOVERNMENT - WIDE STATEMENTS

The Government-Wide Financial Statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements report financial information for the Sheriff as a whole.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the Sheriff, except for fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are reported only in the Statement of Fiduciary of Assets and Liabilities at the fund financial statement level.

In the Statement of Net Position, governmental activities are presented on a consolidated basis and are presented on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term obligations. Net position is reported in three parts; net investment in capital assets, net of any related debt; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position.

D. BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial transactions of the Sheriff are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Sheriff. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. Funds are classified into two categories; governmental and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types". Governmental funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held for others. The Sheriff's current operations require the use of only governmental and fiduciary funds. The governmental and fiduciary fund types used by the Sheriff are described as follows:

Government Fund Types

General Fund - The General Fund, as provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 13:781, is the principal fund of the Sheriff and is used to account for the operations of the Sheriff's office. The various fees and charges due to the Sheriff's office are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund. The general fund is the only fund classified as a major fund.

Special Revenue Funds - The Inmate Commissary Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources such as sales to inmates. The Vernon Communication District Fund is used to account for the operations of the Parish E911 service. Those revenues are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Fiduciary Fund Type - Agency Funds

The agency funds are used as depositories for civil suits, cash bonds, taxes, fees, et cetera. Disbursements from the funds are made to various parish agencies, litigants, et cetera, in the manner prescribed by law. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

E. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the Balance Sheet. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Governmental funds and the agency fund use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The Vernon Parish Sheriff considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Those revenues susceptible to accrual include ad valorem taxes, state revenue sharing, interest revenue, commissions, and charges for services. Federal, state and local aid and grants are recorded when the Sheriff is entitled to the funds.

Other intergovernmental revenues are accrued, when their receipt occurs soon enough after the end of the accounting period so as to be both measurable and available. All miscellaneous revenues are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred except that principal and interest on general long-term debt is recognized when due.

F. BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control. The Vernon Parish Sheriff prepares and adopts a budget each year for its general fund in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes. The operating budget is prepared based on prior year's revenues and expenditures and the estimated increase therein for the current year, using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The budget is legally adopted and amended, as necessary, by the Sheriff. All Budget appropriations lapse at year end. Budget amounts included in the accompanying financial statements include the original budget and all subsequent amendments.

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G. SALES TAX

The voters of Vernon Parish approved a one-half percent (½%) sales tax effective April 1, 2004, dedicated for the purpose of providing additional funding for the law enforcement district. The tax is perpetual. The Vernon Parish Sales Tax Department collects the tax and remits to the Sheriff. For this service the Sheriff pays a pro-rata share of administrative expense of the tax collection.

H. ENCUMBRANCES

Encumbrance accounting is not used in the Sheriff's operations.

I. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, and time deposits. Under state law, the sheriff must deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana. Tax collections must be deposited in a bank domiciled in the parish where the funds are collected.

J. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The sheriff maintains a threshold level of \$5,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

Capital assets are recorded in the GWFS, but are not reported in the FFS. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public purposes by the Sheriff, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Depreciation</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Vehicles	5 Years
Furniture & Fixtures	10-20 Years
Buildings	40 Years

K. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Sheriff's office is exposed to various risks related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Louisiana law provides that the Sheriff may join with other Sheriffs to form an interlocal risk management agency for the development and administration of an interlocal risk management program. The Vernon Parish Sheriff has joined together with other Sheriffs to form the Louisiana Sheriff's Risk Management Program, a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for Louisiana Sheriffs. The Sheriff pays an annual premium to the pool for its general and professional liability insurance coverage.

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K. RISK MANAGEMENT – Continued

The agreement for formation of the Louisiana Sheriff's Risk Management Program, administered by the Louisiana Sheriff's Association, provides for the pool to be self-sustaining through member premiums and will reinsure through commercial companies for claims in excess of \$3,000,000 for each insured event. The Sheriff estimates the range of contingent losses, if any, to be borne by the government will not exceed the available insurance coverage. The Louisiana Sheriff's Risk Management Program has published its own financial report which can be obtained from the Louisiana Sheriff's Association, 1175 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, La 70804.

In addition to the above, the Sheriff has obtained commercial insurance for all the aforementioned risks and settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

L. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Full-time deputies of the Sheriff's office, depending on length of service, earn from 5 to 20 days of vacation and sick leave each year. Vacation leave must be taken in the year earned. Accumulated sick leave is not paid upon termination of employment. At June 30, 2021, there are no accumulated and vested benefits relating to vacation and sick leave that require disclosure or accrual to conform with generally accepted accounting principles.

Comp. time is earned for overtime hours worked. The comp time is calculated based on 1 ½ time of hourly rate (including supplemental pay). Comp time is taken by time off, however, comp time earned and accrued is paid upon termination of the employee. Comp time earned in excess of 480 hours must be paid to the employee. Comp time is measured by any amounts actually paid in the government funds. The comp time is measured when actually earned in the government-wide statements and comp time earned and not paid is recorded as a liability. Comp time earned and accrued at June 30, 2021 totaled \$272,057.

M. BAD DEBTS

Uncollectible accounts receivable are charged directly against earnings when they are determined to be uncollectible. Use of this method does not result in a material difference from the valuation method required by generally accepted accounting principles. Management feels all receivables at year end are collectable and no allowance for bad debts is necessary.

N. ESTIMATES

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

O. EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS - GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The Sheriff reports three categories of net position, as follows:

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O. EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS - GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS - Continued

- **Net Investment in capital assets** - consists of net capital assets reduced by outstanding balances of any related debt obligations and deferred inflows of resources attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets and increase by balances of deferred outflows of resources related to those assets.

- **Restricted net position** - net position is considered restricted if their use is constrained to a particular purpose. Restrictions are imposed by external organizations such as federal or state laws or buyers of the Sheriff's bonds. Restricted net position is reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to the restricted assets.

- **Unrestricted net position** - consists of all other net position that does not meet the definition of the above two components and is available for general use by the Sheriff.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available, management applies unrestricted net position first, unless a determination is made to use restricted net position. The Sheriff's policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use and legal requirements. Management typically makes this decision on a transactional basis at the incurrence of the expenditure.

P. FUND EQUITY OF FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Accounting standards require governmental fund balances to be reported in as many as five classifications as listed below:

Nonspendable - represents amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted - represents balances where constraints have been established by parties outside the Sheriff's office or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - represents balances that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Sheriff's highest level of decision-making authority.

Assigned - represents balances that are constrained by the Sheriff's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are not restricted nor committed.

Unassigned - represents balances that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

When expenditures are incurred for the purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available, the Sheriff's office reduces restricted amounts first, followed by unrestricted amounts. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which committed, assigned and unassigned amounts are available, the Sheriff's office reduces committed amounts first, followed by assigned amounts and then unassigned amounts.

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Q. PENSION PLANS

The Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office is a participating employer in a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan as described in Note 6. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of each of the plans, and additions to/deductions for the plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments have been reported at fair value within the plan.

R. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The sheriff follows GASB Statement No. 75 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions", which requires the accrual of other postemployment benefits for retired employees. The sheriff has recorded a liability for other postemployment benefits (see Note 7). In the government-wide financial statements, the other postemployment benefits liability is recorded as an expense and non-current liability and allocated on a functional basis. In the fund financial statements, other postemployment benefit expenditures are recognized in the amount contributed to the plan or expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. Expendable available financial resources generally refer to other postemployment benefit payments due and payable as of the end of the year.

NOTE 2 - LEVIED TAXES

Act 689 of the regular session of the Louisiana Legislature of 1976 provided initial financing authorization for the levy of an ad valorem tax millage for the law enforcement district. Voters of the district subsequently approved an increase in the ad valorem tax beyond initial authorization. The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes:

	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Authorized Millage</u>	<u>Levied Millage</u>
Law Enforcement District	Indefinite	12.37	12.37
Law Enforcement District	2030	7.92	7.92

NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purpose of these financial statements, the Sheriff considers cash and cash equivalents to be amounts held in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, and time deposits.

At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$5,802,094 as follows:

	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>	<u>Statement of Fiduciary Asset & Liabilities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petty Cash	\$ 730	\$ -	\$ 730
Demand Deposits	<u>3,819,688</u>	<u>1,981,676</u>	<u>5,801,364</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 3,820,418</u>	<u>\$1,981,676</u>	<u>\$ 5,802,094</u>

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NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS – Continued

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent bank. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff has \$5,686,608 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$500,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$8,678,098 was collateralized by securities by pledging banks in the Sheriff's name.

NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES

The receivables at June 30, 2021, are as follows:

<u>Class of Receivable</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Grant Reimbursements	\$ 22,952	\$ -	\$ 22,952
Ad Valorem and Sales Tax	5,752	-	5,752
License	10,200	-	10,200
Fees, Charges, and Commissions for Services	30,950	-	39,950
Feeding and Keeping of Prisoners	44,643	-	44,643
Other	45,749	-	45,749
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 160,246</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 160,246</u>

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2021 follows:

	<u>Balance June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2021</u>
<u>Capital Assets</u>				
Vehicles	\$ 255,951	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 255,951
Furniture & Equipment	604,589	65,155	(17,837)	651,907
Buildings	2,194,053	-	-	2,194,053
Land	129,390	-	-	129,390
	<u>\$3,183,983</u>	<u>\$ 65,155</u>	<u>\$(17,837)</u>	<u>\$3,231,301</u>
<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>				
Vehicles	\$ (200,628)	\$ (51,190)	\$ -	\$ (251,818)
Furniture & Equipment	(414,756)	(61,429)	14,539	(461,646)
Buildings	(1,480,985)	(54,851)	-	(1,535,836)
	<u>(2,096,369)</u>	<u>(167,470)</u>	<u>14,539</u>	<u>(2,249,300)</u>
<u>Net Capital Assets</u>	<u>\$ 1,087,614</u>	<u>\$ (102,315)</u>	<u>\$(3,298)</u>	<u>\$ 982,001</u>

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NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN

Substantially all employees of the Vernon Parish Sheriff's office are members of the Louisiana Sheriffs Pension and Relief Fund (the System), a multiple-employer (cost sharing), public employee retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. All sheriffs and deputies who are found to be physically fit, earn at least \$400 per month, and who were at least 18 years of age at the time of original employment are required to participate in the System. Employees are eligible to retire at or after age 55 with at least 12 years of credited service and receive a benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to percentage of their final-average salary for each year of credited service. Final - average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. Employees who terminate with at least 12 years of service and do not withdraw employee contributions may retire at or after age 55 and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination as indicated previously. Employees who terminate with at least 20 years of credited service are also eligible to elect early benefits between ages 50 and 55 with reduced benefits equal to the actuarial equivalent of the benefit to which they would otherwise be entitled at age 55. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund, 6554 Florida Boulevard, Suite 215, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806, or by calling (800) 586-9049.

Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 10.25 percent of their annual covered salary and the Vernon Parish Sheriff is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 12.25 percent of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the System also include one-half of one percent of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish and funds as required and available from insurance premium taxes. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Vernon Parish Sheriff are established and may be amended by state statute.

As provided by Louisiana Revised Statue 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Vernon Parish Sheriff's contributions to the System for the years ended June 30, 2019, 2020 and 2021 were \$550,860, \$537,503 and \$535,984, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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

At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported a liability of \$4,113,380 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the system. 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 Sheriff's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Sheriff's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the Sheriff's proportion was .594320% which was a decrease of .050132% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Sheriff recognized pension expense of \$535,523 representing its proportionate share of the system's net expense, including amortization of deferred amounts.

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NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows Of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ (480,771)
Changes of assumptions	1,011,029	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	722,992	-
Changes in proportion and differences between Employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions -	(599,103)	
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>535,984</u>	-
Total	<u>\$2,270,005</u>	<u>\$(1,079,874)</u>

The Sheriff reported a total of \$535,984 as deferred outflow of resources related to pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement period of June 30, 2020 which will be recognized as a reduction in net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year	
2020	\$ 20,770
2021	233,453
2022	268,135
2023	189,269
2024	<u>(30,315)</u>
	<u>\$ 681,312</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

A Summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 is as follows:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Method
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of investment expense
Discount Rate	7.00%
Projected Salary Increases	5.0 % (2.5% inflation, 2.5% merit)
Mortality Rates Below-	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Median employees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for active members, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.

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NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Healthy Retirees multiplied by 120% males and 115% females for annuitants and beneficiaries, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Disabled Retirees multiplied by 120% for males and 115% for females for disabled annuitants, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.

Expected Remaining Service Lives	2020 – 6 years
	2019 – 6 years
	2018 - 6 years
	2017 - 7 years
	2016 - 7 years
	2015 – 6 years

Cost of Living Adjustments The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

Changes in Valuation	The discount rate was lowered from 7.1% to 7.00% for
Methods and Assumptions	the year ended June 30, 2020.

The mortality rate assumptions were set after reviewing an experience study performed over the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019. The data was then assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. This mortality was then projected forward to a period equivalent to the estimated duration of the Fund's liabilities. Annuity values calculated based on this mortality were compared to those produced by using a setback of standard tables. The result of the procedure indicated that these tables would produce liability values approximating the appropriate generational mortality tables used.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

Estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class based on the Fund's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020, were as follows:

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NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Real Return Arithmetic Basis</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Equity Securities	62%	7.1%	4.40%
Bonds	23%	3.0%	0.70%
Alternative Investments	15%	4.6%	0.60%
Total	<u>100%</u>		5.70%
Inflation			<u>2.40%</u>
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return			<u>8.10%</u>

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates, approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the Fund's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the Sheriff's proportionate share of the net pension liability (NPL) using the discount rate of each Retirement System as well as what the Sheriff's proportionate share of the NPL would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate used by each of the Retirement Systems:

	<u>1.0% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u>	<u>1.0% Increase</u>
LSPRF			
Rates	6.00%	7.0%	8.0%
VPSO Share of NPL	\$7,471,326	\$4,113,380	\$1,313,017

Change in Net Pension Liability

The differences between expected and actual experience with regard to economic or demographic factors in the measurement of the pension liability, changes of assumptions about future economic or demographic factors, and changes in the employer's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability and collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources since the prior measurement date were recognized in pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided pensions through the pension plan.

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NOTE 7 - CHANGES IN GENERAL LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Balance June 30, <u>2020</u>	<u>Additional</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance June 30, <u>2021</u>	Amounts Due Within <u>One Year</u>
Tax Anticipation Loan	\$ -	\$1,250,000	\$(1,250,000)	\$ -	\$ -
Compensated Absences	<u>220,778</u>	<u>217,096</u>	<u>(165,817)</u>	<u>272,057</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$220,778</u>	<u>\$1,467,096</u>	<u>\$(1,415,817)</u>	<u>\$ 272,057</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 8 – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description – The Vernon Parish Sheriff’s Office (the Sheriff) provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The Vernon Parish Sheriff’s OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the Sheriff. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with the Sheriff. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Benefits Provided – Medical, dental and life insurance benefits are provided through comprehensive plans and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Employees retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: attainment of 30 years of service at any age, or age 55 and 12 years of service if earlier; or, for employees hired after January 1st, 2012, the earliest of age 55 and 30 years of service, age 60 and 20 years of service, and age 62 with 12 years of service. Notwithstanding this there is a minimum service requirement of 15 years for benefits.

Life insurance coverage is provided to retirees and 100% of the blended rate (active and retired) is paid by the employer for the amount \$10,000. The amount of insurance coverage while active is continued after retirement, but insurance coverage amounts are reduced to 75% of the original amount at age 65 and to 50% of the original amount at age 70.

Employees covered by benefit terms – At June 30, 2021, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	44
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	<u>117</u>
	<u>161</u>

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**NOTE 8 – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS -
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Total OPEB Liability

The Sheriff's total OPEB liability of \$17,897,886 was measured as of June 30, 2021 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	3.0%, including inflation
Prior discount rate	2.21%
Discount rate	2.16% annually
Healthcare cost trend rates	5.5% annually until year 2030, then 4.5%
Mortality	SOA RP-2014 Table

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of June 30, 2021, the end of the applicable measurement period.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2021.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at June 30, 2020	<u>\$16,006,201</u>
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	475,684
Interest	358,993
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,153,892
Changes in assumptions	168,783
Benefit payments and net transfers	<u>(265,667)</u>
Net changes	<u>1,891,685</u>
Balance at June 30, 2021	<u><u>\$17,897,886</u></u>

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Sheriff, as well as what the Sheriff's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (1.16%) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.16%) than the current discount rate:

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	1.0% Decrease (1.16%)	Current Discount Rate (2.16%)	1.0% Increase (3.16%)
Total OPEB liability	\$21,459,066	\$17,897,886	\$15,128,145

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Sheriff, as well as what the Sheriff’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

	1.0% Decrease (4.5%)	Current Trend (5.5%)	1.0% Increase (6.5%)
Total OPEB liability	\$15,497,512	\$17,897,886	\$20,964,043

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

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Sheriff recognized OPEB expense of \$1,372,344. At June 30, 2021, the Sheriff reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,830,972	\$ (792,270)
Changes in assumptions	2,906,552	-
Total	\$ 4,737,524	\$ (792,270)

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

Years ending June 30:	
2022	\$ 537,666
2023	\$ 537,666
2024	\$ 537,666
2025	\$ 537,666

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NOTE 9- STEWARDSHIP AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The General Fund had actual revenues which were less than budgeted revenues for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Unfavorable Variance</u>
Federal Grant Revenues	\$ 2,271,100	\$ 1,102,667	\$(1,168,433)
Operating Services Expenditures	1,366,400	1,562,150	(195,750)

NOTE 10 - TAXES PAID UNDER PROTEST

Louisiana Revised Statute 47:1576 provides that taxpayers, at the time of payment of all taxes due, give notice to the tax collector of their intention to file suit for recovery of all or a portion of the total taxes paid. Upon receipt of this notice, the amount paid is segregated and held by the tax collector for a period of 30 days. If suit is filed within the 30-day period for recovery of such amounts, the funds are held pending outcome of the suit. If the taxpayer prevails, the tax collector refunds the amount due, with interest at the rate of 2 percent per annum from the date the funds were received by the tax collector. The following is a summary of changes in the taxes paid under protest as recorded in the Tax Collector Agency Fund:

Balance, June 30, 2020	\$ 619,960
Additions:	
Taxes	169,114
Interest	278
Settlements to Taxing Bodies & Others	<u>(65,290)</u>
Balance, June 30, 2021	<u>\$724,062</u>

NOTE 11 - ON - BEHALF PAYMENTS

Expenditures for operation and maintenance of the Sheriff's office and the accounting office located in the parish courthouse annex, and the courthouse annex as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4715, are paid by the Vernon Parish Police Jury.

NOTE 12 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

At June 30, 2021, the sheriff is involved in three litigation matters. Legal counsel has not determined if any of the matters may be a case of liability, but all would be under insurance limits.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

NOTE 13 - EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR

The amount of cash on hand at June 30, 2021 was \$957,344. The unsettled balances of the Tax Collector Fund at June 30, 2021 consist of:

Refunds & Redemptions	<u>\$957,344</u>
	<u>\$957,344</u>

The amount of taxes collected for the current year by taxing authority was as follows:

<u>Taxing Authority</u>	<u>Taxes Collected</u>
Vernon Parish Assessor	\$ 881,116
Vernon Parish Sheriff	2,951,372
Vernon Parish Police Jury	5,615,850
Vernon Parish School Board	8,042,631
La Agriculture & Forestry Commission	36,337
South Vernon Parish Water District	70,447
West Vernon Parish Water District	68,771
Louisiana Tax Commission	<u>10,889</u>
	<u>\$17,677,413</u>

There were no taxes uncollected due to bankruptcies. The amount of collection on behalf of other taxing authorities is as follows:

<u>Taxing Authority</u>	<u>Vernon Parish Police Jury</u>	<u>Commission paid to Vernon Parish Sheriff</u>	<u>Final Distribution</u>
Occupational License	<u>\$ 293,699</u>	<u>\$ 48,210</u>	<u>\$ 341,909</u>

The Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office does not collect sales tax, hotel/motel tax, tax incremental finance district, public utility insurance premiums or any other taxes other than ad valorem tax and occupational licenses for tax authorities.

NOTE 14 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions that came to our attention.

NOTE 15 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, November 15, 2021, and determined that no events occurred that require disclosure.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART B)

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance -
Budget to Actual
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts Budgetary Basis	Variance With Final Budget Over(Under)
	Original	Final		
<u>Operating Revenue</u>				
Tax - Ad Valorem	2,950,000	2,950,800	\$ 2,994,642	\$ 43,842
Tax - Sales	2,900,000	3,811,800	3,811,820	20
Intergovernmental Revenue				
Federal	126,000	2,271,100	1,102,667	(1,168,433)
State	450,000	401,300	411,868	10,568
Local	762,100	657,100	700,386	43,286
State Revenue Sharing	233,000	229,700	229,696	(4)
Fees, Charges, & Services				
Licenses	65,000	51,800	62,029	10,229
Fines & Costs	415,000	351,900	382,749	30,849
Civil	237,000	190,200	190,244	44
Housing Prisoners	623,000	618,400	662,958	44,558
Use of Money - Interest Earning	1,300	3,900	3,290	(610)
Other	807,150	233,800	225,445	(8,355)
Total Operating Revenues	\$9,569,550	\$11,771,800	\$ 10,777,794	(\$994,006)
<u>Operating Expenditures</u>				
General Government				
Personnel Services	7,281,400	7,072,200	7,230,154	(157,954)
Operating Services	1,075,300	1,366,400	1,562,150	(195,750)
Materials and Supplies	245,100	231,300	231,201	99
Travel and Other Charges	7,200	9,600	9,653	(53)
Debt Service				
Principal	1,500,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	-
Interest and Bank Charges	30,000	17,100	17,077	23
Capital Outlay	150,000	269,700	269,716	(16)
Total Expenditures	10,289,000	10,216,300	10,569,951	(353,651)
Other Financing Sources				
Proceeds from Bank Loan	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	-
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</u>				
	530,550	2,805,500	1,457,843	1,347,657
<u>Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year</u>				
	1,241,353	1,241,353	1,241,353	-
<u>FUND BALANCE - END OF THE YEAR</u>				
	\$ 1,771,903	\$ 4,046,853	\$ 2,699,196	\$ 1,347,657

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

A. BUDGETS

General Budget Practices The Sheriff follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

The chief administrative deputy prepares a proposed budget for the General Fund and submits it to the Sheriff for the fiscal year no later than fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year.

A summary of the proposed budget is published, and the public is notified that the proposed budget is available for public inspection. At the same time, a public hearing is called.

A public hearing is held on the proposed budget at least ten days after publication of the call for the hearing.

After holding the public hearing and completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is legally adopted prior to the commencement of the fiscal year for the which the budget is being adopted.

Appropriations (unexpended budget balances) lapse at year-end.

Encumbrances Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed.

Budget Basis of Accounting The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Budgeted amounts are originally adopted or amended by the Sheriff. Such amendments were not material in relation to original appropriations.

B. UNFAVORABLE BUDGET VARIANCES

Actual expenditures greater than budgeted expenditures:

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Unfavorable Variance</u>
Federal Grant Revenues	\$ 2,271,100	\$ 1,102,667	\$(1,168,433)
Operating Services Expenditures	1,366,400	1,562,150	(195,750)

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Total OPEB Liability				
Service Cost	\$ 152,732	\$ 149,239	\$ 805,800	\$ 475,684
Interest	396,730	410,263	456,843	358,993
Changes of Benefit Terms	-	-	-	-
Changes Between Expected and Actual Experience	166,121	854,502	(1,056,360)	1,153,892
Changes of Assumptions	-	255,253	3,401,965	168,783
Benefit Payments	(263,612)	(278,111)	(251,817)	(265,667)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	<u>451,971</u>	<u>1,391,146</u>	<u>3,356,431</u>	<u>1,891,685</u>
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	<u>10,806,652</u>	<u>11,258,623</u>	<u>12,649,770</u>	<u>16,006,201</u>
Total OPEB Liability - Ending (a)	<u>\$ 11,258,623</u>	<u>\$ 12,649,769</u>	<u>\$ 16,006,201</u>	<u>\$ 17,897,886</u>
Covered Payroll	\$ 4,246,748	\$ 4,374,150	\$ 4,373,577	\$ 4,504,784
Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	265.11%	289.19%	365.98%	397.31%
Notes to Schedule:				
Benefit Change:	None	None	None	None
Changes of Assumptions:				
Discount Rate:	3.62%	3.50%	2.21%	2.16%
Mortality:	RP-2000	RP-2000	RP-2014	RP-2014
Trend:	5.5%	5.5%	Variable	Variable

This schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF VERNON PARISH SHERIFF'S CONTRIBUTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Fiscal Year	Schedule 3				
	(a) Statutorily required contribution	(b) Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	(a-b) Contribution deficiency	Agency's covered payroll	Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll
2015	\$ 765,354	\$ 765,354	\$ -	\$ 5,370,905	14.25%
2016	\$ 764,069	\$ 764,069	\$ -	\$ 5,556,857	13.75%
2017	\$ 737,545	\$ 737,545	\$ -	\$ 5,566,364	13.25%
2018	\$ 654,137	\$ 654,137	\$ -	\$ 5,130,486	12.75%
2019	\$ 550,860	\$ 550,860	\$ -	\$ 4,502,102	12.24%
2020	\$ 537,503	\$ 537,503	\$ -	\$ 4,387,776	12.25%
2021	\$ 535,984	\$ 535,984	\$ -	\$ 4,375,373	12.25%

Amounts presented were determined as of the end of the fiscal year.

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF SHERIFF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Schedule 4

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Agency's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)</u>	<u>Agency's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)</u>	<u>Agency's covered payroll</u>	<u>Agency's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll</u>	<u>Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability</u>
2015	84.51%	\$ 3,346,418	\$ 5,370,905	62.31%	87.34%
2016	81.01%	\$ 3,610,912	\$ 5,556,857	64.98%	99.23%
2017	81.37%	\$ 5,164,176	\$ 5,566,364	92.77%	82.10%
2018	80.36%	\$ 3,479,964	\$ 5,130,486	67.83%	102.00%
2019	77.23%	\$ 2,961,656	\$ 4,502,102	65.78%	102.00%
2020	64.45%	\$ 3,048,405	\$ 4,387,776	69.47%	88.91%
2021	59.43%	\$ 4,113,380	\$ 4,375,373	94.01%	84.73%

Amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date (previous fiscal year end).
Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2021

	<u>Vernon Communicatons District</u>	<u>Inmate Commissary Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 640,375	\$ 65	\$ 640,440
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 640,375</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>	<u>\$ 640,440</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Payables	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fund Balance - Assigned	640,375	65	640,440
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>	<u>\$ 640,375</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>	<u>\$ 640,440</u>

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Vernon Communicatons District	Inmate Commissary Fund	Total
REVENUES:			
Fees, Services and Charges	\$ 832,650	\$ -	\$ 832,650
Other	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	832,650	-	832,650
EXPENDITURES			
Public Safety			
Personnel	510,678	-	510,678
Operating	113,544	87	113,631
Materials and Supplies	-	-	-
Travel and Other	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	9,082	-	9,082
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	633,304	87	633,391
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	199,346	(87)	199,259
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	441,029	152	441,181
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ 640,375	\$ 65	\$ 640,440

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF VERNON

AFFIDAVIT

JOHN S. CRAFT (Sheriff's Name), Sheriff of VERNON (Parish)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared, JOHN S. CRAFT (Name), the sheriff of VERNON Parish, State of Louisiana, who after being duly sworn, deposed and said:


The following information is true and correct:

\$ 957,344 is the amount of cash on hand in the tax collector account on JUNE 30, 2021 (Date);

He further deposed and said:

All itemized statements of the amount of taxes collected for tax year 2020, by taxing authority, are true and correct.

All itemized statements of all taxes assessed and uncollected, which indicate the reasons for the failure to collect, by taxing authority, are true and correct.


Signature
Sheriff of VERNON
(Parish)

SWORN to and subscribed before me, Notary, this 10th day of December 2021, in my office in the Leesville, Louisiana.
(City/Town)

 (Signature)
CHERYL L. BORDERS (Print), # _____
Notary Public 53399 _____ (Commission)

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO
AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
JUNE 30, 2021

Agency Head: Sam Craft, Sheriff

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 177,957
Benefits - Insurance	11,138
Benefits - Retirement	2,328
Travel Reimbursement	<u>1,599</u>
Total	<u>\$ 193,022</u>

Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity

As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

Entity Name

LLA Entity ID # (This is the ID number assigned to the entity by the Legislative Auditor for identification purposes.)

Date that reporting period ended (mm/dd/yyyy)

Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office
3123
06/30/2021

Cash Basis Presentation

Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected (i.e. cash on hand)

	First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/20	Second Six Month Period Ended 06/30/21
\$	993,479	\$ 825,925

Add: Collections

Civil Fees (including refundable amounts such as garnishments or advance deposits)	105,869	103,259
Bond Fees - 2% Commissions	72,871	85,308
Bond Fees - Toomy - State Bonding Fees	9,043	13,868
Asset Forfeiture/Sale	171,055	485,253
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	789,035	874,957
Criminal Fines - Other	129,389	159,840
Restitution	-	15
Service/Collection Fees (e.g. credit card fees, report fees, 3rd party service fees)	12,164	16,206
Interest Earnings on Collected Balances	271	241
Other - Prosecution Fees	8,230	15,269
Other - Deposit Slip/Check Fees	-	66
Other - Probation Fines	15,522	20,771
Other - Criminal Cash Bonds	16,241	28,342

Subtotal Collections

\$	1,329,690	\$ 1,803,395
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Less: Disbursements To Governments & Nonprofits: (Must include one agency name and one collection type on each line and may require multiple lines for the same agency if more than one collection type is applicable. Additional rows may be added as necessary.)

Vernon Parish Police Jury, Bond Fees	17,734	21,696
Vernon Parish Clerk of Court, Bond Fees	1,240	1,694
Vernon Parish District Attorney, Bond Fees	22,074	27,625
Indigent Defender Board, Bond Fees	18,974	23,390
North Louisiana Crime Lab, Bond Fees	1,240	1,694
Asset Forfeiture Sale	8,398	4,842
Vernon Parish Police Jury, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	56,080	46,097
Vernon Parish Clerk of Court, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	53,178	44,058
Vernon Parish District Attorney, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	59,321	44,489
Indigent Defender Board, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	134,618	99,622
North Louisiana Crime Lab, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	119,267	95,290
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement Training, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	5,895	4,333
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement Victims Rep, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	3,466	4,414
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement Drugs, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	2,664	3,963
Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	75	160
Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	1,491	1,156
Trial Court Case Management Information System, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	8,997	6,647
Louisiana Traumatic Head & Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	9,873	7,413
Central Louisiana Juvenile Detention Center, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	22,545	16,710
30th Judicial District Expense Fund, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	15,015	11,111
Louisiana Judicial College, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	1,611	1,159
Louisiana State Police, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	2,730	2,265
Rosepine Police Department, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	56	-
New Llano Police Department, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	50	-
Leesville City Police Department, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	100	100
Vernon Parish District Attorney, Criminal Fines-Other	61,674	58,110
Vernon Parish Police Jury, Criminal Fines-Other	300,608	280,232
Vernon Parish Clerk of Court, Other-Prosecution Fees	735	1,313
Vernon Parish District Attorney, Other-Prosecution Fees	1,583	3,380
Vernon Parish Sheriff, Other-Probation Fines (To Court Fine Acct for Posting)	10,477	24,726
Vernon Parish Sheriff, Other-Criminal Cash Bonds (To Court Fine Acct for Posting)	-	12,851
Vernon Parish Sheriff, Other-Criminal Cash Bonds (To Traffic Acct for Posting)	-	1,430
Vernon Parish District Attorney, Other-Criminal Cash Bonds (Forfeitures)	-	2,561
Louisiana State Police, Other-L.A.C.E. Details	86,033	79,177

Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency

Entity Name

LLA Entity ID # (This is the ID number assigned to the entity by the Legislative Auditor for identification purposes.)

Date that reporting period ended (mm/dd/yyyy)

Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office
3123
06/30/2021

Cash Basis Presentation

	First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/20	Second Six Month Period Ended 06/30/21
Civil Fees	4,846	3,687
Bond Fees	19,242	23,674
Asset Forfeiture Sale	135,108	409,965
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	35,866	28,883
Criminal Fines-Other	61,663	58,105
Service/Collection Fees	53,607	45,302
Interest Earnings	143	108
Other-Prosecution Fees	6,068	8,326
Other-Operation Safe Roads	360	6,803
Other-Baliff Salary	3,600	3,600
Other-Deposit Slip/Check Orders	-	66
Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies		
Civil Fee Refunds	6,683	10,503
Bond Fee Refunds	195	733
Other-Criminal Court Costs/Fees-Refunds	4,207	2,273
Other-Criminal Cash Bonds-Refunds	15,991	8,124
Payments to 3rd Party Collection/Processing Agencies	121,863	109,053
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage	\$ 1,497,244	\$ 1,652,913
Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained (i.e. cash on hand)	\$ 825,925	\$ 976,407
Ending Balance of "Partial Payments" Collected but not Disbursed <i>(only applies if collecting agency does not disburse partial payments until fully collected) - This balance is included in the Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained above.</i>	-	-

Other Information:

Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected <i>(i.e. receivable balance)</i>	-	-
Total Waivers During the Fiscal Period <i>(i.e. non-cash reduction of receivable balances, such as time served or community service)</i>	-	-

Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity

As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

Identifying Information	
Entity Name	Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office
LLA Entity ID # (This is the ID number assigned to the entity by the Legislative Auditor for identification purposes.)	3123
Date that reporting period ended (mm/dd/yyyy)	06/30/2021

First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/20	Second Six Month Period Ended 06/30/21
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Cash Basis Presentation

Receipts From: (Must include one agency name and one collection type - see below - on each line and may require multiple lines for the same agency. Additional rows may be added as necessary.)

<i>Vernon Parish District Attorney, Criminal Court Costs/Fees</i>	60,798	57,823
<i>Vernon Parish Misdemeanor Probation, Criminal Court Costs/Fees</i>	122,353	118,621
<i>Ncourt, Service/Collection Fees (Credit Card Fees we never receive)</i>	24,053	26,152
Subtotal Receipts	207,204	202,596

Ending Balance of Amounts Assessed but Not Received (only applies to those agencies that assess on behalf of themselves, such as courts)

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION –
COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

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

To the Honorable John S. Craft
Vernon Parish Sheriff
Leesville, Louisiana

I have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities of Vernon Parish Sheriff, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Sheriff's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated November 15, 2021.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control.

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

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

To the Honorable John S. Craft
Vernon Parish Sheriff
Leesville, Louisiana

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

This report is intended for the use of management of Vernon Parish Sheriff and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.



West Monroe, Louisiana
November 15, 2021

**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program
and Report on Internal Control Over Compliance
Required by the Uniform Guidance**

To the Honorable John S. Craft
Vernon Parish Sheriff
Leesville, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

I have audited the Vernon Parish Sheriff's (Sheriff) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Sheriff's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Sheriff's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, my audit does not provide a legal determination of the Sheriff's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In my opinion, the Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Office of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.



West Monroe, Louisiana
November 15, 2021

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
JUNE 30, 2021

Grantor	CFDA#	Grant Number	Amount Spent
Department of Justice			
Passed through the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement			
Domestic Violence Investigation	16.588	4676	14,235
Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Taskforce	16.738	6028	20,684
Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Taskforce	16.738	5192	33,381
Total Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Taskforce			54,065
Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding	16.034	5480	51,032
Total Department of Justice			119,332
FEMA:			
EMW-2020-SS-00011-S01	97.067		27,468
EMW-2019-SS-00014-S01	97.067		13,285
EMW-2018-SS-00016-S01	97.067		3,826
Total FEMA			44,579
Department of the US Treasury			
Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)			
Covid 19 Funding 2-B	21.019		820,275 *
TOTAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE			984,186

*Denotes Major Federal Program.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Part I-Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statement Audit

- i. The type of audit report was unmodified.
- ii. There were no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America.
- iii. There were no instances of noncompliance, as defined by the Government Auditing Standards, to the financial statements.

Audit of Federal Awards

- iv. There were no significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by the Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200).
- v. The type of report the auditor issued on compliance for the major program was unmodified.
- vi. The audit disclosed no findings which the auditor is required to report under the Uniform Guidance.
- vii. The major federal program was:
Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) CFDA #21.019
- viii. The dollar threshold used to identify between Type A and Type B programs as described in the Uniform Guidance was \$750,000.
- ix. The auditee does not qualify as a low-risk auditee under the Uniform Guidance.

Part II - Findings related to the financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with Government Auditing Standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

Section I - Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

No findings were reported under this section.

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

No findings were reported under this section.

Section III - Management Letter

No management letter was issued.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - GENERAL The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal awards programs of the Vernon Parish Sheriff for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Sheriff's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the Sheriff's basic financial statements. Federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedule. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Sheriff, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or change in net position of the Sheriff.

NOTE 2 - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Sheriff's basic financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 3 - RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS Amounts reported in the accompanying schedule agree with the amounts reported in the related federal financial reports except for changes made to reflect amounts in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

NOTE 4 - MATCHING REVENUES For those funds that have matching revenues and state funding, federal expenditures were determined by deducting matching revenues from total expenditures.

NOTE 5 -DE MINIMIS INDIRECT COST RATE The Sheriff has elected not to use the 10- percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

VERNON PARISH SHERIFF
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2021

Section I - Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

No findings were reported under this section.

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

No findings were reported under this section.

Section III - Management Letter

No management letter was issued.