

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District  
619 S. White St.  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District'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

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the 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, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

## Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District, as of December 31, 2020, 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 management's discussion and analysis (pages 7–12), budgetary comparison information (page 50), schedule of proportionate share of the net pension liability (page 51), and the schedule of pension contributions (page 52) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer, justice system funding schedule - collecting/dispersing entity, and justice system funding schedule - receiving entity are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and are also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer, justice system funding schedule - collecting/dispersing entity, and justice system funding schedule - receiving 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 our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer, justice system funding schedule - collecting/dispersing entity, and justice system funding schedule - receiving are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report, dated October 29, 2021, on our consideration of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*LeBlanc & Associates CPAs, L.L.C.*

Metairie, Louisiana  
October 29, 2021

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

The District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District (the "District Attorney") management's discussion and analysis is intended to assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, provide an overview of the District Attorney's financial activity, and identify changes in the District Attorney's financial position and its ability to address the next and subsequent year challenges. It also identifies any material deviations from the financial plan and identifies individual fund issues or concerns. This is a requirement of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 (GASB 34) *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments* and is intended to provide the financial results for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This Management Discussion and Analysis document introduces the District Attorney's basic financial statements, as required in GASB 34, the financial report is presented in the following order:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis
- Basic Financial Statements
  - Government-Wide Financial Statements
  - Fund Financial Statements
  - Notes to the Financial Statements
- Other Required Supplementary Information
  - Budgetary Comparison Schedule
  - Schedule of District Attorney's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
  - Schedule of the District Attorney's Pension Contributions
- Other Supplementary Information
  - Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer
  - Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity
  - Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving
- Single Audit Section

## GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements provide a perspective of the District Attorney's Office as a whole. These statements use the full accrual basis of accounting similar to private sector companies. There are two government-wide statements: the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

The Statement of Net Position combine and consolidate governmental funds' current financial resources (short-term expendable resources) with capital assets and long-term obligations, regardless of whether or not they are currently available.

Consistent with the full accrual basis method of accounting, the Statement of Activities accounts for current year revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid. The intent of this statement is to summarize and simplify the user's analysis of the costs of various services.

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**FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The fund statements are reported using the modified accrual method of accounting. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when received except where they are measurable and available and therefore represent resources that may be appropriated. Expenditures are accounted for in the period that goods and services are used. In addition, capital asset purchases are expensed and not recorded as assets. Debt payments are recorded as expenditures in the current year and future debt obligations are not recorded.

The District Attorney has two types of funds: Governmental Funds and Fiduciary Funds.

Governmental Funds

The Governmental Funds are reported in the fund financial statements and encompass the same function reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, the focus is very different with fund statements providing a distinctive view of the District Attorney's governmental funds, including object classifications. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of expendable resources and balances of expendable resources available at the end of the year. They are useful in evaluating annual financing requirements of governmental programs and the commitment of expendable resources for the near-term. Since the government-wide focus includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two perspectives may provide insight into the long-term impact of short-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund operating statement provide a reconciliation to assist in understanding the differences between these two perspectives.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on the custodial fund assets and liabilities. The funds accounted for in this category by the District Attorney are the Asset Forfeiture Custodial Funds, Bond Forfeiture Custodial Funds, and Bail Posting Custodial Funds.



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**FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

	2020	2019
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets	\$ 1,387,431	\$ 733,452
Capital assets, net	1,050,332	162,051
Total assets	2,437,763	895,503
Deferred outflows of resources	5,205,562	4,896,255
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current liabilities	1,222,542	1,391,309
Long-term liabilities	13,246,132	11,851,459
Total liabilities	14,468,674	13,242,768
Deferred inflows of resources	2,349,902	865,661
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Invested in capital assets	1,050,332	162,051
Restricted	174,220	61,078
Unrestricted (deficit), (see the Statement of Activities)	(10,399,803)	(8,539,801)
Total net position	\$ (9,175,251)	\$ (8,316,672)

As indicated by the statement above, total net position as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 was \$(9,175,251) and \$(8,316,672), respectively. The decrease in net position is a result of the current period change in net position, the recording of entries in accordance with GASB 68 & 71 including the recording of the net pension liability, and deferred outflows/inflows (see the analysis of the Statement of Activities on page 14). Net position can be separated into three categories: invested in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted net position.

Net position invested in capital assets is a combination of capital assets at original cost less accumulated depreciation. The original cost of capital assets as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 is \$1,967,430 and \$1,005,028, respectively, which is an accumulation of capital assets year after year less any capital disposals. The accumulated depreciation is the accumulation of depreciation expense since acquisition. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, depreciation expense is recorded on the original cost of the asset, less an estimated salvage value, expensed over the estimated useful life of the asset. Total accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 is \$917,099 and \$842,977, respectively.

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Restricted net position is an accumulation of operating results from the Title IV-D Fund, funds received from the U.S. Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program, and private donors. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019 the restricted net position was \$174,220 and \$61,078, respectively.

The remaining unrestricted net position (deficit) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 is \$(10,399,803) and \$(8,539,801), respectively. The unrestricted net position (deficit) is an accumulation of prior years' operating results. This balance is directly affected each year by the District Attorney's operating results.

**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**

	2020	2019
Changes In Net Position:		
Program Revenue		
Fees, Fines & Charges for Services	\$ 553,389	\$ 1,071,963
Operating Grants & Contributions	15,049,457	13,546,566
Total Program Revenue	15,602,846	14,618,529
General Revenues		
Interest & Other Income	324,409	358,739
Total Revenues	15,927,255	14,977,268
Expenses		
General Governmental	16,785,834	15,500,513
Change in Net Position	(858,579)	(523,245)
Net Position (Deficit) January 1,	(8,316,672)	(7,793,427)
Net Position (Deficit) December 31,	\$ (9,175,251)	\$ (8,316,672)

**ORIGINAL VS. REVISED BUDGET**

As required by state law, the District Attorney adopts the original budget for the office prior to the commencement of the fiscal year to which the budget applies. The budget is reviewed and amended, if necessary, on a quarterly basis.

**REVENUE BUDGET**

In 2020, the District Attorney's actual general fund revenues of \$13,690,020 were more than the \$13,659,747 budget by \$30,273, a variance of approximately 0.2%. In 2020 the District Attorney's Office actual Title IV-D Fund revenues of \$2,124,518 were less than the budget amount of \$2,396,837 by \$272,319, a variance of approximately 11%.

**EXPENDITURE BUDGET**

In 2020, the District Attorney's actual general fund expenditures of \$12,774,391 were less than the \$12,840,515 budget by \$66,124, a variance of approximately 1%. In 2020 the District Attorney's Office actual Title IV-D Fund expenditures of \$2,071,001 were less than the budget amount of \$2,396,837 by \$325,836, a variance of approximately 14%.

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**CAPITAL ASSETS**

The District Attorney's investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, was \$1,050,331 and \$162,051, respectively. Depreciation expense for 2020 and 2019 is \$74,122 and \$35,938, respectively. See Note 3 for additional information about changes in capital assets during the current year. The following table provides a summary of capital asset activity:

	Governmental Activities	
	2020	2019
Assets Not in Service	\$ 530,550	\$ -
Computer Equipment	809,981	582,972
Vehicles	370,476	322,829
Leased Vehicles	143,551	-
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	112,872	99,227
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(917,099)	(842,977)
Net Capital Assets	\$ 1,050,331	\$ 162,051

**NOTES PAYABLE**

As a result of prior litigation, the District Attorney was required to obtain funds from the State of Louisiana. Details to the agreements with the State are outlined in Note 7.

**ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET**

The operations of the District Attorney's Office are highly reliant upon appropriations from the City of New Orleans and from the State of Louisiana. Due to the heavy reliance of funding from other agencies, the District Attorney's Office could be effected by a downturn in the economy and a decline in funding from the state and local government.

As noted above the budget is reviewed and amended on a quarterly basis.

**CONTACTING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District Attorney's finances, comply with finance-related laws and regulations, and demonstrate the District Attorney's commitment to public accountability. If you have questions about this report or would like to request additional information, contact Tyronne Walker, Chief Administrative Officer, District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District, located at 619 S. White Street, New Orleans, LA 70119.

## GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	2020
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 688,119
Restricted Cash	98,521
Receivables	401,266
Prepaid Expenses	199,525
Capital Assets, Net	1,050,332
Total Assets	2,437,763
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,205,562
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	\$ 194,620
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	74,581
Capital Lease Payable - Current Portion	33,956
Note Payable - State of Louisiana - Current Portion	100,000
Accrued Compensated Absences	819,385
Total Current Liabilities	1,222,542
Long-term Liabilities:	
Capital Lease Payable - Long Term	83,386
Legal Settlement Payable	2,170,000
Note Payable - State of Louisiana	1,500,000
Net Pension Liability	9,492,746
Total Long-term Liabilities	13,246,132
Total Liabilities	14,468,674
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	2,349,902
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Invested in Capital Assets	\$ 1,050,332
Restricted	174,220
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(10,399,803)
Total Net Position (Deficit)	\$ (9,175,251)

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

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Activities	Expenses	Fees, Fines and Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Net Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Governmental Activities:				
General - Governmental	\$ 16,785,834	\$ 553,389	\$ 15,049,457	\$ (1,182,988)
Total	16,785,834	553,389	15,049,457	(1,182,988)
General Revenues:				
Non-Employer Contribution				256,268
Interest Income				2,065
Miscellaneous Income				66,076
Total General Revenues				324,409
Change in Net Position				(858,579)
Net Position (deficit) - January 1, 2020				(8,316,672)
Net Position (deficit) - December 31, 2020				\$ (9,175,251)

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

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
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GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
BALANCE SHEET  
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	General Fund	Title IV-D Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 600,298	\$ 87,821	\$ 688,119
Restricted Cash	98,521	-	98,521
Receivables	335,356	65,910	401,266
Prepaid Expenses	197,500	2,025	199,525
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,231,675</u>	<u>\$ 155,756</u>	<u>\$ 1,387,431</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>			
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 194,620	\$ -	\$ 194,620
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	<u>74,581</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,581</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>269,201</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>269,201</u>
<b>Fund Balance</b>			
Nonspendable	197,500	-	197,500
Restricted	104,716	155,756	260,472
Unassigned (Deficit)	<u>660,258</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>660,258</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>962,474</u>	<u>155,756</u>	<u>1,118,230</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,231,675</u>	<u>\$ 155,756</u>	<u>\$ 1,387,431</u>

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



**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT**  
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**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET**  
**TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

2020

Total Fund Balance (Deficit) - governmental fund at December 31,	\$	1,118,230
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because of:

Compensated Absences		(819,385)
Cost of capital assets at December 31,		1,967,431
Less: Accumulated depreciation as of December 31,		(917,099)
Deferred Outflows of Resources		5,205,562
Net Pension Liability		(9,492,746)
Deferred Inflow of Resources		(2,349,902)
Note Payable - State of Louisiana		(1,600,000)
Legal Settlement Payable		(2,170,000)
Capital Lease Payable		<u>(117,342)</u>

Net Position (Deficit) - governmental activities at December 31,	\$	(9,175,251)
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	General Fund	Title IV-D Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>			
On-Behalf Payments	\$ 4,077,736	\$ -	\$ 4,077,736
City Appropriations	7,178,029	-	7,178,029
Grants and Contributions	1,669,174	2,124,518	3,793,692
Fees, Fines and Charges for Services	553,389	-	553,389
Miscellaneous Income	66,076	-	66,076
Interest	2,065	-	2,065
Total Revenues	13,546,469	2,124,518	15,670,987
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	10,290,643	1,594,374	11,885,017
Operating Services	1,050,688	447,577	1,498,265
Professional Fees	470,657	29,050	499,707
Capital Outlay	962,403	-	962,403
Total Expenditures	12,774,391	2,071,001	14,845,392
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	772,078	53,517	825,595
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Capital Lease	143,551	-	143,551
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	143,551	-	143,551
Net Change in Fund Balances	915,629	53,517	969,146
Fund Balances (deficit) - January 1, 2020			149,084
Fund Balances (deficit)- December 31, 2020			\$ 1,118,230

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

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

2020

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund (Statement E) \$ 969,146

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

The change in compensated absences reported in the Statement of Activities does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds. (112,443)

The legal settlement reported in the Statement of Activities does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds. (2,170,000)

Capital lease transactions are reported as other financing sources in the governmental funds; however, in the Statement of Activities, they are not reported as revenues as they increase the liabilities on the statement of net position. (143,551)

Capital lease payments are reported in governmental funds as expenditures; however, in the Statement of Activities only the interest portion of the leases payment is expensed. 26,209

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures; however, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation in the current period:

Depreciation expense	(74,122)
Capital outlays	962,403

Governmental funds report employer contributions to its pension plans as expenditures; however, in the Statement of Activities, pension expense represents the District Attorney's proportionate share of the District Attorney's change in net pension liability (572,489)

Revenue reported in the Statement of Activities for the District Attorney's proportionate share of non-employer contributions to the pension plans does not provide current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as revenue in the governmental funds. 256,268

Change in net position of governmental activities (Statement B) \$ (858,579)

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

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
CUSTODIAL FUND

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT**  
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**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - CUSTODIAL FUND**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	2020
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,148,502
Total Assets	\$ 1,148,502
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts Payable	\$ 69,532
Total Liabilities	\$ 69,532
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Restricted for other governments	\$ 1,078,970
Total Net Position	\$ 1,078,970

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

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	Custodial Funds
<b>ADDITIONS</b>	
Asset Forfeiture Collections	\$ 1,279,455
Bond Forfeiture Collections	43,154
Bail Posting Fee Collections	8,574
Total Additions	1,331,183
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>	
Bank Fees	135
Returned to Defendants	25,788
Distributions to District Attorney	86,297
Distributions to Other Agencies	346,756
Total Deductions	458,976
Net Increase (decrease ) in Fiduciary Net Position	872,207
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net Position at Beginning of Year, as restated	206,763
Net Position at End of Year	\$ 1,078,970

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

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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## **INTRODUCTION**

As provided by Article V, Section 26 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District (District Attorney) has charge of every criminal prosecution by the State in his or her district, is the representative of the State before the grand jury in his district, and is the legal advisor to the grand jury. The District Attorney performs other duties as provided by law. The District Attorney is elected by the qualified electors of the judicial district for a term of six years. The Orleans Judicial District encompasses the entire Parish of Orleans.

## **1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the District Attorney includes all funds, activities, etc., that are controlled by the District Attorney as an independently elected parish official. There are no component units included or required to be included as part of the financial reporting entity. The District Attorney 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 disbursements of funds. Other than certain operating expenditures of the District Attorney that are paid or provided by the City Council as required by Louisiana law, the District Attorney is financially independent. Accordingly, the District Attorney is a separate governmental reporting entity.

### Basis of Presentation

The accompanying basic financial statements of the District Attorney 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 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*.

### Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The District Attorney's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the District Attorney as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the District Attorney's major funds). All of the District Attorney's judicial and administrative services are classified as governmental activities.

### Government-Wide Financial Statements

In the government-wide Statements of Net Position, the governmental activities are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The District Attorney's net position is reported in three parts - invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted for Title IV-D Fund as well as funds received from the U.S. Department of Justice equitable sharing program, and private donors; and unrestricted net position.

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The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the District Attorney's nonfiduciary functions and activities (judicial). These functions are also supported by general government revenues (interest earned). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues and operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function (judicial). Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (interest earned, etc). This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the District Attorney as an entity and the change in the District Attorney's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

*Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources:* In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

*Pensions:* 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 the District Attorneys' Retirement System and the Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans (the "Plans") and additions to/deductions from the Plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

**Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements**

The District Attorney uses funds to maintain his financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain District Attorney functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the District Attorney are classified into two categories: governmental and fiduciary. The funds of the District Attorney are described below:

**A. Governmental**

General Fund - The General Fund of the District Attorney is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds. The General Fund is available for any purpose provided it is expended in accordance with state and federal laws and according to District Attorney policy.



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**B. Special Revenue Funds**

Special Revenue Funds - account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes, or designated by the District Attorney to be accounted for separately. The Special Revenue Funds of the District Attorney consist of the following:

Title IV-D Fund - consists of reimbursement grants from the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services, authorized by Act 117 of 1975, to establish family and child support programs compatible with Title IV-D of the Social Security Act. The purpose of the fund is to enforce the support obligation owed by absent parents to their families and children, to locate absent parents, to establish paternity, and to obtain family and child support.

**C. Fiduciary**

Fiduciary fund reporting includes only custodial funds and focuses on assets held by the District Attorney for other organizations and / or other governmental units. The funds accounted for in this category by the District Attorney are the Asset Forfeiture Custodial Funds, Bond Forfeiture Custodial Funds, and Bail Posting Custodial Funds.

**Asset Forfeiture Custodial Funds**

The Asset Forfeiture Custodial Funds are used to account for assets seized in narcotics cases in which the District Attorney has received the seized assets, pending the final disposition of the case. The assets may ultimately be returned to the defendant from whom they were seized, transferred to another agency, or divided among the District Attorney, the Parish of Orleans as custodian of judicial funds, and the seizing agency. In the latter instance, the District Attorney is responsible for allocating the assets to the respective agencies net of the expenses incurred in handling the assets.

**Bond Forfeiture Custodial Funds**

The Bond Forfeiture Custodial Funds are funds that are collected as a result of individuals failing to show up to court after a bond has been posted on their behalf. If the individuals do not follow the required legal proceedings after the bonds have been issued, the District Attorney can then demand the Bail Bondsman to pay the proceeds of the bond. Once the District Attorney receives the funds, they are required to hold the money for a period of at least 6 months. If at this time the defendant has not shown up to court, the District Attorney is to forward the funds to the Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office. The Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office is responsible for allocating the assets to the respective agencies net of the expenses incurred in handling the assets.

**Bail Posting Custodial Funds**

The Bail Posting Custodial Funds are mandatory fees, set by the state legislature, which should be paid at the time a bail bond is posted. These funds are collected on behalf of the Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office.

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Measurement Focus / Basis of Accounting

*Fund Financial Statements (FFS)*

The amounts reflected in the General Fund 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 is then reconciled, through adjustment, to a government-wide view of the District Attorney.

The amounts reflected in the General 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 District Attorney considers all revenue available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

*Revenues*

Revenues from charges for services are recorded when earned. Expenditure-driven grants are recorded when the reimbursable expenditure has been incurred. Interest earnings are recorded when the investments have matured and the interest is available.

*Expenditures*

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

*Other Financing Sources (Uses)*

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid (or any other types, such as capital lease transactions, sale of fixed assets, debt extinguishments, long-term debt proceeds, et cetera) are accounted for as other financing sources (uses). These other financing sources (uses) are recognized at the time the underlying events occur.

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*Deferred Revenues*

Deferred revenues arise when resources are received by the District Attorney before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received before the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when the District Attorney has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and the revenue is recognized.

*Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)*

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District Attorney as a whole. These statements included all the financial activities of the District Attorney. Information contained in these columns reflects 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 non-exchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions*.

Program Revenues – Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities are derived directly from the District Attorney users as a fee for services; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the District Attorney's general revenues.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash, including restricted cash, includes amounts in demand deposits and time deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District Attorney may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States. Restricted cash represents amounts restricted through private donors.

Investments

Investments are limited by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 33:2955 and the District Attorney's investment policy. If the original maturities of investments exceed 90 days, they are classified as investments; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. The District Attorney does not currently have any investments.

Budgets

The City of New Orleans provides appropriations to the District Attorney for operations which must be approved and adopted by the City of New Orleans, and is included in the City's Budget Book located on the City of New Orleans website. All appropriations lapse at year-end. In addition, the District Attorney prepares a budget on the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general fund for service fees, court allocation-fines and costs revenues, state reimbursements, interest, evidence revenues, and grant revenues. Budget amounts included in the accompanying budgetary comparison schedule include the original adopted budget for City of New Orleans appropriations. The budget is legally adopted and amended, as necessary, by the District Attorney.

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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 District Attorney maintains a threshold level of \$500 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, 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 life:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Life</u>
Vehicles	7 years
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	7 years
Computer Equipment	7 years

Fund Balance / Net Position

*Fund Balance*

In 2011, the District Attorney implemented the requirements of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. In accordance with this statement, in the fund financial statements, fund balances of the governmental fund types are now classified into one of five categories - Nonspendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, or Unassigned. The classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources are used:

- (a) Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact;
- (b) Restricted fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation;
- (c) Committed fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint;
- (d) Assigned fund balance - amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority;
- (e) Unassigned fund balance - amounts that are available for any purpose that have not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

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While the District Attorney has not established a policy for its use of restricted or unrestricted resources, it does consider a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unassigned fund balance classifications could be used.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report restrictions of fund balance amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties to use for a specific purpose. Any designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change. At December 31, 2020, the governmental fund's restricted fund balance amounted to \$260,472.

*Net Position*

In the government-wide financial statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three categories:

1. Invested in capital assets, (net) consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and net of capital related debt.
2. Restricted net position consists of net position with constraints placed on the use by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
3. Unrestricted net position are all other net positions that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets." This classification represents net positions 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 an expense is incurred for the purpose for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available, management applies unrestricted resources first, unless a determination is made to use restricted resources. The policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use and legal requirements.

Estimates

The preparation of 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.

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Recent Accounting Pronouncements

For 2020, the District Attorney has implemented GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. This statement establishes specific criteria for identifying activities that should be reported as fiduciary activities. Additionally, this statement established a new custodial fund category for all other fiduciary activity not required to be reported within a trust fund. The District Attorney's previously reported Agency Fund has been replaced and is now reported as a Custodial Fund. This fund reclassification resulted in the restatement of the District Attorney's financial statements (see Note 5 for details).

**2. CASH AND EQUIVALENTS**

*Concentration of Credit Risk:* The District Attorney maintains their cash in demand deposit accounts at various local banks. The District Attorney maintained cash balances in excess of the FDIC Insurance by \$1,494,112 as of December 31, 2020.

*Custodial Credit Risk:* Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the government will not be able to recover its deposits. 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. 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. Louisiana R.S. 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 day of being notified by the District Attorney that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Further, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the District Attorney Office's name.

*Interest Rate Risk:* This is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity is to its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The District Attorney's Office does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

As of December 31, 2020 the total bank balance, including fiduciary funds, of \$2,116,806 was secured from risk by \$622,694 of FDIC coverage and by a pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank in the amount of \$2,504,805.

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$786,640, as follows:

	2020
Cash and Cash Equivalents (book balances)	\$ 1,836,621
Restricted Cash (book balances)	98,521
Less: Custodial Funds	(1,148,502)
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Statement of Net Position)	\$ 786,640

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**2. CASH AND EQUIVALENTS (continued)**

*Restricted Cash:* Of the cash listed above, certain assets of the District Attorney are classified as restricted cash because use is completely restricted by the terms of an agreement with an external contributor. As of December 31, 2020, restricted cash totaled \$98,521.

**3. CAPITAL ASSETS**

Depreciation expense of \$74,122 was charged to governmental activities - general for the year ended December 31, 2020. Capital assets and depreciation activity for the year ended December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Government Activities				
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated				
Assets Not in Service	\$ -	\$ 530,550	\$ -	\$ 530,550
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	-	530,550	-	530,550
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated				
Computer Equipment	582,972	227,009	-	809,981
Vehicles	322,829	47,647	-	370,476
Leased Vehicles	-	143,551	-	143,551
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	99,227	13,645	-	112,872
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	1,005,028	431,852	-	1,436,880
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Computer Equipment	507,503	40,266	-	547,769
Vehicles	249,091	19,154	-	268,245
Leased Vehicles	-	13,672	-	13,671
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	86,383	1,030	-	87,413
Total Accumulated Depreciation	842,977	74,122	-	917,098
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	\$ 162,051	357,730	-	\$ 519,782
Governmental Activities - Capital Assets, Net	\$ 162,051	888,280	-	\$ 1,050,332

**4. COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

Employees can accrue unused vacation days on a yearly basis. Upon termination or resignation, an employee shall be paid unused vacation days up to a maximum of 30 days (232.50 hours) plus that current year's unused vacation days. Each employee accumulates 10 days per year of paid medical leave which can be carried over from year to year. At no time will employees be paid for unused medical leave. Accrued sick time is not available to terminated employees.

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**4. COMPENSATED ABSENCES (continued)**

At December 31, 2020, employees of the District Attorney had accumulated and vested \$819,385 of employee leave benefits, which was computed in accordance with the provision of GASB No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*.

**5. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE**

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, the District Attorney implemented GASB No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. With the implementation, the District Attorney is required to record the beginning net position of custodial funds. The beginning net position of the fiduciary funds has been restated to reflect the new guidance as follows:

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Custodial Fund

Beginning Net Position, as previously reported	\$ -
Restated Net Position of Custodial Funds	206,763
Total Restatement	206,763
Beginning Net Position, as restated	\$ 206,763

**6. PENSION PLANS**

**District Attorney's Retirement System**

**Plan Description**

The District Attorney and the Assistant District Attorneys are members of the District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS). DARS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established on August 1, 1956 in accordance with the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 11, Chapter 3 to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for district attorneys and their assistants in each parish throughout the State of Louisiana. It is administered and controlled by a board of trustees. DARS issues a publicly available financial report that includes its financial statements and required supplementary information. The report is available on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website at [www.la.la.gov](http://www.la.la.gov).



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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

**Benefits Provided**

*Retirement benefits*

Members who became eligible for membership on or before July 1, 1990 and who have elected not to be covered by the new provisions of DARS:

Normal Retirement Age:	10 years of service and age 62 18 years of service and age 60 23 years of service and age 55 30 years of service, regardless of age
Normal Retirement Benefit:	3% of the member's final average compensation for each year of service
Early retirement provisions:	10 years of service and age 60 18 years of service and age 55 Retirement benefits are reduced by 3% for each year received in advance of normal retirement age

Members who became eligible for membership on or after July 1, 1990, or who elected to be covered by the new provisions of DARS:

Normal Retirement Age:	10 years of service and age 60 24 years of service and age 55 30 years of service, regardless of age
Normal Retirement Benefit:	3.5% of the member's final average compensation for each year of service
Early retirement provisions:	18 years of service and age 55 Retirement benefits are reduced by 3% for each year received in advance of normal retirement age

Retirement benefits may not exceed 100% of final average compensation.

*Disability benefits*

A member is eligible to receive disability benefits if he has at least ten years of creditable service and is found to be totally disabled as a result of injuries incurred while in active service. The member receives a benefit equal to 3% (3.5% for members covered under the new retirement benefit provisions) of his final average compensation multiplied by the lesser of his actual service (not to be less than fifteen years) or projected continued service to age sixty.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

*Survivor benefits*

Upon the death of a member with less than five years of creditable service, the member's accumulated contributions and interest are paid to the surviving spouse or the designated beneficiary. Upon the death of any active, contributing member with five or more years of service or any member with twenty-three years of service who has not retired, automatic option 2 benefits are payable to the surviving spouse. These benefits are based on retirement benefits accrued at the member's date of death with the option factors used as if the member had continued in service to earliest normal retirement age. If a member has no surviving spouse, the surviving minor children under eighteen or disabled children are paid 80% of the member's accrued retirement benefit divided into equal shares. If a member has no surviving spouse or children, his accumulated contributions and interest are paid to his designated beneficiary. In lieu of periodic payments, the surviving spouse or children may receive a refund of the member's accumulated contributions with interest.

*Withdrawal from Service*

Upon withdrawal from service, members who are not entitled to a retirement allowance are paid a refund of accumulated contributions upon request. Receipt of such a refund cancels all accrued rights in DARS.

*Back Deferred Retirement Option Plan (Back-DROP)*

In lieu of receiving a service retirement allowance, any member of DARS who has more than sufficient service for normal retirement may elect to receive a Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program (Back-DROP) benefit.

The Back-DROP benefit is based upon the Back-DROP period selected and the final average compensation prior to the period selected. The Back-DROP period is the lesser of thirty-six months or the service accrued between the time a member first becomes eligible for retirement and his actual date of retirement. At retirement, the member's maximum monthly retirement benefit is based upon his service, final average compensation, and plan provisions in effect on the last day of the creditable service immediately prior to the commencement of the Back-DROP period. In addition to the monthly benefit at retirement, the member receives a lump-sum payment equal to the maximum monthly benefit as calculated above multiplied by the number of months in the Back-DROP period. In lieu of receiving the lump-sum payment, the member may leave the funds on deposit with DARS in an interest bearing account.

*Cost of Living Adjustments*

The board of trustees of DARS are authorized to grant retired members and surviving beneficiaries of members who have retired, an annual cost of living increase of 3% of their original benefit (not to exceed \$60 per month), and all retired members and surviving beneficiaries who are sixty-five years of age and older a 2% increase in their original benefit. In lieu of other cost of living increases the board may grant an increase to retirees in the form of "Xx(A&B)" where "A" is equal to the number of years of credited service accrued at retirement or death of the member or retiree and "B" is equal to the number of years since death of the member or retiree to June 30th of the initial year of increase and "X" is equal to any amount available for funding such increase up to a maximum of \$1.00. In order for the board of trustees to grant any of these increases, DARS must meet certain criteria detailed in the statute related to funding status and interest earnings.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

**Contributions (Employer and Non-employer)**

According to state statute, contribution requirements for all employers are actuarially determined each year. The District Attorney was required to contribute 4.0% from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and 4.0% from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 of annual covered payroll. Employees are required to contribute 8% of their annual pay. In addition, DARS also receives non-employer contributions including ad valorem taxes and state revenue sharing funds. The District Attorney's allocation percentage of these additional sources of income, which are not considered special funding situations, are recognized as revenue and excluded from pension expense.

The District Attorney's proportionate share of employer contributions for the measurement period (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020) was \$64,553 and the proportionate share of non-employer contributions was \$256,268.

The District Attorney had \$63,966 of contributions to the DARS pension for the year ended December 31, 2020.

**The Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans**

**Plan Description**

During 1997, the clerical and administrative employees of the District Attorney, who were not already receiving benefits from any of the other retirement plans sponsored by the City of New Orleans, became members of the Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans (the Retirement System). The City Charter provided that the Retirement Ordinance (Chapter 114 of the Code) govern and control the Retirement System under the management of a board of trustees. The Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established on July 1, 1947 to provide retirement allowances and other benefits to all employees of the parish, except those who are already or may be included in the benefits of any other pension or retirement system of the city, the state or any political subdivision of the state. The Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes its financial statements and required supplementary information. The report is available on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website at [www.la.gov](http://www.la.gov).

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

**Benefits Provided**

*Retirement benefits*

Members hired prior to January 1, 2018:

Normal Retirement Age:	5 years of service and age 65 30 years of service, regardless of age Any member whose age and service total 80 points
Normal Retirement Benefit:	2.5% of average compensation times creditable service for the first 25 years plus 4.0% of average compensation times creditable service thereafter
Average Annual Compensation:	Average annual compensation for the highest consecutive 60-month period. Compensation for purposes of calculating a pension is capped at \$200,000 per year
Early Retirement Provisions:	10 years of service and age 60
Early Retirement Benefit:	Normal Retirement benefit, reduced by 3% per year prior to age 62

Members hired on or after January 1, 2018:

Normal Retirement Age:	5 years of service and age 65 20 years of service and age 62 30 years of service, regardless of age
Normal Retirement Benefit:	1.9% of average compensation times creditable service
Average Annual Compensation:	Average annual compensation for the highest consecutive 60-month period. Compensation for purposes of calculating a pension is capped at \$100,000 per year, adjusted for inflation as determined by Trustees

If a member dies after retirement and before receiving the amount of the member's accumulated contributions in annuity payments, then the lump-sum balance of the member's contributions is paid to the member's beneficiary.

*Disability benefits*

Ordinary disability retirement benefits are awarded to active members with ten or more years of creditable service if a physician nominated by the board of trustees certifies that the member is mentally or physically totally incapacitated and that such is likely to be permanent.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

The member receives a service retirement allowance, if eligible; otherwise the member will receive a disability retirement allowance which will consist of:

1. An annuity which is the actuarial equivalent of the employee's accumulated contributions; and
2. An annual pension, which, together with (1), equals 75% of service allowance that would have been payable at age sixty-five, had a member continued in service to age sixty-five, computed on the average compensation.

Accidental disability retirement benefits are awarded to members whom the board of trustees finds has been totally and permanently incapacitated as a result of an accident sustained in service as a member and occurring while in performance of duty if a physician nominated by the board certifies that the member is mentally or physically totally incapacitated and that such is likely to be permanent.

The member receives a service retirement allowance, if eligible; otherwise the member will receive an accidental disability retirement allowance which will consist of:

3. An annuity which is the actuarial equivalent of the employee's accumulated contributions; and
4. An annual pension equal to the difference between his annuity and 65% of earnable compensation for the year preceding the date of the accident.

Medical examinations are required every three years for those disability retirees under age sixty. Accidental disability benefits are offset by Workmen's Compensation payments, if any.

*Survivor benefits*

Upon the death of a member during active service, the member's accumulated plan contributions are paid to the member's beneficiary. In addition, if a member has three years of creditable service, an additional lump sum benefit equal to 25% of the member's preceding year's base earnings plus 5% of earnings for each additional year of creditable service (benefit not to exceed compensation made before death) is paid. Also, if at the date of death, the member was eligible for retirement and leaves a surviving spouse, the surviving spouse shall be eligible to elect either Option 2 or lump sum refund of employee's contributions. If, at date of death, the member was ineligible for retirement, but was at least fifty-five years of age and had ten or more years of creditable service or was under age fifty-five and had at least twenty years of creditable service, then the surviving spouse may elect to receive benefits equal to an actuarially reduced amount based upon the members' age and years of creditable service. The benefit will cease when surviving spouse reaches age of eligibility for Social Security. Any death benefit will be offset by Worker's Compensation benefits.

*Optional forms of benefits*

5. If a member dies before receiving, in annuity payments, the value of his annuity at the time of his retirement, then the balance is payable to his beneficiary
6. 100% survivor's benefits - reduced retirement benefit continued to the beneficiary at the member's death. If the spouse predeceases the retiree, the benefit reverts back to the maximum amount.
7. 50% survivor's benefits - 50% of reduced retirement benefit continued to the beneficiary at the member's death. If the spouse predeceases the retiree, the benefit reverts to the maximum amount.
8. Other benefits of equal actuarial value may be available upon approval of the board of trustees.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

*Withdrawal from Service*

Upon withdrawal from service, members are entitled to:

9. Effective January 1, 2002, a member who separates with five years of creditable service may allow his accumulated contributions to remain on deposit and service retirement allowance to begin as early as age sixty-five.
10. Prior to January 1, 2002, a member who separated with ten years of creditable service may allow accumulated contributions to remain on deposit and service retirement allowance to begin as early as age sixty (subject to reduction if retirement is elected before age sixty-two). If death occurs before retirement, accumulated contributions are returned with interest.
11. Upon withdrawal without five years of creditable service, the member is entitled to return of accumulated contributions with interest or may allow contributions to remain on deposit for maximum of five years. In the case of employee's death, then accumulated contribution plus interest are paid to the member's beneficiary.
12. If a member re-enters after receipt of refund and continues service thereafter for at least six months, the member may repay the amount of refund plus the amount of employer contributions, with compound interest, to receive prior creditable service again.

*Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP)*

In lieu of receiving a service retirement allowance, any member of the Retirement System who has more than sufficient service for a regular service retirement may elect to participate in the DROP program. However, members who commenced employment after January 1, 2018 and members with less than ten years of service as of January 1, 2018 cannot exceed three years. Other members may participate for up to five years. Effective the date of participation in DROP, the member stops contributing to and earning benefits in the system; employer contributions also end, and the retirement benefit begins being paid into the member's DROP account.

Interest is earned on the DROP account at an annual rate set by the board of trustees. Members of the DROP receive cost of living increases, as they would have received as a retiree. Upon termination of employment at the end of the specified period of DROP participation, the DROP account is paid out. After the DROP period ends and upon continued or re-employment, the member may resume contributions and earn a supplemental benefit based on current covered compensation. If at the end of DROP participation, the member does not terminate employment, payments in DROP shall cease and no further interest shall be earned or credited to the account. Payments shall not be made until employment is terminated.

*Cost of Living Adjustments*

Cost of living provisions for the Retirement System allows the board of trustees to provide an annual cost of living increase. The board of trustees retains trust earnings or gains in excess of an average 3.5% to provide cost of living increases in benefits to retirees (past or future) not to exceed 3% of the initial benefit per each year of retirement, provided that the Retirement System's funded ratio is at least 95%. Such benefit shall be awarded and paid only when funds are available from this source as determined by the board of trustees.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

**Contributions (Employer)**

Contribution requirements for all employers are determined on the basis of regular interest and mortality tables adopted by the board of trustees, and additional percentage of earnable compensation, known as "Accrued Liability Contributions," determined by an actuary on basis of the amortization period adopted by the board of trustees. The District Attorney was required to contribute 22.32% from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 of annual covered payroll. Employees are required to contribute 6% of their annual pay. The Retirement System does not receive non-employer contributions.

The District Attorney's proportionate share of employer contributions for the measurement period (January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019) was \$828,937.

The District Attorney's contributions to the Retirement System for the year ended December 31, 2020 were \$928,862.

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

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney's net pension liability is comprised of its proportional share of the net pension liabilities of the District Attorneys' Retirement System and the Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans as follows:

	DARS	Retirement System CNO	Total
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	2,051,590	7,441,156	9,492,746
Measurement Date	6/30/2020	12/31/2019	
Proportion (%) of Net Pension Liability	2.59 %	2.45 %	
Prior Year Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	912,408	9,439,051	10,351,459
Increase (Decrease) From Prior Measurement Date	1,139,182	(1,997,895)	(858,713)
Prior Year Proportion of Net Pension Liability	2.84 %	3.23 %	
Increase (Decrease in Proportion (%) of the Net Pension Liability	(0.25)%	(0.78)%	
Pension Expense	561,138	1,004,179	1,565,317

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

The total pension liabilities for each pension plan used to calculate the net pension liability were determined by an actuarial valuation as of the reported measurement dates. In addition, the District Attorney's allocation of the net pension liabilities was based on the District Attorney's projected contribution effort to the plans for the next fiscal year as compared to the total of projected contributions of all participants, actuarially determined.

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

**District Attorneys' Retirement System:**

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 97,729	\$ 195,860
Changes of Assumptions	921,029	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	332,600	-
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between District Attorney's Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	10,814	109,843
Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date	31,476	-
	\$ 1,393,648	\$ 305,703

**Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans:**

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 1,225,296	\$ 382,663
Changes of Assumptions	1,300,292	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	-	240,141
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between District Attorney's Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	357,464	1,421,395
Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date	928,862	-
	\$ 3,811,914	\$ 2,044,199



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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

**Total All Pension Plans:**

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 1,323,025	\$ 578,523
Changes of Assumptions	2,221,321	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	332,600	240,141
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between District Attorney's Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	368,278	1,531,238
Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date	960,338	-
	\$ 5,205,562	\$ 2,349,902

The District Attorney's office recognized in pension expense its proportionate share of the Plans' change in net pension liability as follows:

Differences between expected and actual experience with regard to economic or demographic factors in the measurement of the total pension liability 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 with pensions through each pension plan.

Differences between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments were recognized in pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed five-year period.

Changes in assumptions about future economic demographic factors or of other inputs 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 with pensions through the pension plans.

Changes in the District Attorney'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 District Attorney's 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 with pensions through the pension plans.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

Differences between contributions remitted to the Plans during the measurement period and the employer's proportionate share of contributions are 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 with pensions through the pension plans.

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the District Attorney's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2020. 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 Ended December 31st	Amount
2021	\$ 1,391,833
2022	462,449
2023	615,600
2024	206,325
2025	179,453
	<u>\$ 2,855,660</u>

**Actuarial Assumptions**

**District Attorneys' Retirement System**

The total net pension liability in the June 30, 2020 actuarial valuation of DARS was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Cost
Investment Rate of Return	6.25% Net of Investment Expense, including inflation
Projected Salary Increases	5.0% (2.3% inflation, 2.7% merit)
Mortality Rates	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Employees multiplied by 115% for males and females for current employees, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.
	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Healthy Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for annuitants and beneficiaries, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.
	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for disabled retirees, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

The mortality rate assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuations were set after reviewing an experience study performed over the period of 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 DARS'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.

The long-term expected rate of return on DARS's 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. The long-term rate of return is 8.50% for the measurement period ended June 30, 2020.

The best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class based on DARS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 were as follows:

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Rate of Return	
		Real	Nominal
Equities	48.27 %	5.54 %	
Fixed Income	24.54 %	1.09 %	
Alternatives	26.77 %	1.87 %	
Cash	0.42 %	0.00 %	
DARS Total	100.00 %		6.11 %
Inflation			2.39 %
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return			8.50 %

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.25%. 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 DARS's actuary. Based on these assumptions DARS'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 were applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

*Sensitivity of the District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.*

The following presents the District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.25%, as well as what the District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.25%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.25%) than the current rate:

1% Decrease 5.25%	Current Discount Rate 6.25%	1% Increase 7.25%
\$ 3,747,629	\$ 2,051,590	\$ 630,389

*Pension plan fiduciary net position*

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued District Attorneys' Retirement System, State of Louisiana financial report.

**Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans**

The total net pension liability in the January 1, 2020 actuarial valuation of the Retirement System were determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method
Investment Rate of Return	7.3% net of investment expense, including inflation
Projected Salary Increases	2020: Age-based annual rates ranging from 3.2% to 10% (Previously, 5.00% compounded annually)
Mortality Rates	Healthy Pre-Retirement: PubG-2010 Employee Mortality Tables, amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018 Healthy Post-Retirement: PubG-2010 General Healthy Retiree Tables, amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018 Disabled: PubNS-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree Tables, amount-weighted, projected generationally with Scale MP- 2018.
Retirement Age Assumptions	Based on Results of 2011-2016 actuarial experience study
Expected Remaining Service Lives	4 years (8 years for periods prior to 2019)
Cost of Living Adjustment	The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values 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.

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**6. PENSION PLANS (continued)**

The long-term expected rates of return on the Retirement System's investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were 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, adding expected inflation, and subtracting expected investment expenses and a risk margin.

The best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class based on the Retirement Systems' target asset allocation as of December 31, 2019 were as follows:

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Weighted Rates of Return
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2.00 %	0.65 %	0.01 %
Domestic Securities	42.50 %	6.40 %	2.72 %
International Equity Securities	14.00 %	7.05 %	0.99 %
Fixed Income Securities	22.00 %	1.15 %	0.25 %
Real Estate	5.00 %	4.50 %	0.23 %
Hedge funds and GTAA	9.50 %	3.20 %	0.30 %
Private Investments	5.00 %	10.40 %	0.52 %
Total	100.00 %		5.02 %

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates, taking into consideration the recommendation of the Retirement System's actuary. Based on these assumptions the Retirement Systems'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 District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate*

The following presents the District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

1% Decrease 6.25%	Current Discount Rate 7.25%	1% Increase 8.25%
\$ 9,392,236	\$ 7,441,154	\$ 5,810,327

*Pension plan fiduciary net position*

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans' financial report.

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**7. NOTES PAYABLE**

Note Payable - State of Louisiana

On June 27, 2005 the District Attorney received an adverse judgment awarding a total of \$3,300,000 to their previous employees. The District Attorney received a stay until the judgment continued through the appeals process. As of October 1, 2007, the District Attorney reached a settlement agreement with the plaintiffs and agreed to pay a sum of \$3,300,000. As a result of the agreement, the District Attorney received proceeds from the State of Louisiana for \$1,600,000 in order to pay a portion of the judgment to the plaintiffs. Per the agreement with the State of Louisiana, the District Attorney agreed to pay \$100,000 for 16 years; however, the initial payment continues to be deferred on an annual basis. As of December 31, 2020, the note payable to the State of Louisiana was \$1,600,000.

**8. LEASES**

Operating Leases

The District Attorney is committed under various leases for equipment and office space. Many of these leases are on a month-to-month basis and can be cancelled by either party at any time. All of these leases are considered, for accounting purposes, to be operating leases. The lease payments for 2020 were \$304,071. Future minimum lease payments for the leases are as follows:

2021	\$	265,434
2022		247,760
2023		249,984
2024		-
2025		-
Thereafter		-
Total	\$	763,178

Capital Leases

During 2020, the District Attorney entered into a lease for six vehicles. The lease agreement qualified as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore, was capitalized at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the lease inception date. The leased vehicles have been capitalized into the capital assets on the government-wide financials, while the capital lease payments are reflected as debt service expenditures in the governmental funds financials. The lease term is four years with the first installment paid in April 2020. See Note 3 for additional information.

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments at December 31, 2020:

	Principal Payments	Interest Payments	Total
2021	\$ 33,956	\$ 5,646	\$ 39,602
2022	35,823	3,779	39,602
2023	37,793	1,808	39,601
2024	9,770	132	9,902
2025	-	-	-
Total	\$ 117,342	\$ 11,365	\$ 128,707

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**8. LEASES (continued)**

The following is a summary of the capital lease payable for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020:

Balance December 31, 2019	Additions	Reductions	Balance December 31, 2020	Due within One Year
\$ -	\$ 143,551	\$ (26,209)	\$ 117,342	\$ 33,956

**9. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS**

The District Attorney is a defendant in various lawsuits filed for unspecified damages. Outside counsel for the District Attorney continues to defend these lawsuits in an attempt to obtain the most favorable outcome. In the opinion of the District Attorney's legal counsel, with the exception of the two settlement agreements discussed in Note 14, none of the lawsuits are presently determinable.

**10. ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS**

The State of Louisiana provides direct payments of salaries to assistant district attorneys, as designated by the District Attorney. These payments referred to as "state warrants" provide these Assistant District Attorneys with their base salary. If the District Attorney wishes to pay their Assistant District Attorneys a salary greater than the amount of the state warrant (currently \$45,000 from January 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020 and \$47,500 from July 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020 per assistant district attorney per year), the additional amount is paid out of the District Attorney's Payroll Fund.

In accordance with GASB No. 24, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Grants and Other Financial Assistance*, the amount of state warrants paid directly to the Assistant District Attorneys, as well as the related benefits, has been recognized by the District Attorney as revenues and expenditures. During 2020, the District Attorney recognized \$4,077,736 from the State of Louisiana for On-Behalf Payments.

All costs relating to pension contributions are paid by the State of Louisiana directly to DARS and are included in the accompanying financial statements as On-Behalf Payments. The total On-Behalf pension contribution for the District Attorney for the year ended December 31, 2020, was \$154,679.

**11. CITY APPROPRIATIONS**

In accordance with GASB No. 24, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Grants and Other Financial Assistance*, the District Attorney has recognized \$7,178,029 during 2020 for appropriations from the City of New Orleans.

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**12. GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT**

All grants received by the District Attorney are received on a reimbursable basis, with the exception of the New Orleans Saints grant. The New Orleans Saints grant was received in 2020 and recognized as income in 2020 as costs began to be incurred. Income associated with all other grants is not recognized until the expenditures have occurred. At that point, a request is submitted to the appropriate agency in order to be reimbursed for the expended funds. In some instances, an advance is requested on the grant income in order to obtain the necessary purchases. During 2020, the District Attorney requested reimbursements from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, City of New Orleans, Department of Children and Family Services, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office, State of Louisiana, and the Multi-Agency Gang Unit Cooperative Endeavor Agreement totaling \$3,843,692. Of this amount, \$3,793,692 is included in Grants and Contributions and \$50,000 is included in Miscellaneous Income on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances during 2020. As of December 31, 2020, grants receivable amounted to \$241,413, and is included in Receivables on the Balance Sheet.

**13. UNCERTAINTIES**

In March 2020, the World Health Organization made an assessment that the outbreak of a novel strain of coronavirus (COVID-19) can be characterized as a pandemic. As a result, uncertainties have arisen that may have a significant negative impact on the operating activities and results of the District Attorney. The occurrence and extent of such an impact will depend on future developments, including (i) the duration and spread of the virus, (ii) restrictions and advisories, (iii) the effects on the financial markets, and (iv) the effects on the economy overall, all of which are uncertain.

**14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 855, "Subsequent Events" addresses events which occur after the balance sheet date but before the issuance of financial statements. An entity must record the effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the balance sheet date and must disclose but not record the effects of subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the balance sheet date. Additionally, Topic 855 requires disclosure relative to the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated and whether that is the date on which the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued. Management evaluated the activity of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District through October 29, 2021, the date the financial statements were issued, and concluded that the following subsequent events have occurred that require recognition in the financial statements and disclosure in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

In August 2021, the *Jones v. Cannizzaro*, Case No. 18-cv-503 lawsuit was settled for \$2,050,000 which is included in Legal Settlement Payable on the Statement of Net Position. The settlement will be paid in six annual installments of \$341,666, beginning in August 2021.

In October 2021, the *Singleton v. Cannizzaro*, Case No. 17-cv-10721 lawsuit was settled for \$120,000 which is included in Legal Settlement Payable on the Statement of Net Position. The settlement will be paid in two annual installments of \$60,000, beginning in December 2021.



## **OTHER REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND & TITLE IV-D FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>				Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	
Total Salaries and Related Expenses	\$ 10,299,378	\$ 10,549,378	\$ 10,290,643	\$ 258,735
Total Operating Expenditures	2,371,713	2,121,714	1,521,345	600,369
Capital Outlay	169,423	169,423	962,403	(792,980)
Total Expenditures	\$ 12,840,514	\$ 12,840,515	\$ 12,774,391	\$ 66,124
Revenues	\$ 13,659,747	\$ 13,659,747	\$ 13,690,020	\$ 30,273
Total Revenues	\$ 13,659,747	\$ 13,659,747	\$ 13,690,020	\$ 30,273

<b><u>TITLE IV-D FUND</u></b>				Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	
Total Salaries and Related Expenses	\$ 1,905,532	\$ 1,905,532	\$ 1,594,374	\$ 311,158
Total Operating Expenditures	491,305	491,305	476,627	14,678
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,396,837	\$ 2,396,837	\$ 2,071,001	\$ 325,836
Revenues	\$ 2,396,837	\$ 2,396,837	\$ 2,124,518	\$ (272,319)
Total Revenues	\$ 2,396,837	\$ 2,396,837	\$ 2,124,518	\$ (272,319)

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

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
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SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S PROPORTIONATE  
SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**District Attorneys' Retirement System**

Measurement Period	Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Covered Payroll During Measurement Period	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
6/30/2020	2.589501 %	2,051,590	1,618,875	126.73 %	84.86 %
6/30/2019	2.836182 %	912,408	1,667,600	54.71 %	93.13 %
6/30/2018	2.753629 %	886,097	1,827,502	48.49 %	92.92 %
6/30/2017	3.192785 %	861,164	1,823,379	47.23 %	93.57 %
6/30/2016	3.284849 %	628,744	2,134,086	29.46 %	95.09 %
6/30/2015	3.783886 %	203,820	2,241,957	9.09 %	98.56 %

**Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans**

Measurement Period	Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Covered Payroll During Measurement Period	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
12/31/2019	2.446347 %	7,441,156	4,846,921	153.52 %	57.94 %
12/31/2018	3.225754 %	9,439,051	4,709,573	200.42 %	55.55 %
12/31/2017	3.471406 %	8,259,833	4,422,834	186.75 %	62.22 %
12/31/2016	3.471406 %	8,868,401	4,622,490	191.85 %	58.06 %
12/31/2015	4.434200 %	9,914,329	4,614,293	214.86 %	60.26 %
12/31/2014	4.434202 %	7,512,673	4,676,366	160.65 %	68.64 %

**Notes:**

**Changes in Assumptions:**

Effective measurement period ended June 30, 2018, the actuarial valuation of the District Attorney's Retirement System assumed six years as the expected remaining service lives. For periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, seven years was assumed. Prior to that time, six years was assumed.

Effective measurement period ended December 31, 2018, the actuarial valuation of the Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans assumed four years as the expected remaining service lives. Previously, eight years was assumed.

The reports for the District Attorney's Retirement System and The Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans are available on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website at [www.lila.la.gov](http://www.lila.la.gov).

Information related to June 30, 2014 through 2011 is not available.

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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**District Attorneys' Retirement System**

Year	Statutorily Required Contributions	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll During Calendar Year	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2020	63,966	(63,966)	-	1,599,150	4.00 %
2019	42,839	(42,839)	-	1,640,088	2.61 %
2018	10,270	(10,270)	-	1,817,525	0.57 %
2017	-	-	-	1,717,100	- %
2016	35,912	(35,912)	-	2,052,114	1.75 %
2015	118,094	(118,094)	-	2,241,071	5.27 %
2014	191,621	(191,621)	-	2,278,118	8.41 %

**Employees' Retirement System of the City of New Orleans**

Year	Statutorily Required Contributions	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll During Calendar Year	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2020	928,862	(928,862)	-	4,161,568	22.320 %
2019	1,124,001	(1,124,001)	-	4,846,921	23.190 %
2018	1,095,070	(1,095,070)	-	4,709,573	23.252 %
2017	950,467	(950,467)	-	4,422,834	21.490 %
2016	1,040,615	(1,040,615)	-	4,622,490	22.512 %
2015	1,041,815	(1,041,815)	-	4,614,293	22.578 %
2014	1,018,419	(1,018,419)	-	4,676,366	21.778 %

**Notes:**

According to state statute, contribution requirements for all employers are actuarially determined each year.

Information related to 2013 through 2011 is not available.

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## **OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS  
TO AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**Agency Head:**

**Leon Cannizzaro, District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District**

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 182,502
Benefits - Retirement	6,126
Benefits - Other	2,657
Vehicle Provided by Government	1,598
Registration Fees	750

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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
JUSTICE SYSTEM FUNDING SCHEDULE- COLLECTING/DISBURSING ENTITY  
AS REQUIRED BY ACT 87 OF THE 2020 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Identifying Information		
Entity Name	District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District	
LLA Entity ID #	1323	
Date that reporting period ended	12/31/2020	
	First Six Month Period Ended 06/30/20	Second Six Month Period Ended 12/31/20
<b>Cash Basis Presentation</b>		
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected (i.e. cash on hand)	276,295	465,136
<b>Add: Collections</b>		
Bond Fees	40,268	11,460
Asset Forfeiture/Sale	607,414	672,041
Pre-Trial Diversion Program Fees	13,140	12,900
Restitution	-	500
<b>Subtotal Collections</b>	<b>660,822</b>	<b>696,900</b>
<b>Less: Disbursements To Governments &amp; Nonprofits:</b>		
Amtrak Police Department - Asset Forfeiture	8,910	-
Drug Asset Recovery Team - Asset Forfeiture	2,691	-
East Jefferson Levee Police - Asset Forfeiture	3,620	-
Gretna Police Department - Asset Forfeiture	46,953	-
Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office - Asset Forfeiture	31,850	-
Kenner Police Department - Asset Forfeiture	11,261	-
Louisiana State Police - Asset Forfeiture	8,910	-
New Orleans Police Department - Asset Forfeiture	74,524	-
Orleans Parish Criminal District Clerk of Court - Asset Forfeiture	86,016	-
Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office - Asset Forfeiture	24,430	-
Plaquemines Parish Sheriff's Office - Asset Forfeiture	24,251	-
Plaquemines Police Department - Asset Forfeiture	4,762	-
St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office - Asset Forfeiture	7,316	-
St. John Parish Sheriff's Office - Asset Forfeiture	11,261	-
<b>Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency</b>		
Asset Forfeitures	86,297	-
Pre-Trial Diversion Program Fees	13,140	12,900
	-	-
<b>Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies</b>		
Asset Forfeiture	25,788	-
Restitution	-	500
<b>Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage</b>	<b>471,980</b>	<b>13,400</b>
<b>Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained (i.e. cash on hand)</b>	<b>465,136</b>	<b>1,148,637</b>
<b>Ending Balance of "Partial Payments" Collected but not Disbursed</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Information:</b>		
Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected (i.e. receivable balance)	-	-
Total Waivers During the Fiscal Period (i.e. non-cash reduction of receivable balances, such as time served or community service)	-	-

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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
JUSTICE SYSTEM FUNDING SCHEDULE- RECEIVING ENTITY  
AS REQUIRED BY ACT 87 OF THE 2020 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Identifying Information		
Entity Name	District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District	
LLA Entity ID #	1323	
Date that reporting period ended	12/31/2020	

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

**Receipts From:**

Orleans Parish Criminal District Court - Criminal Court Costs / Fees	2,420	845
Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office - Criminal Court Costs / Fees	1,727	1,904
City of New Orleans - Criminal Fines - Other	53,247	31,795
Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office - Bond Fees	108,601	73,303
Orleans Parish Criminal District Court - Restitution	740	-
Orleans Parish Clerk of Criminal District Court - Other	3,150	700
Municipal Court of New Orleans - Other	350	1,000
<b>Subtotal Receipts</b>	<b>170,234</b>	<b>109,546</b>

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## **OTHER GOVERNMENTAL REPORTING**

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

District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District - Orleans Parish  
619 S. White St.  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District (District Attorney) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 29, 2021.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the 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. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 25:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*LeBlanc & Associates CPAs, L.L.C.*

Metairie, Louisiana  
October 29, 2021

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**SECTION I –SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS**

**Financial Statements**

- A. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District.
- B. No material weaknesses and no significant deficiencies were disclosed during the audit of the financial statements.
- C. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

**Federal Awards**

- D. No material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over major federal award programs were disclosed during the audit.
- E. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District expresses an unmodified opinion on all major federal programs.
- F. Audit findings which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance are included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.
- G. The programs tested as major programs were:

<b>Title</b>	<b>CFDA Number</b>
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563
Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019

- H. The threshold for distinguishing Type A and Type B programs is \$750,000.
- I. The District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District was determined to be a low-risk auditee under section 520 of the Uniform Guidance.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT FINDINGS**

None

**SECTION III – MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

None

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS & QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS:**

None

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Federal Grantor / Pass-through Grantor Program Title	CFDA Number	Project Number	Current Year Expenditures
<b><u>United States Department of Justice</u></b>			
Sexual Assault Kit Initiative	16.833	2017-AK-BX-0004	390,657
Sexual Assault Kit Initiative	16.833	2020-AK-BX-0013	90,735
Equitable Sharing Program (Asset Forfeiture Program)	16.922	LA036015A	9,900
Smart Prosecution Initiative	16.825	2019-YX-BX-0011	31,992
<b><u>Passed through the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice</u></b>			
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2018-VA-02/03-5043	51,628
Crime Victim Assistance	16.575	2019-VA-02/03-5443	41,349
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	2018-WF-02-4765	24,369
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	2019-WF-02-5346	59,440
COVID-19 Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program	16.751	2020-VD-BX-0261	30,000
<b><u>Passed through the City of New Orleans</u></b>			
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant	16.738	2018-DJ-BX-0745 JAG	32,094
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant	16.738	2017-DJ-BX-0458 JAG	55,323
<b>Total United States Department of Justice</b>			<b><u>817,487</u></b>
<b><u>United States Department of Health and Human Services</u></b>			
<b><u>Passed through the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services</u></b>			
Child Support Enforcement (Title IV-D)	93.563	1304LA4004	2,124,518
<b>Total United States Department of Health and Human Services</b>			<b><u>2,124,518</u></b>
<b><u>Executive Office of the President</u></b>			
<b><u>Passed through the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office</u></b>			
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program	95.001	G20GC0001A-56127	46,983
<b>Total Executive Office of the President</b>			<b><u>46,983</u></b>
<b><u>United States Department of the Treasury</u></b>			
<b><u>Passed through the State of Louisiana</u></b>			
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	COVID-19	347,201
<b>Total United States Department of the Treasury</b>			<b><u>347,201</u></b>
Total Federal Expenditures			<b><u>\$ 3,336,189</u></b>

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE ORLEANS JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA  
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**Note A - Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("Schedule") includes the federal grant activity for the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2020. 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). Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

**Note B - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

- (1) Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited to reimbursement.
- (2) Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.
- (3) The District Attorney has a certified cost allocation plan and therefore has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimus cost rate.

**Note C - Reconciliation of Federal Grant Expenditures to the Financial Statements**

The following is a reconciliation of total federal grant expenditures to the grants and contributions revenue reported on page 18 of the financial statements:

Total Federal Expenditures	\$ 3,336,189
Victims Assistant Coordinator - State Warrant	120,000
Prosecutor Led Diversion - Cooperative Endeavor	
Agreement with the City of New Orleans	97,403
City Reimbursement for Multi-Agency Gang Unit Cooperative	
Endeavor Agreement	150,000
New Orleans Saints Grant	100,000
Equitable Sharing Program (Asset Forfeiture Program)	<u>(9,900)</u>
Total Grants and Contributions Revenue (page 18)	<u>\$ 3,793,692</u>



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

District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District - Orleans Parish  
619 S. White St.  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

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

We have audited the District Attorney of the Orleans Judicial District's (District Attorney) 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 District Attorney's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2020. The District Attorney'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**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the District Attorney's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we 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 District Attorney's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District Attorney's compliance.

**Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, the District Attorney 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 December 31, 2020.

## Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the District Attorney is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the District Attorney'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, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney'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.

Our 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. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we 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 our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

*LeBlanc & Associates CPAs, L.L.C.*

Metairie, Louisiana  
October 29, 2021