

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 1999

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

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CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

ELECTED OFFICIALS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1999

<u>Elected Officials</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Of Office</u>
Douglas E. Cellar	Mayor	1/1/98 - 12/31/01
William E. Strine	Director of Finance	1/1/96 - 12/31/99
Richard P. Wolfe II	Director of Law	1/1/96 - 12/31/99
Jacob Fridline	Judge	1/1/94 - 12/31/99
J. Hugh Metcalf	Council President	1/1/98 - 12/31/01
James Heichel	Council Member	1/1/96 - 12/31/99
Lowell Bender	Council Member	1/1/96 - 12/31/99
James Molnar	Council Member	1/1/98 - 12/31/01
Paul E. Wertz	Council Member	1/1/98 - 12/31/01

Surety

Amount

Period Covered

Spreng - Smith Agency

\$ 250,000

12/31/97 - 12/31/99

CITY OF ASHLAND
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ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1999

<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Title</u>
Elaine Hootman	Clerk of Council
William Miracle	Police Chief
Mark Burgess	Fire Chief
Cheryl Helterbride	Personnel / Labor Relations
Roger Gordon	Building and Zoning Director
Warren D. Strine	Water Distribution Director
James Greener	City Engineer
Larry Rose	Income Tax Administrator
Jan W. Howe	Street Superintendent
Nancy Boyd	Director of Accounting
Al Sanders	Health Administration
Dr. Daniel Daugherty, MD	Health Commissioner
Jill Welch	Clerk of Courts
Robert Swinehart	Wastewater Treatment Manager
Tim Clingan	Park Superintendent and Golf Course Director

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ASHLAND COUNTY
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GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES:

General Fund Type:
General Fund

Special Revenue Fund Types:

Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund
State Highway Improvement Fund
Permissive Tax Fund
City Permissive Tax Fund
Park and Recreation Fund
Fire and Emergency Squad Equipment Fund
Fire and Emergency Squad Training Fund
Community Development Block Grant Fund
Kate Myers Fund
Police Pension Fund
Firemen's Pension Fund
Bandshell Improvements Fund
Drug Law Enforcement Fund
Ohio Elderly and Handicap Transit Fare Assistance Program Fund
DARE Fund
Municipal Court Computer
Indigent Drivers
Municipal Probation
Police Donations
Home Arrest Fund
Law Enforcement Block Grant
Community Corrections
Municipal Court Special Projects
Ohio Housing Grant
Enforcement and Education

Debt Service Fund Type:

General Obligation Bond Retirement Fund
Special Assessment Debt Retirement Fund
Note Retirement

Capital Projects Fund Types:

Capital Improvement Investment Fund
Reserve for Expansion

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Capital Projects Fund Types: (Continued)

Downtown Beautification
Police/Court Facility
George Road Improvement
Westlake Drive Reconstruction
Ford/Wells Reconstruction
250 East Intersection

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES:

Enterprise Fund Types:

Water and Water Treatment Fund
Water Development Income Tax Fund
Sewer Revenue Fund
Brookside Pool Fund
Brookside Golf Course Fund
Sanitation Fund
1990 Bond Sewerage System Reserve Fund
1990 Bond, Bond Reserve & Rebate Fund
1990 Replacement and Improvement Fund
Storm Drainage
North Truck Sewer

Internal Service Fund Class:

City Maintenance Division Fund
City Income Tax Administration Fund
Health Care Insurance Fund
Section 125 Fund

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES:

Agency Fund Class:

Ashland Municipal Court Fund
Municipal Income Tax Transfer
Performance Bond Fund
State Patrol Transfer Fund
Deferred Compensation Fund

ACCOUNT GROUPS:

General Fixed Assets
General Long Term Obligations



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Honorable City Council
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We have reviewed the independent auditor's report of the City of Ashland, Ashland County, prepared by Guillan & Company, for the audit period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The City of Ashland is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.



JIM PETRO
Auditor of State

July 13, 2000

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Independent Auditor's Report

**Honorable City Council
City of Ashland**

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the City of Ashland, Ohio as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the City of Ashland. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City of Ashland, Ohio as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 27, 2000 on our consideration of the City of Ashland's internal control structure and a report dated on its compliance with laws and regulations.

June 27, 2000

Guillan & Company

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1999

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUE</u>	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u>
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,651,769	\$ 2,137,014	\$ 233,975	\$ 5,331,997
Cash with fiscal agent	-	-	9,595	-
Receivable:				
Accounts	78,253	4,189	-	650
Taxes-property	795,556	255,181	-	-
Taxes-income	482,736	233,323	-	48,274
Accrued interest	-	-	-	201,276
Special assessments	-	-	47	-
Due from other governments	113,023	87,604	-	-
Inventories	-	83,372	-	-
Prepaid expenses	35,119	31,013	-	-
Due from other funds	-	-	-	163,049
Property, plant, and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	-	-	-	-
Amount available for retirement of general long-term obligations	-	-	-	-
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term obligations	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$ 3,156,456	\$ 2,831,696	\$ 243,617	\$ 5,745,246

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

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES		FIDUCIARY FUND	ACCOUNT GROUPS		TOTALS
ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE	AGENCY	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	GENERAL LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS	(MEMO-RANDUM ONLY)
\$ 10,427,486	\$ 289,025	\$ 64,868	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,136,134
455,613	-	-	-	-	465,208
447,465	219	-	-	-	530,776
-	-	-	-	-	1,050,737
40,228	-	-	-	-	804,561
34,523	-	-	-	-	235,799
-	-	-	-	-	47
7,407	-	9,073	-	-	217,107
160,403	-	-	-	-	243,775
29,994	351	-	-	-	96,477
-	-	-	-	-	163,049
26,219,280	75,116	-	14,629,347	-	40,923,743
-	-	-	-	233,975	233,975
-	-	-	-	5,895,939	5,895,939
\$ 37,822,399	\$ 364,711	\$ 73,941	\$ 14,629,347	\$ 6,129,914	\$ 70,997,327

CITY OF ASHLAND
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COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1999
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GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

<u>LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUE</u>	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u>
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>				
Accounts payable	\$ 77,975	\$ 99,635	\$ -	\$ 344,710
Accrued wages and benefits	194,612	64,896	-	-
Claims payable	-	-	-	-
Compensated absences payable	-	-	-	-
Due to other governments	2,090	4,697	-	10,810
Due to others	-	-	-	-
Accrued interest payable	-	-	-	-
Deferred revenue	795,556	255,181	47	-
Due to other funds	-	19,250	-	90,158
Notes payable	-	-	-	-
Matured bonds / interest	-	-	9,595	-
Ohio water development authority loan payable	-	-	-	-
General obligation bonds payable	-	-	-	-
Revenue bonds payable	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,070,233	443,659	9,642	445,678
<u>EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS:</u>				
Contributed capital	-	-	-	-
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Retained earnings:				
Reserved for debt service	-	-	-	-
Unreserved	-	-	-	-
Fund balances:				
Reserved for debt service	-	-	233,975	-
Reserved for encumbrances	63,335	64,235	-	1,280,120
Reserved for inventory	-	83,372	-	-
Reserved for prepaid items	35,119	31,013	-	-
Unreserved - undesignated	1,987,769	2,209,417	-	4,019,448
TOTAL EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS	2,086,223	2,388,037	233,975	5,299,568
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 3,156,456	\$ 2,831,696	\$ 243,617	\$ 5,745,246

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PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES		FIDUCIARY FUND	ACCOUNT GROUPS		TOTALS
ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE	AGENCY	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	GENERAL LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS	(MEMO-RANDUM ONLY)
\$ 176,034	\$ 24,746	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 723,100
86,128	8,569	-	-	-	354,205
-	142,463	-	-	-	142,463
197,641	19,000	-	-	566,914	783,555
2,395	27	9,073	-	-	29,092
-	-	64,868	-	-	64,868
31,993	-	-	-	-	31,993
-	-	-	-	-	1,050,784
53,641	-	-	-	-	163,049
1,750,000	-	-	-	5,203,000	6,953,000
-	-	-	-	-	9,595
2,798,546	-	-	-	-	2,798,546
240,000	-	-	-	360,000	600,000
2,120,000	-	-	-	-	2,120,000
7,456,378	194,805	73,941	-	6,129,914	15,824,250
16,089,248	83,795	-	-	-	16,173,043
-	-	-	14,629,347	-	14,629,347
30,633	-	-	-	-	30,633
14,246,140	86,111	-	-	-	14,332,251
-	-	-	-	-	233,975
-	-	-	-	-	1,407,690
-	-	-	-	-	83,372
-	-	-	-	-	66,132
-	-	-	-	-	8,216,634
30,366,021	169,906	-	14,629,347	-	55,173,077
\$ 37,822,399	\$ 364,711	\$ 73,941	\$ 14,629,347	\$ 6,129,914	\$ 70,997,327

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Local taxes	\$ 4,992,244	\$ 2,151,482	\$ 504	\$ 928,014
Intergovernmental	1,058,640	1,324,319	-	636,091
Special assessments	-	-	2,388	-
Charges for services	496,432	239,129	-	49,575
Fees, licenses, permits	39,126	345	-	-
Investment income	-	1,829	-	1,024,663
Fines and forfeitures	410,540	283,057	-	-
Other	74,465	45,425	64,900	167,595
TOTAL REVENUES	7,071,447	4,045,586	67,792	2,805,938
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
Public safety	4,528,851	778,668	-	-
Health	217,162	-	-	-
Leisure time activities	-	1,044,513	-	-
Community development	105,456	88,216	-	-
Transportation	-	1,725,972	-	-
General government	1,809,826	395,204	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	5,430,339
Debt services:				
Principal retirement	169,967	10,000	7,172,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	5,105	5,910	232,756	1,762
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 6,836,367	\$ 4,048,483	\$ 7,404,756	\$ 5,432,101

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TOTALS
(MEMORANDUM
ONLY)

\$ 8,072,244
3,019,050
2,388
785,136
39,471
1,026,492
693,597
352,385

13,990,763

5,307,519
217,162
1,044,513
193,672
1,725,972
2,205,030
5,430,339

7,351,967
245,533

\$ 23,721,707

CITY OF ASHLAND
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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

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	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 235,080	\$ (2,897)	\$ (7,336,964)	\$ (2,626,163)
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/(USES):</u>				
Operating transfers in	300	500,207	350,042	1,099,189
Operating transfers out	(497,807)	(612,633)	-	(922,930)
Proceeds from sale of notes	-	-	6,953,000	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(497,507)	(112,426)	7,303,042	176,259
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(262,427)	(115,323)	(33,922)	(2,449,904)
FUND BALANCES-JANUARY 1, 1999	2,348,650	2,503,360	267,897	7,749,472
FUND BALANCES-DECEMBER 31, 1999	\$ 2,086,223	\$ 2,388,037	\$ 233,975	\$ 5,299,568

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TOTALS
(MEMORANDUM
ONLY)

\$ (9,730,944)

1,949,738
(2,033,370)
6,953,000

6,869,368

(2,861,576)

12,869,379

\$ 10,007,803

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	GENERAL FUND		
	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
<u>REVENUES:</u>			
Local taxes	\$ 4,457,423	\$ 4,678,151	\$ 220,728
Intergovernmental	869,900	1,055,401	185,501
Charges for services	339,600	551,821	212,221
Special assessments	-	-	-
Fees, licenses, and permits	21,750	40,683	18,933
Investment income	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	399,500	407,136	7,636
Other	51,560	90,226	38,666
TOTAL REVENUES	6,139,733	6,823,418	683,685
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>			
Public safety	4,643,203	4,586,805	56,398
Health	224,420	219,972	4,448
Leisure time activities	-	-	-
Community development	118,650	107,227	11,423
Transportation	-	-	-
General government	3,329,704	2,453,483	876,221
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	2,956	169,967	(167,011)
Interest and fiscal charges	10,592	5,105	5,487
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 8,329,525	\$ 7,542,559	\$ 786,966

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

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS			DEBT SERVICE FUND		
REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
\$ 1,972,678	\$ 1,979,391	\$ 6,713	\$ -	\$ 504	\$ 504
1,480,726	1,391,150	(89,576)	-	-	-
262,900	238,321	(24,579)	-	-	-
-	-	-	2,391	2,388	(3)
-	-	-	-	-	-
1,300	1,949	649	-	-	-
295,000	281,723	(13,277)	-	-	-
25,500	45,813	20,313	64,900	64,900	-
4,038,104	3,938,347	(99,757)	67,291	67,792	501
1,176,940	947,926	229,014	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
1,311,720	1,103,448	208,272	-	-	-
449,950	262,350	187,600	-	-	-
2,981,392	2,189,138	792,254	-	-	-
501,317	426,366	74,951	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
10,000	10,000	-	7,422,001	7,422,000	1
5,910	5,910	-	313,386	311,736	1,650
\$ 6,437,229	\$ 4,945,138	\$ 1,492,091	\$ 7,735,387	\$ 7,733,736	\$ 1,651

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

	GENERAL FUND		
	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (2,189,792)	\$ (719,141)	\$ 1,470,651
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES) :</u>			
Proceeds from sale of notes	-	-	-
Transfers in	538,668	547,552	8,884
Transfers out	(513,945)	(446,882)	67,063
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES)	24,723	100,670	75,947
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(2,165,069)	(618,471)	1,546,598
FUND BALANCES - January 1, 1999	2,089,837	2,089,837	-
PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES APPROPRIATED	98,788	98,788	-
FUND BALANCES - December 31, 1999	\$ 23,556	\$ 1,570,154	\$ 1,546,598

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

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS			DEBT SERVICE FUND		
REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
\$ (2,399,125)	\$ (1,006,791)	\$ 1,392,334	\$ (7,668,096)	\$ (7,665,944)	\$ 2,152
-	-	-	6,953,000	6,953,000	-
801,120	671,791	(129,329)	680,670	679,022	(1,648)
(131,117)	(132,446)	(1,329)	-	-	-
670,003	539,345	(130,658)	7,633,670	7,632,022	(1,648)
(1,729,122)	(467,446)	1,261,676	(34,426)	(33,922)	504
2,382,263	2,382,263	-	267,897	267,897	-
131,706	131,706	-	-	-	-
\$ 784,847	\$ 2,046,523	\$ 1,261,676	\$ 233,471	\$ 233,975	\$ 504

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND		
	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
<u>REVENUES:</u>			
Local taxes	\$ 360,000	\$ 896,615	\$ 536,615
Intergovernmental	1,723,224	715,547	(1,007,677)
Charges for services	50,000	48,925	(1,075)
Special assessments	-	-	-
Fees, licenses, and permits	-	-	-
Investment income	380,000	1,061,921	681,921
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-
Other	-	168,428	168,428
TOTAL REVENUES	2,513,224	2,891,436	378,212
 <u>EXPENDITURES:</u>			
Public safety	-	-	-
Health	-	-	-
Leisure time activities	-	-	-
Community development	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-
General government	-	-	-
Capital outlay	9,018,132	6,800,882	2,217,250
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	500	1,762	(1,262)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,018,632	\$ 6,802,644	\$ 2,215,988

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

TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)

REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
\$ 6,790,101	\$ 7,554,661	\$ 764,560
4,073,850	3,162,098	(911,752)
652,500	839,067	186,567
2,391	2,388	(3)
21,750	40,683	18,933
381,300	1,063,870	682,570
694,500	688,859	(5,641)
141,960	369,367	227,407
12,758,352	13,720,993	962,641
5,820,143	5,534,731	285,412
224,420	219,972	4,448
1,311,720	1,103,448	208,272
568,600	369,577	199,023
2,981,392	2,189,138	792,254
3,831,021	2,879,849	951,172
9,018,132	6,800,882	2,217,250
7,434,957	7,601,967	(167,010)
330,388	324,513	5,875
\$ 31,520,773	\$ 27,024,077	\$ 4,496,696

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND		
	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (6,505,408)	\$ (3,911,208)	\$ 2,594,200
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES) :</u>			
Proceeds from sale of notes	-	-	-
Transfers in	2,485,426	2,244,912	(240,514)
Transfers out	(2,004,733)	(2,088,562)	(83,829)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES)	480,693	156,350	(324,343)
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(6,024,715)	(3,754,858)	2,269,857
FUND BALANCES - January 1, 1999	6,371,468	6,371,468	-
PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES APPROPRIATED	1,076,347	1,076,347	-
FUND BALANCES - December 31, 1999	\$ 1,423,100	\$ 3,692,957	\$ 2,269,857

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

TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)

REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
\$ (18,762,421)	\$ (13,303,084)	\$ 5,459,337
6,953,000	6,953,000	-
4,505,884	4,143,277	(362,607)
(2,649,795)	(2,667,890)	(18,095)
8,809,089	8,428,387	(380,702)
(9,953,332)	(4,874,697)	5,078,635
11,111,465	11,111,465	-
1,306,841	1,306,841	-
\$ 2,464,974	\$ 7,543,609	\$ 5,078,635

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN
RETAINED EARNINGS - ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	ENTERPRISE FUND	INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
<u>OPERATING REVENUES:</u>			
Charges for services	\$ 6,224,239	\$ 1,578,654	\$ 7,802,893
Total Operating Revenues	6,224,239	1,578,654	7,802,893
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u>			
Personal services	2,794,955	252,706	3,047,661
Utilities	464,591	4,236	468,827
Contractual services	322,062	8,733	330,795
Materials and supplies	1,304,066	34,598	1,338,664
Claims	-	768,234	768,234
Depreciation and amortization	828,282	4,923	833,205
Others	150,077	273,898	423,975
Total Operating Expenses	5,864,033	1,347,328	7,211,361
Operating Income	360,206	231,326	591,532
<u>NONOPERATING REVENUES/ (EXPENSES):</u>			
Interest	(383,560)	-	(383,560)
Investment income	213,438	6,821	220,259
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	(56,707)	(74,551)	(131,258)
Other nonoperating revenues	335,771	843	336,614
Total Non-Operating Revenues/ (Expenses)	\$ 108,942	\$ (66,887)	\$ 42,055

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN
RETAINED EARNINGS - ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

	ENTERPRISE FUND	INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
Excess of Revenues Over/(Under) Expenses Before Interfund Transfers	\$ 469,148	\$ 164,439	\$ 633,587
Transfers in	443,334	-	443,334
Transfers out	(359,702)	-	(359,702)
Net Income	552,780	164,439	717,219
Retained Earnings - January 1, 1999	13,723,993	(78,328)	13,645,665
Retained Earnings - December 31, 1999	14,276,773	86,111	14,362,884
Contributed Capital - January 1, 1999	15,945,365	66,295	16,011,660
Contributions	143,883	17,500	161,383
Contributed Capital - December 31, 1999	16,089,248	83,795	16,173,043
TOTAL FUND EQUITY - December 31, 1999	\$ 30,366,021	\$ 169,906	\$ 30,535,927

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

CITY OF ASHLAND
ASHLAND COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

	ENTERPRISE FUND	INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Operating Income	\$ 360,206	\$ 231,326	\$ 591,532
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
(Gain) loss on disposal of asset	56,707	74,551	131,258
Depreciation and amortization	828,282	4,923	833,205
Change in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) decrease in:			
Taxes receivable	(26,166)	-	(26,166)
Accounts receivable	27,383	5,981	33,364
Inventories	(15,812)	-	(15,812)
Prepaid expenses	(7,452)	119	(7,333)
Accrued interest	(21,545)	-	(21,545)
Due from other governments	(6,822)	276	(6,546)
Increase (decrease) in:			
Accounts payable	21,651	5,487	27,138
Claims payable	-	13,196	13,196
Accrued interest payable	(3,574)	-	(3,574)
Compensated absences payable	(72,069)	(5,647)	(77,716)
Accrued wages and benefits	(35,075)	(3,892)	(38,967)
Due to other governments	(408)	27	(381)
Total Adjustments	\$ 745,100	\$ 95,021	\$ 840,121

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CITY OF ASHLAND
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COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999
(Continued)

	ENTERPRISE FUND	INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 1,105,306	\$ 326,347	\$ 1,431,653
Net nonoperating revenues including operating transfers	192,574	(66,887)	125,687
Net cash provided by operating activities, net nonoperating revenues, and operating transfers	1,297,880	259,460	1,557,340
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Acquisition of capital assets	(585,676)	(63,877)	(649,553)
Contributed capital	143,883	17,500	161,383
Principal paid on bonds and notes	(581,879)	-	(581,879)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(1,023,672)	(46,377)	(1,070,049)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	274,208	213,083	487,291
Cash and cash equivalents - January 1, 1999	10,608,891	75,942	10,684,833
Cash and cash equivalents - December 31, 1999	\$ 10,883,099	\$ 289,025	\$ 11,172,124

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

CITY OF ASHLAND
NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. REPORTING ENTITY

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Ashland, Ohio (the "City"), includes all funds, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities that are controlled by the City's executive or legislative branches (the Mayor or the Council, respectively). Control by the City was determined on the basis of budget adoption, taxing authority, outstanding debt secured by revenues or general obligations of the City, obligations of the City to finance any deficits that may occur, or receipt of significant subsidies from the City.

On this basis, the "reporting entity" of the City includes police and fire protection, street maintenance, parks and recreation, health and certain social services and general administration services. In addition, the City owns and operates several enterprise activities, including a waste collection, a golf course, a swimming pool, a water system, and a local sewer system.

The Ashland County Municipal Court is also included in the reporting entity within the agency funds. The Court's jurisdiction includes the City and certain other local governments and agencies within Ashland County. The Court is included since its operations are financed primarily through the budget of the City's General Fund.

The Samaritan Hospital and the Community Improvement Corporation, which are associated with the City are excluded from the accompanying general purpose financial statements. Although they perform activities within the City's boundaries and for the benefit of the City and/or its residents, they are excluded from the accompanying general purpose financial statements because the City does not exercise significant control over their operations.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Fund Accounting: The accounting policies of the City conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

The financial transactions of the City are recorded in individual funds and account groups. The various funds and account groups are recorded by type in the general purpose financial statements. Amounts in the "total - memorandum only" columns in the general purpose financial statements represents a summation of the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account groups and are presented

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

Fund Accounting: (Continued)

only for analytical purposes. The summation includes fund types and account groups that use different bases of accounting, both restricted and unrestricted amounts, interfund transactions that have not been eliminated, and the caption "amounts to be provided", which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "total-memorandum only" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/expenses of the City.

The various funds of the City are grouped into the following generic funds under the broad fund type categories governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary for financial statement presentation purposes:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - These are the funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The funds included in this category are as follows:

General Fund: This is the general operating fund of the City. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds: These funds are used to account for revenues derived from specific taxes, grants or other restricted revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Debt Service Fund: To account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related cost.

Capital Projects Fund: This fund is used to account for financial resources used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

PROPRIETARY FUNDS: These funds account for operations that are organized to be self-supporting through user charges. The funds included in this category are the Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds.

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(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

PROPRIETARY FUNDS: (Continued)

Enterprise Funds: These funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Internal Service Fund: To account for the financing of goods and services provided by one department to other departments of the City on a cost reimbursement basis.

Under the guidelines of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Units That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the City has elected not to apply Financial Accounting Standard Board Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989 to proprietary activities. The adoption of this approach to accounting for proprietary activities by the City required no change from prior years.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS: These funds account for assets held by the City as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, and other units of governments. These funds are as follows.

Agency Funds: Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

ACCOUNT GROUPS - To make a clear distinction between fixed assets related to specific funds and those of general government, and between long-term liabilities related to specific funds and those of general government, the following account groups are used:

General Fixed Assets Account Group: This group is used to account for all fixed assets required for general City purposes, excluding fixed assets of proprietary or trust funds.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

ACCOUNT GROUPS (Continued)

General Long-Term Obligations Account Group: This group is used to account for all long-term obligations of the City, except those accounted for in proprietary or trust funds.

C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Governmental and fiduciary fund types are accounted for on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Governmental revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Revenue items, which are recognized before the related cash is received and are recorded as receivable, include income taxes arising from payroll tax withholding during the year. Expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, with the exception of accumulated unpaid employee compensation and the principal and interest of general long-term obligations, which are reported when due in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Proprietary funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized in the accounting period earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred.

D. BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable.

The major documents prepared are the budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting.

The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations ordinance are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, other than agency funds, are required to be budgeted and appropriated. The primary level of budgetary control is at the departmental level or by projects.

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NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING (Continued)

- (1) The City must submit a budget of estimated cash receipts and disbursements to the County Auditor, as a Secretary of the County Budget Commission, by July 20 of each year for the following calendar year.
- (2) The County Budget Commission certifies its actions by September 1, and issues a "Certificate of Resources" limiting the maximum amount the City may expend from a given fund during the year.
- (3) About January 1, this Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year. The City must prepare its appropriations so that the total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Resources.
- (4) A temporary appropriation measure may be passed for the period January 1 through March 31. If a temporary appropriation is made, a permanent appropriation measure must be passed before April 1, for the period January 1 through December 31. The permanent appropriations may not exceed estimated resources certified by the County Budget Commission.
- (5) Unused appropriations lapse at year-end and encumbrances are added to the ensuing year's appropriations.
- (6) All funds have annual budgets legally adopted by City Council.

As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance. On the GAAP basis, encumbrances outstanding at year-end in governmental fund types are reported as a reservation of fund balances.

The City's budgetary process is based upon accounting for transactions on the cash (budgetary) basis. The difference between cash basis (budgetary basis) and the modified accrual (GAAP) basis are that revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP), and expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when incurred (GAAP), and outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budgetary) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (GAAP).

CITY OF ASHLAND
NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING (Continued)

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 1999, on the GAAP basis to the budget basis are as follows:

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources
Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

	<u>General</u>	<u>Special</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>Debt</u> <u>Service</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Projects</u>
GAAP Basis	\$ (262,427)	\$ (115,323)	\$ (33,922)	\$(2,449,904)
Net Revenue Adjustments	(248,031)	(107,239)	-	1,101,655
Net Expenditure Adjustments	(26,398)	(154,524)	-	(772,280)
Encumbrances	<u>(81,615)</u>	<u>(90,361)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,634,327)</u>
Budget Basis	<u>\$(618,471)</u>	<u>\$ (467,446)</u>	<u>\$ (33,922)</u>	<u>\$(3,754,858)</u>

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash balances of all City funds are pooled and invested in order to improve cash management. Investments are recorded at cost, which approximates market value. The City concedes certificates of deposit with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Unless otherwise restricted, interest income is allocated to the Capital Improvement Investment Fund, a Capital Projects Fund.

F. Inventory

Inventory is valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. The costs of inventory items are recognized as expenditures or expensed when used.

G. Prepaid Expenditures

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit beyond year-end are recorded as prepaid expenditures. Additionally, bond issuance costs amortized over the life of the bonds are recorded as prepaid expenditures in the Enterprise Fund.

CITY OF ASHLAND
NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

H. Fixed Assets

Fixed assets include land, utilities, buildings, and machinery and equipment owned by the City. Infrastructure including streets, bridges, and sidewalks is not included.

Fixed assets acquired or constructed for general governmental purposes are reported as expenditures in the fund that financed the asset acquisition and capitalized in the General Fixed Assets Account Group.

Property and equipment acquired by proprietary funds are capitalized in those funds. All fixed assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost or at estimated fair market value at the time of donation.

I. Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated and recorded using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the fixed assets in proprietary funds. Assets in the General Fixed Assets Account Group are not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives of the various classes of fixed assets range as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Estimated useful Life</u>
Utilities	45 to 80 years
Buildings and Improvements	20 to 50 years
Machinery and Equipment	6 to 15 years

J. Encumbrances

On the GAAP basis, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for expenditures are encumbered and reported as reservations of fund balances for subsequent year expenditures in governmental funds.

CITY OF ASHLAND
NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

K. Compensated Absences

The City records a liability for sick leave and other compensated absences when the obligation is attributable to services previously rendered, the obligation relates to rights that vest or accumulate, payment of the obligation is probable and the amount of the obligations can be reasonably determinable. For governmental funds, the portion of unpaid sick leave that is to be paid using current available financial resources is reported as an expenditure in the fund from which the individuals earning the vacation or sick leave are paid, with a corresponding liability reflected in the account "compensated absences payable". The long-term debt portion of the liability is reported in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group.

In the proprietary funds, compensated absences are expensed when earned and the related liability reported within the fund.

L. Fund Balance Reserves

Reserves of fund balance in governmental fund types indicate a portion of fund balance is not available for current appropriation or is legally segregated for a specific future use. Fund balances are reserved for encumbrances, inventories of supplies and materials, prepaid expenditures, debt service-principal and debt service-interest.

M. Grants and Other Intergovernmental Revenues

Federal grants and assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as *intergovernmental receivables and revenues when entitlement occurs*. All other federal reimbursement-type grants are recorded as intergovernmental receivables and revenues when the related expenditures/expenses are incurred.

N. Contributed Capital

Contributed capital was estimated as the amount of federal grant monies received by the City which were used to purchase enterprise fund fixed assets, plus the amount of net fixed assets of the enterprise funds acquired through capital contributions by the City or others.

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(Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

O. Total Columns on Combined Statements

Total columns on the Combined Statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or cash flows in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, nor is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

P. Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

Revenues for governmental funds are recorded when they are determined to be both measurable and available. Generally, tax revenues, fees, and non-tax revenues are recognized when received. Grants from other governments are recognized when qualifying expenditures are incurred. Expenditures for governmental funds are recorded when the related liability is incurred.

Q. Proceeds of General Obligation Bonds and Notes

The proceeds of those general obligation bonds and notes which are accounted for in the General Long -Term Obligation Account Group are reported as "other financing sources" in the funds receiving the proceeds.

R. Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the City has numerous transactions between funds, including the expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and service outstanding debt. Operating subsidies are recorded as operating transfers. The classification of amounts, if any, recorded as subsidies, advances, or equity contributions is based on the intent of the City at the time of the transactions.

CITY OF ASHLAND
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2. POOLED CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Charter of the City of Ashland specifies that a Director of Finance has responsibility for selecting depositories and investing idle funds. The Director of Finance also has the authority to choose the types of deposits and investments made by the City.

The City's policy is to limit deposits and investments to insured and/or collateralized demand deposit accounts, the State Treasurer's investment pool, certificates of deposit, U.S. Treasury bills, or obligations of other U.S. Agencies for which the principal and interest is guaranteed by the U.S. Government. The City does not enter into reverse repurchase agreements.

Legal Requirements

Statutes require the classification of monies held by the City into three categories:

Category 1 consists of "active" monies, those monies required to be kept in a "cash" or "near-cash" status for immediate use by the City. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the City's treasury or in depository accounts payable or with drawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts.

Category 2 consists of "inactive" monies, those monies not required for use within the current two-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive monies may be deposited or invested only as certificates of deposit maturing no later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Category 3 consists of "interim" monies, those monies that are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of depositories. Interim monies may be invested or deposited in the following securities:

Interim monies may be invested in the following obligations. In general, investments must be mature or redeemable within five years from the date of purchase:

1. Bonds, notes, or other obligations of or guaranteed by the United States, or those for which the faith of the United States is pledged for the payment of principal and interest;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency, or the Export - Import Bank of Washington;

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(Continued)

2. POOLED CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Legal Requirements (Continued)

3. Repurchase agreements in the securities enumerated above;
4. Interim deposits in the eligible institutions applying for interim monies;
5. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio; and
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool.

Deposits

At December 31, 1999, the carrying amount of the City's cash deposits was \$(88,932) and the bank balance was \$639,629. In addition to deposits, the City had cash with fiscal agents in the amount of \$465,208 at year-end. Federal depository insurance covered \$200,000 of the bank balance, and all remaining deposits were covered by pooled collateral.

Investments

Investments are classified into three categories to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the City at year-end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the City or its agent in the City's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which securities are held by the broker's or dealer's trust department or agent in the City's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the broker or agent, or by its trust department or agent, but not in the City's name. The City's investments at December 31, 1999 have been classified as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Category 1</u>	<u>Category 3</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
U.S. Securities	\$17,367,076	\$ -	\$17,367,076	\$17,367,076
Repurchase Agreement	-	1,089,059	1,089,059	1,089,059
Star Ohio	-	-	1,768,931	1,768,931
Total Investments	<u>\$17,367,076</u>	<u>\$1,089,059</u>	<u>\$20,225,066</u>	<u>\$20,225,066</u>

CITY OF ASHLAND
NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999
(Continued)

2. POOLED CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

A reconciliation between classifications of cash and investments on the combined financial statements and the classifications per GASB statement No. 3 is as follows:

	<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>	<u>Investments</u>
Per Combined Balance Sheet	\$20,136,134	\$ -
Investments:		
U.S. securities	(17,367,076)	17,367,076
Repurchase agreement	(1,089,059)	1,089,059
STAR Ohio	<u>(1,768,931)</u>	<u>1,768,931</u>
Carrying Amount	<u>\$ (88,932)</u>	<u>\$20,225,066</u>

The City has invested funds in the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio) during fiscal year 1999. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 1999.

3. PROPERTY TAXES

Real property taxes are levied on October 1 of the preceding calendar year on assessed values equal to 35% of appraised values as of January 1 of that preceding year, the lien date. The County Auditor re-appraises all real property every six years with a triennial update. The last appraisal was completed for tax year 1999.

Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31 with remainder payable by June 20 of the following year. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits later payment dates to be established.

CITY OF ASHLAND
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(Continued)

3. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

The full tax rate applied to real property for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999, was \$5.70 per \$1000 of assessed valuation. After adjustment of the rate for inflationary increases in property values, the effective tax rate was \$4.55 per \$1000 of assessed valuation for real property classified as residential / agricultural and \$4.87 per \$1000 of assessed valuation for all other real property. Real property owners' tax bills are further reduced by homestead and rollback deductions, when applicable. The amount of these homestead and rollback reductions is reimbursed to the City by the State of Ohio.

Owners of tangible personal property are required to file a list of such property including costs, by April 30 of each year. The property is assessed for tax purposes at varying statutory percentages of cost. The tax rate applied to tangible personal property for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999 was \$5.70 per \$1000 of assessed valuation.

Real Property - 1998 Valuation:	
Residential / Agricultural	\$ 144,290,970
Other Real Property	55,657,030
Tangible Personal Property - 1999	
Valuation:	
General	72,512,939
Public Utilities	<u>14,259,620</u>
Total Assessed Valuation	<u>\$ 286,720,559</u>

The Ashland County Treasurer collects property tax on behalf of all tax districts within the County. The County Auditor periodically remits to the taxing district their portion of the taxes collected.

Accrued taxes receivable includes delinquent taxes on outstanding and real property, personal property and public utility taxes which became measurable as of December 31, 1999.

4. MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX

This locally levied tax of 1.5 percent is applied to gross salaries, wages and other personal services compensation earned by residents both in and out of the City and to earnings of non-residents (except certain transients) earned in the City. It also applies to net income of business organizations conducted within the City.

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4. MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX (Continued)

Income tax revenues are distributed among the General Fund (60%), Streets and Highway Fund, a Special Revenue Fund (18%), the Park and Recreation Fund, a Special Revenue Fund (11%), and the Water Fund, an Enterprise Fund (3%), Storm Water Drainage, an Enterprise Fund (2%) and Building Expansion Fund, a capital improvement fund (6%). The distribution was change by ordinance 96-99 to General fund (60%) and Building Expansion (40%).

5. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The following balances at December 31, 1999 represent individual fund interfund receivables and payables.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivables</u>	<u>Interfund Payables</u>
Capital Improvement	\$163,049	\$ -
Downtown Beautification	-	35,000
Community Block Grant	-	19,250
George Road Improvements	-	55,158
Brookside Golf Course	-	53,641
	<u>\$163,049</u>	<u>\$163,049</u>

6. ACCUMULATED UNPAID EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

City employees generally earn vacation ranging from two to five weeks per year based on length of service. Accumulated vacation leave can not be carried over from one year to another without the express written authorization of the Mayor. Sick leave is generally earned at the rate of 4.6 hours for every 80 hours worked and employees may accumulate on a continuing basis. Sick Leave is fully vested when earned. 25% of unused sick leave, up to the following maximums for employees who complete ten years of service plus any accumulated vacation leave, is paid at retirement or death. Sick leave accumulates up to a maximum of 624 hours for members of the Northern Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, 624 hours for police dispatchers and 624 hours for fire dispatchers, 811 hours for members of The International Association of Fire Fighters Local 1386, AFL-CIO, 624 hours for all non-union City employees and 470 hours for AFSCME employees. For governmental fund types, accumulated vacation leave approximated \$73,279 and 25% of accumulated sick leave approximated \$493,635 at December 31, 1999. These amounts are recorded as liabilities in the General Long-Term Obligation Account Group. For proprietary funds, accumulated vacation leave approximated \$19,571 and 25% of accumulated sick leave approximated \$197,069 as of December 31, 1999. These amounts are recorded as liabilities in the respective enterprise fund.

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7. PENSION PLANS

A. Police and Fireman's Disability and Pension Fund (PFDPF)

The City of Ashland contributes to the Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund (PFDPF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PFDPF provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Contribution requirements and benefit provisions are established by the Ohio State Legislature and are codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code. The PFDPF issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to PFDPF, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Plan members are required to contribute 10% of their annual covered salary, while employers are required to contribute 19.5% and 24% respectively for police officers and firefighters. The City of Ashland's contributions to PFDPF for the years ending December 31, 1999, 1998, and 1997 were \$624,473, \$587,761, and \$547,906 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

The Fund provides post retirement health care coverage to any person who received or is eligible to receive a monthly benefit check or is a spouse or eligible dependent child of such person. An eligible dependent child is any child under the age of 18 whether or not the child is attending school or under the age of 22 if attending school full-time or on a 2/3 basis. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 12. The Ohio Revised Code provides that health care cost paid from the funds of the Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund shall be included in the employer's contribution rate. The total police employer contribution rate is 19.5% of covered payroll and the total firefighter employer contribution rate is 24% of covered payroll.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority allowing the Fund's Board of Trustees to provide health care coverage to all eligible individuals.

Health care funding and accounting is on a pay-as-you-go basis. Currently 6.5% of covered payroll, the board defined allocation, is used to pay retiree health care expenses. In addition, since July 1, 1992 most retirees have been required to contribute a portion of the cost of their health care coverage through a deduction from their monthly benefit payment.

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7. PENSION PLANS (Continued))

A. Police and Fireman's Disability and Pension Fund (PFDPF)

The City's contribution to fund PFDPF pension benefit obligation was \$217,243 for police and \$279,878 for fire, .780 and .809 of the current year employer contributions, respectively. In addition, police employees contributed \$111,407 and fire contributed \$116,617, .780 and .809, respectively, of the current year employee contribution.

PFDPF, as of December 31, 1999, has 11,424 and 9,186 participants eligible to receive health care benefits for police and firemen, respectively. The City contribution made to fund post employment benefits under the PFDPF during 1999 was \$99,988 for police and \$101,019 for fire to post employment benefits.

B. Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute per Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the fund. Interested parties may obtain a copy by making a written request to 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling (614) 466-2085.

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. Plan members are required to contribute 8.5% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 13.55%. The City's contributions to the plan for the years ending 1999 and 1998 and 1997 were \$842,169 and \$790,407 and \$771,161 respectively, equal to the required contributions for the year.

The Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio provides post-employment health care coverage to age and service retirants with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credits. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. A portion of each employer's contribution to the System is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care based on the authority granted by State statute. The employer contribution rate was 13.55% of covered payroll.

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7. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

B. Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirants with 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit and to primary survivor recipients of such retirants. Health care coverage for disability recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB No. 12. A portion of each employer's contribution to PERS is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employer contributions. The 1999 employer contribution rate was 13.55% of covered payroll; 4.2% was the portion that was used to fund health care for the year 1999.

OPEB is financed through employer contributions and investment earnings there on. The contributions allocated to retiree health and Medicare, along with investment income on allocated assets and periodic adjustments in health care provisions are expected to be sufficient to sustain the program indefinitely. Expenditures for OPEB during 1999 were \$523,599,349. As of December 31, 1999, the unaudited estimated net assets available for future OPEB payments were \$9,870,285,641. The number of benefits recipients eligible for OPEB at December 31, 1999 was 118,062. During 1997, the Retirement Board adopted a new calculation method for determining employer contributions applied OPEB. Under the new method, effective January 1, 1998, employer contributions, equal to 4.2% of member covered payroll, are used to fund health care expenses. Under the prior method, accrued liabilities and normal cost rates were determined for retiree health care coverage.

8. DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

A summary of notes payable and other long-term obligations follows:

	Balance 01/01/99	Additions	Reductions	Balance 12/31/99
<u>Enterprise Funds:</u>				
1991 Issue Pool	260,000	-	(20,000)	240,000
1990 Issue Sanitary Sewer	2,245,000	-	(125,000)	2,120,000
1990 Issue OWDA	2,985,425	-	(186,879)	2,798,546
1997 Issue Notes Payable	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(250,000)</u>	<u>1,750,000</u>
	<u>\$7,490,425</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$(581,879)</u>	<u>\$6,908,546</u>

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8. **DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS** (Continued)

General Long Term Obligations

Account Group:

1991 Issue Municipal Bldg.	\$ 185,000	\$ -	\$ (15,000)	\$ 170,000
1991 Salt Storage Building	90,000	-	(10,000)	80,000
1978 Hospital Improvement	165,000	-	(55,000)	110,000
1979 Street Improvement	9,000	-	(9,000)	-
1998 Issue Notes	5,343,000	-	(5,343,000)	-
1999 Issue Notes	-	6,953,000	(1,750,000)	5,203,000
Police / Fire Past Service	249,951	-	(249,951)	-
Compensated Absences	<u>771,032</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(204,118)</u>	<u>566,914</u>
	<u>6,812,983</u>	<u>6,953,000</u>	<u>(7,636,069)</u>	<u>6,129,914</u>
 TOTAL DEBT	 <u>\$14,303,408</u>	 <u>\$6,953,000</u>	 <u>\$(8,217,948)</u>	 <u>\$13,038,460</u>

The City issued the 1978 hospital improvement bonds on behalf of Samaritan Hospital. The City retires these bonds through payments received from the hospital. The assets of certain hospital funds are pledged to repay these debts. The City would assume the responsibility for funding the payments to retire these bonds in the event of default by the hospital.

Notes payable are general obligation bond anticipation notes in which the full faith, credit, and general revenues of the City are irrevocably pledged. Such notes are issued by the City with one-year maturity. Ohio law permits the issuance and renewal of bond anticipation notes consecutively before such notes must be retired either from available funds of the City or from the proceeds of bonds issued to redeem the anticipation notes.

Bonds payable, except the water and sewer related bonds, are general obligation bonds in which the full faith, credit, and general revenues of the City are irrevocably pledged. Water and sewer related bonds are for sewer and water utility construction projects. Property and revenues of these utility facilities have been pledged to repay this debt.

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8. DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

It is the intention of the City that all enterprise fund obligations be paid from their operations.

A summary of annual requirements to pay principal and interest on debt outstanding at December 31, 1999 is as follows:

	<u>Enterprise Funds</u>		<u>General Long-Term Obligation Account Group</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2000	\$2,106,340	\$ 383,883	\$5,283,000	\$ 221,316
2001	376,279	285,041	85,000	18,412
2002	396,743	262,873	30,000	13,223
2003	417,694	239,374	30,000	11,303
2004	449,200	214,432	30,000	9,247
2005-2010	<u>3,162,290</u>	<u>666,962</u>	<u>105,000</u>	<u>14,385</u>
	<u>\$ 6,908,546</u>	<u>\$ 2,052,565</u>	<u>\$ 5,563,000</u>	<u>\$287,886</u>

9. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>01/01/99</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/99</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 3,431,285	\$ 98,935	\$ (3,915)	\$ 3,526,305
Buildings and Improvements	3,417,262	69,866	(40,409)	3,446,719
Machinery and Equipment	4,434,732	409,327	(141,940)	4,702,119
Construction in Progress	-	<u>2,954,204</u>	-	<u>2,954,204</u>
Total	<u>\$11,283,279</u>	<u>\$3,532,332</u>	<u>\$(186,264)</u>	<u>\$14,629,347</u>

A summary of proprietary fund property, plant, and equipment at December 31, 1999 by class and by individual Fund is as follows:

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9. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

ENTERPRISE

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Sanitation</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 50,676	\$ 101,740	\$ 25,000
Buildings and Improvements	130,645	37,315	150,000
Utility Plant in Service	12,084,646	22,082,405	-
Construction-in-Progress	-	53,814	-
Machinery and Equipment	<u>507,966</u>	<u>877,635</u>	<u>614,804</u>
Total	12,773,933	23,152,909	789,804
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(5,309,628)</u>	<u>(6,325,486)</u>	<u>(476,654)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 7,464,305</u>	<u>\$16,827,423</u>	<u>\$ 313,150</u>

	<u>Swimming Pool</u>	<u>Golf Course</u>	<u>Total</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 37,120	\$ 685,461	\$ 900,197
Buildings and Improvements	793,525	215,685	1,327,170
Utility Plant in Service	-	-	34,167,051
Construction in Progress	-	73,459	127,273
Machinery and Equipment	<u>19,957</u>	<u>527,802</u>	<u>2,548,164</u>
Total	850,602	1,502,607	39,069,853
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(257,175)</u>	<u>(481,632)</u>	<u>(12,850,573)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 593,427</u>	<u>\$ 1,020,975</u>	<u>\$26,219,280</u>

INTERNAL SERVICE

	<u>Tax</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>	<u>Total Internal Service</u>	<u>Total Proprietary</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900,197
Buildings and Improvements	63,877	-	63,877	1,391,047
Utility Plant in Service	-	-	-	34,167,051
Construction in Progress	-	-	-	127,273
Machinery and Equipment	<u>14,831</u>	<u>2,462</u>	<u>17,293</u>	<u>2,565,457</u>
Total	78,708	2,462	81,170	39,151,025
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(5,007)</u>	<u>(1,046)</u>	<u>(6,054)</u>	<u>(12,856,629)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 73,701</u>	<u>\$ 1,416</u>	<u>\$ 75,116</u>	<u>\$ 26,294,396</u>

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10. SEGMENT INFORMATION FOR ENTERPRISE FUNDS (Continued)

The following is a summary of Proprietary fixed assets by category at December 31, 1999:

	<u>Historical Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>Book Value</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 900,197	\$ -	\$ 900,197
Buildings and Improvements	1,391,047	(496,785)	894,262
Utility Plant in Service	34,167,051	(10,730,061)	23,436,990
Construction in Progress	127,273	-	127,273
Machinery and Equipment	<u>2,565,457</u>	<u>(1,629,783)</u>	<u>935,675</u>
Total	<u>\$ 39,151,025</u>	<u>\$ (12,856,629)</u>	<u>\$ 26,294,396</u>

The City maintains five enterprise activities, which provide water, sewer, and sanitation and recreational services. Information for the year ended December 31, 1999 for these enterprise activities is summarized as follows:

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Sanitation</u>
Operating revenue	\$ 2,026,457	\$ 2,493,274	\$1,084,334
Depreciation expense	258,996	467,333	45,630
Operating income (loss)	19,405	565,021	(114,339)
Net Income (loss)	312,397	415,740	(132,652)
Total Assets	12,126,410	22,607,737	1,327,271
Net Working Capital	4,512,726	5,131,966	913,302
Property, plant, & equipment:			
Additions	124,273	309,829	87,801
Deletions	(13,354)	(18,445)	-
Bonds, notes and loans payable	-	6,668,546	-
Total Equity	11,977,030	15,746,456	1,226,453

	<u>Swimming Pool</u>	<u>Golf Course</u>	<u>Total</u>
Operating revenue	\$ 82,982	\$ 537,192	\$ 6,224,239
Depreciation expense	19,377	36,946	828,282
Operating income (loss)	(20,194)	(89,687)	360,206
Net Income (loss)	189	(42,894)	552,780
Total Assets	616,029	1,144,952	37,822,399
Net Working Capital	21,242	20,438	10,599,674
Property, plant, & equipment:			
Additions	-	63,773	585,676
Deletions	-	-	(31,799)
Bonds, notes and loans payable	240,000	-	6,908,546
Total equity	374,669	1,041,413	30,366,021

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11. RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 1999, the City contracted with private carriers for property and fleet insurance, liability insurance, and inland marine coverage. Coverage provided is as follows:

Building and Contents – replacement cost (\$500 deductible) - \$37,572,270

Automobile Liability (\$250 deductible) - \$1,000,000

Uninsured Motorists - \$25,000

General Liability - \$2,000,000

Public Officials Liability (\$7,000 deductible) - \$1,000,000

Umbrella Coverage - \$10,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years

12. CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL

Changes in contributed capital during the year were as follows:

Contributed Capital, January 1, 1999	\$16,011,660
From other funds	81,030
Development	<u>80,353</u>
Contributed Capital, December 31, 1999	<u>\$16,173,043</u>

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13. SELF-INSURANCE

The City participates in a self - insurance plan for health care benefits with Professional Claims Management. The activity of the plan is recorded in the City's Internal Service Fund. Funds are transferred on a monthly basis to the Internal Service Fund from the other participating funds and paid monthly to Professional Claims Management. The claims liability of \$142,463 reported in the Internal Service Fund at December 31, 1999 is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and meets the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10 which requires that a liability for unpaid claim cost, including estimates of cost relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. Changes in claims activity for the past year are as follows:

	<u>Claims Payable</u> <u>December 31,</u>	<u>Current Year</u> <u>Claims</u>	<u>Current Year</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Claims Payable</u> <u>December 31,</u>
1998	\$ 69,886	\$939,670	\$(880,289)	\$129,267
1999	129,267	781,430	(768,234)	142,463

14. DEFERRED REVENUES

Certain revenues, such as property taxes, that are measurable and available at year end but not received during the available period of sixty days after year end are recorded as a receivable and deferred revenue. The revenue is recognized in the subsequent year in which it is received.

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15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The City received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims would not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the City at December 31, 1999.

The City is a party to several legal proceedings seeking damages or injunctive relief generally incidental to its operations. The City's management is of the opinion that the ultimate disposition of various claims and legal proceedings will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the City.

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

City Of Ashland Ashland County

We have audited the financial statements of the City Of Ashland, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated June 27, 2000. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Ashland's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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 that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level

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the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management in a separate letter dated June 27, 2000.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

June 27, 2000

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GENERAL COMMENTS

The report was reviewed with and acknowledged by the following officials on June 27, 2000:

Director of Finance:	William Strine
Director of Accounting:	Nancy Boyd
Accounting Specialist:	Lee Yarman

These officials were informed that they had five working days for the Auditor of State and sixty days for the federal government from the date of the post audit conference to respond to, or contest, in writing, the report contents. No such response was received.

City personnel were cooperative and available for questions and assistance during regular working hours.



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

By: Susan Babbitt

Date: JUL 27 2000