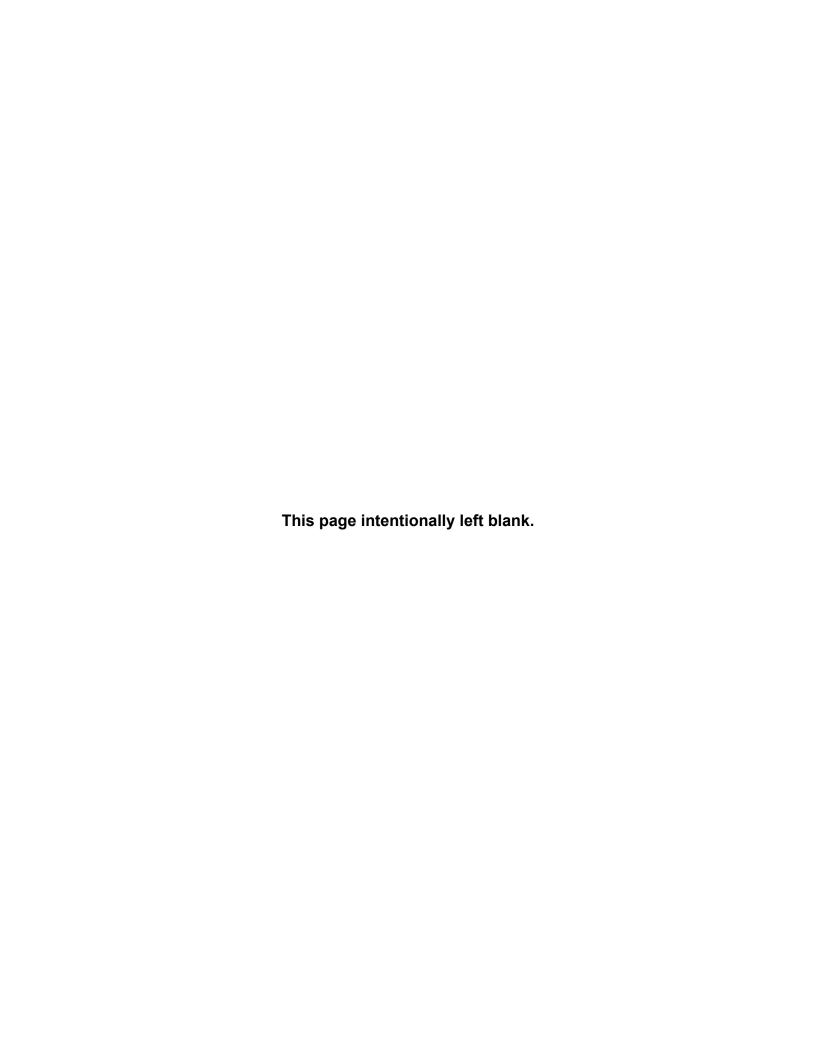




# WILLIAMS COUNTY DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH WILLIAMS COUNTY DECEMBER 31, 2023

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Williams County District Board of Health Williams County 310 Lincoln Avenue Montpelier, Ohio 43543-0146

To the Board of Health:

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

### **Unmodified and Adverse Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the Williams County District Board of Health, Williams County, Ohio (the District), which comprises the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### **Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting**

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions which Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 2.

# Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District, as of December 31, 2023, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

# **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principle

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the District on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
  fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures
  include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial
  statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that
raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable
period of time.

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

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 23, 2024, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 23, 2024

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# WILLIAMS COUNTY DITSTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH WILLIAMS COUNTY

Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Cash Receipts State Funds Federal Funds Taxes Intergovernmental Fines, Licenses and Permits Contractual Services Other Receipts	\$25,635 33,449 806,480 20,894 188,889 145,403 9,439	Special Revenue \$48,971 729,060 130,000 229,483 174,266 9,422	Combined Total  \$74,606 762,509 806,480 150,894 418,372 319,669 18,861
Total Cash Receipts	1,230,189	1,321,202	2,551,391
Cash Disbursements Salaries Medicare Public Employee's Retirement Workers' Compensation Auditing Fees Contractual Services Equipment/Computers and Maintenance Insurance Other Expenses Retirement Remittance to State Supplies and Postage Advertising and Printing Travel and Expenses	504,376 7,133 69,261 2,465 15,170 186,842 61,048 171,710 27,999 5,000 34,689 171,639 61,073 18,487	673,034 8,632 93,178 4,029 380,200 49,463 129,175 77,831 16,086 44,730 7,065 51,702	1,177,410 15,765 162,439 6,494 15,170 567,042 110,511 300,885 105,830 5,000 50,775 216,369 68,138 70,189
Total Cash Disbursements	1,336,892	1,535,125	2,872,017
Excess of Disbursements Over Receipts	(106,703)	(213,923)	(320,626)
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements) Transfers In Transfers Out Advances In Advances Out	98,672 (154,700) 78,700 (78,303)	154,700 (98,672) 78,303 (78,700)	253,372 (253,372) 157,003 (157,003)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	(55,631)	55,631	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(162,334)	(158,292)	(320,626)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	863,604	386,439	1,250,043
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$701,270	\$228,147	\$929,417

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

### **Note 1 – Reporting Entity**

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Williams County District Board of Health, Williams County, Ohio, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. A ninemember Board and a Health Commissioner govern the Board of Health. The District's services include recording of vital statistics; inspection of food services facilities, water, wells, sewers, campgrounds, and trailer parks; public health and home nursing services; and investigation of complaints made to the Board of Health concerning the health and welfare of the County.

The Board of Health's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District is financially accountable.

### **Public Entity Risk Pool**

The District participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 7 to the financial statements provides additional information for this entity.

### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# Basis of Presentation

The District's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements, and changes in fund balances (cash basis) for all governmental fund types organized on a fund type basis.

# Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the District are presented below:

**General Fund** The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Special Revenue Funds** These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The District had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

**Environmental Health Fund** This fund receives fees generated by licenses for the following programs: food service operations, retail food service for providing home nursing services to elderly and homebound persons.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

# Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (C). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (C) permit.

### **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to budget each fund annually.

*Appropriations* Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The District Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

*Estimated Resources* Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must approve estimated resources.

*Encumbrances* The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2023 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

### Capital Assets

The District records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

# Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

#### Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

**Nonspendable** The District classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact. For regulatory purposes, nonspendable fund balance includes unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the District and the nonspendable portion of the corpus in permanent funds.

**Restricted** Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

**Committed** The Board can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The District must adhere to these commitments unless the Board amends the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

**Assigned** Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

*Unassigned* Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

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

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 11.

### Note 3 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2023, follows:

2023 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
	Budgeted	Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance	
General	\$1,233,829	\$1,328,861	\$95,032	
Special Revenue	1,650,518	1,475,902	(174,616)	
Total	\$2,884,347	\$2,804,763	(\$79,584)	

2023 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Appropriation Budgetary

Fund Type Authority Expenditures Variance
eneral \$1,641,780 \$1,510,403 \$131,37

 General
 \$1,641,780
 \$1,510,403
 \$131,377

 Special Revenue
 1,910,540
 1,636,159
 274,381

 Total
 \$3,552,320
 \$3,146,562
 \$405,758

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

### Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

As required by the Ohio Revised Code, the Williams County Treasurer is custodian for the District's deposits. The County's deposit and investment pool holds the District's assets, valued at the Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

### **Note 5 – Property Taxes**

# **Property Taxes**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the District is subject adopts rates. The State Department of Taxation, Division of Tax Equalization, adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include credits and/or deduction amounts the State pays as Other Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the taxing district.

The County is responsible for assessing property and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the District.

### **Note 6 – Interfund Balances**

### Advances

Outstanding advances due to the General Fund at December 31, 2023, consisted of \$15,000 advanced to the COVID-19 Enhanced Operations Fund, \$37,000 to the ECHO Fund, \$40,000 to the Workforce Fund, Grant Fund, \$67,000 to the Women, Infants and Children Fund, \$28,500 to the Highway Safety Fund, \$6,430 to the COVID-19 Vaccination Fund, \$10,000 to the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Fund, \$55,287 to the Community Funding Construction Grant \$16 to the Breastfeeding in the Workplace Fund, to provide working capital for operations.

# **Transfers**

The District transferred \$154,700 to the Environmental Health Fund from the General Fund to provide working capital for operations. Also, with the approval of the Ohio Department of Health, the District transferred \$10,072 from the Immunization Grant Fund and \$38,600 from the Material and Child Health Program Fund and \$50,000 from the COVID Vaccine Fund to the General Fund to close out unused grant funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

### Note 7 – Risk Management

### **Risk Pool Membership**

The District is a member of the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (The Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the District's policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official's liability
- Cyber
- Law enforcement liability
- Automobile liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of December 31:

<u>2023</u>

Cash and investments \$43,996,442

Actuarial liabilities \$19,743,401

### Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan

### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The District employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the District contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2023.

### **Note 9 – Postemployment Benefits**

OPERS offers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plan, that includes multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2023. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2023.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

### **Note 10 – Contingent Liabilities**

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. The grantor may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

### **Note 11 – Fund Balances**

Included in fund balance are amounts the District cannot spend, including the balance of unclaimed monies, which cannot be spent for five years. Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitates effective cash planning and control. At year end the balances of these amounts were as follows:

		Special	
Fund Balances	General	Revenue	Total
Nonspendable:			
<b>Unclaimed Monies</b>	\$1,876		\$1,876
Outstanding Encumbrances	18,811	\$2,362	21,173
Total	\$20,687	\$2,362	\$23,049

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. These restricted and committed amounts in the special revenue funds would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Williams County District Board of Health Williams County 310 Lincoln Avenue Montpelier, Ohio 43543-0146

#### To the Board of Health:

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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements of the Williams County District Board of Health, Williams County, Ohio, (the District), and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2024, wherein we noted the District followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(C) permit.

### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 District'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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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# Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District'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 financial statements. 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 District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 23, 2024



# WILLIAMS COUNTY DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH

### **WILLIAMS COUNTY**

### **AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



Certified for Release 9/10/2024

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